

PRAYERS OF THANKSGIVING

BIRTHDAYS: Nov 19, Warner Davis, Kristina Jones; Nov 20, Charles Rodgers, Angela Gonzalez; Nov 23, Ginger Hawkins; Nov 25, Margaret Stewart

PRAYERS OF INTERCESSION

Abbey Hale, Lorie Turner, Mary Lou Thesmar, Joe Marsh, Mark, Rhonda & Dale, Anita Coughlin, Callie, Paul Massa, Carole Scruggs, Mary Ellen, Lori, Wendy Davis, Fr. René, and Lindsey Mobley

WE PRAY FOR ALL THOSE ON OUR PRAYER LIST, REMEMBERING TODAY: OUR PASTORAL CARE TEAMS, ASHLEY STRANGE, NIKKI SKILES, BRIAN CLEMMER, STUART SKILES, BUTCH PORTER, ED, MARY STINNETT, BUCKY, PAUL HYDE, JACK & GAIL BOBICZ, PAM BRAMLEGE, JULI VALLEY, BARBARA & TOMMY JONES, ANN & WALKER, BETTY & TOM, THERESA, BILL RICHARDSON, DAN S., SHERRI, SAVANNAH HYDE, and MIKE COLEMAN

& ALTAR FLOWERS &

Given by Marion Kee to the glory of Almighty God and in thanksgiving for Cameron Nicholas Cowan and his baby brother due to be born on Leap Day

ANNOUNCEMENTS

CHURCH DIRECTORY PHOTO: If you were not able to have your portrait taken by Portrait Café, you still can have your photo added by contacting the office within the next few days. Cynthia will be glad to take your photo before or after services.

A HUGE THANK-YOU TO JOE STINNETT: Joe was the most amazing and organized coordinator we could have EVER had to work with Portrait Café to get our portraits scheduled for our new church directory. We could not have accomplished this without him. He deserves all the thanks and all the applause!

ADVENT 4 and CHRISTMAS EVE SERVICE PARTICIPANT SIGN-UP: The sign-up for service participants for Dec 24 at 9:30 AM and all the Christmas Eve services is posted on the parish hall bulletin board. Please consider helping with these special services.

MINIATURE SAINT ANDREW'S CHURCHES: We are once again selling delightful Saint Andrew's Church "night lights" on Sunday mornings in the foyer of the parish hall. The cost is \$30. You can just pick one up and leave a check in the black box. Note on the memo line that your check is for a church night light. These little Saint Andrew's lighted churches make great gifts. They are beautiful and unique. All proceeds go to our EYC.

THANKSGIVING DAY HOLY EUCHARIST: Thursday, Nov 23, at 10:00 AM.

SCHEDULED CHURCH OFFICE CLOSING: The church office will be closed Wednesday–Friday, Nov 22–24, with no Bible studies or morning prayer on Wednesday or Friday.

BIBLE STUDIES: The only Bible studies this coming week are the Men's Study on Monday at 10:00 AM, the Ladies' Study on Tuesday at 10:00 AM, and the Exodus Study on Tuesday at 1:30 PM.

SAINT ANDREW'S NIGHT – ANNUAL PARISH MEETING: This year we will have Saint Andrew's Night here at the church in the parish hall. It is scheduled for Wednesday, Nov 29, at 6:00 PM. Please mark your calendars, and sign up on the bulletin board in the parish hall. Saint Andrew's will provide all the food this year. You are welcome to bring wine for your dinner if you wish. We hope you will join us for this special, once-a-year evening. New Vestry members for 2024 will be elected, and Fr. Jeff will update us on the state of the parish. Please sign up ASAP, and indicate need for baby/toddler nursery by Wednesday, Nov 22.

VESTRY NOMINEES FOR 2024: Be sure to read the biographies included in the bulletin for our six Vestry candidates for 2024. The election of three new vestry positions will be held at Saint Andrew's Night on Wednesday, Nov 29, at 6:00 PM. The nominees are **Mary Walton Allen**, **Lisa Carter**, **Ting Ting Davis**, **Charles Hall**, **Don Johnston**, and **Jay Walne**. Their willingness to serve Saint Andrew's is greatly appreciated.

