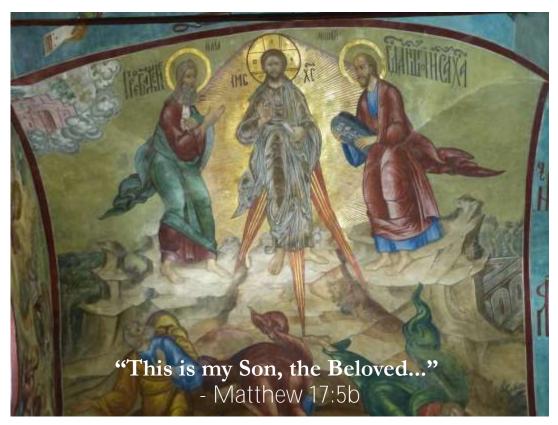
Welcome to **St. John's Cathedral**



February 26, 2017 - 8 a.m. The Last Sunday after the Epiphany

LOVE at the CORE.

Welcome to St. John's Cathedral! We are so glad that you are here.

We worship God in the heart of the city. We are surrounded by the poor in an area of town that is often neglected. In his life, Jesus often ministered to the poor and needy, and we believe that by worshipping God in the urban core, we can catch a glimpse of God's love.

We welcome all people. Our nursery is open all morning on Sundays. We would love to get to know you better, and you can help us by filling out a visitor card located in your pew and placing it in the offering plate as it comes by, or by handing it to an usher. Please let us know if you need prayers and if you would like us to email you our online newsletter. Listening devices are always available for the hearing impaired and large-print bulletins for those who have trouble with their eyesight. Please ask an usher if you need these items or anything else. We want to help you feel at home here.

We believe that worship should be beautiful and sacred, a moment to hush the hurriedness of our lives and experience the peace of God. I hope that you feel God's love this morning.

Faithfully,

The Very Reverend Kate Moorehead, Dean

LENTEN MUSIC OFFERINGS AT THE CATHEDRAL

"Eternal Lord of love, behold your Church walking once more the pilgrim way of Lent, led by your cloud by day, by night your fire, moved by your love and toward your presence bent: far off yet here - the goal of all desire."

-Thomas H. Cain

Once again, we are approaching the season of Lent, a time of year I always look forward to and which has always held a special place in my musical and spiritual life. Growing up in New York State, Lent would usually mark that time of the year when the harsh winter



weather finally showed signs of easing up. The fierce cold would start to abate, snow banks would begin to shrink, and the earliest signs of the ensuing spring would appear in the forms of blooming tulips and tree buds. I always felt these were apt metaphors for the season of anticipation and preparation leading up to Easter Day and the joy of the Resurrection.

This concept of anticipation, coupled with contemplation and spiritual reflection, are key qualities found in much of the great Lenten sacred music of the church. As Episcopalians we are blessed to be heirs to a rich and diverse tradition of Lenten music, stretching back at least half a millennium. The theology and poetry found in the Lenten liturgies has been a continual source of inspiration to many of the greatest composers of every age, right up to the present day.

Here at St. John's Cathedral, we have a long tradition of offering many musical liturgies between Ash Wednesday and Holy Week. This year we will begin Lent on March 1 with Ash Wednesday services at 7 a.m., 12 p.m., and 7 p.m., followed by our annual Lenten Choral Evensong on Sunday, March 5, at 5pm. This service, with its calm and meditative atmosphere, is one of my very favorite services of the Christian year.

During Holy Week we will have our Maundy Thursday service on April 13 at 7 p.m., and our Good Friday service of the Seven Last Words on the following day at noon. At 7 p.m. on the evening of Good Friday, I will be offering an organ recital and poetry reading of the Stations of the Cross. Finally, Easter will begin with our 6 a.m. Vigil, followed by Eucharist at 9 a.m. and 11:15 a.m.

These special services during this holy season are wonderful times to reflect, pray and renew the soul.

Tim Tuller, Canon for Music

THE HOLY EUCHARIST

A joyous and warm welcome to our visitors and guests. Please know how happy our Cathedral community is to have you worship with us. We'd love to know our guests, so please fill out a visitor card and drop it in the offering plate as it comes by.

