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News & Events



Noonday Preaching this Week:
Shay Gaillard, Dr. Andrew Bush, and Joe Gibbes

The Rev. Shay Gaillard, Rector of the Church of the Good Shepherd in Charleston, South Carolina, will preach Monday and Tuesday, March 8 and 9, at 12:05 p.m. Dr. Andrew Bush, physician and Professor of Paediatric Respiriology at the Imperial School of Medicine in London, England, will speak Wednesday, March 10. The Rev. Joseph A. Gibbes, Associate Rector of St. John's Parish in Johns Island, South Carolina, will be the noonday preacher Thursday and Friday, March 11 and 12. See "Worship" on page 2 for more information.

Choral Evensong for Lent is this Sunday

The Cathedral Choir will sing Choral Evensong for Lent this Sunday, March 7, 4:00 p.m. in the Nave. Canon Smalley will officiate this traditional sung service of Evening Prayer. See "Making Music" on page 3 for more information.



A Word from Canon Kinner

Each year during Lent, one of my devotional resources is a book about the Desert Fathers, early Christians who lived and prayed in the deserts of North Africa and Israel, and who became teachers of the faith during the decadence and decline of the Roman Empire. This is one of my favorite accounts:

Abba Elias once told this story. "An old man was living in a temple and the demons came to say to him, 'Leave this place which belongs to us,' and the old man said, 'No place belongs to you.' Then they began to scatter his palm leaves about, one by one, and the old man went on gathering them together with perseverance. A little later, the devil took his hand and pulled him to the door. When the old man reached the door, he seized the lintel with the other hand, crying out, 'Jesus save me.' Immediately the devil fled away. Then the old man began to weep. Then the Lord said to him, 'Why are you weeping?', and the

old man said, 'Because the devils have dared to seize a man and treat him like this.' The Lord said to him, 'You had been careless. As soon as you turned to me again, you see I was beside you.'"

I like this story, because I see so much of myself in the old man. When trials come, I try to fix them myself; I just put my head down, rely on my own strength, and keep picking up the scattered palm fronds of my life. I don't think about going to Jesus, or if I do, I go with a half-hearted prayer, imagining that I can handle things myself. After all, I am a "get it done" sort of person. So I keep picking up my palm leaves, until I come to the end of myself and am hanging onto the doorpost of life by my fingernails. It is then that I cry out like the old man in the story, "Jesus, save me."

And Jesus does save. Not always in the way that I would have chosen, but he always reaches down and takes my hand, and the darkness is pushed back, and the storms of life are calmed. Jesus is indeed the savior! May we know that truth more deeply this Lent. - Heidi

So Peter got out of the boat, started walking on the water, and came toward Jesus. But when he noticed the strong wind, he became frightened, and beginning to sink, he cried out, "Lord, save me!" Jesus immediately reached out his hand and caught him, saying to him, "You of little faith, why did you doubt?" When they got into the boat, the wind ceased. And those in the boat worshiped him, saying, "Truly you are the son of God." - St. Matthew 14:29-33

This Sunday:

March 7, 2010

Third Sunday in Lent

Services:

7:30 a.m. Holy Communion

9:00 a.m. Morning Prayer

11:00 a.m. Holy Communion

Dean Limehouse will preach at all morning services.

4:00 p.m. Choral Evensong

5:00 p.m. Evening Service

Preacher: Canon Smalley

Adult Education: 10:10 - 10:50 a.m.

The Dean's Class (Refectory) - *Sacrifice Lamb: The Beginning* - Eric Walker

The Vice Dean's Class (Staff Conference Room) - *Assurance of Salvation* - Vice Dean Harper

The Newcomers' Class (Living Room) - *Is Sin in Our DNA? Can We Stop?* - Marilyn Dixon

Trinity Bible Study - An Open Study of Paul's Epistles to the Thessalonians (Diocesan Conference Room) - Steve Tilghman and Jon Harbuck

Young Adults' Class (Chapter Room) - *The Angularity of Jesus: The Lord of the Law* - Gil Kracke

Children's & Youth Education:

Classes are offered for three-years and older. See Sunday's service leaflet for details. Nurseries are open 8:45 a.m.-12:15 p.m.

