

St. Augustine of Canterbury Episcopal Church

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The First Sunday of Advent
December 3, 2023

“[Jesus said ...] And then they will see the Son of man coming in clouds with great power and glory.”

Mark 13:26 (RSV)

Welcome to St. Augustine's

A special welcome to those who are visiting via our on-line service. We welcome the addition of your praise and thanks to God this day. If you are seeking a church home, you are welcome here.

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THE HOLY EUCHARIST: RITE ONE

Be thoughtful, be silent, be reverent; for this is the House of God. Before the service, speak to the Lord; during the service, let the Lord speak to you; After the service, speak to one another.

(The voices of small children are always welcome!)

PRELUDE

O come, O come, Emmanuel

HYMN No. 56

Sharon Lewis, Church Accompanist

Words: Latin, ca. 9th cent.; ver. *Hymnal 1940*, alt. Music: *Veni, veni, Emmanuel*, plainsong, Mode 1, *Processionale*, 15th cent.; adapt. Thomas Helmore (1811-1890)

OPENING HYMN

How firm a foundation

HYMN No. 636

- 1 How firm a foundation, ye saints of the Lord, is laid for your faith in his excellent word!
What more can he say than to you he hath said, to you that for refuge to Jesus have fled?
- 2 “Fear not, I am with thee; O be not dismayed! For I am thy God, and will still give thee aid;
I’ll strengthen thee, help thee, and cause thee to stand, upheld by my righteous, omnipotent hand.”
- 3 “When through the deep waters I call thee to go, the rivers of woe shall not thee overflow;
for I will be with thee, thy troubles to bless, and sanctify to thee thy deepest distress.”

Words: K. in John Rippon’s *Selection*, 1787, alt. Music: *Foundation*, melody from *The Sacred Harp*, 1844; harm. Calvin Hampton (1938-1984)

THE WORD OF GOD

LIGHTING OF THE ADVENT CANDLE

The Priest moves to the Advent wreath to light one candle. The music team sings the hymn “Light One Candle to Watch for Messiah.”

- 1 Light one candle to watch for Messiah:
Let the light banish darkness.
He shall bring salvation to Israel,
God fulfills the promise.

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Priest ✠Blessed be God; Father, Son, and Holy Spirit.

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People **And blessed be his kingdom, now and for ever. Amen.**

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

Priest Hear what our Lord Jesus Christ saith: Thou shalt love the Lord thy God with all thy heart, and with all thy soul, and with all thy mind. This is the first and great commandment. And the second is like unto it: Thou shalt love thy neighbor as thyself. On these two commandments hang all the Law and the Prophets.

THE KYRIE

Kyrie Eleison

Kyrie eleison. Christe eleison. Kyrie eleison.
Lord have mercy. Christ have mercy. Lord have mercy.
Kyrie eleison. Christe eleison. Kyrie eleison.

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THE COLLECT OF THE DAY

Priest The Lord be with you.

People **And with thy spirit.**

Priest Let us pray.

Almighty God, give us grace that we may cast away the works of darkness, and put upon us the armor of light, now in the time of this mortal life in which thy Son Jesus Christ came to visit us in great humility; that in the last day, when he shall come again in his glorious majesty to judge both the quick and the dead, we may rise to the life immortal; through him who liveth and reigneth with thee and the Holy Ghost, one God, now and for ever. **Amen.**

THE LESSONS

THE OLD TESTAMENT LESSON

Isaiah 64:1-9

Reader A reading from the book of the prophet Isaiah.

O that you would tear open the heavens and come down, so that the mountains would quake at your presence—as when fire kindles brushwood and the fire causes water to boil—to make your name known to your adversaries, so that the nations might tremble at your presence! When you did awesome deeds that we did not expect, you came down, the mountains quaked at your presence.

From ages past no one has heard, no ear has perceived, no eye has seen any God besides you, who works for those who wait for him. You meet those who gladly do right, those who remember you in your ways. But you were angry, and we sinned; because you hid yourself we transgressed.

We have all become like one who is unclean, and all our righteous deeds are like a filthy cloth. We all fade like a leaf, and our iniquities, like the wind, take us away. There is no one who calls on your name, or attempts to take hold of you; for you have hidden your face from us, and have delivered us into the hand of our iniquity.

Yet, O LORD, you are our Father; we are the clay, and you are our potter; we are all the work of your hand. Do not be exceedingly angry, O LORD, and do not remember iniquity forever. Now consider, we are all your people.

