

# 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 during the Processional. 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:

### Wednesday, August 3

10:30 a.m. Communications Meeting

*Please visit [stcuthbert.org](http://stcuthbert.org) for a complete calendar of events.*

### ALTAR FLOWERS

The Altar Flowers are given to the glory of God in loving memory of Laurett Ione Stewart by the Stewart and Patterson families.



Sunday Morning Services:

8:00 & 10:30 a.m. Holy Communion & Children's Church

9:10 a.m. Christian Formation for everyone

Nursery available 7:50 a.m. - 12:30 p.m.

Morning Prayer: 8:00 a.m. Monday, Wednesday, Friday

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### ECCLESIASTES 1:2, 12-14; 2:18-23

Vanity of vanities, says the Teacher, vanity of vanities! All is vanity.

I, the Teacher, when king over Israel in Jerusalem, applied my mind to seek and to search out by wisdom all that is done under heaven; it is an unhappy business that God has given to human beings to be busy with. I saw all the deeds that are done under the sun; and see, all is vanity and a chasing after wind.

I hated all my toil in which I had toiled under the sun, seeing that I must leave it to those who come after me -- and who knows whether they will be wise or foolish? Yet they will be master of all for which I toiled and used my wisdom under the sun. This also is vanity. So I turned and gave my heart up to despair concerning all the toil of my labors under the sun, because sometimes one who has toiled with wisdom and knowledge and skill must leave all to be enjoyed by another who did not toil for it. This also is vanity and a great evil. What do mortals get from all the toil and strain with which they toil under the sun? For all their days are full of pain, and their work is a vexation; even at night their minds do not rest. This also is vanity

### PSALM 49:1-11

Hear this, all you peoples;  
hearken, all you who dwell in the world,  
***you of high degree and low, rich and poor together.***

My mouth shall speak of wisdom,  
***and my heart shall meditate on understanding.***

I will incline my ear to a proverb  
***and set forth my riddle upon the harp.***

Why should I be afraid in evil days,  
***when the wickedness of those at my heels surrounds me,***  
The wickedness of those who put their trust in their goods,  
***and boast of their great riches?***

We can never ransom ourselves,  
***or deliver to God the price of our life;***  
For the ransom of our life is so great,  
***that we should never have enough to pay it,***  
In order to live for ever and ever,  
***and never see the grave.***

For we see that the wise die also;  
like the dull and stupid they perish  
***and leave their wealth to those who come after them.***

Their graves shall be their homes for ever,  
their dwelling places from generation to generation,  
***though they call the lands after their own names.***  
Even though honored, they cannot live for ever;  
***they are like the beasts that perish.***

### COLOSSIANS 3:1-11

If you have been raised with Christ, seek the things that are above, where Christ is, seated at the right hand of God. Set your minds on things that are above, not on things that are on earth, for you have died, and your life is hidden with Christ in God. When Christ who is your life is revealed, then you also will be revealed with him in glory.

Put to death, therefore, whatever in you is earthly: fornication, impurity, passion, evil desire, and greed (which is idolatry). On account of these the wrath of God is coming on those who are disobedient. These are the ways you also once followed, when you were living that life. But now you must get rid of all such things-- anger, wrath, malice, slander, and abusive language from your mouth. Do not lie to one another, seeing that you have stripped off the old self with its practices and have clothed yourselves with the new self, which is being renewed in knowledge according to the image of its creator. In that renewal there is no longer Greek and Jew, circumcised and uncircumcised, barbarian, Scythian, slave and free; but Christ is all and in all!

### LUKE 12:13-21

Someone in the crowd said to Jesus "Teacher, tell my brother to divide the family inheritance with me." But he said to him, "Friend, who set me to be a judge or arbitrator over you?" And he said to them, "Take care! Be on your guard against all kinds of greed; for one's life does not consist in the abundance of possessions." Then he told them a parable: "The land of a rich man produced abundantly. And he thought to himself, 'What should I do, for I have no place to store my crops?' Then he said, 'I will do this: I will pull down my barns and build larger ones, and there I will store all my grain and my goods. And I will say to my soul, 'Soul, you have ample goods laid up for many years; relax, eat, drink, be merry.' But God said to him, 'You fool! This very night your life is being demanded of you. And the things you have prepared, whose will they be?' So it is with those who store up treasures for themselves but are not rich toward God."



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!

### BLOOD DRIVE

St. Cuthbert is hosting a Blood Drive Sunday, August 14. A mobile unit will be in the parking lot until 12:30. To donate, you must be at least 17 years of age, at least 110 lbs. and in good general health. Save a life - donate blood!

### MOTHER-SON DATE NIGHT

Join us on Saturday, August 13, from 3:00-5:00 for the third annual Mother-Son Date Night. We will meet at AMF Willow Lanes for bowling fun! Tickets are \$10 each. There are only 30 spots available, so reserve yours today! You may purchase your tickets by emailing Cayte Neil at children@stcuthbert.org. After bowling everyone is invited to go to La Hacienda Mexican Restaurant at 12503 Telge Rd in Cypress for dinner on-your-own.

### ST. C SENIOR LUNCH

Join the St. C Seniors for lunch on Thursday, August 18, at 12:15 at Spring Creek Barbecue, 5933 Highway 6 North. For more information, contact Marilyn Oliver at 281.463.2489.

### TEACHING KIDS DISCERNMENT WITH TECHNOLOGY

Starting today, during the Formation hour at 9:10, you are invited to a four-week class designed to equip those who want to teach kids discernment regarding technology. This class will discuss how to engage in meaningful conversations about media and technology, replace overreaction with interaction and will help assist youth in becoming wise decision makers.

### INTERNATIONAL FESTIVAL

An organizational meeting will be held Monday, August 8, at 6:30. If you are interested in being on the planning team, please attend. For more information, please contact Sally Mahon.

### CONFIRMATION

Bishop Jeff Fisher will be here Sunday, November 13, to confirm both youth and adults. If you are an adult and desire to be confirmed or received in the Episcopal church, please contact Father Bruce no later than the end of August. Youth who are interested in being confirmed, please contact Kim Houghton.



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