Lectionary:

Psalms 63:1-8

Exodus 3:1-15

1 Corinthians 10:1-13

St. Luke 13:1-9

The 9:00 a.m. service is broadcast live on WXJC 850 AM, 92.5 FM, and www.850WXJC.com.

Sermon text and audio are available on our website, www.AdventBirmingham.org.



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worship

Lenten Noonday Preaching

Shay Gaillard to Preach Monday and Tuesday

The Rev. Shay Gaillard, Rector of the Church of the Good Shepherd, Charleston, South Carolina, will preach Monday and Tuesday, March 8 and 9, at 12:05 p.m.

After serving in youth ministry both in the parish and at the diocesan level, Shay Gaillard attended Trinity School for Ministry. In December, 2003, his ordained ministry began as Curate of St. Paul's Church, Conway, South Carolina. He has served as Rector at Good Shepherd for the past three years.

Mr. Gaillard is Chairman of the Board for St. Christopher Camp and Conference Center and is a member of the Standing Committee of the Diocese of South Carolina. He and his wife Tara have four daughters.



Physician and Teacher Andrew Bush to Speak Wednesday

Dr. Andrew Bush, Professor of Paediatric Respiriology at the Imperial School of Medicine at the National Heart and Lung Institute, London, England, will be the noonday preacher Wednesday, March 10.

Andrew Bush is also Consultant Paediatric Chest Physician at Royal Brompton Hospital. He has served as head of the Paediatric Assembly, European Respiratory Society.

Dr. Bush has published more than 300 peer review papers. He is Deputy Editor of the *American Journal of Respiratory and Critical Care Medicine* and recently co-edited the seventh edition of *Kendig's Respiratory Disorders in Children*. He is married with four children.



Joseph Gibbes to Preach Thursday and Friday

The Rev. Joseph A. Gibbes, Associate Rector of St. John's Parish, Johns Island, South Carolina, will speak Thursday and Friday, March 11 and 12, at 12:05 p.m.

Joe Gibbes has served at St. John's since graduating from Trinity School for Ministry in 2006. In addition to preaching, teaching, and pastoral care, his work at St. John's includes men's ministry and the fledgling young adults' program. He also serves on the Diocesan Council of the Diocese of South Carolina.

A native of Columbia, South Carolina, Mr. Gibbes graduated from Wake Forest University. He is married to Amy, and they have two children.



spiritual growth & fellowship

EYC

This Sunday: La Paz

Jr. High EYC will meet for dinner at La Paz in Crestline Village this Sunday, March 7, 5:00-6:00 p.m. **Sr. High** youth will follow the Jr. High at La Paz, dining from 6:00 to 7:00.

Grief Recovery

The Grief Recovery Group will meet on Tuesdays, March 23-April 27, 7:00-8:30 p.m. at the home of Laurie and Frank Jones, 3001 Woodleigh Road. To register, call Laurie at 967-7402. For more information, call 226-3500.

Super Bowl Soup Sale



Thanks to all who generously gave their time and talent, the women of the Advent raised \$1,500 at the annual Soup Sale on February 7. Proceeds will go to the Advent's increasing Inreach needs.

Faith Alive

Following Up

It's been a month since our Faith Alive weekend, and we want to share some of what came out of the weekend and what is going on at this point. There was an overwhelming sense that we are blessed to have such wonderful clergy and strong preaching of the Gospel. All of our Christian Education programs got high praise, too, as did the small groups program. There was an overriding theme of wanting more fellowship within our parish and among the different services so as to make our church more of a "family." The neighborhood groups on Saturday morning were very well received. Many Adventers want to be bolder in their faith on a daily basis. Many people expressed the desire to be more involved in Outreach opportunities. Surveys will be coming to those who registered via email, so please fill them out and send them back.