In Procession, Hymn 460

"Alleluia! Sing to Jesus" (st. 1 - 3)

Hyfrydol

THE LITURGY OF THE WORD

Celebrant

Blessed be our God.

People

For ever and ever. Amen.

Celebrant and People

Almighty God, to you all hearts are open, all desires known, and from you no secrets are hid: Cleanse the thoughts of our hearts by the inspiration of your Holy Spirit, that we may perfectly love you, and worthily magnify your holy Name; through Christ our Lord. Amen.

The Collect of the Day

Celebrant

People

The Lord be with you. And also with you.

. Celebrant

Let us pray.

The Celebrant continues

O God, who before the passion of your only-begotten Son revealed his glory upon the holy mountain: Grant to us that we, beholding by faith the light of his countenance, may be strengthened to bear our cross, and be changed into his likeness from glory to glory; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever. *Amen.*

The People are seated.

The Lesson 2 Peter 1:16-21

Lector A Reading from the Second Letter of Peter.

We did not follow cleverly devised myths when we made known to you the power and coming of our Lord Jesus Christ, but we had been eyewitnesses of his majesty. For he received honor and glory from God the Father when that voice was conveyed to him by the Majestic Glory, saying, "This is my Son, my Beloved, with whom I am well pleased." We ourselves heard this voice come from heaven, while we were with him on the holy mountain. So we have the prophetic message more fully confirmed. You will do well to be attentive to this as to a lamp shining in a dark place, until the day dawns and the morning star rises in your hearts. First of all you must understand this, that no prophecy of scripture is a matter of one's own interpretation, because no prophecy ever came by human will, but men and women moved by the Holy Spirit spoke from God.

Lector The Word of the Lord. People Thanks be to God.

A period of silence for reflection follows the reading.

The Psalm is read in unison.

Psalm 2

Why are the nations in an uproar? *
Why do the peoples mutter empty threats?

Why do the kings of the earth rise up in revolt, and the princes plot together, * against the Lord and against his Anointed?

"Let us break their yoke," they say; *
"let us cast off their bonds from us."

He whose throne is in heaven is laughing; * the Lord has them in derision.

Then he speaks to them in his wrath, * and his rage fills them with terror.

"I myself have set my king * upon my holy hill of Zion."

Let me announce the decree of the Lord: *
he said to me, "You are my Son; this day have I begotten you.

Ask of me, and I will give you the nations for your inheritance * and the ends of the earth for your possession.

You shall crush them with an iron rod * and shatter them like a piece of pottery."

And now, you kings, be wise; * be warned, you rulers of the earth.

Submit to the Lord with fear, * and with trembling bow before him;

Lest he be angry and you perish; * for his wrath is quickly kindled.

Happy are they all * who take refuge in him!

A period of silence for reflection follows the reading.

The People stand.

The Gospel Matthew 17:1-9

Gospeler The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to Matthew.

People Glory to you, Lord Christ.

Six days later, Jesus took with him Peter and James and his brother John and led them up a high mountain, by themselves. And he was transfigured before them, and his face shone like the sun, and his clothes became dazzling white. Suddenly there appeared to them Moses and Elijah, talking with him. Then Peter said to Jesus, "Lord, it is good for us to be here; if you wish, I will

make three dwellings here, one for you, one for Moses, and one for Elijah." While he was still speaking, suddenly a bright cloud overshadowed them, and from the cloud a voice said, "This is my Son, the Beloved; with him I am well pleased; listen to him!" When the disciples heard this, they fell to the ground and were overcome by fear. But Jesus came and touched them, saying, "Get up and do not be afraid." And when they looked up, they saw no one except Jesus himself alone. As they were coming down the mountain, Jesus ordered them, "Tell no one about the vision until after the Son of Man has been raised from the dead."

Gospeler The Gospel of the Lord.
People Praise to you, Lord Christ.

The People are seated.

The Sermon

The Very Reverend Kate Moorehead

A period of silence for reflection follows the sermon.

The People stand.

