

New Year's Day Service

We want to begin the year in the right way, so we will gather in the Fellowship Hall for a brief Noon Day Service to be followed by a potluck luncheon. Kindly sign up the list in the Fellowship Hall. JoAnn Robinson will co-ordinate this activity for us.

Canon Pinder Celebrates

The Rev. Canon Nelson Pinder will celebrate the 60th anniversary of his ordination to the sacred priesthood on Saturday of this week at the Episcopal Cathedral in Orlando. The special preacher for the occasion will be His Grace, the Most Reverend Michael B. Curry our Presiding Bishop. I have been invited to serve at that service.

Fr. Hugh+

UPCOMING EVENTS

January 19 – African American Genealogy Meeting 2:30 pm-4:00 pm in the Parish Hall.

January 21 – Said Mass at 12:15 pm (Contemplative Eucharist).

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

Suggested daily Readings for the First Week after Christmas: Dec. 30 – Jan. 4

Mon.	1 John 2:7-11	Psalm 96:1-9	Luke 2:22-35
Tue.	1 John 2:12-17	Psalm 96:7-10	Luke 2:36-40
Wed.	1 John 2:18-21	Psalm 96:1-2, 11-13	John 1:1-18
Thurs.	1 John 2:22-29	Psalm 98: 1-5	John 1:19-28
Fri.	1 John 3:1-6	Psalm 98:1-2,4-7	John 1:29-34
Sat.	1 John 3:7-10	Psalm 98:1-2, 8-10	John 1:35-42

Please note that every third Sunday the open collection will go towards the Rector's Discretionary Fund.

The Kearney Center is asking for kind donations of Coffee, Coffee Creamer, Sugar, Grits, Oatmeal, and Seasonings, Salt and Pepper. These items are always needed.

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.

ST MICHAEL & ALL ANGELS

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and Debralee LaSeur-Helfand

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John Grayson, *LEMS Co-Ordinator*

Chris White, *Drummer/Choral Director*

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Our Clergy

The Right Reverend John Howard
Bishop – Diocese of Florida

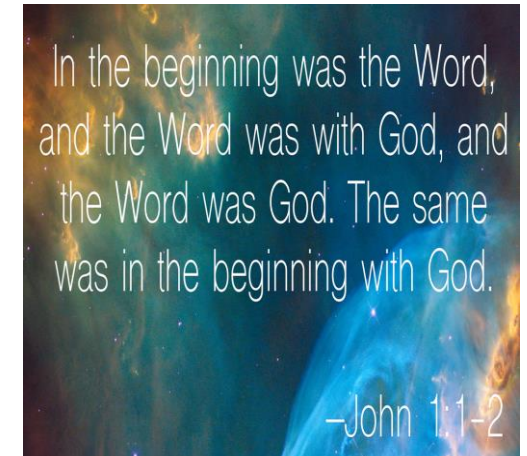
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First Sunday after Christmas

December 29, 2019

10:00 am



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Christmas---A Season of Light and Beauty.

At our Christmas Eve service on Tuesday evening, the liturgy had us engage in an age old ceremony of the church called-Candlemas. Together we received the Light of Christ for our unlit candles, taken from the "Christ Candle" that sat surrounded by the other four, which helped us do the Advent countdown. With flickering candles in hand, we heard words that said in part-"the people walking in darkness have seen a great light; on those living in the land of the shadow of death, a light has dawned."

Then the poinsettias that adorned the free-standing altar and the aisles of the church, made us think of the beauty the prophet Isaiah referenced, as he addressed the people of God who at the time were living in exile in Babylon. It was not a good time for God's people, and to add to their misery, those who held them captive, "asked for mirth.: Psalm 137 says; "Those who led us away captive asked us for a song---sing us one of the songs of Zion." To which the Israelites replied, "how can we sing the Lord's song in a strange land ?" Despite their disillusionment and deep despair, Isaiah who seemed not to notice, offered words of hope, yes hope. "I will greatly rejoice in the Lord, my whole being shall exult in my God; for he had clothed me with the garland of salvation, he has covered me with the robe of righteousness, as a bridegroom decks himself with garland, as a bride adorns herself with her jewels." Strangely enough, the prophet was envisioning beauty for his people as they remained engulfed by pain and distress. The prophet was encouraging them to look beyond their present circumstances---he continued, "you shall be a crown of beauty again in the hand of the Lord," when your time of misery has come to an end. As we often say, trouble doesn't last always.

The seer's words, written such a long time ago, should offer inspiration and hope to those of us who mourn our present circumstances, political and otherwise, for at the psalmist again reminds us, "sorrow may endure for a night but joy and light and peace, comes in the morning."

Taken together, the message of Christmas is simply this, our God has given His son as the beautiful garments we must put on-so we must seek to live like him, being certain of hope always. It behooves us then to go forth everyday to do good works in His name. As believers we must always seek to build, and raise up others, and help heal those who are broken and discouraged. The real message of Christmas is about hope, a hope that we believers must never lose sight of despite what our present circumstances may appear to be. Let the Christmas celebration continue.

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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, forever 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 – Fellowship today is hosted by the Hospitality Committee.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

THERE WILL BE NO SERVICE ON DECEMBER 31.

