

St. Augustine of Canterbury Episcopal Church

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The Fourth Sunday after the Epiphany

February 2, 2025

“The Spirit of the Lord is upon me, because he has anointed me
to preach good news to the poor.”

Luke 4:18a (RSV)

Welcome to St. Augustine's

A special welcome to those who are visiting via our on-line service. We welcome the addition of your praise and thanks to God this day. If you are seeking a church home, you are welcome here.

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THE HOLY EUCHARIST: RITE TWO

PRELUDE

Be Still And Know

Sharon Lewis, Church Accompanist

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OPENING SONG

We Have Come Into His House

- 1 We have come into His house and gathered in His name to worship Him. We have come into His house and gathered in His name to worship Him. We have come into His house and gathered in His name to worship Christ the Lord, worship Christ the Lord.
- 2 Let's forget about ourselves and concentrate on Him and worship Him. Let's forget about ourselves and concentrate on Him and worship Him. Let's forget about ourselves and concentrate on Him and worship Christ the Lord, worship Christ the Lord.
- 3 Let us lift up holy hands and magnify His name and worship Him. Let us lift up holy hands and magnify His name and worship Him. Let us lift up holy hands and magnify His name and worship Christ the Lord, worship Christ the Lord.

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THE WORD OF GOD

Priest Blessed be God, ✠ Father, Son, and Holy Spirit. BCP p.355

People **And blessed be his kingdom, now and forever. Amen.**

Priest Almighty God, to you all hearts are open, all desires known, and from you no secrets are hid: Cleanse the thoughts of our hearts by the inspiration of your Holy Spirit, that we may perfectly love you, and worthily magnify your holy Name; through Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

THE GLORIA

HYMN No. S-280

Glory to God in the highest, and peace to his people on earth. Lord God, heavenly King, almighty God and Father, we worship you, we give you thanks, we praise you for your glory.

Lord Jesus Christ, only Son of the Father, Lord God, Lamb of God, You take away the sin of the world: have mercy on us; You are seated at the right hand of the Father; receive our prayer.

For you alone are the Holy One, you alone are the Lord, You alone are the most High, Jesus Christ, with the Holy Spirit, in the glory of God the Father. Amen.

Setting: Robert Powell (b. 1932), rev.

THE COLLECT OF THE DAY

BCP p.215

Priest The Lord be with you.

People **And also with you.**

Priest Let us pray.
Almighty and everliving God, we humbly pray that, as your only-begotten Son was this day presented in the temple, so we may be presented to you with pure and clean hearts by Jesus Christ our Lord; who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. **Amen.**

THE LESSONS

THE OLD TESTAMENT

Malachi 3:1-4

Reader A reading from the book of the prophet Malachi.

Thus says the Lord, See, I am sending my messenger to prepare the way before me, and the Lord whom you seek will suddenly come to his temple. The messenger of the covenant in whom you delight-- indeed, he is coming, says the LORD of hosts. But who can endure the day of his coming, and who can stand when he appears?

For he is like a refiner's fire and like fullers' soap; he will sit as a refiner and purifier of silver, and he will purify the descendants of Levi and refine them like gold and silver, until they present offerings to the LORD in righteousness. Then the offering of Judah and Jerusalem will be pleasing to the LORD as in the days of old and as in former years.

Reader Hear what the Spirit is saying to God's people.

People **Thanks be to God.**

THE PSALM

Psalm 84

Quam dilecta!

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Reader Please read today's Psalm responsively by whole verse

- 1 How dear to me is your dwelling, O LORD of hosts! *
My soul has a desire and longing for the courts of the LORD;
my heart and my flesh rejoice in the living God.
- 2 **The sparrow has found her a house
and the swallow a nest where she may lay her young; *
by the side of your altars, O LORD of hosts,
my King and my God.**
- 3 Happy are they who dwell in your house! *
they will always be praising you.
- 4 **Happy are the people whose strength is in you! *
whose hearts are set on the pilgrims' way.**
- 5 Those who go through the desolate valley will find it a place of springs, *
for the early rains have covered it with pools of water.
- 6 **They will climb from height to height, *
and the God of gods will reveal himself in Zion.**
- 7 LORD God of hosts, hear my prayer; *
hearken, O God of Jacob.