The Nicene Creed

The Celebrant and People say

We believe in one God, the Father, the Almighty, maker of heaven and earth, of all that is, seen and unseen.

We believe in one Lord, Jesus Christ, the only Son of God, eternally begotten of the Father, God from God, Light from Light, true God from true God, begotten, not made, of one Being with the Father. Through him all things were made. For us and for our salvation he came down from heaven: by the power of the Holy Spirit he became incarnate from the Virgin Mary, and was made man. For our sake he was crucified under Pontius Pilate; he suffered death and was buried. On the third day he rose again in accordance with the Scriptures; he ascended into heaven and is seated at the right hand of the father. He will come again in glory to judge the living and the dead, and his kingdom will have no end.

We believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord, the giver of life, who proceeds from the Father and the Son. With the Father and the Son he is worshiped and glorified. He has spoken through the Prophets. We believe in one holy catholic and apostolic Church. We acknowledge one baptism for the forgiveness of sins. We look for the resurrection of the dead, and the life of the world to come. Amen.

The Prayers of the People All remain standing as able.

Almighty God, we gather in this house of prayer to give you thanks, to pray for the sick and suffering, and to ask for your light to enter the world. Let us pray together with all our hearts saying, Christ, be our light.

Lector For the world, that all the nations of the earth may come to honor and respect one another. We pray especially for the people of the Middle East. May we all come to know the peace of God. Let us pray together saying:

People Christ, be our light.

For the suffering: the hungry and the sick, the refugee and the prisoner, those who grieve and those who are alone. I invite you to speak aloud the names of those in need.... Let us pray together saying:

People Christ, be our light.

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Lector For our families, friends, and all those we love, for all those we encounter in our daily life and work, for those estranged from us, for those who hate us, and for those who feel unloved. Let us pray together saying:

People Christ, be our light.

Lector For the earth, that we may use its resources wisely, and be thankful for the gift of all creation. Let us pray together saying:

People Christ, be our light.

Lector For those who have died, both known and unknown to us. May they receive the joys of heaven. I invite you to speak aloud the names of those who have died.... Let us pray together saying:

People Christ, be our light.

Silence

The Celebrant concludes the prayers.

The Confession of Sin

The People kneel. The Celebrant says

Let us confess our sins against God and our neighbor.

Celebrant and People

Most merciful God, we confess that we have sinned against you in thought, word, and deed, by what we have done, and by what we have left undone. We have not loved you with our whole heart; we have not loved our neighbors as ourselves. We are truly sorry and we humbly repent. For the sake of your Son Jesus Christ, have mercy on us and forgive us; that we may delight in your will, and walk in your ways, to the glory of your Name. Amen.

The Celebrant continues

Almighty God have mercy on you, forgive you all your sins through our Lord Jesus Christ, strengthen you in all goodness, and by the power of the Holy Spirit keep you in eternal life. *Amen.*

The Peace

The People stand.

Celebrant The peace of Christ be always with you.

People And also with you.

The Clergy and People greet one another in the name of the Lord.

Welcome and Announcements

THE HOLY COMMUNION

Representatives of the congregation bring forward the People's offerings of money, and other gifts. The People stand when the offerings are brought forward and placed on the Altar.

Hymn 380, stanza 3 "Praise God, from whom all blessings flow"

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The Great Thanksgiving

The People stand.

Celebrant The Lord be with you.
People And also with you.
Celebrant Lift up your hearts.

People We lift them to the Lord.

Celebrant Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.
People It is right to give him thanks and praise.

Then, facing the Holy Table, the Celebrant proceeds

It is right, and a good and joyful thing, always and everywhere to give thanks to you, Father Almighty, Creator of heaven and earth.

Because in the mystery of the Word made flesh, you have caused a new light to shine in our hearts, to give the knowledge of your glory in the face of your Son Jesus Christ our Lord.

Therefore we praise you, joining our voices with Angels and Archangels and with all the company of heaven, who for ever sing this hymn to proclaim the glory of your Name:

The Celebrant and People say

Holy, holy, holy Lord, God of power and might,

heaven and earth are full of your glory.