On a personal note, we want to thank everyone who was involved in any way. Thank you all for participating. We think that there were more than 500 people who came to at least one of the events. Our prayer is that your faith is a little more alive than it was a month ago and that you were as blessed by the weekend as we were.

- Miriam and Clay Morris



•**Faith Alive Newsletter:** To subscribe to the newsletter, which lists upcoming Weekends and ministry opportunities, send \$5.00 to Faith Alive, 431 Richmond Place NE, Albuquerque, NM 87106.

“Take heed to yourselves and to all the flock, in which the Holy Spirit has made you guardians, to feed the church of the Lord which he obtained with his own blood.”
Acts 20:28



making music

Children's Choirs

The Angels (3's and 4's) and **Cherubs** (5K) will sing "My God is so great" at the 9:00 service on Sunday, March 7. Parents are to take children to their classrooms before 9:00 as usual.



Worship in the Beauty of Holiness this Sunday at 4:00

The Cathedral Choir (*above, in Durham Cathedral, England*) will sing Choral Evensong for Lent on Sunday, March 7, 4:00 p.m. in the Nave. The service will feature two works for double-choir: "Evening Service in G minor" by Henry Purcell, and "Faire is the Heaven" by William Harris. Soloists in the Purcell work will be Holly Chesnut, Paige Welch, Cara Monroe, Brian Denton, Alan Taylor, and C. H. Janes, Jr. Canon Smalley will officiate. Parking will be available in the Financial Center Deck.



education

The Easter Walk

Move Over Easter Bunny... "The Walk" is Back!

Make plans now to join us Easter Eve, Saturday, April 3, at 10:00 a.m., rain or shine., for the annual Easter Walk production. Come follow in Jesus' footsteps through eight re-enacted scenes of what really happened that first Holy Week. In addition to "The Walk," there will be singing, arts and crafts for children 4K-fourth grade, and refreshments. A nursery will be provided for ages three and under. Dress is very casual, so come as you are - baseball/softball/soccer/lacrosse uniforms are welcome! For more information or to volunteer to help, please contact Mary McInnis (443-8557, mary@cathedraladvent.com). Prepare your hearts for our Lord's resurrection. *St. Luke 24:34*

2010 Mite Box Money

To Benefit Haiti Education Foundation

Every Lent the children of the Advent collect a special Mite Box offering. Historically this money has been donated to the Advent-supported Haiti Education Foundation, used to purchase milk and oatmeal for the children who attend the schools supported by the foundation. This year's offering will again be donated to the foundation and ear-marked for long-term disaster relief. This could include buying milk and oatmeal, desks, text books, or temporary shelter. So find an Advent child - your child, grandchild, niece, nephew, or neighbor - and donate. Even your spare change is welcome. For more information visit www.haitifoundation.org or call Mary McInnis at 443-8557. *St. Matthew 25:40*

Nursery

Director Accepts Call to Full-Time Ministry

When Nursery Director Mallie Searcy (*right*) called to say she had accepted a new job, I was initially sad to hear she was leaving. Mallie has served faithfully in our nursery for two years. My sadness quickly turned to joy as she described how her time at the Advent had helped her realize God's true calling on her life; Mallie is the new Director of Children's Ministries for First United Methodist Church in Decatur. Please join me in thanking God for involving us in this process! Mallie's last day with us is Sunday, March 7. Keep her in your prayers as she begins her new ministry. Kay McCarty, Director of the Two-Year-Old Room, will serve as Interim Director while we prayerfully search for Mallie's successor.



