

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



September 24, 2017 - 11:00 a.m.
The Sixteenth Sunday after Pentecost

LOVE *at the* CORE.

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

St. John's Cathedral has always stood on this very spot, Billy Goat Hill, the highest geographical point in Jacksonville. When the population began moving out of the downtown area in the 1960's, this congregation felt strongly that God was calling us to stay here in the heart of the city. Since that time, the Cathedral has birthed all kinds of ministries, caring for the homeless, for children and the elderly, and working to promote the arts, education and healthcare. We are now striving to create a vibrant neighborhood around Billy Goat Hill, a place where diverse peoples of many income levels can live and grow together. We believe that by **worshipping and serving 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

So now, God of glory,
Father, Son, and Holy Spirit,
You are mine, and I am Your own.”
“Celtic Daily Prayer



My relationship with God has always been. There was no struggle, no mountain top epiphany or revelation. God lives in me. I have always known Him. When I was almost five, I asked for one thing for Christmas: a picture of God. I remember opening a rather nondescript package, with great anticipation, only to find a set of watercolors. I checked the tag again. It read, *to Donna from God*. Yea, this is it I thought, but there was no photo, no drawing, not even a color postcard. I looked at my Mom in total disbelief. In the chaos of bows flying and my brother tossing a new football to my Grandpa, she quietly handed me an envelope. As I opened the note, she slid into place next to me. It very simply read: “You were made in my image. Signed: God.”

Mom asked, “Do you understand? No one has a picture of God. He lives in you. He is a feeling—a good, warm, exciting, comfortable feeling. Only you can see God through your eyes and with your heart.” As the years passed I came to know the writing on the card to be my Mom’s. Finding God became a game and I loved the challenge of finding him. In some way, this became a metaphor for my life: finding God in the most unlikely places. When I was not certain that I could feel God within me, Mom would simply say, “Trust God.” The watercolors were a means to an end. I painted everything, bringing home drawings of leaves and birds, even my own cartoon characters, all of whom I defined as God. Mom would say, “Yes, now I can see him.”

Over sixty years have passed. I have the Christmas note, the memories and wisdom of my mom. What I know to be absolute about my relationship with God is that he is in every living thing. I have learned to recognize His love even in those things I most disdain. I can find him in the most tragic circumstances and unlikely people.

I recall, in *The Practice of the Presence of God*, Brother Lawrence writes: “In the way of God, thoughts count little, love does everything.” A close friend, once said, you live on a natural high. It is my God. Make no mistake, my life is far from perfect. We are a loving but highly dysfunctional family. I am, at times, overcome with the many obstacles in my path. But I have come to know that I am no longer my own, but His.

Donna Meyers-Perry

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. Thank you for silencing your cell phone.

Voluntary Saraband and Interlude Herbert Sumsion
Introit God be in my head John Rutter

God be in my head and in my understanding; God be in mine eyes, and in my looking; God be in my mouth, and in my speaking; God be in my heart, and in my thinking; God be at mine end, and at my departing.

In Procession, Hymn 410 “Praise, my soul, the King of heaven” *Lauda anima*

Children age four through fifth grade follow the Cross in procession to Children's Chapel in Cummings Chapel. The children rejoin their families at the Peace.

THE LITURGY OF THE WORD

Celebrant Blessed be our God.
People Forever 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.

Hymn 9 “Not here for high and holy things” (Stanzas 4-6) *Morning Song*

The Collect of the Day

Celebrant The Lord be with you.
People And also with you.
Celebrant Let us pray.

The Celebrant continues

Grant us, Lord, not to be anxious about earthly things, but to love things heavenly; and even now, while we are placed among things that are passing away, to hold fast to those that shall endure; 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 Exodus 16:2-15

Lector A reading from the Book of Exodus.