Reader The Word of the Lord.

People **Thanks be to God.**

Reader Please read today's Psalm responsively by whole verse.

- 1 Hear, O Shepherd of Israel, leading Joseph like a flock; *
shine forth, you that are enthroned upon the cherubim.
- 2 **In the presence of Ephraim, Benjamin, and Manasseh, *
stir up your strength and come to help us.**
- 3 Restore us, O God of hosts; *
show the light of your countenance, and we shall be saved.
- 4 **O LORD God of hosts, *
how long will you be angered
despite the prayers of your people?**
- 5 You have fed them with the bread of tears; *
you have given them bowls of tears to drink.
- 6 **You have made us the derision of our neighbors, *
and our enemies laugh us to scorn.**
- 7 Restore us, O God of hosts; *
show the light of your countenance, and we shall be saved.
- 16 **Let your hand be upon the man of your right hand, *
the son of man you have made so strong for yourself.**
- 17 And so will we never turn away from you; *
give us life, that we may call upon your Name.
- 18 **Restore us, O LORD God of hosts; *
show the light of your countenance, and we shall be saved.**

All **Glory be to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Spirit;
as it was in the beginning, is now, and will be for ever. Amen.**

Gloria Patri

THE EPISTLE LESSON

1 Corinthians 1:3-9

Reader A reading from the first letter of St. Paul to the Corinthians.

Grace to you and peace from God our Father and the Lord Jesus Christ. I give thanks to my God always for you because of the grace of God that has been given you in Christ Jesus, for in every way you have been enriched in him, in speech and knowledge of every kind—just as the testimony of Christ has been strengthened among you—so that you are not lacking in any spiritual gift as you wait for the revealing of our Lord Jesus Christ. He will also strengthen you to the end, so that you may be blameless on the day of our Lord Jesus Christ. God is faithful; by him you were called into the fellowship of his Son, Jesus Christ our Lord.

Reader The Word of the Lord.

People **Thanks be to God.**

- 1 Lo! He comes, with clouds descending, once for our salvation slain; thousand thousand saints attending swell the triumph of his train: Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia! Christ the Lord returns to reign.
- 2 Every eye shall now behold him, robed in dreadful majesty; those who set at nought and sold him, pierced, and nailed him to the tree, deeply wailing, deeply wailing, deeply wailing, shall the true Messiah see.

THE GOSPEL*Mark 13:24-37*

Deacon ✠ The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus according to Mark.

People **Glory be to thee, O Lord.**

Jesus said, “In those days, after that suffering,
 the sun will be darkened,
 and the moon will not give its light,
 and the stars will be falling from heaven,
 and the powers in the heavens will be shaken.

Then they will see ‘the Son of Man coming in clouds’ with great power and glory. Then he will send out the angels, and gather his elect from the four winds, from the ends of the earth to the ends of heaven.

“From the fig tree learn its lesson: as soon as its branch becomes tender and puts forth its leaves, you know that summer is near. So also, when you see these things taking place, you know that he is near, at the very gates. Truly I tell you, this generation will not pass away until all these things have taken place. Heaven and earth will pass away, but my words will not pass away.

“But about that day or hour no one knows, neither the angels in heaven, nor the Son, but only the Father. Beware, keep alert; for you do not know when the time will come. It is like a man going on a journey, when he leaves home and puts his slaves in charge, each with his work, and commands the doorkeeper to be on the watch. Therefore, keep awake—for you do not know when the master of the house will come, in the evening, or at midnight, or at cockcrow, or at dawn, or else he may find you asleep when he comes suddenly. And what I say to you I say to all: Keep awake.”

Deacon The Gospel of the Lord.

People **Praise be to thee, O Christ.**

- 3 Those dear tokens of his passion still his dazzling body bears, cause of endless exultation to his ransomed worshipers; with what rapture, with what rapture, with what rapture gaze we on those glorious scars!

4 Yea, amen! let all adore thee, high on thine eternal throne; Savior, take the power and glory; claim the kingdom for thine own: Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia! Thou shalt reign, and thou alone.

Words: Charles Wesley (1707-1788) Music: *Helmsley*, melody Augustine Arne (1710-1778)

THE HOMILY

Fr. Dan Wagner

THE NICENE CREED

Priest Let us stand and affirm our faith saying together the Nicene Creed:

People **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 \times for the resurrection of the dead, and the life of the world to come. Amen.

