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### Births

Edward Blain Coady on December 6, 2022. Parents are Blain & Matt Coady. Big brother is **Lewis.** Grandparents are **Amy** & **Tandy** Lewis.

## Happy Birthday

December 18 23 20 Marletta Eddy Pam Peak John Turnage

Mary McCullough Louis Rabalais John Meldrum Humphrey Ava Katherine Alley Holly Fletcher

**Christine Brooks** 

Alix Powell Colin Irion

Jacob Jones

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**Ted Thomas** 

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Robert Laborde

**Emily Lofton** 

Mary Stephens Allen Morgan Kilpatrick Hannah Woodard

Elizabeth Dulaney

**Emily Clarke** 

Creighton Hodges 22

**Jack Perkins** Taylor Williams Darcy Henagan Lisa Bingham

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### Community

Our annual Christmas Pageant will be presented this Sunday, December 18 during the 10:30 am service. Please join us!

Join us for a Festival of Lessons and Carols, this Sunday December 18 at 4:00 pm.

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 this Friday, December 16.

The Cathedral office will close at noon on Friday, December 23. We will reopen on Tuesday, December 27. We will close at noon on Friday, December 30. We will reopen on Monday, January 2.

If you want to mail your 2022 pledges or any other contributions by the end of the year, they must be postmarked by December 31. If you wish to hand deliver them to the church office, they must be in by **December 30** when the office closes for the holiday.

To love and serve Christ.

To love and serve each other in Christ.

To love and serve the world for Christ.

#### **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, there are some
in the back of the church.

# 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.

The Wednesday Night Book group will be studying Adam Hamilton's Advent Book: Prepare the Way of the Lord through 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.

Our EYC has prepared 100 care kits filled with winter necessities! Be sure to grab a care kit this Sunday after the service to keep in your car for when you come across someone who may need it in our community.

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

Come sing with us! The Boys and Girls Choir at St. Mark's Cathedral offers free professional music education! Out program is open to ages 7-14, no religious affiliation required Rehearsals are Wednesdays, 4:00 - 5:30 pm and a family dinner Is provided. Want to know more? Contact Derrick Meador derrick@stmarkscathedral.net

St. Mark's has a birthday card ministry to celebrate all of our parishioners. If you find yourself wanting to serve but needing to do it on your own time, please consider this meaningful ministry. Materials are provided. For more information, please contact Lauren Ewing at 550-1743 or lauren.ewing@me.com.

# Sunday Readings

The Fourth Sunday of Advent Isaiah 7:10-16 \* Romans 1:1-7 Matthew 1:18-25

# Thoughts from the Dean and the Stewardship Team

We are judged by what we do, and only in doing can we give example. Christians practice stewardship by sharing with those in need their God-given time, talents and money as an act of thanks to God for all his gifts to them.

# Upcoming Events

December 15	Baroque Artists	7:00pm Cathedral
December 18	Christmas Pageant	: 10:30 am Cathedral
	Lessons & Carols	
December 24	Holy Eucharist Holy Eucharist	5:30 pm 10:30 pm
December 25	Holy Eucharist	10:00 am