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

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

January 14– Said Mass at 12:15 pm (Contemplative Eucharist)

SPIRITUAL DEVELOPMENT – Bible Study Group is in recess and will resume on January 8 at 6 pm in the Brooks room.

A Prayer For The New Year

Lord, make me an instrument of Thy peace;

Where there is hatred, let me sow love;

Where there is injury, pardon;

Where there is doubt, faith;

Where there is despair, hope;

Where there is darkness, light;

Where there is sadness, joy.

Serving today Sunday, December 29

Acolytes:

Daniel Erefah, **Crucifer**

Colton Wasson, **Torch Bearer**

Claire Wasson, **Gospel Book Bearer**

Lydia Bush, **M.C**

Chalice Bearers: Zollie White II, Sheila Hickman

Lectors: Renee Frazier, Kathleen Rodgers

Margaret Edwards

Greeters: Joseph Sams, Nadira Sams

Ushers: Byron Greene, Pamela Greene

Vestry: Linda Dilworth

Organist: Debralee LaSeur-Helfand

Next Sunday, January 5

Acolytes:

Colton Wasson **Crucifer**

Camille Usher, **Torch Bearer**

Claire Wasson, **Torch Bearer**

Omar Mongerie, **Gospel Book Bearer**

Lydia Bush, **MC**

Chalice Bearers: James Fort, John Grayson

Lectors:Leslie Baker, Alexis McMillan

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Greeters: Charlie Clark, Cassandra Grayson

Ushers: Dourest Robinson, Dawn Freeman

Vestry: Ama Erefah

Organist: Debralee LaSeur-Helfand

December Altar Guild: Shonna Laurie and all Altar Guild Members

PRAYER REQUESTS

For those confined to Health Care Facilities:

Rose Douglas, Brandi LeLand and Randolph James.

For those at home:

Delois Brown, Ophelia and Robert Scarbough, Rosalyn Greene, Ella Woodbury, Herma Watson-Taylor, Sam Oliver Sr., Jewell Robinson, Rich Pouncey, James Manning, Toni Jarmon, Rev. Leslie R. White, Louis Venson, Rev. Ralph Griffith, Leonel Jones, Laveria Bogan, Charles Walton, Arelia Donaldson, Malcom Preston, Joan Jackson Taylor and Howard Vincent Lewis.

For those in the care of the Doctor:

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 and the Worthen Family, Jasmine Hartin, Shevette Newkirk, Rasheen Jamison Richardson, Kurt Lieblong, Rudolph & Melva Griffith and Kenneth Johnson.

For those in the Military:

Linzie Bogan II, Clark Bogan, Brianne Edwards, Vashti Thompson and Thandi Williams

HOLY EUCHARIST- RITE TWO

Instrumental Prelude

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

A207, Angels from the Realm of Glory

Regent Square

THE WORD OF GOD

Opening Acclamation

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The Collect of the Purity

Gloria

Collect for the Day

The Lessons

Isaiah 61:10-62:3

Psalms 147

Galatians 3:23-25; 4:4-7

Gradual Hymn

A217 v1-2, Jesus, the Light of the World

We'll Walk In the Light

The Holy Gospel

John 1:1-18

The Reverend Fr Hugh Chapman

Sequence Hymn

A217, v 3-4

Sermon

The Reverend Fr. Hugh Chapman

The Nicene Creed

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The Prayers of the People Form VI

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Confession of Sin and Absolution

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The Peace

A498, Let There Be Peace on Earth

Miller

Offertory

Mary did you know

Mark Lowery and Buddy Greene

Eugenia Chapman, soloist

Doxology & Procession

A650, Praise God from Whom all Blessing Flow

Hatton

Presentation 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	A300 , Glorious Is The Name of Jesus	Fryson
The Great Thanksgiving		361-363
Sanctus		
The Lord's Prayer	A663 , Lord's Prayer	Malotte
The Breaking of the Bread/Fraction		364
Fraction Anthem		
The Invitation		

HOLY COMMUNION

Communion Hymn 1	A212 , Rise Up shepherd, and Follow	Spiritual
Communion Hymn 2	A220 , What Child Is This?	<i>Greensleeves</i>
Meditation Hymn		
Post Communion Prayer		365
Birthday, Anniversary, Travel Prayers		
Announcements		
Address by Mr. Zollie White II		
Benediction		
Recessional Hymn	A197 , Joy to the World	<i>Antioch</i>
Choral Postlude	A200 , He Came Down	Traditional
Dismissal		

A=African American Hymnal (Ivory)



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!

Charles Hruda (12/30), Phaion Hyche (12/30), Ivanna Kenny Carmola (12/30), Laureatte Scott (12/31), Anna White (12/31), Akachi Anwuri (1/3), Pro and Simone (1/3).

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.*

Anniversary Prayer

God our Father, who made men and women to live together in families: we pray that marriage may be held in honor; that husbands and wives may live together faithfully, according to their vows; and that members of every family may grow in mutual love and understanding. In courtesy and kindness, so that they may bear one another's burdens and so fulfill the law of Christ; for His name's sake. *Amen*