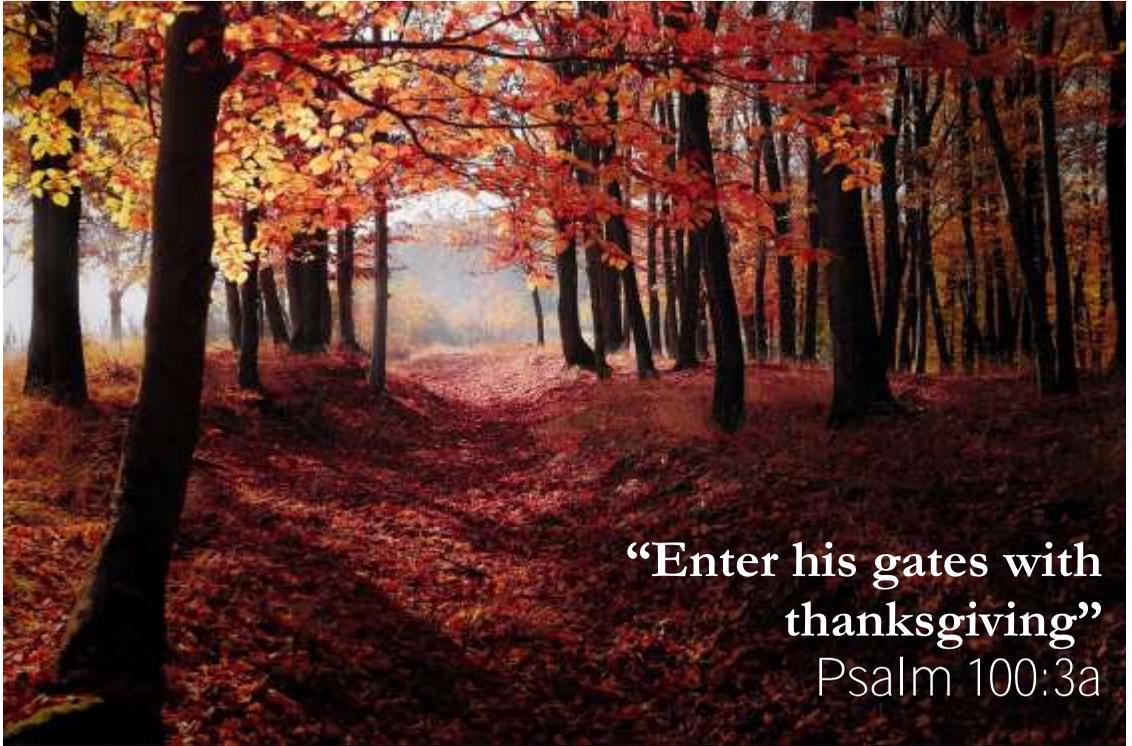


# Welcome to **St. John's Cathedral**



**“Enter his gates with  
thanksgiving”**  
Psalm 100:3a

November 26, 2017 - 11 a.m.  
The Last Sunday after Pentecost  
Christ the King Sunday

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

## THE THREE DIMENSIONS OF ADVENT

*Come, thou long expected Jesus, born to set thy people free;  
From our fears and sins release us, let us find our rest in thee.*

The first verse of Hymn 60 from The Hymnal 1982, written by Charles Wesley, captures poetically and succinctly the three-dimensional nature of Advent, a word which translates simply to mean: *coming*.

*Come thou long expected Jesus.* Here, Wesley speaks of the second coming of Christ as we recite in the words of the Nicene Creed: “He will come again in glory to judge the living and the dead, and his kingdom will have no end.”

*Born to set thy people free.* In these few words is a summation of the glory that is the first Christmas, an echo of which can be heard in Eucharistic Prayer C: “In the fullness of time you sent your only Son, born of a woman, to fulfill your law, to open for us the way of freedom and peace.” (BCP, 370)

*From our fears and sins release us, let us find our rest in thee.* Last but not least, Wesley reminds us how the Spirit of Christ comes to us in all manner of circumstances, particularly in times of need, bidden or unbidden. For he is the One, when we “are weary and are carrying heavy burdens,” who gives us rest.

Advent is the starting point of the Christian calendar year. “A Blessed New Year” on the First Sunday of Advent is an appropriate greeting!

