

# CUTHBERT CONNECTIONS

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***Building the Kingdom of God—Together!***

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

## WELCOME

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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:

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**Sunday, February 3**

8:30 Blood Drive begins

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

### ALTAR FLOWERS

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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

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### NEHEMIAH 8:1-3, 5-6, 8-10

All the people of Israel gathered together into the square before the Water Gate. They told the scribe Ezra to bring the book of the law of Moses, which the Lord had given to Israel. Accordingly, the priest Ezra brought the law before the assembly, both men and women and all who could hear with understanding. This was on the first day of the seventh month. He read from it facing the square before the Water Gate from early morning until midday, in the presence of the men and the women and those who could understand; and the ears of all the people were attentive to the book of the law. And Ezra opened the book in the sight of all the people, for he was standing above all the people; and when he opened it, all the people stood up. Then Ezra blessed the Lord, the great God, and all the people answered, "Amen, Amen," lifting up their hands. Then they bowed their heads and worshiped the Lord with their faces to the ground. So they read from the book, from the law of God, with interpretation. They gave the sense, so that the people understood the reading.

And Nehemiah, who was the governor, and Ezra the priest and scribe, and the Levites who taught the people said to all the people, "This day is holy to the Lord your God; do not mourn or weep." For all the people wept when they heard the words of the law. Then he said to them, "Go your way, eat the fat and drink sweet wine and send portions of them to those for whom nothing is prepared, for this day is holy to our Lord; and do not be grieved, for the joy of the Lord is your strength."

### 1 CORINTHIANS 12:12-31

Just as the body is one and has many members, and all the members of the body, though many, are one body, so it is with Christ. For in the one Spirit we were all baptized into one body--Jews or Greeks, slaves or free--and we were all made to drink of one Spirit.

Indeed, the body does not consist of one member but of many. If the foot would say, "Because I am not a hand, I do not belong to the body," that would not make it any less a part of the body. And if the ear would say, "Because I am not an eye, I do not belong to the body," that would not make it any less a part of the body. If the whole body were an eye, where would the hearing be? If the whole body were hearing, where would the sense of smell be? But as it is, God arranged the members in the body, each one of them, as he chose.

If all were a single member, where would the body be? As it is, there are many members, yet one body. The eye cannot say to the hand, "I have no need of you," nor again the head to the feet, "I have no need of you." On the contrary, the members of the body that seem to be weaker are indispensable, and those members of the body that we think less honorable we clothe with greater honor, and our less respectable members are treated with greater respect; whereas our more respectable members do not need this. But God has so arranged the body, giving the greater honor to the inferior member, that there may be no dissension within the body, but the members may have the same care for one another. If one member suffers, all suffer together with it; if one member is honored, all rejoice together with it.

Now you are the body of Christ and individually members of it. And God has appointed in the church first apostles, second prophets, third teachers; then deeds of power, then gifts of healing, forms of assistance, forms of leadership, various kinds of tongues. Are all apostles? Are all prophets? Are all teachers? Do all work miracles? Do all possess gifts of healing? Do all speak in tongues? Do all interpret? But strive for the greater gifts.

### LUKE 4:14-21

Jesus, filled with the power of the Spirit, returned to Galilee, and a report about him spread through all the surrounding country. He began to teach in their synagogues and was praised by everyone.

When he came to Nazareth, where he had been brought up, he went to the synagogue on the sabbath day, as was his custom. He stood up to read, and the scroll of the prophet Isaiah was given to him. He unrolled the scroll and found the place where it was written:

"The Spirit of the Lord is upon me,  
because he has anointed me  
to bring good news to the poor.  
He has sent me to proclaim release to the captives  
and recovery of sight to the blind,  
to let the oppressed go free,  
to proclaim the year of the Lord's favor."

And he rolled up the scroll, gave it back to the attendant, and sat down. The eyes of all in the synagogue were fixed on him. Then he began to say to them, "Today this scripture has been fulfilled in your hearing."



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!

### FATHER-DAUGHTER DANCE

Join us on Saturday, February 16, from 6:15-7:30 at the Arthur Murray Dance Studio for the Sixth Annual Father-Daughter Dance, with hors d'oeuvres, dancing, and tons of fun. Tickets are \$10 per couple. To reserve your spot and to donate goodies, visit the table in the front hallway or our website. For more information, contact Gail Jackins at [family@stcuthbert.org](mailto:family@stcuthbert.org).

### ST. C SCHOOL REGISTRATION

St. Cuthbert School's 2019–2020 registration is ongoing for all current school families and church members, during school hours, 9:00–2:30. Registration will open to the public on February 5. St. Cuthbert School offers two, three or five day classes and a Bridge/Kindergarten class for students 18 months–5 years. Come by and visit us anytime during school hours, no appointment necessary. For questions or more information, contact Lynda Houghton.

### SUBSTITUTE TEACHERS NEEDED

St. Cuthbert School needs substitute teachers. If you are interested or know someone who might be, contact Lynda Houghton.

### BLOOD DRIVE

St. Cuthbert will host a Blood Drive next Sunday, February 3. 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.

### NAME TAGS

Please remember to wear your name tag as it helps us get to know one another. After the service, you may clip them back on the Nametag stand. If you would like a name tag made, write your name on the sheet of paper attached to the clipboard that is hanging on the stand.

### DO YOU NEED PRAYER?

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 Ministers in the room in the back corner of the Sanctuary on the choir side. We also have an e-mail chain armed with prayer warriors ready to pray for your needs. To make a request of the Prayer Chain, simply contact the church office at 281.463.7330 or [prayer@stcuthbert.org](mailto:prayer@stcuthbert.org).



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