Announcements

EVERY MEMBER CANVASS 2013 "BY WORD AND EXAMPLE"

The Vestry will consider a 2013 annual budget next week based on pledges received by December 11. We are currently \$203,291 short of the amount pledged for 2012 with only a few days left to go. Please make your pledge today by turning in a pledge card or visiting christcathedral.org/give. Calls were placed by volunteers earlier this week to all households who made a pledge for 2012 but not yet for 2013. We've closed the gap considerably in the last week as a result. Please take action today!

YOUTH HAPPENINGS

ROOM IN THE INN Thursday, December 20, 6:00 - 7:30 p.m.

Earwave Productions and
Christ Church Cathedral proudly present the
13th Annual
"NASHVILLE UNLIMITED"
CHRISTMAS CONCERT

A Benefit for "Room In The Inn" TUESDAY, DECEMBER 11, 2012

7 p.m. at Christ Church Cathedral 900 Broadway, Nashville TN Hosted by Dave Pomeroy and Don Henry with guests

Johnny Neel, Jonell Mosser, The Ornaments, Gretchen Peters, Michael "Supe" Granda, Nashville Mandolin Ensemble, plus Special Mystery Guests and more...

> Seating is first come, first served Suggested Minimum Donation \$20.

THE BIBLE CHALLENGE

This morning, at 9:45-10:45 a.m., and Wednesday, December 12, 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 11, beginning December 10

Day 71	Deuteronomy 19-21;	Psalm 59, Luke 17
Day 72	Deuteronomy 22-24,	Psalm 60, Luke 18
Day 73	Deuteronomy 25-27,	Psalm 61, Luke 19
Day 74	Deuteronomy 28-30,	Psalm 62, Luke 20
Day 75	Deuteronomy 31-33,	Psalm 63, Luke 21
Day 76	Deuteronomy 34,	Psalm 64, Luke 22
Day 77	Enjoy hearing the Scriptures read aloud in church	



Gift Card Distribution Today 9:30-11:00 A.M. Parish Hall

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.

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.

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

Order online through December 14 at christcathedral.org

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.

YEAR-END PLEDGES AND OFFERING CHECKS

Please help the Cathedral keep accurate records of your giving by indicating your intention on your check. A notation of the year will be sufficient for pledges (2012 or 2013 pledge). Please also make a notation if the gift is for Christmas flowers, Christmas music, Christmas offering, or any other fund. Checks received by Monday, December 31, will be credited in 2012, or if mailed, IRS regulations require that the envelope be postmarked by Monday, December 31, in order to be credited this year.



MARK CABUS: A CHRISTMAS CAROL December 13 & 14, 7:30 p.m.

Make plans now to bring your family to this remarkable oneman show. Mark Cabus brings to life all the characters in Charles Dickens' Christmas classic. The Tennessean called it "one of the smallest yet most sensational shows of the year", so don't miss it! Tickets are available at christcathedral.org or at the door. Tickets: \$15 adults, \$5 students

An Ideal Holiday Event for the Whole Family!

Hot chocolate and cookies will be served at intermission



The Annual Candlelight Festival of Lesson and Carols

Sunday, December 16, 2012 4:00 p.m.



Sung by
The Cathedral Choir and
Senior Choristers

Directed by

Canon Dr. Michael Velting, Organist and Choirmaster Jon Johnson, Associate Organist and Choirmaster

Free and Open to the Public



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 joining us on December 22 at 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.