ADVENT RETREAT: On **Dec 3** after the 10:30 service, there will be an Advent Retreat led by Fr. Jeff Marx helping us to focus on the season and prepare us for Christmas. Lunch will be provided for retreat attendees. Please sign up in the parish hall and indicate whether you will eat lunch. <u>Also, please indicate whether you will need nursery/childcare (give children's ages)</u>. We need the lunch and nursery/childcare information by **Sunday, Nov 25** so we can order the food and hire nursery workers if needed.

LESSONS & CAROLS LED BY EYC: Everyone is invited to Lessons & Carols, which will be led by our EYC group on **Dec 10 at 5:00 PM**. Come out for a nice Advent service in support of our youth.

PARENTS' NIGHT OUT HOSTED BY EYC: Our EYC group is hosting Parents' Night Out on **Saturday, Dec 16, from 5:00 PM to 9:00 PM**. It's a great time for parents to have a date night or go Christmas shopping, or both. Parents, if interested, please sign up your children aged through 5th graders (potty-trained young ones only). The sign-up is on the parish hall bulletin board.

POINSETTIAS FOR CHRISTMAS: You may submit your requests for poinsettias in memory or honor of someone. The church is always beautifully decorated with poinsettias on Christmas Eve and the First Sunday after Christmas. The cost is \$15.00 for each dedication. Turn in your check made out to Saint Andrew's (put "poinsettia" on the memo line), **and** be sure to turn in the names (indicating in memory, in honor, or in thanksgiving) to Cynthia or Martha by **Dec 15**.

ADVENT COOKIE EXCHANGE AND DIRTY SANTA: Ladies, we're going to get together for a Cookie Exchange and Dirty Santa Party. It will be at Erinn Monette's home (3282 N. Hartwell Ridge Dr., C'ville) on Saturday, Dec 16, 1:00–4:00 PM. The Cookie Exchange will start at 1:00 PM, and the Dirty Santa present exchange will start at 2:00 PM. You don't have to do the cookie exchange or the Dirty Santa (or either) if you do not want to participate in them! Just come and mingle and chat over some snacks and drinks. We want everyone to have a good time! We are trying to do this in early afternoon before it gets dark out, but, if you need a ride, let us know. Please sign up in the parish hall if you plan to attend. Bring a friend if you'd like. Also, put what kind of cookie you are making/buying so that we don't end up with 20 dozen chocolate chip cookies! For the Dirty Santa, if you plan to participate, bring one wrapped gift of up to \$20 in value. Contact Stacy Coughlin at 901.270.4319 or at stacycoughlin@comcast.net if you have any questions.

KROGER REWARDS PROGRAM: We got an update from Kroger regarding our parishioners' use of Kroger Plus cards. We had 38 supporter households that shopped at Kroger between Aug 1 and Oct 31, 2023, for a total donation of \$115.04, which will be deposited to the EYC account. To participate in this program, you must log in at kroger Plus card. Saint Andrew's account number is CD970. You can search for either the number or the name of the church.

FR. CHRISTIAN IS ON THE DIOCESAN WEBSITE: Go to the following link to see Fr. Christian's photo and article on the Diocese of West Tennessee website: https://edwtn.org/what-we-have-in-our-hands/

Daily Office, Year 1, Proper 28, November 19–25, BCP 992

Sun AM Psalm 66, 67 PM Psalm 19, 46

1 Macc. 2:29-43,49-50 Acts 28:14b-23 Luke 16:1-13

Mon AM Psalm 89:1-18 PM Psalm 89:19-52

1 Macc. 3:1-24 Rev. 20:7-15 Matt. 17:1-13

Tue AM Psalm 97, 99, [100] PM Psalm 94, [95]

