

# 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:

**Saturday, September 30**

10:00 a.m. Touch A Truck

***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 Alleyne Booker, mother of Bobbye Coleman; and in loving memory of Naomi Grant, mother of Giselle James.



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.

**JONAH 3:10-4:11**

When God saw what the people of Nineveh did, how they turned from their evil ways, God changed his mind about the calamity that he had said he would bring upon them; and he did not do it.

But this was very displeasing to Jonah, and he became angry. He prayed to the Lord and said, "O Lord! Is not this what I said while I was still in my own country? That is why I fled to Tarshish at the beginning; for I knew that you are a gracious God and merciful, slow to anger, and abounding in steadfast love, and ready to relent from punishing. And now, O Lord, please take my life from me, for it is better for me to die than to live." And the Lord said, "Is it right for you to be angry?" Then Jonah went out of the city and sat down east of the city, and made a booth for himself there. He sat under it in the shade, waiting to see what would become of the city.

The Lord God appointed a bush, and made it come up over Jonah, to give shade over his head, to save him from his discomfort; so Jonah was very happy about the bush. But when dawn came up the next day, God appointed a worm that attacked the bush, so that it withered. When the sun rose, God prepared a sultry east wind, and the sun beat down on the head of Jonah so that he was faint and asked that he might die. He said, "It is better for me to die than to live."

But God said to Jonah, "Is it right for you to be angry about the bush?" And he said, "Yes, angry enough to die." Then the Lord said, "You are concerned about the bush, for which you did not labor and which you did not grow; it came into being in a night and perished in a night. And should I not be concerned about Nineveh, that great city, in which there are more than a hundred and twenty thousand persons who do not know their right hand from their left, and also many animals?"

**PSALM 145:1-8**

I will exalt you, O God my King,  
**and bless your Name for ever and ever.**

Every day will I bless you  
**and praise your Name for ever and ever.**

Great is the Lord and greatly to be praised;  
**there is no end to his greatness.**

One generation shall praise your works to another  
**and shall declare your power.**

I will ponder the glorious splendor of your majesty  
**and all your marvelous works.**

They shall speak of the might of your wondrous acts,  
**and I will tell of your greatness.**

They shall publish the remembrance of your great goodness;  
**they shall sing of your righteous deeds.**

The Lord is gracious and full of compassion,  
**slow to anger and of great kindness.**

**PHILIPPIANS 1:21-30**

To me, living is Christ and dying is gain. If I am to live in the flesh, that means fruitful labor for me; and I do not know which I prefer. I am hard pressed between the two: my desire is to depart and be with Christ, for that is far better; but to remain in the flesh is more necessary for you. Since I am convinced of this, I know that I will remain and continue with all of you for your progress and joy in faith, so that I may share abundantly in your boasting in Christ Jesus when I come to you again.

Only, live your life in a manner worthy of the gospel of Christ, so that, whether I come and see you or am absent and hear about you, I will know that you are standing firm in one spirit, striving side by side with one mind for the faith of the gospel, and are in no way intimidated by your opponents. For them this is evidence of their destruction, but of your salvation. And this is God's doing. For he has graciously granted you the privilege not only of believing in Christ, but of suffering for him as well-- since you are having the same struggle that you saw I had and now hear that I still have.



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!

### ACOLYTE CMG

There is a Community Ministry Group (CMG) for all acolytes today. Youth acolytes will meet after the 10:30 service. Adult acolytes will meet at 4:30. If you are interested in serving God at the altar as an acolyte, you are invited to these meetings.

### BLOOD DRIVE

St. Cuthbert is hosting a Blood Drive **today**. A mobile unit is in the parking lot until 12:30. Save a life - donate blood.

### BLESSING OF THE ANIMALS

On Sunday, October 1, at 4:00, all pets and their people are invited to a Blessing of the Animals, with a parade and craft in celebration of the Feast of St. Francis of Assisi. Animals must be suitably restrained on a leash or in a cage. For questions or more information, contact Kim Houghton.

### FLU SHOTS

Flu shots will be available on Sunday, October 8, for all those over 14 years of age. Your insurance will be billed, so the cost will vary. Pneumonia and Tdap (tetanus, diphtheria, and pertussis) vaccines will also be available.

### HOTLINE UPDATE

A huge thank you to everyone who responded so quickly and generously to the request for supplies this week. What an amazing congregation we have and what a mighty God we serve. The Meals Ministry and Youth Group are busy in the kitchen whipping up tasty dinners for our displaced families. The HOTLine team is continuing to assess how to best support these families as well as any other needs. Please continue to pray for these families, as well as all who are displaced or suffering from the effects of the storm.

### TOUCH A TRUCK

Everyone is invited to St. Cuthbert School's Tenth Annual Touch A Truck, this Saturday, September 30, from 10:00 - 2:00. Kids and adults of all ages can explore and learn about vehicles of all shapes and sizes. Admission is free. Come join the fun! There will be a meeting of all volunteers today after the 10:30 service. It's not too late to volunteer, visit the table in the front hallway. Contact Lynda Houghton for more information.

### AUGUST FINANCIAL UPDATE

	Month	YTD
Need	\$94,892	\$585,812
Giving	\$70,885	\$557,012
Net	(\$24,007)	(\$28,800)



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