**8 Behold our defender, O God; *
and look upon the face of your Anointed.**

9 For one day in your courts is better than a thousand in my own room, *
and to stand at the threshold of the house of my God
than to dwell in the tents of the wicked.

**10 For the LORD God is both sun and shield; *
he will give grace and glory;**

11 No good thing will the LORD withhold *
from those who walk with integrity.

**12 O LORD of hosts, *
happy are they who put their trust in you .**

All **Glory be to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Spirit;
as it was in the beginning, is now, and will be for ever. Amen.**

Gloria Patri

THE EPISTLE

Hebrews 2:14-18

Reader A reading from the first letter of St. Paul to the Hebrews

Since God's children share flesh and blood, Jesus himself likewise shared the same things, so that through death he might destroy the one who has the power of death, that is, the devil, and free those who all their lives were held in slavery by the fear of death. For it is clear that he did not come to help angels, but the descendants of Abraham. Therefore he had to become like his brothers and sisters in every respect, so that he might be a merciful and faithful high priest in the service of God, to make a sacrifice of atonement for the sins of the people. Because he himself was tested by what he suffered, he is able to help those who are being tested.

Reader **Hear what the spirit is saying to God's people**

People **Thanks be to God.**

THE GRADUAL

Blessed Jesus, At Thy Word

- 1 Blessed Jesus at thy word we are gathered all to hear thee; let our hearts and souls be stirred now to seek and love and fear thee; by thy teachings pure and holy, drawn from earth to love thee solely.
- 2 All our knowledge sense, and sight lie in deepest darkness shrouded, till thy Spirit breaks our night with the beams of truth unclouded thou alone to God canst win us; thou must work all good within us.

THE GOSPEL

Luke 2:22-40

Deacon ☩ The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus according to Luke.

People Glory to you, Lord Christ.

When the time came for their purification according to the law of Moses, the parents of Jesus brought him up to Jerusalem to present him to the Lord (as it is written in the law of the Lord, "Every firstborn male shall be designated as holy to the Lord"), and they offered a sacrifice according to what is stated in the law of the Lord, "a pair of turtledoves or two young pigeons." Now there was a man in Jerusalem whose name was Simeon; this man was righteous and devout, looking forward to the consolation of Israel, and the Holy Spirit rested on him. It had been revealed to him by the Holy Spirit that he would not see death before he had seen the Lord's Messiah. Guided by the Spirit, Simeon came into the temple; and when the parents brought in the child Jesus, to do for him what was customary under the law, Simeon took him in his arms and praised God, saying,

"Master, now you are dismissing your servant in peace,
according to your word;
for my eyes have seen your salvation,
which you have prepared in the presence of all peoples,
a light for revelation to the Gentiles
and for glory to your people Israel."

And the child's father and mother were amazed at what was being said about him. Then Simeon blessed them and said to his mother Mary, "This child is destined for the falling and the rising of many in Israel, and to be a sign that will be opposed so that the inner thoughts of many will be revealed-- and a sword will pierce your own soul too."

There was also a prophet, Anna the daughter of Phanuel, of the tribe of Asher. She was of a great age, having lived with her husband seven years after her marriage, then as a widow to the age of eighty-four. She never left the temple but worshiped there with fasting and prayer night and day. At that moment she came, and began to praise God and to speak about the child to all who were looking for the redemption of Jerusalem.

When they had finished everything required by the law of the Lord, they returned to Galilee, to their own town of Nazareth. The child grew and became strong, filled with wisdom; and the favor of God was upon him.

Deacon The Gospel of the Lord.

***People* Praise to you, Lord Christ.**

THE GRADUAL

- 3 Gracious Lord, thyself impart! Light of Light, from God proceeding, open thou our ears and heart, help us by thy Spirit's pleading. Hear the cry thy Church upraises; hear, and bless our prayers and praises.

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THE HOMILY

The Rev. Sister Ellen Francis

THE NICENE CREED

Priest Let us stand and affirm our faith saying together the Nicene Creed:

People **We believe in one God, the Father, the Almighty, maker of heaven and earth, of all that is, seen and unseen.**

We believe in one Lord, Jesus Christ, the only Son of God, eternally begotten of the Father, God from God, Light from Light, true God from true God, begotten, not made, of one Being with the Father. Through him all things were made. For us and for our salvation he came down from heaven: by the power of the Holy Spirit he became incarnate from the Virgin Mary, and was made man. For our sake he was crucified under Pontius Pilate; he suffered death and was buried.

