

### Deaths

Gerald Wolff, father of Susan Snyder, grandfather of Brown & Hart Snyder, on November 12, 2022.

Betty C. Williams, on November 18, 2022.

Jason Osburn, on November 20, 2022.

## Baptisms

Pierce Thomas Drummond, son of Sarah & David Drummond, on November 20, 2022.

Rose Elizabeth Eldredge, daughter of Kathryn & Christopher Eldredge, on November 20, 2022.

# Happy Birthday

Caroline Brainard

Robert Quin

30 November 27 John Peterson Lacy Williams Lindsey Anderson Lauren Thibodeaux John Stroud Carmen Mijalis **Sealy Pettiette** 28 **Ethan Courtman** December 1 Mary White James Jackson Allison Lockhart **Andrew Porter** Steve Allen 29 Knox Goodman Pam Nichols R. Dean Elston Michele Cook

Molly Duncan

Abigail Jackson **Betsy Roberts** Scott Deupree Virginia Q=Petersen William McMurry Mark's Cathedral (Episcopal)

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## Community

#### Our new Advent Meditation Booklet is available!

The meditations were written by your fellow parishioners to help us all to a more faithful and prayerful Advent season. You can access the online version at

https://online.fliphtml5.com/wdxuo/zemd/ We will also be printing a few of the booklets for those who prefer a paper version. Look for those coming soon!

EYC meets this Sunday in the Youth Room 5:30-7:00 pm. All grades 6-12 welcome! Bring a friend and come enjoy food, fellowship, and fun!

The Cathedral is working on creating a "living document" of a digital directory for our parish. What we need is for you and your family to upload photos that might be used in a Church directory. We also need you to update any defunct contact information. Priscilla McLean can help you with the navigation of the Realm site. Please email her -Priscilla@stmarkscathedral.net if you need some assistance.

God is calling each of us. For Inquirers and Visitors with questions about membership, Confirmation, and parish life, please contact our own "M," {James Bond}, Cynthia Anderson in the Cathedral Offices -Cynthia@stmarkscathedral.net. Inquirers/Confirmation begins in January 2023.

To love and serve Christ.

To love and serve each other in Christ.

To love and serve the world for Christ.

<u>Turkeys!</u> More turkeys! The Cooking Crew is in need of 35 turkeys to cook for Christmas meals. Please drop off your turkeys to the church kitchen by December 7. If you would like to help cook for the holidays, Jennifer Beruvides at jennifer@stmarkscathedral.net.

The Nominating Committee will meet to formulate a Vestry slate to present to the parish at the Annual Meeting in January. If you wish to nominate someone for their consideration, nominations have to be to the Senior Warden by December 2. To be eligible for the Vestry, a person must be a confirmed communicant in good standing. This means confirmed, regularly attending worship and pledging. Nominations can be e-mailed to Senior Warden Bill Kalmbach at bill.kalmbach@cookyancey.com

The Wednesday Night Book group will be studying Adam Hamilton's Advent Book: Prepare the Way of the Lord from November 30-December 21 from 6:00-7:00 pm in the Library. The author invites the readers to look at the life and ministry of John the Baptist as well as how he calls all followers of Jesus to prepare our hearts for His coming. Anyone interested in more information or needing a copy of the book should contact William Weaver at 302/276-3750 or william.weaver@uhsinc.com.

We are again looking for volunteers to staff the front desk! We are looking for someone to work Tuesdays, Wednesdays or Fridays from 11:00 am till 2:00 pm. You can work every week or once a month, whatever your schedule can fit. Contact Priscilla McLean, priscilla@stmarkscathedral.net

The Community of the Cross of Nails, founded by Coventry Cathedral, is an international partnership dedicated to reconciliation among the peoples of the world. The Community of the Cross of Nails focuses on three priorities: healing the wounds of history; Living with differences and celebrating diversity; and building a culture of peace. The Dean has called for us, here at St. Mark's Cathedral, to form a community. We will be having a meeting for those interested on December 4 after the 10:30 service in the parlor to learn about the Community and discuss what such a community would be like here. The Rev. Paul Martin, who served on the staff of Coventry Cathedral, will facilitate this meeting.

It is the custom at St. Mark's to invite the parish family at Christmas to make a contribution to the glory of God and in memory or honor of loved ones.

This is not only an appropriate way to honor those who have gone before us, but these gifts make it possible to decorate the Cathedral in a festive manner. If you wish to make a memorial, please send your donation, along with the name or names of those to be honored, to the attention of **Becky Deverts**, no later than **Friday**, **December 16**.

# Sunday Readings

The First Sunday of Advent Isaiah 2:1-5 \* Romans 13:11-14 Matthew 24:36-44

# Thoughts from the Dean and the Stewardship Team

Each of us has special gifts that we have received from God. We are grateful for God's goodness to us. We are so grateful that we want to use these gifts as God would have us use them, in service to him and our fellow humans.

We must always remember that in the sight of God, the gift, is not as important as the giver. The spirit in which we give is what counts. We give out of hearts full of love and gratitude; we give generously; we give prayerfully. Thus our gifts and our lives are acceptable unto the Lord.

## Upcoming Events

November 24

Thanksgiving

December 15

Baroque Artists 7:00pm

Cathedral

December 18

Lessons & Carols 4:00 pm Cathedral