Announcements

EVERY MEMBER CANVASS 2013 "BY WORD AND EXAMPLE"

Now is the time to make your pledge for 2013. Remember we are not collecting pledges on one particular Sunday this year. Fill out your pledge card this morning or go to christcathedral.org/give. This is the next most important act of discipleship after receiving communion. No pledge is too large. No pledge is too small. Stand up and be counted; we hope all will participate. Join those who in solidarity walk in the mission of Christ Church.

Journey in Faith (JIF) Classes will resume on November 28, with dinner at 6 p.m.

WEDNESDAY EVENINGS AT THE CATHEDRAL

November 28 at 6 p.m. Pastoral Conversations: "Faith and Addiction," led by the Reverend Paul Pradat, Chief Clinical Officer and Director of Pastoral Care Services, Cumberland Heights. Dinner will be served at 5:30 p.m. Cost of the dinner is \$5 for adults and \$3 for children. Childcare provided. Please call Marti Lawson at 615.255.7729 for dinner reservations. Dinner reservations are required by 4 p.m. on Monday each week.

THE BIBLE CHALLENGE

This morning, at 9:45-10:45 a.m., and Wednesday, November 28, 11 a.m.-12 p.m., we will have gatherings in the Wheeler Room to give us an opportunity to reflect and discuss the readings. These gatherings are not required but are offered simply to enhance and support our experience together.

Readings for week 9, beginning November 26

Day 57 – Numbers 21-23; Psalm 47; Luke 5 Day 58 – Numbers 24-26 Psalm 48; Luke 6 Day 59 – Numbers 27-29; Psalm 49; Luke 7 Day 60 – Numbers 30-32; Psalm 50; Luke 8 Day 61 – Numbers 33-35; Psalm 51; Luke 9 Day 62 – Numbers 36; Psalm 52; Luke 10

Day 63 – Enjoy hearing the Scriptures read aloud in church

SIGN UP NOW

for the Cathedral Ministries for Reconciliation's

SIXTH ANNUAL CIVIL WAR PEACE PILGRIMAGE Carnton Plantation, Franklin, Tennessee

Saturday, December 1, 2012 9:30 a.m.

Pilgrims will leave the Cathedral at 9:30 a.m. The cost of admission to the home and grounds is \$15 for adults; \$12 for seniors over 65; and \$8 for children 6-12 years old.

For more information or to make reservations for the pilgrimage, please contact Jane Boram, bobjaneboram@clearwire.net or 615.500.2446. Also see the November *Cornerstone*.

YOUTH HAPPENINGS

Youth Lock in, Friday, November 30-December 1 5:00 p.m.-8:00 a.m.



SUNDAY, DECEMBER 2 9:30 AM-1:00 PM

Give A Gift of Love Participate in the Alternative Christmas Gift Market Make a donation to a local or global charity in honor of family and friends.

How often have you spent money on Christmas presents out of obligation? How many times have you received a gift out of that same obligation? Think of what a difference we can make if we channel a portion of the \$450 billion spent each year on unwanted Christmas presents to someone who needs basic things like food, clothing and shelter.

When Jesus loved, He loved in ways never imagined. He loved the poor, the forgotten, the overlooked and the sick. Join Him in giving resources to those who need help the most..

Make this Christmas more meaningful. Consider an "alternative gift" and participate in this year's Alternative Christmas Gift Market.

Order online November 19 through December 14 at christcathedral.org or come to the Market on Sunday, December 2, 9:30 a.m.-1 p.m. in the Parish Hall. Checks will be accepted and Gift Cards distributed on December 9.

NOTE: WE WILL ACCEPT DEBIT AND CREDIT CARDS THIS YEAR.

Please contact Holly McCathren at 615.665.9235 or hmccathren@gmail.com or Libby Patterson at 615-948-6431 or libpatterson@comcast.net for more information.

Love All, Give More, Worship Fully.



SACRED SOUL SPACE FIRST FRIDAY

WORLD AIDS DAY COMMEMORATION

featuring
The Gallery Musicians and
The Epiphany Dance Company

December 7, 2012 6:00 p.m.

There will be no First Friday Liturgy in January.

Childcare will be provided.

Reception following the Liturgy.

ADVENT SERIES

"STUMBLING TOWARD BETHLEHEM"

Led by Merrill Farnsworth and the Reverend Canon Gene B. Manning

December 6, 13, 20, 12:00–1:30 p.m., Wheeler Room

Please join us for this creative and sacred time as we once again prepare our hearts and souls for the coming of our Lord Jesus Christ.

Often we find ourselves stumbling toward faith, hoping for a guiding light along the way. You are invited to join fellow seekers for an Advent Writing Circle. In the Writing Circle we write and share poetry and prose to light our way as the nights grow longer, and we yearn for something extraordinary to lead toward joy and peace. Gene Manning takes us deeper into the sacred stories of Advent. Merrill Farnsworth will facilitate the Writing Circle process. Our time will be structured so that those who need to leave by 1 p.m. may do so. For questions, please contact Canon Manning at gmanning@christcathedral.org or at 615.255.7729. For more information about the Writing Circle and how it works, visit writingcircle.org. *No pervious writing workshop experience needed*.

Merrill Farnsworth - Born among the Texas tumbleweeds, Merrill came of age reveling in the sights and sounds of Puerto Rico's Afro-Caribbean culture. The cadences of South Carolina left their mark on her, as did melodies reaching from Appalachia to the Mississippi Delta. Merrill is a published poet, lyricist and playwright. Her play, *Jezebel's Got the Blues*, was part of Christ Church Cathedral's 2011 Cultural Arts Series, and was performed in New York City at the Puzzle Festival of New Works in June 2012. Merrill integrates her work as a writer and artist into her work as a therapist. As founder of writingcircle.org, she facilitates writing circles for those in search of an authentic voice.