On the third day he rose again in accordance with the Scriptures; he ascended into heaven and is seated at the right hand of the Father. He will come again in glory to judge the living and the dead, and his kingdom will have no end.

We believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord, the giver of life, who proceeds from the Father and the Son. With the Father and the Son he is worshiped and glorified. He has spoken through the Prophets.

We believe in one holy catholic and apostolic Church. We acknowledge one baptism for the forgiveness of sins. We look ✠ for the resurrection of the dead, and the life of the world to come. Amen.

THE PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

Form VI

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The Intercessor and People pray responsively.

Intercessor In peace, we pray to you, Lord God.

Silence

Intercessor For all people in their daily life and work;

People **For our families, friends, and neighbors, and for those who are alone.**

Intercessor For this community, the nation, and the world, especially Donald our President, Henry our Governor, and Teddy our Mayor.

People **For all who work for justice, freedom, and peace.**

Intercessor For the just and proper use of your creation;

People **For the victims of hunger, fear, injustice, and oppression.**

Intercessor For all who are in danger, sorrow, or any kind of trouble;

People **For those who minister to the sick, the friendless, and the needy.**

Intercessor For the peace and unity of the Church of God;

People **For all who proclaim the Gospel, and all who seek the Truth.**

Intercessor For Sean our Presiding Bishop, Daniel our Bishop, Chris our Deacon, and Rev. Sister Ellen Francis our guest priest and for all bishops and other ministers.

People **For all who serve God in his Church.**

Intercessor For the special needs and concerns of this congregation. We pray especially for *N.N.*

The People may add their own petitions.

Intercessor Hear us Lord.

People For your mercy is great.

Intercessor We thank you, Lord, for all the blessings of this life.

Silence

The People may add their own thanksgivings

Intercessor We will exalt you, O God our King.

People And praise your Name for ever and ever.

Intercessor We pray for all who have died ☩, that they may have a place in your eternal kingdom, especially *N.N.*

The People may add their own petitions.

Intercessor Lord, let your loving-kindness be upon them.

People Who put their trust in you.

THE CONFESSION

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Deacon Let us confess our sins against God and our neighbor.

Silence

All Most merciful God, we confess that we have sinned against you in thought, word, and deed, by what we have done, and by what we have left undone. We have not loved you with our whole heart; we have not loved our neighbors as ourselves. We are truly sorry and we humbly repent. For the sake of your Son Jesus Christ, have mercy on us and forgive us; that we may delight in your will, and walk in your ways, to the glory of your Name. Amen.

Priest Almighty God have mercy on you, forgive ☩ you all your sins through our Lord Jesus Christ, strengthen you in all goodness, and by the power of the Holy Spirit keep you in eternal life. Amen.

THE PEACE

Priest The peace of God be always with you.

People And also with you.

The Ministers and People may greet one another in the name of the Lord.

After exchanging the peace, the Minister may offer this or some other suitable offertory sentence.

Priest For we walk by faith and not by sight.

2 Corinthians 5:7

OFFERTORY ANTHEM

Refiner's Fire

St. Augustine's Music Team

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DOXOLOGY

From All that Dwell Below the Skies

HYMN NO. 380 v. 3

Praise God, from whom all blessings flow; Praise Him, all creatures here below; Praise Him above, ye heav'nly host; Praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost. Amen.

Words: Isaac Watts (1674-1748), para. of Psalm 117. St. 3, Thomas Ken (1637-1711) Music: *Old 100th*, melody from *Pseaumes octante trois de David*, 1551, alt.; harm. after Louis Bourgeois (1510-1561)

THE HOLY COMMUNION

THE GREAT THANKSGIVING

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Priest The Lord be with you,

People **And also with you.**

Priest Lift up your hearts.

People **We lift them to the Lord.**

Priest Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

People **It is right to give Him thanks and praise.**

It is right, and a good and joyful thing, always and everywhere to give thanks to you, Father Almighty, Creator of heaven and earth.