1 Macc. 3:25-41 Rev. 21:1-8 Matt. 17:14-21

Wed AM Psalm 101, 109 PM Psalm 119:121-144

1 Macc. 3:42-60 Rev. 21:9-21 Matt. 17:22-27

Thu Thanksgiving Day, BCP 1000

AM Psalm 147 Deut. 26:1-11 John 6:26-35 PM Psalm 145 Joel 2:21-27 1 Thes. 5:12-24

Thu AM Psalm 105:1-22 PM Psalm 105:23-45

1 Macc. 4:1-25 Rev. 21:22—22:5 Matt. 18:1-9

Fri AM Psalm 102 PM Psalm 107:1-32 1 Macc, 4:36-59 Rev, 22:6-13 Matt, 18:10-20

Sat AM Psalm 107:33-43, 108 PM Psalm 33

Isa. 65:17-25 Rev. 22:14-21 Matt. 18:21-35

EYC MISSION STATEMENT

Our goal as a youth group is to be an all-inclusive community of young believers who set an example for other Christians in speech, conduct, love, faith, and purity (1 Tim 4:12).

EYC ANNOUNCEMENTS:

- If you have questions or you want to be added to the list to get texts about EYC events, get in touch with Julie at 901-240-6189.
- Sunday school meets every Sunday at 9:30 AM. Be sure to make this a priority in your Sunday routine. Donuts are usually provided as an extra incentive to come learn from Fr. Christian.
- Bible Study meets on Wednesdays at 6 PM in the basement EYC Sunday school room. Snacks are
 provided, and we hope to see everyone there!
- Applications are now open for Diocesan Youth Council! The Diocesan Youth Council (DYC) is a
 group made up of 10th-12th grade students from around the Episcopal Diocese of West Tennessee
 tasked with bringing their thoughts, perspectives, and interests to diocesan leadership, creating
 meaningful fellowship and service events for young people in our diocese, and providing insight to Bishop
 & Council. The first term of the DYC will begin in Spring 2024. Members will meet once a quarter over
 Zoom. The anticipated time commitment will be 4 hours/quarter. Applications for the DYC are due by Dec
 15, 2023. Apply at EDWTN.org/Youth.
- Sunday, Nov 19: We will meet in the parish hall from 5:30-7:30.
- · Wednesday, Nov 22: No EYC Bible Study.
- Thursday, Nov 23: Thanksgiving Day Holy Eucharist at 10 AM. Give THANKS and enjoy turkey day!
- Wednesday, Nov 29: Saint Andrew's Night, at 6 PM, so no Bible Study that night either. If you are 16 years old or older, you are welcome to join the adults in the parish hall. Everyone else can come to the church basement for pizza and to help play with the younger kids while the parents are upstairs.

LOOKING AHEAD:

- Sunday, Dec 10: Lessons and Carols. More details to follow but readers will be needed. If you have a
 talent to share like playing an instrument, reading a poem, etc., we would love to have you showcase that
 during this service. Let Julie know what you would like to do for this service.
- Saturday, Dec 16: EYC will do Parents Night Out; we will be hosting games and activities with the
 younger kids. Be thinking of something fun we can do with them.

SOLO: LIGHT'S ABODE, CELESTIAL SALEM

(words: 15th c. Latin, tr. John Mason Neale 1818–1866; music: 13th c. plainsong, ver by Schola Antiqua)

Light's abode, celestial Salem, vision whence true peace doth spring, brighter than the heart can fancy, mansion of the highest King;

O how glorious are the praises which of thee the prophets sing!

There for ever and for ever alleluia is outpoured; for unending, for unbroken is the feast-day of the Lord; all is pure and all is holy that within thy walls is stored.

There no cloud or passing vapor dims the brightness of the air; endless noon-day, glorious noon-day, from the Sun of suns is there; there no night brings rest from labor, for unknown are toil and care.

O how glorious and resplendent, fragile body, shalt thou be, when endued with heavenly beauty, full of health, and strong, and free, full of vigor, full of pleasure that shall last eternally!

Now with gladness, now with courage, bear the burden on thee laid, that hereafter these thy labors may with endless gifts be paid, and in everlasting glory thou with brightness be arrayed.