



**ST. LUKE'S
EPISCOPAL CHURCH**
Cleveland, Tennessee

2nd Sunday of Advent Week of December 8, 2024

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Fr. Joel will be offering an Advent Meditation Series on Tuesdays at 12:10 PM as part of Noonday Prayer throughout the season of Advent. Each

meditation will look closely at one of the Advent Lectionary readings as we consider anew what it means to live in a season of waiting, hope, and expectation.

This series is offered both in-person and online.



The 2024 Bach's Lunch & Concert Series will continue on Wednesdays, December 11th & 18th, at 12:00 PM in the church, both in-person

and online. Lunch will follow the concerts in the Parish Hall. Please join us in a musical celebration of Advent and Christmas.

Wednesday, December 11th*
John Mburu, *bass-baritone*

Wednesday, December 18th*
"Four Voices"

Christine Hassevoort, *soprano*
Andrea Dismukes, *mezzo-soprano*
Darrin Hassevoort, *tenor*
Scott Willis, *baritone*

Both concerts will be accompanied by
Mary Beth Wickes, *piano*.



Christmas Flowers

Help us decorate the church for the Christmas Season

Donations can be made to St. Luke's Episcopal Church with "Christmas Flowers" in the memo line

Christmas Flower Forms are available in the back of the church. If you would like to include a remembrance in the Christmas bulletins, please list their names on this form and return it to the church office no later than Monday, December 16.

Events marked with an asterisk () are offered in-person and online.*

BISHOP'S VISIT & CONFIRMATION

SUNDAY, DECEMBER 8TH
SERVICES OF HOLY EUCHARIST
8:00 AM, 9:30 AM, & 10:45 AM

RECEPTION FOR BISHOP AND CONFIRMANDS

Immediately following the 10:45 AM Service



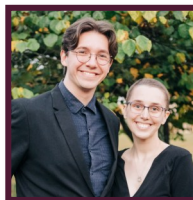
Sunday, December 8th | Bishop's Visit and Confirmation
Services at 8:00, 9:30, & 10:45 AM*

On Sunday, December 8th, St. Luke's will welcome Bishop Brian Cole for his annual visit to the church. He will be the celebrant and preacher at all three services. The 10:45 AM Service will include Confirmation and Reception.

Those being Confirmed or Received today are:

Ashley Alderman, Riley Alderman, Rob Alderman, Cheryl Bacon, Jade Brooks, Campbell Burton, Charlotte Cannon, Sadie Crandell-Stone, Drew Crissman, Xanadu Crissman, Tony Gray, Meredith Gray, Sherry Harper, André Harriman, Ella Jane Jackson, LJ Kilby, Darion McConaghay, Debi McDonnell, Eli Napier, Blake Newsome, Silas Randolph, Kathy Ray, Leroy Rodriguez, Nicole Rodriguez, Sara Rush, Monica Stone, Nancy Thomas, Tom Trout, and Nora Williams.

Join us after the 10:45 AM Service for a Reception in the Parish Hall honoring Bishop Brian Cole and the Confirmands.



Ryan and Aubrey Lockwood invite you to celebrate with them Ryan's ordination to the Sacred Order of Deacons.

Ryan is currently in his final year of seminary at the School of Theology at the University of the South, Sewanee, Tennessee. Before seminary, Ryan served as our Young Adults Coordinator and did his discernment process through St. Luke's.

Bishop Brian Cole will ordain Ryan and his fellow candidates for Holy Orders as Deacons on Saturday, December 21st at 11:00 AM at St. Paul's Episcopal Church in Chattanooga.

We would love to have a large St. Luke's presence at the service to support Ryan and Aubrey in this new chapter of their lives. Cards and well-wishes may be dropped off at the church office no later than Friday, December 20th.



EPISCOPAL ESSENTIALS
SUNDAYS AT 9:30 AM
THE GATHERING ROOM, PARISH HOUSE
Explore key aspects of our Episcopal tradition: liturgy, history, and practice

ADULT BIBLE STUDY
SUNDAYS AT 9:30 AM
ST. LUKE'S PARISH HALL
Join us for weekly discussions on scripture, theology, and faith

Church School for All Ages is held on Sundays at 9:30 AM.

