

Rector's Desk cont'd

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The Capital Campaign Committee asks your fervent and unceasing prayer for "Building with Christ" - The Capital Campaign for St. Michael and All Angels Episcopal Church that our efforts will be abundantly blessed. Your presence is requested at our next Capital Campaign Evening of Prayer that will take place on this **Monday, December 23rd from 6:00 to 6:30 pm** in our church sanctuary.

DVDs of our 2019 "Poppin' at the Pops" Concert are now available for sale at \$15 each. This DVD of our awesome and recent Capital Campaign Concert would make perfect Christmas gifts, stocking stuffers or an addition to your personal music collection. Get your DVDs today by contacting Linda Dilworth (850.508.1794 - mobile) or our church office.

ANNOUNCEMENTS cont'd

December 27 – Feast of St. John, Apostle, Holy Eucharist at 12:15 pm.

December 28 – Feast of Holy Innocents, Holy Eucharist at 10:00 am.

December 29 – Capital Campaign Subcommittee will meet immediately following Eucharist Service.

DECEMBER 31—THERE WILL BE NO SERVICE.

JANUARY 1 – NEW YEAR DAY SERVICE AT 12:00 PM. IN THE FELLOWSHIP HALL.

SPIRITUAL DEVELOPMENT – The Bible Study Class is now in recess until January 8, 2020.

CHOIR NEWS – There will be rehearsal every Wednesday at 6:30 pm until further notice.

UPCOMING EVENTS

January 7 – Said Mass at 12:15 p.m. (contemplative Eucharist).

January 8– First Wednesday Supper at the Kearney Center at 6:30 pm. Please wear closed toe shoes and a hat or cap.

January 13 – Vestry Meeting from 6:00 pm – 7:30 pm in the Brooks Room.

ST MICHAEL & ALL ANGELS

EPISCOPAL CHURCH



Sunday, December 22, 2019

10:00 am

Fourth Sunday of Advent



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From the Rector's Desk

Advent Closing

Today we bring to an end our Advent observance, and are now free to make all necessary preparation for Christmas – so let the shopping and traveling begin. I pray that everyone will have the opportunity to get to celebrate our Lord's Nativity with the same joy and felicity. Mind you, there may be among us, those who will not be so fortunate. So let us remember them using the words of this poem, I came across some time ago. It reads:

“O God when I have food
help me to remember the hungry;
when I have work,
help me to remember the jobless;
when I have a home.,
help me to remember those who have no home at all;
when I am without pain,
help me to remember those who suffer;
and remembering,
help me to destroy my complacency;
and be concerned enough to help by word and deed,
those who cry out for what we take for granted.
Amen – Samuel F. Pugh

Fr. Hugh+

Capital Campaign Committee

The Capital Campaign Pacesetter and Leadership Gifts Subcommittee has begun to develop a central Prospects Listing for corporate, business and major individual donations and contributions including friends and associates of St. Michael. Your prayers and assistance are requested. Please support this effort by contacting any subcommittee member and providing any suggested contacts that should be made for this category of Capital Campaign contributions exceeding \$3,000. The Subcommittee will convene for its next meeting on **Sunday, December 29th** immediately following Eucharist Services. For questions please contact Linda Dilworth (850.508.1794 - mobile), Cassandra Grayson (850.294.1755 - mobile) or Delores Lawson (850.509.6060 - mobile).

Subcommittee Members:

Linda Dilworth, Chair
Cassandra Grayson, Co-Chair

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PRAYER REQUESTS:

Rose Douglas, Brandi LeLand. Randolph James, Delois Brown, Ophelia and Robert Scarbough, Rosalyn Greene, Ella Woodbury, Herma Watson-Taylor, Sam Oliver Sr., Jewell Robinson, Manning, Toni Jarmon, Rev. Leslie R. White, Louis Venson, Rev. Ralph Griffith, Leonel Jones, Laveria Bogan, Charles Walton Arelia Donaldson, Malcolm Preston, James, Joan Jackson Taylor Jo Ann Robinson, Williamae Jackson, Sharal Jugger, Clifford Willabus, Dr. Derek Spencer, Marva Davis, Scott Allen, Kaleb Way, Delores Brown, Louis Chapman, Hattie Olivia Scott, Alexis Shermise Brown, Mark Wilson, Arthur Rhodius, Lurreta Blackshea, Janet Owens, the Worthen Family, Jasmine Hartin, Shevette Newkirk, Rasheen Jamison Richardson, Kurt Lieblong, Rudolph and Melva Griffith, Kenneth Johnson. Linzie Bogan II, Clark Bogan, Brianne Edwards, Vashti Thompson, Thandi Williams and Howard Vincent Lewis.