The whole congregation of the Israelites complained against Moses and Aaron in the wilderness. **The Israelites said to them, “If only we had died by the hand of the Lord in the land of Egypt, when we sat by the fleshpots and ate our fill of bread; for you have brought us out into this wilderness to kill this whole assembly with hunger.” Then the Lord said to Moses, “I am going to rain bread from heaven for you, and each day the people shall go out and gather enough for that day. In that way I will test them, whether they will follow my instruction or not. On the sixth day, when they prepare what they bring in, it will be twice as much as they gather on other**

days.” So Moses and Aaron said to all the Israelites, “In the evening you shall know that it was the Lord who brought you out of the land of Egypt, and in the morning you shall see the glory of the Lord, because he has heard your complaining against the Lord. For what are we, that you complain against us?” And Moses said, “When the Lord gives you meat to eat in the evening and your fill of bread in the morning, because the Lord has heard the complaining that you utter against him—what are we? Your complaining is not against us but against the Lord.” Then Moses said to Aaron, “Say to the whole congregation of the Israelites, ‘Draw near to the Lord, for he has heard your complaining.’” And as Aaron spoke to the whole congregation of the Israelites, they looked toward the wilderness, and the glory of the Lord appeared in the cloud. The Lord spoke to Moses and said, “I have heard the complaining of the Israelites; say to them, ‘At twilight you shall eat meat, and in the morning you shall have your fill of bread; then you shall know that I am the Lord your God.’” In the evening quails came up and covered the camp; and in the morning there was a layer of dew around the camp. When the layer of dew lifted, there on the surface of the wilderness was a fine flaky substance, as fine as frost on the ground. When the Israelites saw it, they said to one another, “What is it?” For they did not know what it was. Moses said to them, “It is the bread that the Lord has given you to eat.

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 145:1-8

I will exalt you, O God my King, *
and bless your Name for ever and ever.

Every day will I bless you *
and praise your Name for ever and ever.

Great is the Lord and greatly to be praised; *
there is no end to his greatness.

One generation shall praise your works to another *
and shall declare your power.

I will ponder the glorious splendor of your majesty *
and all your marvelous works.

They shall speak of the might of your wondrous acts, *
and I will tell of your greatness.

They shall publish the remembrance of your great goodness; *
they shall sing of your righteous deeds.

The Lord is gracious and full of compassion, *
slow to anger and of great kindness.

A period of silence for reflection follows.

The People stand.

The Gospel

Matthew 20:1–16

Gospeler
*People*The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to Matthew.
Glory to you, Lord Christ.

Jesus said, “The kingdom of heaven is like a landowner who went out early in the morning to hire laborers for his vineyard. After agreeing with the laborers for the usual daily wage, he sent them into his vineyard. When he went out about nine o’clock, he saw others standing idle in the marketplace; and he said to them, ‘You also go into the vineyard, and I will pay you whatever is right.’ So they went. When he went out again about noon and about three o’clock, he did the same. And about five o’clock he went out and found others standing around; and he said to them, ‘Why are you standing here idle all day?’ They said to him, ‘Because no one has hired us.’ He said to them, ‘You also go into the vineyard.’ When evening came, the owner of the vineyard said to his manager, ‘Call the laborers and give them their pay, beginning with the last and then going to the first.’ When those hired about five o’clock came, each of them received the usual daily wage. Now when the first came, they thought they would receive more; but each of them also received the usual daily wage. And when they received it, they grumbled against the landowner, saying, ‘These last worked only one hour, and you have made them equal to us who have borne the burden of the day and the scorching heat.’ But he replied to one of them, ‘Friend, I am doing you no wrong; did you not agree with me for the usual daily wage? Take what belongs to you and go; I choose to give to this last the same as I give to you. Am I not allowed to do what I choose with what belongs to me? Or are you envious because I am generous?’ So the last will be first, and the first will be last.”

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

The Sermon

The Reverend Allen LaMontagne

*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. The Leader and People pray responsively.

Almighty God, we bring before you this troubled world. Heal us of the hatred that infects our hearts. Help us to listen to one another. Bring peace to all races and peoples.

Lord, in your mercy,
Hear our prayer.

We are St John's Cathedral and the love of Jesus has changed our lives. Help us learn to tell our stories so that we may invite others to know you and to love you.

Lord, in your mercy
Hear our prayer

Help us to preserve and protect this beautiful earth that you have created, that we may use its resources wisely and with grateful hearts give you thanks.

Lord, in your mercy.
Hear our prayer.

Be present with all who are lonely, sick or suffering in any way. Show them the light of your presence and give them hope to meet the days ahead.