The December COMBINED CLASS meets in the Parish Hall.

ST. LUKE'S EPISCOPAL CHURCH | CLEVELAND, TENNESSEE
EPISCOPAL YOUTH COMMUNITY & CHILDREN'S MINISTRIES

For more information about the EYC, please contact Isaac Doty in the church office at (423) 476-5541.

Senior EYC (9th-12th grades) — Sundays at 5:00 PM
Sundays, Dec. 8 & 15

Junior EYC (5th-8th grades) — Wednesdays at 5:15 PM
Wednesdays, Dec. 11 & 18 (after Pageant Rehearsal)

Christmas Pageant Rehearsals — ALL AGES WELCOME
All Ages — Dec. 11, 18, 22; 5:30 PM | Dec. 24; 3:30 PM

No EYC on Dec. 25, & 29

Dec. 15th & 22nd | Deacon Art Bass

How Christmas Came to Be: Tracing the History of the Celebration of Christmas

St. Luke's offers Church School for Children and Youth on Sundays at 9:30 AM in the Parish House. Each morning begins with Children's Chapel before going to our separate classes.

- SPARK: Holy Moly! (age 4-4th grade)
- SPARK: Animate Faith (5th-8th grades)
- Your Faith, Your Life (9th-12th grades)



Join us at St. Luke's for our celebration of the Christmas Season!

Tuesday, December 24th Christmas Eve

5:00 PM | Holy Eucharist, Rite II with Christmas Pageant*
Nursery Provided

8:00 PM | Holy Eucharist, Rite I
Nursery Provided

10:30 PM | Holy Eucharist, Rite II*

Wednesday, December 25th Christmas Day

10:00 AM | Holy Eucharist, Rite I

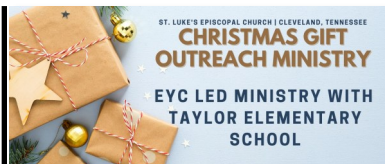
No Thursday Service on Dec. 26th

Sunday, December 29th 1st Sunday of Christmas

8:00 AM | Holy Eucharist, Rite I

10:00 AM | Holy Eucharist, Rite II*
Nursery Provided

(Services with an (*) are live-streamed on the St. Luke's website and Facebook pages.)



St. Luke's EYC partners with Taylor Elementary School to provide Christmas gifts to children in need in our community. Each year, our Jr. & Sr. EYC shop for 20-25 elementary age children and their siblings to help bring them a Merry Christmas.

If you would like to help support this ministry, please consider writing a check to St. Luke's Episcopal Church with 'Christmas Gifts' in the memo line.



Christmas Eve, December 24th | Christmas Pageant Service at 5:00 PM*

If your Children and Youth will be in town for Christmas Eve and would like to participate in the Christmas Pageant, please let Isaac know as soon as possible so we have enough parts and costumes. We would love to include as many children and grandchildren as possible, especially those who might be visiting from out of town! If you would like to volunteer to assist with the pageant, please contact Isaac in the church office at (423) 476-5541.

Christmas Pageant Rehearsals
Dec. 11, 18, 22; 5:30 PM | Dec. 24; 3:30 PM



You are invited to the Young Adults Christmas Party on Tuesday, December 10th at 6:00 PM in the Parish Hall. Join us for an evening of food, fellowship, and maybe even a little caroling as we celebrate the season. Food will be provided, though you are welcome to bring

a favorite holiday side or dessert to share. This event is for Young Adults ages 18-40ish, so please join us and bring a friend. Please RSVP with the church office at (423) 476-5541 so we can have an adequate estimate for food.



If you signed up to provide food this month for Loaves and Fishes, please have your donation to the Parish Hall by 4:00 PM. If you would like to sign-up for future second Sundays, please contact the church office at (423) 476-5541.