Along with Charles Wesley, let me encourage you (and myself!) to find places of rest in December. Even or especially Sunday mornings in Advent, we do well to slow down and quiet down in the sanctuary before services. Hold off having that conversation until after the worship service so you can listen to the prelude. You’ll do yourself, your friends and your colleagues, a favor.

For Christmas is coming and with it, glorious celebration. Advent is a season of watchfulness, a time to prepare to meet the Lord who has come, whose return we await, and whose Spirit is with us now. Slow down in December. Even stop occasionally. Be here with God now. And in the words of another beloved Advent hymn, “Rejoice, rejoice, believers, and let your lights appear!”

Faithfully yours,

Allen+





weak, but the fat and the strong I will destroy. I will feed them with justice. Therefore, thus says the Lord God to them: I myself will judge between the fat sheep and the lean sheep. Because you pushed with flank and shoulder, and butted at all the weak animals with your horns until you scattered them far and wide, I will save my flock, and they shall no longer be ravaged; and I will judge between sheep and sheep. I will set up over them one shepherd, my servant David, and he shall feed them: he shall feed them and be their shepherd. And I, the Lord, will be their God, and my servant David shall be prince among them; I, the Lord, have spoken.

*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 100

Be joyful in the Lord, all you lands; \*  
serve the Lord with gladness and come before his presence with a song.

Know this: The Lord himself is God; \*  
he himself has made us, and we are his; we are his people and the sheep of his pasture.

Enter his gates with thanksgiving; go into his courts with praise; \*  
give thanks to him and call upon his Name.

For the Lord is good; his mercy is everlasting; \*  
and his faithfulness endures from age to age.

*A period of silence for reflection follows the reading.*

*The People stand.*

Hymn 483            **“The head that once was crowned with thorns”**

*St. Magnus*

The Gospel

Matthew 25:31-46

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

**Jesus said, “When the Son of Man comes in his glory, and all the angels with him, then he will sit on the throne of his glory. All the nations will be gathered before him, and he will separate people one from another as a shepherd separates the sheep from the goats, and he will put the sheep at his right hand and the goats at the left. Then the king will say to those at his right hand, ‘Come, you that are blessed by my Father, inherit the kingdom prepared for you from the foundation of the world; for I was hungry and you gave me food, I was thirsty and you gave me something to drink, I was a stranger and you welcomed me, I was naked and you gave me clothing, I was sick and you took care of me, I was in prison and you visited me.’ Then the righteous will answer him, ‘Lord, when was it that we saw you hungry and gave you food, or thirsty and gave you something to drink? And when was it that we saw you a stranger and welcomed you, or naked and gave you clothing? And when was it that we saw you sick or in prison and visited you?’ And the king will answer them, ‘Truly I tell you, just as you did it to one of the least of these who are members of my family, you did it to me.’ Then he will say to those**

at his left hand, 'You that are accursed, depart from me into the eternal fire prepared for the devil and his angels; for I was hungry and you gave me no food, I was thirsty and you gave me nothing to drink, I was a stranger and you did not welcome me, naked and you did not give me clothing, sick and in prison and you did not visit me.' Then they also will answer, 'Lord, when was it that we saw you hungry or thirsty or a stranger or naked or sick or in prison, and did not take care of you?' Then he will answer them, 'Truly I tell you, just as you did not do it to one of the least of these, you did not do it to me.' And these will go away into eternal punishment, but the righteous into eternal life."

*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. 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.

*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 the Lord 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

The Offertory

God omnipotent reigneth

Charles Wood

God omnipotent reigneth, clad in apparel bright;  
Sovereign King he remaineth, girded about with might.  
By him the world alone immutably was grounded;  
In Heaven hath he his throne, from everlasting founded.

Ocean billow and breaker uplift the voice of pride;  
But their mightier Maker governeth wind and tide.  
His laws and sure decree of holiness are telling,  
Which evermore shall be sole inmate of his dwelling. Amen.

*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*

The Great Thanksgiving

Eucharistic Prayer A, BCP Page 361

*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:

*The Celebrant and People sing*

Sanctus

Hymnal S-124

David Hurd



earth are full of your glo - ry. Ho - san - na in the high - est.