Lord, in your mercy.
Hear our prayer.

Embrace the souls of those who have died, that they may find peace in the true story that never ends.

Lord, in your mercy.
Hear our prayer.

We ask you to bless the city of Jacksonville. Bring peace to our streets and understanding to our people.

Lord, in your mercy.
Hear our prayer.

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.

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 the Lord be always with you.
People And also with you.

The Clergy and People greet each other in the name of the Lord.

Welcome and Announcements

THE HOLY COMMUNION

The Offertory Remember not, Lord, our offences Henry Purcell

Remember not, Lord, our offences, nor th' offences of our forefathers; neither take thou vengeance of our sins, but spare us, good Lord. Spare thy people, whom thou has redeem'd with thy most precious blood, and be not angry with us for ever. Spare us, good Lord.

As the Altar is prepared for Communion, representatives of the congregation collect the offerings of the People. The people stand when the offerings are brought forward and placed on the Altar.

Hymn 487 "Come, my Way, my Truth, my Life" *The Call*

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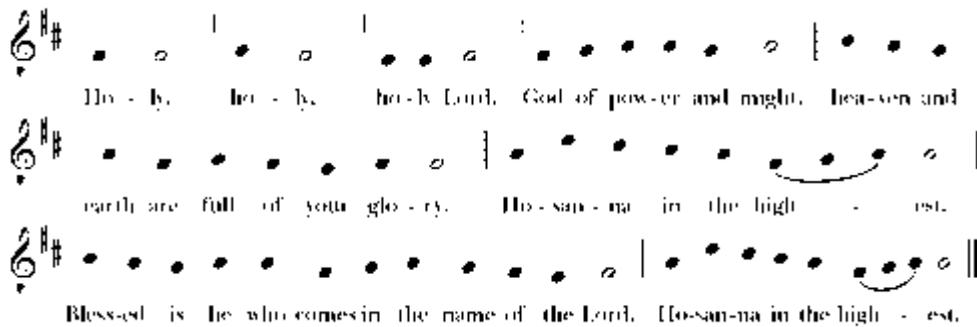
Celebrant The Lord be with you.
People And also with you.
Celebrant Lift up your hearts.
People We lift them to the Lord.
Celebrant Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.
People It is right to give him thanks and praise.

The Celebrant continues

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

For by water and the Holy Spirit you have made us a new people in Jesus Christ our Lord, to show forth your glory in all the world.

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:



Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord, God of pow - er and might, Hea - ven and
earth are full of your glo - ry. Ho - san - na in the high - est.
Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord. Ho - san - na in the high - est.

The People stand or kneel.

The Celebrant continues

Holy and gracious Father: In your infinite love you made us for yourself, and, when we had fallen into sin and become subject to evil and death, you, in your mercy, sent Jesus Christ, your only and eternal Son, to share our human nature, to live and die as one of us, to reconcile us to you, the God and Father of all.

He stretched out his arms upon the cross, and offered himself, in obedience to your will, a perfect sacrifice for the whole world.

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 he was handed over to suffering and death, 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 we proclaim the mystery of faith:

The Celebrant and People sing



Christ has died. Christ is ris - en. Christ will come a - gain.

The Celebrant continues.

We celebrate the memorial of our redemption, O Father, in this sacrifice of praise and thanksgiving. Recalling his death, resurrection, and ascension, we offer you these gifts.

Sanctify them by your Holy Spirit to be for your people the Body and Blood of your Son, the holy food and drink of new and unending life in him. Sanctify us also that we may faithfully

receive this holy Sacrament, and serve you in unity, constancy, and peace; and at the last day bring us with all your saints into the joy of your eternal kingdom.

All this we ask through your Son Jesus Christ: 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,

The Celebrant and People say together

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

Hymnal S-169

Ray W. Urwin

My flesh is food in - deed, and my blood is drink in -
deed, says the Lord. My Lord. These who eat my
flesh and drink my blood dwell in me and I in them. My
flesh is food in - deed, and my blood is drink in - deed, says the Lord.

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. You are also invited to receive prayers and anointing with holy oil in one of our transept chapels (Ascension to the south, and Holy Communion to the north) where anointers wait to pray with you.