Because in the mystery of the Word made flesh, you have caused a new light to shine in our hearts, to give the knowledge of your glory in the face of your son Jesus Christ our Lord.

Therefore we praise you, joining our voices with Angels and Archangels and with all the company of heaven, who for ever sing this hymn to proclaim the glory of your Name,

THE SANCTUS

HYMN NO. S-130

Holy, holy, holy Lord, God of power and might, Holy, holy, holy Lord, God of power and might, heaven and earth are full, full of your glory. Hosanna in the highest. Hosanna in the highest. ✠ Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord. Hosanna in the highest. Hosanna in the highest.

Setting: from *Deutsche Messe*, Franz Peter Schubert (1797-1828); arr. Richard Proulx (b.1937)

The bells are rung

We give thanks to you, O God, for the goodness and love which you have made known to us in creation; in the calling of Israel to be your people; in your Word spoken through the prophets; and above all in the Word made flesh, Jesus, your Son. For in these last days you sent him to be incarnate from the Virgin Mary, to be the Savior and Redeemer of the world. In him, you have delivered us from evil, and made us worthy to stand before you. In him, you have brought us out of error into truth, out of sin into righteousness, out of death into life.

At the following words concerning the bread, the Celebrant is to hold it, or to lay a hand upon it; and at the words concerning the cup, to hold or place a hand upon the cup and any other vessel containing wine to be consecrated.

On the night before he died for us, our Lord Jesus Christ took bread; and when he had given thanks to you, he broke it, and gave it to his disciples, and said, "Take, eat: This is my Body, which is given for you. Do this for the remembrance of me."

The bells are rung

After supper he took the cup of wine; and when he had given thanks, he gave it to them, and said, "Drink this, all of you: This is my Blood of the new Covenant, which is shed for you and for many for the forgiveness of sins. Whenever you drink it, do this for the remembrance of me."

The bells are rung

Therefore, according to his command, O Father,

**All We remember his death,
 We proclaim his resurrection,
 We await his coming in glory;**

And we offer our sacrifice of praise and thanksgiving to you, O Lord of all; presenting to you, from your creation, this bread and this wine.

The Celebrant continues

We pray you, gracious God, to send your Holy Spirit upon these gifts that they may be the Sacrament of the Body of Christ and his Blood of the new Covenant. Unite us to your Son in his sacrifice, that we may be acceptable through him, being sanctified ✠ by the Holy Spirit.

In the fullness of time, put all things in subjection under your Christ, and bring us to that heavenly country where, with the blessed Virgin Mary, patriarchs, prophets, apostles, St. Augustine of Canterbury, and all your saints, we may enter the everlasting heritage of your sons and daughters; through Jesus Christ our Lord, the firstborn of all creation, the head of the Church, and the author of our salvation.

By him, and with him, and in him, in the unity of the Holy Spirit all honor and glory is yours, Almighty Father, now and for ever. **AMEN.**

Priest And now, as our Savior Christ has taught us, we are bold to say,

People Our Father, who art in heaven, hallowed be thy name; thy kingdom come; thy will be done on earth as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread; and

forgive us our trespasses as we forgive those who trespass against us; and lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For thine is the kingdom, the power and the glory, for ever and ever. Amen.

Priest Alleluia. Christ our Passover is sacrificed for us.

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People **Therefore let us keep the feast. Alleluia.**

A short silence is kept and then the Fraction Hymn is sung by all.

THE FRACTION

HYMN No. S-164

Jesus, Lamb of God: have mercy on us.

Jesus, bearer of our sins: have mercy on us.

Jesus, redeemer, redeemer of the world: give us your peace, give us your peace.

Setting: from *Deutsche Messe*, Franz Peter Schubert (1797-1828); arr. Richard Proulx (b.1937)

THE PRAYER OF HUMBLE ACCESS

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We do not presume to come to this thy Table, O merciful Lord, trusting in our own righteousness, but in thy manifold and great mercies. We are not worthy so much as to gather up the crumbs under thy Table.

But thou art the same Lord whose property is always to have mercy. Grant us therefore, gracious Lord, so to eat the flesh of thy dear Son Jesus Christ, and to drink his blood, that we may evermore dwell in him, and he in us. Amen.