Hosanna in the highest.

Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord.

Hosanna in the highest.

The People stand or kneel. The Celebrant continues

We give thanks to you, O God, for the goodness and love which you have made known to us in creation; in the calling of Israel to be your people; in your Word spoken through the prophets; and above all in the Word made flesh, Jesus, your Son. For in these last days you sent him to be incarnate from the Virgin Mary, to be the Savior and Redeemer of the world. In him, you have delivered us from evil, and made us worthy to stand before you. In him, you have brought us out of error into truth, out of sin into righteousness, out of death into life.

At the following words concerning the bread, the Celebrant is to hold it or lay a hand upon it; and at the words concerning the cup, to hold or place a hand upon the cup and any other vessel containing wine to be consecrated.

On the night before he died for us, our Lord Jesus Christ took bread; and when he had given thanks to you, he broke it, and gave it to his disciples, and said, "Take, eat: This is my Body, which is given for you. Do this for the remembrance of me."

After supper he took the cup of wine; and when he had given thanks, he gave it to them, and said, "Drink this, all of you: This is my Blood of the new Covenant, which is shed for you and for many for the forgiveness of sins. Whenever you drink it, do this for the remembrance of me."

Therefore, according to his command, O Father,

The Celebrant and People say
We remember his death,
We proclaim his resurrection,
We await his coming in glory;

The Celebrant continues

And we offer our sacrifice of praise and thanksgiving to you, O Lord of all; presenting to you, from your creation, this bread and this wine.

We pray you, gracious God, to send your Holy Spirit upon these gifts that they may be the Sacrament of the Body of Christ and his Blood of the new Covenant. Unite us to your Son in his sacrifice, that we may be acceptable through him, being sanctified by the Holy Spirit. In the fullness of time, put all things in subjection under your Christ, and bring us to that heavenly country where, with all your saints, we may enter the everlasting heritage of your sons and daughters; through Jesus Christ our Lord, the firstborn of all creation, the head of the Church, and the author of our salvation.

By him, and with him, and in him, in the unity of the Holy Spirit all honor and glory is yours, Almighty Father, now and for ever. *AMEN*.

And now, as our Savior Christ has taught us, we are bold to say,

Our Father, who art in heaven, hallowed be thy Name, thy kingdom come, thy will be done, on earth as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread. And forgive us our trespasses, as we forgive those who trespass against us. And lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory, for ever and ever. Amen.

The Breaking of the Bread

The Celebrant breaks the consecrated Bread. A period of silence is kept.

Celebrant Alleluia. Christ our Passover is sacrificed for us.

People Therefore let us keep the feast. Alleluia.

The Celebrant continues

The Gifts of God for the People of God. (Take them in remembrance that Christ died for you, and feed on him in your hearts by faith, with thanksgiving.)

Please join us at God's table.

All baptized people are welcome to receive communion. Everyone is welcome to come to the altar for a blessing.

If you would like a blessing, please fold your arms across your chest.

The Postcommunion Prayer

The Celebrant says Let us pray.

The Celebrant and People say together

Eternal God, heavenly Father, you have graciously accepted us as living members of your Son our Savior Jesus Christ, and you have fed us with spiritual food in the Sacrament of his Body and Blood. Send us now into the world in peace, and grant us strength and courage to love and serve you with gladness and singleness of heart; through Christ our Lord. Amen.

The Blessing

The Celebrant blesses the people.

In Procession, Hymn 460

"Alleluia! Sing to Jesus" (st. 4 - 5)

Hyfrydol

The Dismissal

Alleluia, alleluia! Let us go forth in the name of Christ.

People Thanks be to God. Alleluia, alleluia!

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The flowers in Cummings Chapel and at the High Altar are given to the glory of God, in loving memory of Betty Avery, by David Avery, in loving memory of Thomas Streets, and in thanksgiving for Cindy Miller, by Judi Rosenvold.

SERMON NOTES

THIS SUNDAY AT THE CATHEDRAL

SUNDAY, FEB. 26

► Holy Eucharist

8 a.m. Cummings Chapel

► Holy Eucharist

9 a.m. Cathedral

► Christian Formation for all ages

All Christian Formation classes meet at 10 a.m.