Music at Communion

Organ
Hymn 658

Voluntary in G
"As longs the deer for cooling streams"

Henry Heron
Martyrdom

Psalms 145:1–8

Chant: Charles V. Standford

I will exalt thee, O God my King,
and I will praise thy Name for ever and ever.

Every day will I give thanks unto thee:
and praise thy Name for ever and ever.
Great is the LORD and marvelous worthy to be praised:
there is no end of his greatness.
One generation shall praise thy works to another
and declare thy power.
As for me, I will be talking of thy worship:
thy glory, thy praise and wondrous works;
So that men shall speak of the might of thy marvelous acts:
and I will tell of thy greatness.
The memorial of thine abundant kindness shall be shewed:
And men shall sing of thy righteousness.
The LORD is gracious and merciful:
Long suffering and of great goodness.

The Postcommunion Prayer

After Communion the Celebrant says
Let us pray.

Celebrant and People
Almighty and everliving God, we thank you for feeding us with the spiritual food of the most precious Body and Blood of your Son our Savior Jesus Christ; and for assuring us in these holy mysteries that we are living members of the Body of your Son, and heirs of your eternal kingdom. And now, Father, send us out to do the work you have given us to do, to love and serve you as faithful witnesses of Christ our Lord. To him, to you, and to the Holy Spirit, be honor and glory, now and for ever. Amen.

The Blessing

The Celebrant blesses the people.

In Procession, Hymn 527 **“Singing songs of expectation”** *Ton-y-Botel*

The Dismissal

People Alleluia, alleluia! Let us go forth in the name of Christ.
Thanks be to God. Alleluia, alleluia!

Voluntary Sortie Noel Rawsthorne

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The flowers in Cummings Chapel and at the High Altar are given to the glory of God.

THIS SUNDAY AT THE CATHEDRAL

► **Holy Eucharist**

8 a.m. Cummings Chapel

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9 a.m. Cathedral

► **Church on the Mat**

10 a.m. Cummings Chapel

Using the principles of yoga, professional teachers will lead a gentle class integrating body, mind and spirit with the reading of Scripture. Bring your yoga mat!

► **Christian Formation for all ages**

All Christian Formation classes meet at 10 a.m.

Adult Formation

Cathedral 101 - Ingram Lounge

Are you new to the Cathedral or just want to learn more about our faith and our community? Come join us for informal discussion with clergy and lay leaders.

Dean's Forum - Taliaferro Hall

MY STORY/GOD'S STORY – Hear the stories of some of our leaders. How did they come to know God? What brought them to church? And how can we learn more about our own stories by listening to theirs?

Parents' Group - Dean's Office

Have you been called to be a parent? It is one of the hardest and most rewarding jobs that God can give us. Join parents for confidential discussion, prayer and support.

Centering Prayer - Room 306, Third Floor

Pray in silence with a small group and experience peace of mind.

Care for Creation - Room 305, Third Floor

Youth Formation

6th - 8th grades - Undercroft

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

Children's Formation

Godly Play - Cathedral House

Children ages 3 through 3rd grade are invited to learn about Jesus in an interactive Montessori-based curriculum.

3 and 4 year olds - Room 103

Kindergarten and 1st Grade - Room 104

Second and Third Grade - Room 202

Tweens (Grades 4 and 5) - Room 302

Grades 4-5 meet weekly to explore the scripture through the program *The Gospel According to Harry Potter Year 1*.

► **Holy Eucharist**

11 a.m. Cathedral

► **Art Committee Planning Meeting**

12:15 p.m. Room 304

► **Immigrant Ministry Presentation**

12:15 p.m. Ingram Lounge

Pat Ellis will present "I Was a Stranger and You Took Me In: The Future of the Refugee and Immigrant Ministry at St. John's"

► **Sister Cities Peace Concert & Reception**

5 p.m. Cathedral

This annual concert commemorating 9/11 is free and features choirs from UNF, Douglas Anderson School of the Arts and Atlantic Coast HS, as well as Tim Tuller and Paula Merritt.