Priest The Gifts of God for the people of God. Take them in remembrance that Christ died for you, and feed on him in your hearts by faith, with thanksgiving.

The clergy receive communion. Then, at the direction of the ushers, the people will come forward to receive communion or a blessing. We will use the full altar platform. The clergy will place the host in your hands. You may consume the host and then drink from the Chalice (guide the chalice to you). Or, receive the host and when the Chalice is brought to you, please dip your host into the wine and consume your host (please do not touch the chalice when intincting). Gluten-free hosts are available.

COMMUNION HYMN

Where charity and love prevail

HYMN No. 581

- 1 Where charity and love prevail there God is ever found; brought here together by Christ's love by love are we thus bound.
- 2 With grateful joy and holy fear his charity we learn; let us with heart and mind and strength now love him in return.
- 3 Forgive we now each other's faults as we our faults confess; and let us love each other well in Christian holiness.

5 Let us recall that in our midst dwells God's begotten Son; as members of his Body joined we are in him made one.

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COMMUNION SONG

Jesus, Draw Me Ever Nearer

- 1 Jesus, draw me ever nearer as I labor through the storm. You have called me to this passage, and I'll follow though I'm worn. May this journey bring a blessing, may I rise on wings of faith and at the end of my heart's testing with Your likeness let me wake.
- 2 Jesus guide me through the tempest, keep my spirit staid and sure. When the midnight meets the morning let me love You even more. May this journey bring a blessing, may I rise on wings of faith and at the end of my heart's testing with Your likeness let me wake.
- 3 Let the treasures of the trial form with in me as I go. And at the end of this long passage, let me leave them at Your throne. May this journey bring a blessing, may I rise on wings of faith and at the end of my heart's testing with Your likeness let me wake.

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POST COMMUNION PRAYER

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Priest Let us pray.

People **Eternal God, heavenly Father you have graciously accepted us as living members of your Son our Savior Jesus Christ, and you have fed us with the spiritual food in the sacrament of Body and Blood. Send us now into the world in peace, and grant us strength and courage to love and serve you with gladness and singleness of heart; through Christ our Lord. Amen.**

(Blessing of Kits will occur only if visitations are scheduled this week.)

Deacon Those doing Eucharistic Visitations please come forward at this time.

(Kit is given to each visitor)

All **We who are many are one body, because we all share one bread, one cup. In the name of St. Augustine of Canterbury's church family, we send you forth bearing these holy gifts that those to whom you go may share with us in the communion of Christ's body and blood. Amen.**

(Eucharistic Visitors may leave immediately or return to seats)

A COLLECT FOR THE MINISTRY

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O God, you led your holy apostles to ordain ministers in every place: Grant that your Church, under the guidance of the Holy Spirit, may choose suitable persons for the ministry of Word and Sacrament, and may uphold them in their work for the extension of your kingdom; through him who is the Shepherd and Bishop of our souls, Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever. **Amen.**

THE BLESSING

Priest The blessing of God Almighty, ✠ the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit, be upon you and remain with you forever. **Amen.**

CLOSING SONG

I Want To Walk As A Child Of The Light

1 I want to walk as a child of the light. I want to follow Jesus. God sent the stars to give light to the world. The star of my life is Jesus.

Refrain In Him there is no darkness at all. The night and the day are both alike. The Lamb is the light of the city of God. Shine in my heart, Lord Jesus

2 I want to see the brightness of God. I want to look at Jesus. Clear sun of righteousness, shine on my path, and show me the way to the Father.

3 I'm looking for the coming of Christ. I want to be with Jesus. When we have run with patience the race, we shall know the joy of Jesus.

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Please be seated for the announcements.

THE DISMISSAL

Deacon Let us go forth into the world, rejoicing in the power of the Spirit.

People **Thanks be to God.**

POSTLUDE

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ANNOUNCEMENTS

WELCOME THE REV. SISTER ELLEN FRANCIS

Today, we are happy to welcome The Rev. Sister Ellen Francis from the Order of St. Helena, as our Celebrant and Preacher.