Bless-ed 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 flesh, 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

Sonata No. 1 in F minor  
*I. Adagio*

Felix Mendelssohn

Hymn 479

“Glory be to Jesus”

*Wem in Leidenstagen*

Psalms 100

Chant: John Stainer

O be joyful in the Lord, all ye lands \*  
serve the Lord with gladness,  
and come before his presence with a song.

Be ye sure that the Lord he is God \*  
it is he that hath made us, and not we ourselves;  
we are his people, and the sheep of his pasture.

O go your way into his gates with thanksgiving,  
and into his courts with praise \*  
be thankful unto him, and speak good of his Name.

For the Lord is gracious, his mercy is everlasting \*  
and his truth endureth from generation to generation.

## 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 494 “Crown him with many crowns”

*Diademata*

## The Dismissal

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

*People* Thanks be to God. Alleluia, alleluia!

## Voluntary

Sonata No. 1 in D minor  
*III. Final: Allegro assai*

Alexander Guilmant

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*The flowers at the High Altar are given to the glory of God.*

### ► **Birthday Blessings**

Sunday, November 26

Courtney Romanac, Susan Castelli,  
Don Wucker, Ann Marie Van Wie,  
Caroline Still, Jake Still, Robert Still III

Monday, November 27

Carol Abdelnour, Aaryn Cook, Kyle Horne

Tuesday, November 28

Barbara Perry, Rick Baker, Quinn Parman,  
Taylor Johnson

Wednesday, November 29

Christine Walsh-Marku, Bruce Chappell,  
Renee Klein, Susan Towson, Deb Baker,  
Carrie Bachara, Molly Vines, Elaina Stewart

Thursday, November 30

Nancy Wright, Sabrina Smid

Friday, December 1

Billie Dodson, Douglas Walker,  
Sally Frisbie, Darrell Ramsey, Tyler Winkler,  
Drew Miller, Oliver Barakat

Saturday, December 2

Thomas Madrigal-Hamilton, Allison Gallup

## THIS SUNDAY AT THE CATHEDRAL

### ► **Holy Eucharist**

8 a.m. Cummings Chapel

### ► **Holy Eucharist**

9 a.m. Cathedral

### ► **Church on the Mat**

10 a.m. Cummings Chapel

A gentle yoga class integrating body, mind and spirit with the reading of Scripture. Bring your yoga mat!

### ► **Christian Formation**

All Christian Formation classes meet at 10 a.m.

Adult Formation

### Cathedral 101 - Dean's Office

New to the Cathedral or just want to learn more about our faith and our community? Join us for informal discussion with clergy and lay leaders.

### Dean's Forum - Taliaferro Hall

Joe O'Shields talks about the history of St. John's Cathedral.

### Parents' Group - Ingram Lounge

Parents are discussing the book *The Love Dare for Parents*, by Stephen and Alex Kendrick.

### Coffee, Tea and English - Room 305

Informal class to learn the English language.

### ► **No Children's Formation this week**

► Please note: the last Sunday of Christian Formation classes for all ages before the holidays is December 10. Classes will resume January 7.

### ► **Holy Eucharist**

11 a.m. Cathedral

### ► **St. Andrew's Day Evensong**

5 p.m. Cathedral

A Festal Evensong honoring of the patron saint of Scotland featuring the Cathedral Choir, Jacksonville Pipes & Drums, and the Cathedral Brass. Taliaferro Hall will be decked in tartan for the reception following the service. The Cathedral Bookstore will have lots of items for sale and Dean Kate will sign copies of *I Witness: Living Inside the Stories of Advent and Christmas*, just in time for Christmas gift giving.

## NEXT SUNDAY AT THE CATHEDRAL

SUNDAY, DEC. 3

### ► **Sunday Service times remain the same.**

► **No Christian Formation so that all may make an Advent Wreath.**

### ► **Advent Wreath Making**

10 a.m. Burwell Court and the Bishop's Garden. Bring \$10 for all the supplies to make a beautiful, fresh evergreen wreath.

### ► **Musical Theater in the Nave**

10:30 a.m. Cathedral

A special presentation by Paula Merritt's Wednesday night music theater group.