NEXT SUNDAY AT THE CATHEDRAL

SUNDAY, OCTOBER 1

► **Sunday Service times and Adult Christian Formation offerings remain the same**

► **No Children's Chapel or Christian**

Formation Classes for Children or Youth due to Blessing of the Animals

► **Blessing of the Animals** - St. Francis of Assisi Day

9 a.m. Cathedral Park

► **Civic Orchestra Concert & Reception**

5 p.m. Cathedral

THIS WEEK AT THE CATHEDRAL

MONDAY, SEPT. 25

▶ **Friends of Bill W.**

5:30 p.m. Ingram Lounge

▶ **Adult Children of Alcoholics**

6 p.m. Cummings Chapel

▶ **Boy Scouts**

6 p.m. Taliaferro Hall

TUESDAY, SEPT. 26

▶ **Holy Eucharist**

12:10 p.m. Cummings Chapel

▶ **Yoga**

5:45 p.m. Cummings Chapel

▶ **Girl Scouts**

7 p.m. Basement “Coffee House”

▶ **Education for Ministry (EFM)**

7 p.m. Ingram Lounge

WEDNESDAY, SEPT. 27

▶ **Holy Eucharist**

7 a.m. Holy Communion, Cummings Chapel

12:10 p.m. Healing Service, Cummings Chapel

▶ **Wonderful Wednesday Dinner**

5 p.m. Taliaferro Hall

Suggested donation for dinner: \$5 per adult, \$3 per child under 12

▶ **Immigrant Ministry presents “Cross Cultural Understanding” with Susan Bean**

6 p.m. Taliaferro Hall

▶ **ASD Music Clinic (Grades 3-7)**

5:30 p.m. Choir Room

▶ **Musical Workshop (Third Grade and up)**

5:30 p.m. Room 202

▶ **Junior Chorister Rehearsal (Pre-K and Elementary School Ages)**

5:30 p.m. Room 201

▶ **Alpha**

6 p.m. Cummings Chapel

▶ **The Restoration Project**

6 p.m. Ingram Lounge

▶ **Art Class**

6 p.m. Painting Place, Basement

▶ **Youth Group**

6:30 p.m. Undercroft

▶ **Choir Rehearsal**

7:30 p.m. Choir Room

THURSDAY, SEPT. 28

▶ **Shakespeare Reading Group**

9:30 a.m. Ingram Lounge

The group is currently reading *Henry IV, Part 2*.

For more information about the Shakespeare

Reading Group, contact Peter McCranie at

petermccranie1@gmail.com.

▶ **Holy Eucharist**

12:10 p.m. Cummings Chapel

▶ **Celebration Singers Rehearsal**

5:30 p.m. Choir Room

FRIDAY, SEPT. 29

▶ **Lectionary Bible Study**

10 a.m. Ingram Lounge

▶ **Clara’s at the Cathedral**

11 a.m. Taliaferro Hall

▶ **Contemplative Holy Eucharist**

12:10 p.m. Cummings Chapel

SATURDAY, SEPT. 30

▶ **Foyer Groups BYO Wine and Cheese**

5:30 p.m. Ingram Lounge

Kickoff event for Foyer Groups. Bring a bottle of wine OR cheese and crackers (or other appetizer). Lemonade will be provided for any who prefer. Be ready to mingle.

UPCOMING EVENTS

SATURDAY, OCT. 7

► **Dr. Philip Jenkins: The Future of Religion**

5 p.m. Presentation, Reception and Book Signing, Taliaferro Hall

Curious about the future of Christianity?

Heralded by *The Economist* as “**one of America’s best scholars of religion,**” Dr. Philip Jenkins will speak about how we should interpret the enormous success of prosperity churches across the Global South, the political impact of new Christian movements, and more. He is the Distinguished Professor of History at Baylor University and Co-Director of Historical Studies of Religion in the Baylor Institute for Studies of Religion. Jenkins’ book *The Next Christendom* will be available for purchase at the book signing.

SUNDAY, OCT. 8

► **Hunger Fight Packing Event**

Immediately following the 11 a.m. service, Taliaferro Hall

All ages are welcome to join our fun assembly line to crank out 10,000 nourishing meal packets. These packets will be sent to hunger-relief agencies. Sandwiches, fruit and cookies will be available as you’ll be working through lunchtime.

To reserve a space,

email outreach@jaxcathedral.org.