SOUPER BOWL SUNDAY

As a reminder, next Sunday is Super Bowl Sunday and we will have our own "souper bowl." A special collection will be taken up to support Golden Harvest Food Bank. You are encouraged to fill up the barrels in the Fellowship Hall with non-perishable food goods as well as place your monetary donation in the soup pot! Let's help "feed God's people."

OUR FIRST QUARTER OUTREACH IS MENTAL HEALTH OF AMERICA IN AIKEN COUNTY

A community-based nonprofit that advocates for those living with mental illness and promotes the overall mental health of all. Our programs and initiatives promote mental health and prevent mental illness through advocacy, education, research, and services. Through grassroots efforts, we collaborate with affiliates, volunteers, and supporters to advance and promote our mission.

Currently, our needs are:

Sets of sheets for twin beds

Towels & wash cloths- No hand towels

Toilet paper

Laundry detergent (must be pods) they open the bags and divide portions

Nonperishable food

Oodles of noodles, Chef Boyardee, mac and cheese etc. These items either need pop tops or just add water varieties

Fruit cups, pop tarts, crackers...

CONFIRMATION, INQUIRY AND REAFFIRMATION CLASSES

Continuing February 2, 9, and 16, 2025, following fellowship time, those wishing to be confirmed by the Bishop during his visitation in March, as well as friends and family members, and anyone wishing to expand their understanding of what it means to be an

Episcopalian will meet in the conference room. All are encouraged to attend, share, and learn together.

GRIEF SHARE

A new section of GriefShare began on Thursday, January 16, 2025, at 6 PM. Please consider joining us or inviting anyone who is newly or acutely experiencing grief and in need of support.

ALTAR FLOWERS FOR 2025

As we begin this new year, now is the time to sign up to provide Altar Flowers for our worship services. Please look at our welcome table and the Fellowship Hall for more information.

CHRONOLOGICAL BIBLE READING PLAN WITH GINNY HESS AND SHARON LEWIS

A new monthly Bible study group has started to support each other in reading the Bible through in 2025. We will be following a chronological Bible reading plan and here is the link to find it:

https://www.joniandfriends.org/wp-content/uploads/2019/06/Radio_Bible-Reading-Plan_01-19.pdf

Our meetings will be held on the second and fourth Thursdays of the month at 1 PM. Our next meeting will be held on Thursday, February 13 and then on February 27.

This group is open to all. You don't have to have completed all the readings, or any of the readings. Just come as you are, with an open mind, eager to learn, be curious, and explore together.

All questions can be directed to Sharon Lewis at 207-671-2515. If you would like to be put on our email list to be reminded of each meeting, please let Sharon know.

CURSILLO #148

Have you ever wondered, “What is my purpose in life? Are faith and belief the same thing?” Consider attending a Cursillo weekend – from Thursday evening to Sunday afternoon. Come enjoy this three-day retreat with talks, meditations, Eucharists and music. Cursillo offers the experience of living in a supportive Christian community. It’s an opportunity to gather with clergy and laity, seeking to strengthen our faith.

The next Cursillo weekend will be March 27-March 30. Please see David Busch or many members of our congregation who have also attended a weekend, if you have any further questions. We are one in the Spirit!

RIDE SHARE PROGRAM

St. Augustine’s is working to provide for the transportation needs within our congregation for shut ins. We will be coordinating a new Ride Share Program to meet this need. This will

be a great opportunity to “Be The Church” to our fellow members who would be able to provide rides to and from Church for Sunday service and/or special events. Please call the church office 803.641.1913 or email staugustines@atlanticbbn.net if you need transportation or can provide transportation.



YOUNG LIFE

The annual Aiken County Young Life Banquet “There’s A Seat At The Table,” will be held at Cedar Creek Church, 3001 Banks Mill Road, on Monday, February 3, 2025, beginning at 6 PM. If you have questions concerning this fundraiser, direct them to Peggy Denny (jpdenny@atlanticbb.net)

PASTORAL CARE

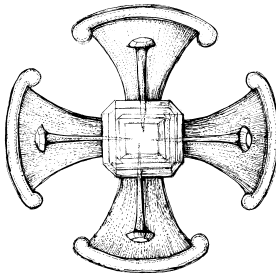
Pastoral Care is available. Monday through Friday please contact the office. After hours emergencies, please call Dea. Chris at (803) 716-8641.