Children's Formation

Pre-K to Kindergarten - Room 5, Basement 1st - 3rd grades - Room 202, 2nd floor

Tweens Formation

4th - 5th grades - Room 302, 3rd floor

Youth Formation

6th - 8th grades - Undercroft

9th - 12th grades - Room 304, 3rd floor

Adult Formation

<u>Centering Prayer</u> - Room 306, 3rd floor This is a time in community to experience centering prayer as well as explore appropriate readings and reflections. All are invited.

<u>God and Human Conflict: Living Faithfully in a Violent World</u> - Taliaferro Hall

On Sundays in February, we will join thousands of people engaged in deliberative forums across the nation as we consider violence and use a dialogue resource entitled *Safety and Justice: How Should Communities Reduce Violence?*

Dean Kate and Rev. Gregg Kaufman will begin each Sunday forum with a reflection on a Gospel of Luke text. We will then break into small groups and with the help of a moderator and recorder, discuss our concerns about violence in Jacksonville, the consequences of human conflict, and how to increase safety and justice for all. We will endeavor to find common ground through empathetic listening and respectful disagreement.

► Holy Eucharist

11 a.m. Cathedral

► Ultreya

4 p.m. St. Catherine's Church (4758 Shelby Ave.) Please bring a covered dish to share!

► Birthday Blessings

Sunday, February 26 Libby Howell, Bonnie Burton, Cindy Miller, Amelia Barakat

Monday, February 27 Ida Davis, Scott Gallagher

Tuesday, February 28 Renee Harris, Liam Gentry, Penelope Nelson, Catherine Lewis-Tubre

Wednesday, March 1 Monica MacKenzie, Michael Moran

Thursday, March 2 Jim Fenton, Susan Burleigh, Clare Gray-Bayne, Charlie Clayton

Friday, March 3 Godfrey Gregory, Renee Graham, Alex Marx, Avery Petteway

Saturday, March 4 John Searcy, George Martin, Tom Beasley, Charlotte Walker, Chuck Maida, Kristen Jelinek, Charlie Flynn

THIS WEEK AT THE CATHEDRAL

MONDAY, FEB. 27

► Friends of Bill W. 5:30 p.m. Ingram Lounge

▶ Boy Scouts

6 p.m. Taliaferro Hall

TUESDAY, FEB. 28 - SHROVE TUESDAY

► Holy Eucharist

12:10 p.m. Cummings Chapel

► Yoga

5:45 p.m. Cummings Chapel

► Shrove Tuesday Pancake Supper 6 p.m. Taliaferro Hall

► EFM (Education for Ministry)

7 p.m. Ingram Lounge

▶ Girl Scouts

7 p.m. Basement "Coffee House"

WEDNESDAY, MAR. 1 -

ASH WEDNESDAY - NO WONDERFUL WEDNESDAY DINNER OR REGULAR CLASSES TONIGHT

► Holy Eucharist w/imposition of ashes

7 a.m. Cathedral

► Wondrous Encounters Book Study Group 10:30 a.m. Room 304

► Service w/imposition of ashes

(no Eucharist)

12 p.m. Cathedral

► Wondrous Encounters Book Study Group

5:30 p.m. Room 304

► Holy Eucharist w/imposition of ashes

and Cathedral Choir

7 p.m. Cathedral

THURSDAY, MAR. 2

► Shakespeare Reading Group

9:30 a.m. Ingram Lounge The group is currently reading *Henry VIII*. For more information about the Shakespeare Reading Group, contact Peter McCranie at petermccranie1@gmail.com.

► Lectionary Bible Study

12 p.m. Ingram Lounge

► Holy Eucharist

12:10 p.m. Cummings Chapel

▶ Celebration Singers Rehearsal

5:30 p.m. Choir Room

► Wondrous Encounters Book Study Group

6 p.m. Room 304

FRIDAY, MAR. 3

► Clara's at the Cathedral

11 a.m. Taliaferro Hall

► Contemplative Holy Eucharist

12:10 p.m. Cummings Chapel

► Stations of the Cross

5:30 p.m. Cathedral

You are invited to walk the Stations of the Cross every Friday at 5:30 p.m. during Lent. The Stations will be set up in the cathedral. Make this part of your discipline this Lent!