TUESDAY, OCT. 10

► **Walking the Mourner’s Path**

1:30 p.m. Bernie Dooley Library in the Center for Prayer and Spirituality.

This Christ-centered, bereavement and grief support program meets for 90 minutes once a week for eight weeks. A workbook offers questions for reflection and exercises to help you define a new relationship with your loved one and find God’s direction for your life. Contact Owene Courtney Owene_courtney@yahoo.com

or 904.553.7338 or visit www.mournerspath.com.

THURSDAY, OCT. 12

► **Opening Reception for Labor of Learning**
5:30 p.m. Cathedral Arts Project

Please join us for the opening reception of The Labor of Learning - An exhibition by Madeleine Peck Wagner. A brief Q&A session with the artist will begin around 6:30 p.m. The event is free, but registration is required. <https://capkids.ejoinme.org/mpw>

SUNDAY, OCT. 15

► **Book Signing, *The Reformation Project***
by Christopher Martin

Coffee hour reception after 11 a.m. service in Taliaferro Hall

Exploring Saint Benedict's twelve steps of humility, Christopher H. Martin reveals how this ancient guide leads to wisdom, strength, and love. Martin, an Episcopal priest, invites us to imagine how we are like Leonardo da Vinci's famous painting, *The Last Supper*, which through years of restoration has had its beauty and clarity revealed as a masterpiece. The book is available in the Cathedral Bookstore.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

► **How Do You Like Your PB&J**

Everybody loves PB&J! And no matter how young or old, it is easy to eat and digest. Downtown Ecumenical Services Council (DESC) and St. Mary’s Mission have requested that our parish help them with PB&J. Help us donate 500 lbs. of peanut butter and jelly. Bring a jar of each with you on Sunday morning. Members of the Outreach Committee will be available to collect your donations at each service through October 1. With your help, we can reach our goal!

► **Last Chance to Join a Foyer Group**

Foyer Groups are small dinner groups that meet socially and share a meal several times during the year. Each group does its own thing - dinner, holiday cocktail party, restaurant meal, brunch, swim party, Super Bowl chili night, cookout - whatever you decide on! This is a wonderful way to meet other members of St. John's and to start sharing your stories. Be sure to sign up at the table in the breezeway today. Contact: Bonnie Hardman, blhardman@yahoo.com.

► **Online Member Portal and Church Life app**

Currently, our Bursar, Meredith Cataland, is enrolling pledging members on our online portal called Access ACS. We encourage you to complete the steps in your welcome email that instruct you how to create your password for the portal. There are several benefits to using this service:

- It makes it easier for you to contact each other, and your small group members using the associated Church Life app.
- It enables you to give online.
- It allows you to access our calendar of events online and through the Church Life app.
- It enables you to view your giving and pledge history.
- It gives you control to edit you membership information.
- **It's safe and secure. Only you can see your membership information.** None of your information is accessible by other Cathedral members, and especially not to the public.

► **Bookstore News**

Dean Kate's new Advent book, *I Witness—Living Inside the Stories of Advent & Christmas*, is in the bookstore. Many of us have heard the story of **Jesus' birth, but have we lived inside it?** Dean Kate invites us to enter the story of salvation with our hearts and minds wide open, experiencing the miracle of Jesus through the eyes of witnesses: Zechariah, Elizabeth, Mary, Joseph, the shepherds, the wise men, and others. This book of daily devotionals for Advent and

Christmas is attractively priced for gift giving at only \$7. Dean Kate will sign copies in the bookstore for fifteen minutes after the 11 a.m. **service. All proceeds will support St. John's Community Outreach projects.**

► **Episcopal Relief & Development (ERD)**
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► **Birthday Blessings**

Sunday, September 24

Cindy Watson, Louise Seder,
Caroline Ritchie

Monday, September 25

Ed Graves

Tuesday, September 26

Terri Hall, Anthony Lingaitis

Wednesday, September 27

Madge Hazen, Gerard Mondestin

Thursday, September 28

Charlie Ball, Christine Keyser,
Nancy Purcell, Harold Robeson

Friday, September 29

David Slaght

Saturday, September 30

Lauriette Lofton, Mark Young,
Katelyn Altman

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