UPCOMING EVENTS

Tuesdays	Men’s Breakfast, 8:30 AM, Metro Diner
Wednesdays	Evening Prayer in Mary Chapel, 5:30 PM
Thursdays	GriefShare with Deacon Chris, 6 PM in Fellowship Hall
February 2,9,16	Confirmation Classes with Deacon Chris after Fellowship
February 9	Souper Bowl
February 13, 27	Reading the Bible through 2025, 1:00 PM
February 15	Soup Kitchen at St. Thaddeus, 9:00 AM Contact Marilyn Busch if interested in serving.
February 18	Committal of Donald R. Fox at columbarium, 10
February 21	Ladies’ Luncheon, 12:30 PM, Location TBD
February 22	<i>Love Is in the Air!</i>  
March 1	Friends of Gravatt Oyster Roast, 5-9 PM
March 2	Bishop’s Visit at the 10 AM Service
March 27-30	Cursillo Weekend at Camp Gravatt

Altar Flowers given to the Glory of God and In Memory of Thomas Gregory
by Deacon Chris Gregory.

Be the Church



PRAYERS OF OUR COMMUNITY FEBRUARY 2, 2025

We remember these people in prayer:

Residents & Staff of Silver Bluff Grove
Residents & Staff of Barclay House
Bob Bradford
Benjamin Williams
Gavin
Danny Walker
Elder Family
Sue Thielemann-Freschi
Julia
Eddie George
Donavan
Maddie
Cheryl
Elizabeth
Joshua
Cheryl Mehta
Danny
Berardina Centofanti
Dawna Marinosci
Anthony DeStefano
Joan Insana
James Coleman
Anna Winch
Nancy Perrino
Isabel Jackson
Kaila
William "Woody"
Miskelly
Bryan
Chris Beechler
Jim Keenan
Craig Smith
Victims of Domestic
Abuse
Carol Aquino
Deacon Chris
Lucas DiSano
Tom Clark
Fr. Dale
Jim Marquis
Carl Walker
Joan Sadler

Please contact the Church
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We pray for the repose of the souls of the faithful departed.

1 Robert S. Bramlett
1 Matt Kelley
2 Kimberly (Stack) Basler
2 Haley Bear
2 Darrell Nolan
3 Dirk Beaumont
3 Robert Wilkins, Jr.
3 Thomas Gregory
5 Walter Riddick
7 O. S. Allen
7 Carey Jackson
11 Robert S. Bramlett
12 Susan Nievera
15 Buddy Tankersley
17 John Hirsch
20 Robert P. McNeely
21 Jerry E. Smith
22 Jacqueline Bradley
24 Steve Cummings
24 Thomas F. Reynolds
27 Jimmy Worrall
28 Keith Flowers
28 Rhoda Woeber

We pray for those celebrating birthdays:

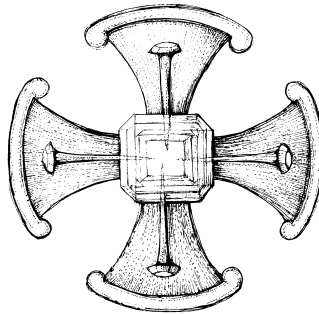
4 Charlene Eubank
5 Chip Jones
14 Marilyn Busch
17 Sherry Moor
20 Leslie Seremak
26 Sarah Mehta
26 Jessica Mehta

We pray for those celebrating anniversaries:

4 Jack and Susan Sadler

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WEEKLY WORSHIP AND STUDY SCHEDULE



Sunday 7:45 a.m. Morning Prayer
Sunday 10:00 a.m. Holy Eucharist
Wednesday 5:30 p.m. Evening Prayer (September-May)

SPIRITUAL DIRECTION AND CONFESSION AVAILABLE BY APPOINTMENT.

WELCOME NEWCOMERS

We welcome all newcomers to St. Augustine of Canterbury! We greet our visitors when on campus. You will find warm and friendly faces are present to answer your questions and help you to feel welcome. They can respond to any questions you may have about our church. We can also assist you in getting further involved in the church by connecting you with the right people in the area in which you are interested, such as Outreach, Music, Fellowship, Christian Education, and other ministries.