THE PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

The Intercessor and People pray responsively.

Intercessor Let us pray for the whole state of Christ's Church and the world.

Intercessor Almighty and ever living God, who in thy holy Word hast taught us to make prayers, and supplications, and to give thanks for all: Receive these our prayers which we offer unto thy divine Majesty, beseeching thee to inspire continually the Universal Church with the spirit of truth, unity, and concord; and grant that all those who do confess thy holy Name may agree in the truth of thy holy Word, and live in unity and godly love;

People **Lord, hear our prayer.**

Intercessor Give grace, O heavenly Father, to all bishops and other ministers, especially Michael our Presiding Bishop, Daniel our Bishop, Dan our Priest, and Chris our Deacon that they may, both by their life and doctrine, set forth thy true and lively Word, and rightly and duly administer thy holy Sacraments.

People Lord, hear our prayer.

Intercessor And to all thy people give thy heavenly grace, and especially to this congregation here present; that, with meek heart and due reverence, they may hear and receive thy holy Word, truly serving thee in holiness and righteousness all the days of their life.

People Lord, hear our prayer.

Intercessor We beseech thee also so to rule the hearts of those who bear the authority of government in this and every land, especially Joseph our president, Henry our governor, and Teddy our mayor, that they may be led to wise decisions and right actions for the welfare and peace of the world;

People Lord, hear our prayer.

Intercessor Open, O Lord, the eyes of all people to behold thy gracious hand in all thy works, that, rejoicing in thy whole creation, they may honor thee with their substance, and be faithful stewards of thy bounty;

People Lord, hear our prayer.

Intercessor And we most humbly beseech thee, of thy goodness, O Lord, to comfort and succor those in need of thy mercy and grace. We pray especially for *N.N.* and all those who, in this transitory life, are in trouble, sorrow, need, sickness, or any other adversity.

People Lord, have mercy.

Intercessor And we also bless thy holy Name for all thy servants departed ✠ this life in thy faith and fear [*especially N.N.*], beseeching thee to grant them continual growth in thy love and service; and to grant us grace so to follow the good examples of all thy saints, that with them we may be partakers of thy heavenly kingdom.

People Lord, hear our prayer.

Intercessor Grant these our prayers, O Father, for Jesus Christ's sake, our only Mediator and Advocate. **Amen.**

THE CONFESSION

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Deacon Let us humbly confess our sins unto Almighty God.

Silence

All Almighty God, Father of our Lord Jesus Christ, maker of all things, judge of all men: We acknowledge and bewail our manifold sins and wickedness, which we from time to time most grievously have committed, by thought, word, and deed, against thy divine Majesty, provoking most justly thy wrath and indignation against us. We do earnestly repent, and are heartily sorry for these our misdoings; the remembrance of them is grievous unto us, the burden of them is intolerable.

Have mercy upon us, have mercy upon us, most merciful Father; for thy Son our Lord Jesus Christ's sake, forgive us all that is past; and grant that we

may ever hereafter serve and please thee in newness of life, to the honor and glory of thy Name; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

Priest Almighty God, our heavenly Father, who of his great mercy hath promised forgiveness of sins to all those who with hearty repentance and true faith turn unto him, have mercy upon you, ✕ pardon and deliver you from all your sins, confirm and strengthen you in all goodness, and bring you to everlasting life; through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

Priest Hear the Word of God to all who truly turn to him.

Come unto me, all ye that travail and are heavy laden, and I will refresh you.

Matthew 11:28

God so loved the world, that he gave his only-begotten Son, to the end that all that believe in him should not perish, but have everlasting life.

John 3:16

THE PEACE

Priest The peace of the Lord be always with you.

People **And with thy spirit.**

The Minister and People greet others in the name of the Lord. After exchanging the peace, the Minister may offer this or some other suitable offertory sentence.

Priest May the God of hope fill you with all joy and peace as you trust in him, so that you will overflow with hope by the power of the Holy Spirit.

OFFERTORY ANTHEM

This is Jesus

St. Augustine's Music Team

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DOXOLOGY

From All that Dwell Below the Skies

HYMN NO. 380 v. 3

Praise God, from whom all blessings flow; Praise Him, all creatures here below; Praise Him above, ye heav'nly host; Praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost. Amen.