NEXT SUNDAY AT THE CATHEDRAL

SUNDAY, MAR. 5

- ▶ See Sunday service times and Christian Formation offerings on page 12.
- ► The "Living Faithfully in a Violent World" series will be replaced by "The Tree of Contemplative Practices"

On this Sunday, Owene Courtney and Joe O'Shields will introduce a wide variety of spiritual practices anyone may choose to take on during Lent.

Cathedral 101

10 a.m. Ingram Lounge

Led by Dean Kate, Fr. David and Joe O'Shields, this class is a basic introduction to our cathedral community and to the Episcopal Church.

► Parenting Group

10 a.m. Dean Kate's office

This is a social opportunity for parents to get to know one another, and will be offered every first and third Sunday of the month.

► Verger Meeting

12 p.m. Ingram Lounge

► Lenten Evensong

5 p.m. Cathedral

Sung in the style of usage common to the English cathedrals and at churches and cathedrals around the country, this service offers an atmosphere of sacred music exquisitely sung, with text and music carefully chosen for Lent.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

► Looking for another opportunity to help with Family Promise?

Donate essential household items for a "House Warming Basket" to help families as they move into their stable homes. While you're out shopping, pick up an extra item, such as laundry detergent, sponges, paper towels, trash bags, paper goods, wash cloths, towels, brooms/mops, or new pots and pans, etc. and drop them in the white laundry basket under the Outreach Bulletin Board across from Ingram Lounge. Baskets will be delivered to the Family Promise office during the week of February 19. For more information, contact the St. John's Family Promise Coordinators: Brooks Moore (brookswilkersonmoore@yahoo.com, or 382-8981) or Gloria Miller (glo.miller@live.com, or 654-9426).

▶ Lenten Reading: Wondrous Encounters by Richard Rohr

All are encouraged to join one of several small groups meeting weekly during Lent to "read, mark and inwardly digest" this beautiful collection of meditations on the daily readings for Lent. The book can be purchased from our bookstore. The meeting times for these book groups during Lent will be on Tuesdays at 1 p.m., Wednesdays at 10:30 a.m. and 5:30 p.m. and Thursdays at 6 p.m. in Room 304.

UPCOMING EVENTS

MONDAY, MAR. 6

► Feed the Homeless

2 p.m. Sulzbacher Center

Dinner preparation begins at 2 p.m. and is served at 6 p.m. Please call Don Wucker at 398-4776 for more information.

► Men's Grill 'n Chill

6 p.m. Taliaferro Hall

All men of the cathedral are cordially invited to this fellowship dinner on the first Monday of each month. Bring your own steak (or chicken, or fish or veggie burger) to cook and a drink. A starch, vegetable, salad and bread will be provided. We suggest a donation of \$3. Men, please consider bringing your sons with you, regardless of age. This is a monthly opportunity for all the men of the cathedral to gather, so please join us!

SUNDAY, MAR. 12

▶ "Preparing for Eternal Life" Presentation and Luncheon

12:30 p.m. Taliaferro Hall

As Christians, we believe that life is eternal. Jesus promises us that beyond this earthly realm there is a place, Heaven, where we will reside with him forever. This current life, however, will and must end. Unfortunately, many, if not most people, do not prepare for the transition from this life to the next. This includes making a will, planning a memorial service, and letting loved ones know the depth of our love for them. Please join Fr. David Erickson and Jody Giles, author of *The Missing Pieces Plan* for an exploration of how to address these important matters, so that we may make this transition with dignity and grace, and at the same time give peace and assurance to our family and friends.

Lunch is provided during this presentation, and all participants will receive a copy of *The Missing Pieces Plan*. The cost for the luncheon is \$20, which includes the price of the book. Scholarship funds are available for this event and no one will be turned away for lack of funds. Please RSVP to Tina Hutcheson at thutcheson@jaxcathedral.org.



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