

# 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:

### **Sunday, May 19**

One service at 10:00, followed by lunch

*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 and in memory of our son, Paul Spiller, Jr., and in thanksgiving for the birthday of our daughter, Stephanie, by Judy and Paul Spiller; in memory of Lillian Ramirez and Pat Newby and in thanksgiving on Mother's Day for Sylvia Newby, April Williams, and Joanne Holder by Rick Newby; and in thanksgiving for the fiftieth birthday of my son, Charles, by Joan Everson.



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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## ACTS 9:36-43

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Now in Joppa there was a disciple whose name was Tabitha, which in Greek is Dorcas. She was devoted to good works and acts of charity. At that time she became ill and died. When they had washed her, they laid her in a room upstairs. Since Lydda was near Joppa, the disciples, who heard that Peter was there, sent two men to him with the request, "Please come to us without delay." So Peter got up and went with them; and when he arrived, they took him to the room upstairs. All the widows stood beside him, weeping and showing tunics and other clothing that Dorcas had made while she was with them. Peter put all of them outside, and then he knelt down and prayed. He turned to the body and said, "Tabitha, get up." Then she opened her eyes, and seeing Peter, she sat up. He gave her his hand and helped her up. Then calling the saints and widows, he showed her to be alive. This became known throughout Joppa, and many believed in the Lord. Meanwhile he stayed in Joppa for some time with a certain Simon, a tanner.

## PSALM 23

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The Lord is my shepherd;

***I shall not be in want.***

He makes me lie down in green pastures

***and leads me beside still waters.***

He revives my soul

***and guides me along right pathways for his Name's sake.***

Though I walk through the valley of the shadow of death,

I shall fear no evil;

***for you are with me; your rod and your staff, they comfort me.***

You spread a table before me in the presence

of those who trouble me;

***you have anointed my head with oil, and my cup is running over.***

Surely your goodness and mercy shall follow me

all the days of my life,

***and I will dwell in the house of the Lord for ever.***

## REVELATION 7:9-17

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I looked, and there was a great multitude that no one could count, from every nation, from all tribes and peoples and languages, standing before the throne and before the Lamb, robed in white, with palm branches in their hands. They cried out in a loud voice, saying,

“Salvation belongs to our God who is seated on the throne, and to the Lamb!”

And all the angels stood around the throne and around the elders and the four living creatures, and they fell on their faces before the throne and worshiped God, singing,

“Amen! Blessing and glory and wisdom and thanksgiving and honor and power and might be to our God forever and ever!  
Amen.”

Then one of the elders addressed me, saying, “Who are these, robed in white, and where have they come from?” I said to him, “Sir, you are the one that knows.” Then he said to me, “These are they who have come out of the great ordeal; they have washed their robes and made them white in the blood of the Lamb.

For this reason they are before the throne of God,  
and worship him day and night within his temple,  
and the one who is seated on the throne will shelter them.

They will hunger no more, and thirst no more;  
the sun will not strike them, nor any scorching heat;

for the Lamb at the center of the throne will be their shepherd,  
and he will guide them to springs of the water of life,  
and God will wipe away every tear from their eyes.”

## JOHN 10:22-30

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At that time the festival of the Dedication took place in Jerusalem. It was winter, and Jesus was walking in the temple, in the portico of Solomon. So the Jews gathered around him and said to him, “How long will you keep us in suspense? If you are the Messiah, tell us plainly.” Jesus answered, “I have told you, and you do not believe. The works that I do in my Father’s name testify to me; but you do not believe, because you do not belong to my sheep. My sheep hear my voice. I know them, and they follow me. I give them eternal life, and they will never perish. No one will snatch them out of my hand. What my Father has given me is greater than all else, and no one can snatch it out of the Father’s hand. The Father and I are one.”



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!

### CUTHBERT CARES: STAND

Step out in faith and raise up our youth! The third part of the Cuthbert Cares initiative, I'm IN to Stand With Our Youth, will be held next Sunday, May 19, with one service at 10:00 featuring our youth. Afterwards, we will enjoy a brisket taco lunch and taco-bout our youth! Be sure to wear your Cuthbert Cares t-shirt. Are you IN?

### POTLUCK BREAKFAST

Join us Sunday, May 26, at 9:10 during the Christian Formation hour for a potluck breakfast. Bring your favorite breakfast dish to share. For more information, contact Gail Jackins.

### CALLING ALL GRADUATES

St. Cuthbert will honor all upcoming high school and college graduates on Sunday, June 2. If you would like your graduate honored, email a graduation picture, a baby picture, and a short biography, including school attended and future plans, by Sunday, May 26, to Jan Scarpati.



### VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL: ROAR!

This summer, from July 8-11, St. Cuthbert Church will embark on a roaring adventure! Kids will experience the sights, sounds, smells, and tastes of Africa at ROAR VBS, where everyone discovers that even though life gets wild, God is good!

To have a fantastic adventure, lots of volunteers are needed who can give some time, energy, and love to the kids who will attend. Whatever your gifts, talents, and availability, there's a place for you! We know that God will use this incredible program to reach children with the message of his love. Please prayerfully consider your role in ROAR!

To volunteer, stop by the VBS table in the front hallway or visit [stcuthbert.org](http://stcuthbert.org). The Little Paws program is available for the preschool children of those who volunteer.

All volunteers must have completed Safeguarding God's Children training. Youth, who are entering sixth grade and above and are active members of St. Cuthbert and/or involved in the Youth Group, are welcome to volunteer.

ROAR is for children who are starting kindergarten through entering fifth grade. There is a fee of \$15 per child, with a family cap of \$45, if registered on or before June 16. A t-shirt is included in the fee. Scholarships are available. For more information, contact Gail Jackins.



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