I have been thinking about prayer a lot lately. All the different circumstances in my life, and all the different hats that I wear – as a child of God, husband, pastor, employee, son, friend, immigrant, and human – give me plenty of things to worry about. Is God the priority in my life? How do I love my wife well? What does it look like for me to be a good pastor and do my job well? Am I fulfilling my duties at work to the best of my ability? How often do I need to talk to my parents for them to know I love them? When can I find time to spend with my friends? Will I be allowed to live in the same country as my wife? (Praise God, I have received my green card and am a Permanent Resident now, thank you all for your prayers.) Who am I as a person and how do I live well in this world? All of these worries and cares have led me to think deeply about my dependence on God. My main problem is that I am trying to achieve these things in my own strength. The bad news is, I can’t do it. I can’t achieve all these things. I am going to fail at one or all of these at some point. I need God’s help! These thoughts have led me to more fully realize the importance of prayer in my life. The importance of coming to my heavenly Father, who loves me so much that he would give up everything, even his only Son, Jesus Christ our Lord, for me! The importance of coming to him and asking for help, asking him to come and work powerfully in and through me, that I might grow in dependence on him – because he is in control and he loves to give his children good gifts. Praise God that we have such a heavenly Father, who delights in his children, and we can come to him in our time of need.

- Michael

“If you then, who are evil, know how to give good gifts to your children, how much more will your Father who is in heaven give good things to those who ask him!”

- Matthew 7:11
March 8, 2020

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**Lenten Preaching**

*Heidi Kinner Returns to Our Pulpit Monday-Wednesday*

A longtime friend of the Advent, Heidi Kinner is Associate Chaplain at Christ Memorial Chapel in Hobe Sound, Florida. She served at the Cathedral Church of the Advent from 2005 to 2011, first as Canon Missioner and Chaplain to the Advent Episcopal School, and then as Vice Dean. In 2011 she answered a call to be Dean of St. Peter’s Cathedral in Helena, Montana.

Born in Colorado, Mrs. Kinner grew up in England before returning to the United States. After graduating from Colorado State University, she served in the U.S. Marine Corps, including a tour as a Company Commander with the Women’s Recruit Training Battalion at Parris Island, South Carolina. While there she felt the call to ordained ministry, leading to her attending Nashotah House Seminary.

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**Women’s Ministry**

*Spring Coffee with Heidi Kinner March 10*

All Advent women are invited to a Spring Coffee with Heidi Kinner on Tuesday, March 10. We’ll have two sessions: 7:00-8:00 a.m. at Cranmer House (2814 Linden Avenue, 35209); and 9:30-10:30 a.m. at Sister Clapp’s house (57 Fairway Drive, 35213).

Mrs. Kinner will offer *A Word on the Lord’s Prayer* at both sessions. Currently the Associate Chaplain at Christ Memorial Chapel in Hobe Sound, Florida, she served on the Advent clergy staff from 2005-2011, including a term as Vice Dean. She will preach in our Lenten series Monday-Wednesday, March 9-11, at 12:05 p.m. (see story left).

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**Gadsden’s Mat Alexander at Noonday Friday**

Mat Alexander has been the Senior Pastor of First Baptist Church of Gadsden, Alabama, since 2012. On its website he writes that his church’s goal is “for people to encounter the risen Christ through the proclamation of the Gospel.”

A native of Boaz, Alabama, Mr. Alexander graduated from the University of Mobile and earned a Master of Divinity degree at the Southern Baptist Theological Seminary. He enjoys reading, cooking, watching sports, and traveling, and lists his favorite Bible passage as Colossians 1:28-29. He is married to Whitney, and they have three children and one dog.

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**Youth Ministry**

*Jr. and Sr. High: Dinners Set for March 15*

Junior High youth are invited to dinner Sunday, March 15, at 5:59 p.m. Senior High youth will follow with their Family Dinner, 6:57-8:15 p.m. Both are at Cranmer House (2814 Linden Avenue, 35209). The theme is “Irish Night,” so come dressed in green! Contact Rebecca Lankford (Lankford@CathedralAdvent.com) with questions.

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Pastoral Notice: If you are going into the hospital, have need of prayer or counsel, or have a family member unable to attend church, please call the Pastoral Care Office at 205-226-3500.

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Advent House: Intercessory prayer is on-going at Advent House. To schedule a prayer session, call Kathy Logue at 410-4622.
Remember not the sins of my youth or my transgressions; according to your steadfast love remember me, for the sake of your goodness, O Lord!               - Psalm 25:7

Parking During Lent

During Lent the Advent’s parking lot at the corner of Sixth Avenue North and Richard Arrington Jr Boulevard (21st Street) is especially hard-pressed. We must accommodate volunteers making deliveries for Lenten Lunches and other short-term visitors to the church and school. We also must maintain access for emergency vehicles and adequate space to get the shuttle bus in and out.

You can help! Please do not block any parking spaces, entrances, or exits at any time.

Parking is available at reasonable rates at meters and at a number of lots and decks within a block of the Advent. Thank you for your cooperation.

The Forum

March 15: Making Disciples

The Forum will meet Sunday, March 15, 6:15 p.m. in Clingman Commons. Our topic will be “Making Disciples,” looking at the story of the Samaritan Woman in John 4.

The Forum is a monthly gathering with lots of time for fellowship built around a topical Bible study. It happens the third Sunday of each month following the Five O’Clock service. A free supper is provided and families with young children are welcome. This is also a great opportunity to bring a guest with you to church. Contact Anita Gray (Anita@CathedralAdvent.com) for more information.

Parish Inreach

Drivers Needed

There are those in our parish that sometimes need a helping hand with transportation to church, a ride to the doctor’s office, or a simple task like picking up a prescription. If you think you might be able to help on occasion, please contact Stella Schreiber (205-443-8558, Stella@CathedralAdvent.com) for more information.

Youth Ministry

Sr. High: SOS Memphis Trip Set for June 7-12

Sign up now for our annual trip to partner with Service Over Self (SOS), a home repair ministry in Memphis, Tennessee. This year the trip will happen June 7-12 (Sunday-Friday). Cost is $395 and scholarships are available! Sign up at AdventBirmingham.org/News. For more information, contact Rebecca Lankford (Lankford@CathedralAdvent.com).

Men’s Ministry

Above: Men of the Advent gathered in Park City, Utah, for a time of Bible study, prayer, and fellowship during a ski retreat weekend in late February. Watch this space for similar opportunities in the future.

Midday Music

Charles Kennedy presented a Midday Music concert on February 21, performing a variety of works on the Advent’s newly acquired harpsichord.

Please join us for our next Midday Music concert on Friday, April 24, when Cathy Shelton will present an organ recital at 12:30 p.m. in the Nave.

And mark your calendars for Thursday, May 14, 7:30 p.m. when our harpsichord will again be heard in our Concert Series finale, Choral Masters of the Baroque: Music of Bach and Handel, featuring the Cathedral Choir and Orchestra.

I lift up my eyes to the hills; from where is my help to come?
My help comes from the Lord, the maker of heaven and earth.
- Psalm 121:1-2

For God so loved the world that he gave his only Son, that whoever believes in him should not perish but have eternal life. For God did not send his Son into the world to condemn the world, but in order that the world might be saved through him.
- John 3:16-17
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We have more Bible studies, book studies, and groups of all kinds meeting than we can list on the calendar!
Please join us in praising God for this blessing and visit AdventBirmingham.org/BibleStudies for a complete list of
options available to you. If you have any questions, please contact Fontaine Pope (Fontaine@CathedralAdvent.com,
443-8562).

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