### ► **Advent Procession**

5 p.m. Cathedral

A glorious service of song and movement from darkness to light in anticipation of the coming of our Lord Jesus Christ. Music by Weir, Josquin, Bruckner, Case and others. Reception in Taliaferro Hall to follow the service. Shop at The Cathedral Bookstore for Advent calendars, books and gifts. Another gift idea is a signed copy of Dean Kate's book of Advent meditations—*I Witness: Living Inside the Stories of Advent and Christmas*.

### ► **Art Exhibit: Raquel**

Now through January Taliaferro Hall Reception after Advent Procession

The present exhibition of paintings by Raquel is a beautiful array of works formed by a mature artistic vision. Impressionistic in style, ranging from classic images to Cezanne-like paintings, Raquel's work suggests early Cubist landscapes and shows the influence of her native Spain. The paintings are for sale through the bookstore and a portion of the sale price will go to fund the Exhibition Committee's work and future exhibitions.

## THIS WEEK AT THE CATHEDRAL

MONDAY, NOV. 27

▶ **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, NOV. 28

▶ **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, NOV. 29

▶ **Holy Eucharist**

7 a.m. Cummings Chapel

▶ **ESJ Holy Eucharist (Grades 7-9)**

9:45 a.m. Cathedral

▶ **Healing Service**

12:10 p.m. Cummings Chapel

▶ **Wonderful Wednesday Dinner**

5 p.m. Taliaferro Hall

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

Nursery available 5:30–7:30 p.m. Basement

▶ **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, NOV. 30

▶ **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](mailto:petermccranie1@gmail.com).

▶ **Holy Eucharist**

12:10 p.m. Cummings Chapel

▶ **Celebration Singers Rehearsal**

5:30 p.m. Choir Room

FRIDAY, DEC. 1

▶ **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

▶ **Episcopal School of Jacksonville**

Christmas Concert

7 p.m. Cathedral

ESJ Fine Arts Department presents “Light of the World” Christmas concert featuring ESJ choral and instrumental ensembles. Admission is free and all are invited.

SATURDAY, DEC. 2

▶ **Cursillo Group**

8:30 a.m.- 2:30 p.m. Ingram Lounge

2:30 p.m. - 4:30 p.m. Cummings Chapel

# ANNOUNCEMENTS

## ► **Order** Christmas Cards from Cathedral Arts Project

Send a meaningful message to your loved ones this season with holiday cards featuring original artwork by Cathedral Arts Project students. All proceeds directly benefit underserved students enrolled in CAP's arts education programs throughout Duval County. \$20 – Set of 15 cards (blank inside) with envelopes \$5 shipping, or free pick-up at the CAP offices.

Purchase online at <https://capkids.ejoinme.org/holidaycards>

## ► **Call for Vestry and Convention Delegate Nominations**

The Vestry Nominating Committee will nominate candidates for vacancies on the Vestry as well as Delegates to the Diocesan Convention. The election for those positions will be conducted at the Parish Annual Meeting on February 4, 2018. Parish members are encouraged to submit the names of nominees to Nancy Purcell, Communications Director, at [npurcell@jaxcathedral.org](mailto:npurcell@jaxcathedral.org). It is important that you obtain the permission of your nominee before submitting his or her name to the Nominating Committee. Nominations will be forwarded to and reviewed by the nominating **committee members: Kirk Altman, Martha Cox, Robert Hyde, Claude Moulton, Joe O'Shields, and Faye Wisner.** Nominations must be submitted by December 5, 2017.

Qualifications for Vestry members (4 to be elected): A Vestry nominee 1) must be a communicant of St. John's Cathedral in good standing for a period of at least 12 months prior to election; 2) if a nominee has served two full terms (for a total of six years), there must be a two-year break before he or she may be nominated again; 3) must be actively involved in the ministries of the Parish; 4) must be willing to accept active leadership, including responsibility for decision making that represents the entire Parish; 5) must, if called upon, serve on the boards of affiliated corporations of the Cathedral; 6) must be willing to invest the time necessary in the ministry of leadership, including attendance at worship, Vestry meetings and other scheduled Vestry activities, special events, and satellite activities; and 7) must be otherwise eligible. In addition to the above qualifications contained in the bylaws, the Vestry believes that nominees for service should possess special skills, gifts and talents in visionary and strategic thinking, be courageous, and have skills in fiscal planning and policy. Finally, the Vestry is seeking members who represent the diverse composition of our congregation.