Weekday Prayer: Each weekday at 8:30 a.m. and Wednesday evenings at 5:15 p.m. the Cathedral offers an ancient way to pray using the Daily Office liturgy of Morning and Evening Prayer as written in the Book of Common Prayer. Each service features psalms, one or two Bible readings and prayers. There are many ways to pray, including your own cries to God of joy and sorrow and need. Such prayers are intensely personal. The Daily Office gathers up all our prayers so that we can pray together and draw closer to God. We are in need of those interested in leading these prayers once a month or more often. Interested? Contact Mark Richard at 615.948.3769 or markarichard@yahoo.com.

2012 Penny Drive for Second Harvest: Join Ms. Cheap's 2012 Penny Drive by collecting coins for the cause. Yes, Ms. Cheap wants your pennies, dimes and dollars for her Penny Drive for Second Harvest. All you have to do is collect whatever you can at your office, church, home, neighborhood or business and drop it off at any Avenue Bank branch, Second Harvest, *The Tennessean*, or the *Daily News Journal* in Murfreesboro. Containers are in the reception area and the Wheeler Room. One dollar translates into four meals, so every little penny really does count. This is the fourth annual Ms. Cheap Penny Drive. So far the drive has raised over

The Tenth Annual Christ Church Cathedral Women's "Retreat, Rescuing Ourselves: Navigating Compassion Fatigue" Join us for fellowship, prayer and fun at our 10th Annual Christ Church Cathedral Women's Retreat at Montgomery Bell State Park, January 25-27, 2013. The guest speaker will be Kate Payne, JD, RN, the CEO for University Community Health Services (UCHS). Registration is open and the space is limited, so please sign up ASAP! Sign up online at eventbrite.com/event/4641302260# or this morning in the Wheeler Room before the church school hour (in the coffee and donut area).

Christmas Flowers: If you would like to make or offer a gift for flowers in the Chancel at Christmas in memory of or in thanksgiving for family or friends, please send a check to the Cathedral in an envelope marked Christmas Flowers, c/o Peggy Tucker. If you have questions, contact Peggy at ptucker@christcathedral.org or 615.255.7729. The deadline for assuring attribution of your gift in the Christmas Order of Worship is noon on Monday, December 3.

Christmas Music: If you would like to make or offer a gift for music to celebrate Christmas, in memory of or in thanksgiving for family or friends, please send a check to the Cathedral in an envelope marked Christmas Music, c/o Michael Velting. If you have questions, contact Michael at mvelting@christcathedral.org or Jon Johnson at jjohnson@christcathedral.org or 615.255.7729. The deadline for assuring attribution of your gift in the Christmas Order of Worship is noon on Monday, December 3.

Christmas Pageant and Community Supper Sunday, December 9, 5:00 p.m.



Calling all Wise men, shepherds, angels, barnyard animals and musicians! We need you for the Christ Church Cathedral Christmas Pageant. Children, youth and adults of all ages are invited to attend this sweet and impromptu production that celebrates the birth of Jesus.

Costumes: Children are asked to come to the Cathedral dressed in a simple costume of their choosing as a wise man, an angel, a shepherd or a barnyard animal. Eighth graders will play the principal roles, and they will lead the younger children during the performance. A limited number of costumes will be available if you cannot make one. Participants need to be dressed and in their designated area by 4:45 p.m. If you need help with your costume or need "accessories," come to the Parish Hall a little earlier.

Musicians: If you are interested in playing an instrument or singing during the performance, please contact music coordinator, Shelton Clark 615.661.8238 or sheltonclark@comcast.net. All musicians are welcome.

Lead actors and Assistant Directors:

Eighth grade lead actors and youth assistant directors need to attend a short rehearsal at 9:45 a.m. in the Nave on the Sunday morning of the pageant. You will be fitted for costumes at that time. You will need to be at church by 4:15 p.m. sharp on the pageant night to get dressed and to do a final walk through. Also, if you plan to stay for dinner, you need to make a reservation.



Supper: Reservations for the Community Supper must be made by **Monday, December 3. Reservations needs to be prepaid.**

The cost for the supper is \$5 per person. Children ages three and under eat free. Reservation forms are available online at christcathedral.org or on the pew rack in the reception area of the church.

For further information, please contact Becky Rochford at brochford@christcathedral.org



JOIN THE CATHEDRAL'S FIRST ANNUAL JESSE TREE VISITS

Saturday, December 22 2:30-4:30 p.m.

"A shoot shall come out from the stump of Jesse and a branch shall grow out of his roots." (Isaiah 11:1)



We have many in our parish family who are unable to come to church due to illness or infirmity. What better way to share the love of Christ during Advent than to make a visit to these parishioners' homes and present them with a Jesse Tree*? Please consider gathering your family or a group of friends and join us on December 22, 2:30 p.m. for a brief time of fellowship (cookies, cider and hot chocolate!) and hymn singing before going out to make your visit.

If you have a family member who would like to receive a visit, please let us know by contacting the Reverend Canon Gene Manning gmanning@christcathedral.org.

If you would like to make a visit to a parishioner, please contact either Canon Manning or Bettye Westermann, inetone@bellsouth.net.

*The Jesse Tree is a small evergreen that represents Jesus' family tree which rises from Jesse of Bethlehem, the father of King David. It is decorated with symbols portraying Jesus' ancestors.