SPECIAL PRAYERS

Father, you have made all people with eyes to see you at work in the world, ears to hear you cry out when right suffers wrong, when justice is brought low. Give to the people of our nation courage to stand up for goodness and right-doing in the face of an oppressive spirit, and courage to believe we may restore, in accordance with your gracious will, a light to enlighten the nations and the people with your truth; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever. *Amen.*

Capital Campaign Prayer

Most gracious Lord Jesus Christ and generous source of all abundance, in gratitude we invite you to expand our hearts as we seek to increase and improve this place of worship, peace, healing, forgiveness, outreach, service and fellowship. May all who enter here be restored and strengthened on their journey of faith. Guide us Heavenly Father, that we may make manifest your vision of a beloved and enlightened church and community, and be a shining example of the living presence of the Holy Spirit. May we and our Capital Campaign be a channel of God's abundant grace. Through Jesus Christ our Lord we pray. Amen.

THANK YOU –The Hospitality Committee has prepared a Lite Fare for fellowship hour after service today.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

December 23 – Capital Campaign Evening prayer from 6:00 – 6:30 pm.

December 24 – Christmas Eve Service at 10:00 pm. **There will be no service on Christmas Day.**

Serving today Sunday, December 22

Acolytes:
Collin Laurie, **Crucifer**
Daniel Erefah, **Torch Bearer**
Abigail Erefah, **Torch Bearer**
Claire Wasson, **Gospel Book Bearer**
Colton Wasson, MC
Chalice Bearers: James fort, John Grayson
Lectors: Colton Wasson, Claire Wasson
Thomas Payne, TJ Frazier
Greeters: Byron Greene, Pamela Greene
Ushers: Dourest Robinson, Dawn Freeman
Vestry: Henry Okafor
Organist: Monique Alleyne

Serving Tuesday, December 24 at 10:00 pm (Christmas Eve)

Acolytes:
Collin Laurie, **Torch Bearer**
Abigail Erefah, **Gospel Book Bearer**
Nicolette Nottage, **MC**
Chalice Bearers: Alexis McMillan, Laureatte Scott
Lectors: Leslie Warren, Cassandra Grayson
Laureatte Scott
Greeters: Lauren Sapp, Linda Billups
Ushers: Al Lawson, Delores Lawson
Vestry: Charlie Clark
Organist: Debralee LaSeur-Helfand

Serving Sunday, December 29 at 10:00 am

Acolytes:
Daniel Erefah, **Crucifer**
Colton Wasson, **Torch Bearer**
Claire Wasson, **Gospel Book Bearer**
Lydia Bush, **MC**
Chalice Bearers: Zollie White II, Sheila Hickman
Lectors: Renee Frazier, Kathleen Rodgers
Margaret Edwards
Ushers: Byron Greene, Pamela Greene
Vestry: Linda Dilworth
Organist: Debralee LaSeur-Helfand

Our Sunday School is on break until January 5. We are truly grateful to our parents and teachers for helping to launch this program that the children are truly enjoying. We want to also thank the Men’s Ministry for the snacks they continue to provide.

Contemplative Eucharist on Tuesday

Here is a special invitation to parishioners to attend on Tuesdays at 12:15 pm the Mass and an opportunity to reflect as well. We are currently reading slowly Bryan Stevenson’s Book – *Just Mercy*, and following a study guide that accompanies the text. Do join us.+

HOLY EUCHARIST- RITE ONE

Prelude Choral
Call to Light
O come, O come Emmanuel! Come to our hearts and in our presence dwell
We wait in hope for peace once again
Return to us the joy of Bethlehem
Rejoice! Rejoice! Emmanuel shall come in love, our darkness to dispel

Opening prayer

God our Father, you see your children growing up in an unsteady and confusing world: Show them that your ways give more life than the ways of the world, and that following you is better than chasing after selfish goals. Help them to take failure, not as a measure of their worth, but as a chance for a new start. Give them strength to hold their faith in you, and to keep alive their joy in your creation, through Jesus Christ our Lord. *Amen*

Processional Hymn **H54**, Savior of the Nations Come Num komm, der Heiden Heiland

