

CUTHBERT CONNECTIONS

Building the Kingdom of God—Together!

Come experience the transforming power and accepting love of Jesus Christ.

WELCOME

Welcome to St. Cuthbert! We are glad you are here to worship today. If this is your first time to join us, be sure to stop by the Welcome Desk to take home a fresh baked treat!

During the service, children ages four through second grade are invited to participate in **Children's Church** by following the Children's cross. They will return during the exchange of the peace. Children through age five are welcome in the nursery.

We welcome all baptized Christians to join in receiving **Communion**. Those not baptized are invited to receive a blessing by crossing their arms over their chest. Gluten-free wafers are available upon request.

Prayer Teams are available during Communion and after the service for those who have specific prayer needs or desire anointing with oil and prayers for healing. You will find the Prayer Team in the room in the back corner of the Sanctuary on the choir side.

TAKE NOTE:

Tuesday, February 13

5:30 p.m. Shrove Tuesday Pancake Supper and Bingo

Ash Wednesday, February 14

6:30 a.m. Imposition of Ashes

4:30 p.m. Family Service Holy Communion and the Imposition of Ashes

7:00 p.m. Holy Communion and the Imposition of Ashes

Saturday, February 17

4:00 p.m. Father-Daughter Dance

Please visit stcuthbert.org for a complete calendar of events.



ALTAR FLOWERS

The Altar Flowers are given to
the glory of God.



Sunday Morning Services:
8:00 & 10:30 Holy Communion & Children's Church
9:10 Christian Formation for everyone
Nursery available 7:50 - 12:30
Morning Prayer: 8:00 Monday, Wednesday, Friday

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2 KINGS 2:1-12

When the Lord was about to take Elijah up to heaven by a whirlwind, Elijah and Elisha were on their way from Gilgal. Elijah said to Elisha, "Stay here; for the Lord has sent me as far as Bethel." But Elisha said, "As the Lord lives, and as you yourself live, I will not leave you." So they went down to Bethel. The company of prophets who were in Bethel came out to Elisha, and said to him, "Do you know that today the Lord will take your master away from you?" And he said, "Yes, I know; keep silent."

Elijah said to him, "Elisha, stay here; for the Lord has sent me to Jericho." But he said, "As the Lord lives, and as you yourself live, I will not leave you." So they came to Jericho. The company of prophets who were at Jericho drew near to Elisha, and said to him, "Do you know that today the Lord will take your master away from you?" And he answered, "Yes, I know; be silent."

Then Elijah said to him, "Stay here; for the Lord has sent me to the Jordan." But he said, "As the Lord lives, and as you yourself live, I will not leave you." So the two of them went on. Fifty men of the company of prophets also went, and stood at some distance from them, as they both were standing by the Jordan. Then Elijah took his mantle and rolled it up, and struck the water; the water was parted to the one side and to the other, until the two of them crossed on dry ground.

When they had crossed, Elijah said to Elisha, "Tell me what I may do for you, before I am taken from you." Elisha said, "Please let me inherit a double share of your spirit." He responded, "You have asked a hard thing; yet, if you see me as I am being taken from you, it will be granted you; if not, it will not." As they continued walking and talking, a chariot of fire and horses of fire separated the two of them, and Elijah ascended in a whirlwind into heaven. Elisha kept watching and crying out, "Father, father! The chariots of Israel and its horsemen!" But when he could no longer see him, he grasped his own clothes and tore them in two pieces.

PSALM 50:1-6

The Lord, the God of gods, has spoken;
he has called the earth from the rising of the sun to its setting.
Out of Zion, perfect in its beauty,
God reveals himself in glory.

Our God will come and will not keep silence;
**before him there is a consuming flame,
and round about him a raging storm.**

He calls the heavens and the earth from above
to witness the judgment of his people.

"Gather before me my loyal followers,
**those who have made a covenant with me
and sealed it with sacrifice.**"

Let the heavens declare the rightness of his cause;
for God himself is judge.

2 CORINTHIANS 4:3-6

Even if our gospel is veiled, it is veiled to those who are perishing. In their case the god of this world has blinded the minds of the unbelievers, to keep them from seeing the light of the gospel of the glory of Christ, who is the image of God. For we do not proclaim ourselves; we proclaim Jesus Christ as Lord and ourselves as your slaves for Jesus' sake. For it is the God who said, "Let light shine out of darkness," who has shone in our hearts to give the light of the knowledge of the glory of God in the face of Jesus Christ.

MARK 9:2-9

Jesus took with him Peter and James and John, and led them up a high mountain apart, by themselves. And he was transfigured before them, and his clothes became dazzling white, such as no one on earth could bleach them. And there appeared to them Elijah with Moses, who were talking with Jesus. Then Peter said to Jesus, "Rabbi, it is good for us to be here; let us make three dwellings, one for you, one for Moses, and one for Elijah." He did not know what to say, for they were terrified. Then a cloud overshadowed them, and from the cloud there came a voice, "This is my Son, the Beloved; listen to him!" Suddenly when they looked around, they saw no one with them any more, but only Jesus.

As they were coming down the mountain, he ordered them to tell no one about what they had seen, until after the Son of Man had risen from the dead.



We at St. Cuthbert will be intentional to: Captivate visitors with the love of Christ; Connect people to the love of Christ; experience the transforming power and accepting love of Jesus Christ through Community ministry groups; and Commission leaders to build the kingdom of God—together!

LENTEN SERIES

You are invited to the Lenten program: *Navigating Emotional Wellness* on Wednesdays in Lent beginning February 21, from 6:30-7:30. We all experience the full range of emotions— emotions that are given to us by God. As our city recovers from the trauma of Harvey, many of us have felt these emotions in new ways. Being intentionally aware of our emotions and navigating our reaction to them will benefit every aspect of our lives. The Youth Group will delve into the same study and younger children will explore the movie *Inside Out*. The nursery will be open. For questions or more information, contact Gail Jackins at family@stcuthbert.org. Come be a part of this Lenten journey as we prepare ourselves to meet the risen Christ.

FATHER-DAUGHTER DANCE

Join us on Saturday, February 17, from 4:00-6:00 at the Arthur Murray Dance Studio for the Fifth Annual Father-Daughter Dance. Tickets are \$10 per couple. To reserve your spot or for more information, visit the table in the front hallway or contact Cayte Neil at children@stcuthbert.org.



DAILY DEVOTIONS FOR LENT

St. Cuthbert parishioners have written devotions for each day of Lent. Check your email for the opportunity to opt-in to receive each day's meditation in your inbox. The devotions will also be posted to the St. C Facebook page. A complete booklet will soon be available on the Formation page of our website for easy downloading or sharing, or you may contact Jan Scarpati to request a copy.

PICTORIAL DIRECTORY PICTURES

Next Sunday, February 18, the Pictorial Directory Photo Booth will be open. If you would like your picture in the online directory or want to change your photo, drop by the booth and smile for the camera! For questions or more information, contact Jan Scarpati.

ECW SAMPLE SUNDAY

The Episcopal Church Women (ECW) will hold the Rose Sunday Bake Sale on March 18. One of the highlights of this delectable St. C tradition are the casseroles. Next Sunday, February 18, the ECW will offer samples of the tasty casseroles that will be available for pre-order. ECW casseroles—they're mmmm good!



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