- Leslie Housman

Sixth Grade Confirmation

Retreat March 6-7

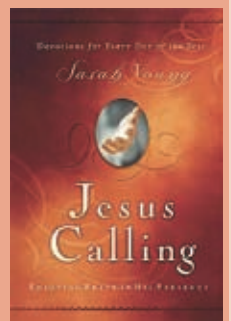
The Sixth Grade Confirmation Retreat will begin Saturday, March 6; please be at the Birmingham Botanical Gardens by 1:00 p.m. We will return on Sunday, March 7; please plan to pick up children at 2:00 p.m. at the Botanical Gardens. Get excited about a fun time at Camp McDowell! Questions? Contact Elizabeth Wilson (226-3547, elizabeth@cathedraladvent.com).



book store

Jesus Is Calling - A Daily Devotional

Jesus Calling: Enjoying Peace in His Presence by Sarah Young - Jesus is calling you. Do you hear Him? Words of reassurance, comfort, and hope were given to Sarah Young as she wrote them in her journal - words that have made her constantly aware of His Presence and allowed her to enjoy His Peace. Here is a year's worth of daily readings from Young's journals to bring you closer to Christ and move your time with Him from a monologue to a dialogue.



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calendar:

SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
Mar 7 Regular worship schedule Choral Evensong for Lent - Nave - 4 p.m. EYC: La Paz - Jr. High @ 5 p.m.; Sr. High @ 6 p.m.	8 Allen Ross Bible Study - Advent Park - 7 a.m. Lenten Noonday Preaching - The Rev. Shay Gaillard - 12:05 p.m.	9 Lenten Noonday Preaching - The Rev. Shay Gaillard - 12:05 p.m.	10 Holy Communion - Chapel - 11:30 a.m. Lenten Noonday Preaching - Dr. Andrew Bush - 12:05 p.m.	11 Vice Dean's Bible Study - Clingman - 7:15 a.m. Lenten Noonday Preaching - The Rev. Joseph A. Gibbes - 12:05 p.m.	12 Women's Bible Study - Latimer House - 9:15 a.m. Lenten Noonday Preaching - The Rev. Joseph A. Gibbes - 12:05 p.m.	13
Mar 14 Daylight Saving Time begins - 2 a.m. Regular worship schedule	15 Allen Ross Bible Study - Advent Park - 7 a.m. Lenten Noonday Preaching - The Rev. Dr. Frank Barker - 12:05 p.m.	16 Lenten Noonday Preaching - The Rev. Dr. Frank Barker - 12:05 p.m.	17 Holy Communion - Chapel - 11:30 a.m. Lenten Noonday Preaching - The Rev. Dr. David Platt - 12:05 p.m.	18 Vice Dean's Bible Study - Chapter Room - 7:15 a.m. Lenten Noonday Preaching - The Rev. Dr. Mark Gignilliat - 12:05 p.m.	19 Women's Bible Study - Latimer House - 9:15 a.m. Lenten Noonday Preaching - The Rev. Dr. Mark Gignilliat - 12:05 p.m.	20

Every Sunday: Breakfast - Refectory, 8:00 a.m.
 Monday-Friday: AA - Coe Conference Room, 12:00 p.m.

Monday-Friday: Lenten Lunches - Refectory/Clingman Commons, 12:05 p.m.

coming up:

• Organ Recital: Gillian Weir, British Concert Organist - Sunday, March 21, Nave, 4:00 p.m.

- Grief Recovery Group: Tuesdays, March 23-April 27, 3001 Woodleigh Road, 6:30 p.m.
- Sunday of the Passion: Palm Sunday - March 28

transitions:

Deaths: Gwendolyn Peggy Miller, on February 16; James Harold Clark, on February 20

memorials:

Gifts Were Given In Memory Of:

Harold A. Bowron, III: (Endowment Fund) by Whitney DeBardeleben; Joy F. Hicks; Hatton C. V. Smith; Mallie M. Ireland • (Dean's Discretionary Fund) by Dr. and Mrs. Charles Glenn Cobbs; Gordon B. Lanier
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