Diocesan Convention Delegates (2 to be elected): The Senior Warden fills one of the five delegate positions. The remaining four delegates serve two year terms, with one or two rotating off each year. At the 2018 Annual Meeting, we will elect two delegates and two alternates for the 2018 Diocesan Convention.

## ► **Angel Tree Christmas 2017**

This year our Angel Tree will serve refugee families and children of incarcerated parents. Prison Fellowship Angel Tree Christmas is about strengthening parent-child relationships, not just about gifts. Children are delighted by an unexpected reminder of their absent mom or dad, and parents in prison are deeply moved to know their children are cared for in this special way. Choose an Angel ornament/gift tag off the Angel tree and shop for the requested item. Please wrap the gift, enclosing a gift receipt, and stick the top half of Angel tag sticker on the wrapped gift to identify it, or tape a handmade tag to the gift. Return the gift to church by noon Sunday, December 17. We need help delivering gifts to families!!! This is a very meaningful and blessed way to spend an afternoon,. You can choose to deliver to one family or more, and choose from different neighborhoods. If interested, please contact Megan Cochran at 904-233-9583.

## UPCOMING EVENTS

FRIDAY, DEC. 1–SUNDAY, DEC. 3

### ► **Yoga & Christian Contemplative Prayer Retreat**

Friday 6 p.m. through Sunday, 1 p.m. Camp Weed and Cervený Conference Center

Come experience the delightful blending of the physical practice of yoga with the enduring traditions of Christian contemplative prayer. No yoga experience needed. Facilitated by Michelle Carew-Bessette, RYT200 Contemplative Prayer Practice Teacher and Christian Healer. Rates: Single Occupancy \$274, Double Occupancy \$159, Commuter Rate for Saturday participation only \$52. To register, visit: [www.campweed.org](http://www.campweed.org).

SATURDAY, DEC. 9

### ► **Youth Group Christmas Party**

1–4 p.m. Devanne’s house

Our theme is Christmas in Space. RSVP to [Djones@jaxcathedral.org](mailto:Djones@jaxcathedral.org) by Dec. 6.

SATURDAY, DEC. 9

### ► **Karim Zabaneh in Concert: Christmas Bells Are Ringing**

6 p.m. Taliaferro Hall

The Cathedral Choir of St. John’s is proud to present this wonderful Christmas Concert featuring Karim Zabaneh in a return performance with special guests and surprises for 2017! Proceeds from this benefit concert will supplement the Choir’s lodging expenses while singing in residence at Washington National Cathedral in 2018. Please support the 2018 Choir Pilgrimage by purchasing tickets for your friends and family today! Tickets are \$20 and may be purchased in the breezeway after the 9 and 11 a.m. services and at Wonderful Wednesday Dinner in Taliaferro Hall.

WEDNESDAY, DEC. 13

### ► **Ye Olde Christmas Dinner**

5:30 p.m. Taliaferro Hall

We invite you to join us for a traditional English Christmas dinner as Taliaferro Hall is transformed into an enchanted evening filled with scrumptious fare, carolers singing of the joys of the season and holiday cheer. We’ll add a little “pop” to the evening with classic Victorian Christmas crackers! The menu highlights our very own Chef Heather’s creations, including mouthwatering prime rib and oven roasted chicken, a variety of tasty vegetable accompaniments, and ending with a posh panettone bread pudding topped with delectable maple whisky Bavarian sauce. Adult tickets are \$15, with children’s tickets (12 & under) at \$5. Tickets are on sale today after each service. The Youth Group has reserved a table. To claim your seat, please email Devanne or Allen.

SUNDAY, DEC. 17

### ► **Christmas Pageant**

9 a.m. Cathedral

Our Christmas Pageant will be held during the 9 a.m. service on December 17. Rehearsal will be at 10 a.m. on Saturday, December 16 in the cathedral. We welcome ALL children to participate, and we also need adults to volunteer. For more information or to volunteer, please contact Cheryl Bowen at 904-348-0922 or [cherydi33@icloud.com](mailto:cherydi33@icloud.com) or Terry Hunt at 904-629-0470 or [thunt@jaxcathedral.org](mailto:thunt@jaxcathedral.org).

*You may wish to write any sermon notes on this page.*

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