Words: Isaac Watts (1674-1748), para. of Psalm 117. St. 3, Thomas Ken (1637-1711) Music: *Old 100th*, melody from *Pseaumes octante trois de David*, 1551, alt.; harm. after Louis Bourgeois (1510-1561)

THE HOLY COMMUNION

THE GREAT THANKSGIVING

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Priest The Lord be with you.

People **And with thy spirit.**

Priest Lift up your hearts.

People **We lift them up unto the Lord.**

Priest Let us give thanks unto our Lord God.

People **It is meet and right so to do.**

It is very meet, right, and our bounden duty, that we should at all times, and in all places, give thanks unto thee, O Lord, holy Father, almighty, everlasting God.

Because thou didst send thy beloved Son to redeem us from sin and death, and to make us heirs in him of everlasting life; that when he shall come again in power and great triumph to judge the world, we may without shame or fear rejoice to behold his appearing.

Therefore with Angels and Archangels, and with all the company of heaven, we laud and magnify thy glorious Name; evermore praising thee, and saying,

THE SANCTUS

HYMN NO. S-129

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.

Setting: Robert Powell (b. 1932)

The bell is rung.

All glory be to thee, Almighty God, our heavenly Father, for that thou, of thy tender mercy, didst give thine only Son Jesus Christ to suffer death upon the cross for our redemption; who made there, by his one oblation of himself once offered, a full, perfect, and sufficient sacrifice, oblation, and satisfaction, for the sins of the whole world; and did institute, and in his holy Gospel command us to continue, a perpetual memory of that his precious death and sacrifice, until his coming again.

For in the night in which he was betrayed, he took bread; and when he had given thanks, he brake it, and gave it to his disciples, saying, "Take, eat, this is my Body, which is given for you. Do this in remembrance of me."

The bell is rung.

Likewise, after supper, he took the cup; and when he had given thanks, he gave it to them, saying, "Drink ye all of this; for this is my Blood of the New Testament, which is shed for you, and for many, for the remission of sins. Do this, as oft as ye shall drink it, in remembrance of me."

The bell is rung.

Wherefore, O Lord and heavenly Father, according to the institution of thy dearly beloved Son our Savior Jesus Christ, we, thy humble servants, do celebrate and make here before thy divine Majesty, with these thy holy gifts, which we now offer unto thee, the memorial thy Son hath commanded us to make; having in remembrance his blessed passion and precious death, his mighty resurrection and glorious ascension; rendering unto thee most hearty thanks for the innumerable benefits procured unto us by the same.

And we most humbly beseech thee, O merciful Father, to hear us; and, of thy almighty goodness, vouchsafe to bless and sanctify, with thy Word and Holy Spirit, ✠ these thy gifts and creatures of bread and wine; that we, receiving them according to thy Son our Savior Jesus Christ's holy institution, in remembrance of his death and passion, may be partakers of his most blessed Body and Blood.

And we earnestly desire thy fatherly goodness mercifully to accept this our sacrifice of praise and thanksgiving; most humbly beseeching thee to grant that, by the merits and death of thy Son Jesus Christ, and through faith in his blood, we, and all thy whole Church, may obtain remission of our sins, and all other benefits of his passion.

And here we offer and present unto thee, O Lord, ourselves, our souls and bodies, to be a reasonable, holy, and living sacrifice unto thee; humbly beseeching thee that we, and all others who shall be partakers of this Holy Communion, may worthily receive the most precious Body and Blood of thy Son Jesus Christ, ✠ be filled with thy grace and heavenly benediction, and made one body with him, that he may dwell in us, and we in him.

And although we are unworthy, through our manifold sins, to offer unto thee any sacrifice, yet we beseech thee to accept this our bounden duty and service, not weighing our merits, but pardoning our offences, through Jesus Christ our Lord;

By whom, and with whom, in the unity of the Holy Ghost, all honor and glory be unto thee, O Father Almighty, world without end. *AMEN.*

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

People **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, the power and the glory, for ever and ever. Amen.**

Priest Alleluia. Christ our Passover is sacrificed for us.

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People **Therefore let us keep the feast. Alleluia.**

A short silence is kept and then the Fraction Hymn is sung by all.

THE FRACTION

HYMN NO. S-161

Lamb of God, you take away the sins of the world: have mercy on us.

Lamb of God, you take away the sins of the world: have mercy on us.

Lamb of God, you take away the sins of the world: grant us peace.