Lighting of the Candle on the Advent Wreath
Readers: Daniel & Abigail Erefah, Collin Laurie

THE WORD OF GOD

Opening Acclamation **323**
The Collect for Purity
Kyries **324**
Collect for the Day
The Lessons
Isaiah 7:10-16
Psalm 80:1-7, 16-18
Romans 1:1-7
Gradual Hymn **L9 v 1-2**, On Jordan’s Stormy Banks Stennett
The Holy Gospel Matthew 1:18-25 The Reverend Hugh Chapman
Sequence Hymn **L9 v 3-4**
Sermon Mrs. Lydia Bush – Postulant
The Nicene Creed **326**
The Prayers of the People Form II **385**
Confession of Sin and Absolution **330-332**
The Peace **A498**, Let There Be Peace on Earth Miller
Offertory Selection TJ Frazier, Solo
Doxology & Procession **A650**, Praise God From Whom All Blessing Flow Hatton

Presentation Hymn of the Offering – prayer to be said

Father, we offer you these gifts which you have given us; this bread, this wine, this money. With them we offer ourselves, our lives, and our work, to become through your Holy Spirit, a reasonable, holy and lively sacrifice. As this bread and wine become the Body and Blood of Christ, so may we and all your people become channels of your love; through the same Christ our Lord. Amen.

Presentation Hymn	L65 , Bless the Lord	Crouch
The Great Thanksgiving		333-336
Sanctus		
The Lord’s Prayer		336
The Breaking of the Bread		337
Fraction & Prayer of Humble Access		

HOLY COMMUNION

Communion Hymn 1	L18 , Swing Low, Sweet Chariot	Spiritual
Communion Hymn 2	L13 , My Lord, What a Morning	Spiritual
Meditation Hymn		
Post Communion Prayer		339
Birthday, Anniversary, Travel Prayers		
Announcements		
Benediction		
Recessional Hymn	L14 , Soon and Very Soon	Crouch
Dismissal		

A=African American Hymnal (ivory)
H=1982 Hymnal (blue)
L=Lift Every Voice & Sing (black, green, red)

During the season of Advent, we shall omit from our services the Glorias and Alleluias

December Altar Guild: Shonna Laurie and all Altar Guild Members



WELCOME TO ST. MICHAEL AND ALL ANGELS

*We extend a warm welcome to our guests. Thank you for worshipping with us today. If you are without a church home, we invite you to join our church family. Please sign the guest register, **include your home address, phone number and, if you would like to receive the monthly newsletter, news of special events and other happenings, please also add your e-mail address.***

OUR VISION is to be a cornerstone for serving the spiritual needs of the greater Tallahassee community, extending an eternal invitation to join our caring parish and to enrich the spiritual life of all people as we journey with Christ.

OUR MISSION is to experience the Gospel of Jesus Christ by feeding the mind, body and spirit of our community in fellowship and service.

HOLY COMMUNION: All baptized Christians are encouraged to receive the real and living presence of Christ in Holy Communion. To receive the Bread, extend your hands upward, palms crossed. When receiving the Wine, please guide the chalice as it is offered. If you prefer, you may leave the Bread on your palm for the person administering the chalice to dip into the Wine and place on your tongue. All persons are welcome to give thanks for God’s blessings at the altar rail, simply crossing your arms at the wrist with fingertips extending upward towards your shoulders.

HAPPY BIRTHDAY/ANNIVERSARY TO OUR CHURCH FAMILY!

Natalie Payne (12/24), Verona Satchell (12/25), Zollie White (12/27).

Birthday Prayer

Watch over thy children, O Lord, as their days increase; bless and guide them wherever they may be. Strengthen them when they stand; comfort them when discouraged or sorrowful; raise them up if they fall; and in their hearts may thy peace, which passeth understanding, abide all the days of their lives; through Jesus Christ our Lord. *Amen.*

Suggested daily Readings for the week of the Fourth Sunday of Advent: Dec 23. To Dec. 28

Mon.	Isaiah 11:1-9	Psalm 112, 115	John 5:30-47
Tue.	Isaiah 11:10-16	Psalm 116, 117	Luke 1:5-25
Wed.	Isaiah 28:9-22	Psalm 111, 113	Luke 1:26-38
Thur.	Isaiah 29:13-24	Psalm 146, 147	Luke 1:39-48a
Fri.	Isaiah 33:17-22	Psalm 148, 150	Luke 1:57-66