Setting: From *New Plainsong*, David Hurd (b. 1950)

THE PRAYER OF HUMBLE ACCESS

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We do not presume to come to this thy Table, O merciful Lord, trusting in our own righteousness, but in thy manifold and great mercies. We are not worthy so much as to gather up the crumbs under thy Table. But thou art the same Lord whose property is always to have mercy. Grant us therefore, gracious Lord, so to eat the flesh of thy dear Son Jesus Christ, and to drink his blood, that we may evermore dwell in him, and he in us. Amen.

Priest 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.

The clergy receive communion. Then, at the direction of the ushers, the people will come forward to receive communion or a blessing. We will use the full altar platform. The clergy will place the host in your hands. You may consume the host and then drink from the Chalice (guide the chalice to you). Or, receive the host and when the Chalice is brought to you, please dip your host into the wine and consume your host (please do not touch the chalice when intincting). Gluten-free hosts are available.

COMMUNION SONG

One Bread, One Body

Chorus One bread, one body, one Lord of all, one cup of blessing which we bless. And we, though many, throughout the earth, we are one body in this one Lord.

- 1 Gentile or Jew, servant or free, woman or man, no more.
- 2 Many the gifts, many the works, one in the Lord of all.
- 3 Grain for the fields, scattered and grown, gathered to one, for all.

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COMMUNION SONG

Open Our Eyes Lord

- 1 Open our eyes, Lord, we want to see Jesus; to reach out and touch Him, and say that we love Him. Open our ears, Lord, and help us to listen; open our eyes, Lord, we want to see Jesus.
- 2 Soften our heart, Lord, melt me and mold me; make me a vessel to pour out your Spirit. To bring joy and gladness to those who have sorrow; open my eyes, Lord, I want to see Jesus.

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POST COMMUNION PRAYER

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Priest Let us pray.

People **Almighty and everliving God, we most heartily thank thee for that thou dost feed us, in these holy mysteries, with the spiritual food of the most precious Body and Blood of thy Son our Savior Jesus Christ; and dost assure us thereby of thy favor and goodness towards us; and that we are very members incorporate in the mystical body of thy Son, the blessed company of all faithful people; and are also heirs, through hope, of thy everlasting kingdom.**

And we humbly beseech thee, O heavenly Father, so to assist us with thy grace, that we may continue in that holy fellowship, and do all such good works as thou hast prepared for us to walk in; through Jesus Christ our Lord, to whom with thee and the Holy Ghost, be all honor and glory, world without end. Amen.

Priest The peace of God, which passeth all understanding, keep your hearts and minds in the knowledge and love of God, and of his Son Jesus Christ our Lord; and the blessing of God Almighty, ✠ the Father, the Son, and the Holy Ghost, be amongst you, and remain with you always. **Amen.**

CLOSING SONG

How Great Thou Art

1 O Lord, my God! When I in awesome wonder, consider all the worlds Thy hands have made. I see the stars, I hear the rolling thunder, Thy power throughout the universe displayed:

Refrain Then sings my soul, my Savior God, to Thee. How great Thou art, how great Thou art!
Then sings my soul, my Savior God, to Thee. How great Thou art, how great Thou art!

2 When through the woods and forest glades I wander, and hear the birds sing sweetly in the trees. When I look down, from lofty mountain grandeur, and see the brook, and feel the gentle breeze,

3 And when I think that God His Son not sparing, sent Him to die, I scarce can take it in; That on the cross, my burden gladly bearing, He bled and died to take away my sin.

4 When Christ shall come with shout of acclamation, and take me home, what joy shall fill my heart! Then I shall bow in humble adoration, and there proclaim, my God, how great Thou art!

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THE DISMISSAL

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Deacon Go in peace to love and serve the Lord.

People **Thanks be to God.**

Please be seated for the announcements.

POSTLUDE

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ANNOUNCEMENTS

FOURTH QUARTER OUTREACH PARTNER – THE SALVATION ARMY

The Mission Committee has selected The Salvation Army to be our Fourth Quarter Outreach Partner. Our congregation will provide funds for the local shelter. We will be collecting: pillows and blankets for the shelter beds and towels. **Fr. Dan will bless these items today.**

RIDE SHARE PROGRAM

St. Augustine's is working to provide for the transportation needs within our congregation for shut ins. We will be coordinating a new Ride Share Program to meet this need. This will be a great opportunity to "Be The Church" to our fellow members who would be able to provide rides to and from Church for Sunday service and/or special events. Please call the church office 803.641.1913 or email staugustines@atlanticbbn.net if you need transportation or can provide transportation.

UPCOMING EVENTS

December 8	Ladies Christmas Lunch at The Feed Sack, 12:30 PM
December 10	Lessons & Carols, 10 AM followed by Cookie Exchange
December 11	Final Day for Toys for Tots (bin in Fellowship Hall)
December 13	Italian Dinner following Wednesday Service, 5:30 PM
December 14	Blue Christmas Service, 6 PM
December 16	Men's Breakfast at IHOP , 8 AM
December 17	Annual Meeting, Following 10 AM Service
December 24	Advent IV Service, Rite I, 10 AM
December 24	Christmas Eve Service, Rite II, 6 PM
December 30	Soup Kitchen at St. Thaddeus, 9 AM
December 31	Christmas I Service, Rite II, 10 AM

FELLOWSHIP

<i>Today</i>	<i>Johnetta George</i>
December 10	Marilyn Busch / Cookie Exchange
December 17	Lorraine Morgan
December 24	Cookies to Share

PRAYERS OF OUR COMMUNITY DECEMBER 3, 2023

Residents & Staff of Silver Bluff Grove

Residents & Staff of Benton House

Bob Bradford

Benjamin Williams

Gavin

Danny Walker

Elder Family

Sue Thielemann-Freschi

Julia

Eddie George

Donavan

Maddie

Cheryl

Elizabeth

Joshua

Cheryl Mehta

Danny

Berardina Centofanti

Dawna Marinosci

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Kaila

William "Woody"

Miskelly

John Donnelly

Bryan

Baby Jack

Chris Beechler

Jim Keenan

Craig Smith

Victims of Domestic

Abuse

Carol Aquino

Deacon Chris

Jennifer Watts Mullen

Johnetta George

Kenneth Beasley

Lucas DiSano

Tom Clark

Fr. Dale

Jessi George

Jim Marquis

George Knowles

Alex Wise-Rothe

Carl Walker

Terri

Joan

Ginny Murphy

Dee Martins

Bob Rothe

Tamara Myslyk

Vera Rauch

Jim Gray

John Jenkinson

Russell Smith

Mason Enochs

Susan Sadler

Giuliana Centofanti

Jewell Eanes

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**We pray for the repose of the souls of the
faithful departed.**

1 Mabel Nicholson

1 Neva Page

2 Dr. Bolin

2 Juanite Malloy

3 Harry Knuff

4 Clarene Tankersley

6 George W. Greene

7 Betty Goetsch

8 David Carney

9 Jim Cochran

10 Nellie Cornogg

10 Edward C. Drake

12 James Harter

13 T. H. Allen

15 MaryLu Graves

17 William Coleman

19 Nell Loftin

20 Jim Pollard

20 Doug Walpole

21 Gerry Girdauskas

22 Adris H. McNeely

23 Jonathan Moor

23 Ab Allen

23 Charles "Chip" Lampley

23 Brian Bates

24 William E. Sommer

26 Dewitt Bellamy

29 Mildren Hogel

30 MalColm Barren

We pray for those celebrating birthdays:

8 Larry Brown

13 Stephanie Kissiah

14 Val Miles

18 Debbie Bradford

22 Nathan Jones

We pray for those celebrating anniversaries:

3 George & Patty Walker

8 Johnnie & Stephanie Kissiah

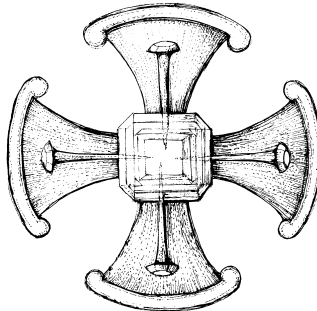
18 Eddie & Johnetta George

21 Marty & Karen Scharf

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WEEKLY WORSHIP SCHEDULE

Sunday	7:45 a.m.	Holy Eucharist
	10:00 a.m.	Holy Eucharist
Tuesday	6:00 p.m.	Grief Share
Wednesday	5:30 p.m.	Holy Eucharist (September-May)
	6:00 p.m.	Class



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WELCOME NEWCOMERS

We welcome all newcomers to St. Augustine of Canterbury! We greet our visitors when on campus. You will find warm and friendly faces are present to answer your questions and help you to feel welcome. They can respond to any questions you many have about our church. We can also assist you in getting further involved in the church by connecting you with the right people in the area in which you are interested, such as Outreach, Music, Fellowship, Christian Education, and other ministries.