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*Our Christmas Eve Services:*  
*5:30pm Family Eucharist*  
*10:30pm Candlelight Choral Eucharist*

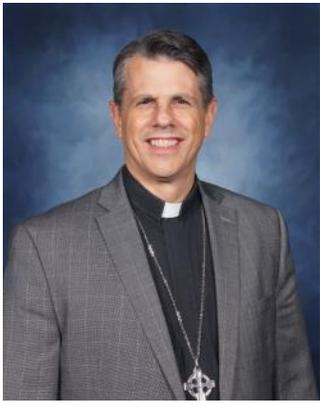
*Christmas Day Eucharist: 10:00am*



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# RECTOR'S PAGE

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In 1878, the Royal Cornwall gazette in England published the following notice:

“The Choir of the Cathedral will sing a number of carols in the Cathedral on Christmas Eve, the service commencing at 10pm. We understand that this is at the wish of many of the leading parishioners and others. A like service has been instituted in other cathedrals and large towns, and has been much appreciated. It is the intention of the choir to no longer continue the custom of singing carols at the residences of members of the congregation.”

It sounds as if the cathedral choir was being stretched thin (which may sound familiar!), so they decided that instead of going out house to house, they would offer a series of Christmas carols at the cathedral and invite everyone to come there to hear them.

Two years later, all of this was formalized when Edward White Benson, the Bishop of Truro in Cornwall (and later, Archbishop of Canterbury), compiled a series of nine Scripture lessons and nine corresponding hymns. At that time, the cathedral was actually under construction and they used a temporary facility for the service. Four hundred worshippers attended that service!

The service quickly became a favorite in Anglican churches. It has been especially popularized by the King's College at Cambridge, which held their first Lessons and Carols service in 1918. The Dean of the Chapel, Eric Millner-White, made some slight adaptations and this has become the standard ever since.

The Scripture lessons are divided among the Old and New Testaments. The first four lessons are taken from the Old Testament, telling the story of the fall of mankind in Genesis 3, the story of Abraham preparing to offer his son Isaac as a sacrifice (which has Messianic undertones), and then two of the more memorable prophecies concerning the promise of God's Messiah. The first is from Isaiah 9: “For unto us a Child is born; unto us a Son is given: and the government shall be upon his shoulder: and his name shall be called Wonderful, Counsellor, The mighty God, The Everlasting Father, the Prince of Peace.”

The second prophecy is also from Isaiah (ch. 11). There we hear of a Branch growing out of the stem of Jesse (the father of King David). In other words, there was a promise that a new king from the line of David would arise to reign over God's people. We hear that the Spirit of the LORD would be upon him and that he would bring in a Kingdom of peace.

The lessons then shift to the New Testament, being drawn from the Infancy Narratives of Christ in the gospels according to St. Matthew and St. Luke. We hear of the promises made by the angel Gabriel to the Virgin Mary (echoing many of the prophecies from Isaiah). Then we hear of the Child's lowly birth in Bethlehem, the city of David. And we hear about the heavenly host that appeared to the shepherds who were watching over their flocks by night in the fields. They were invited to come and see the newborn Savior. Then we read in St. Matthew's gospel about the magi, the wise men who lived in the east, and how the LORD led them by a star to also come and worship the Savior of the world.

The climax of the readings is found in the ninth lesson, taken from St. John's account of the gospel. These are those heaven-inspired words pointing us to the divine identity of this Child: “In the beginning was the Word, and the Word was with God; and the Word was God...and the Word became flesh and dwelt among us, and we beheld his glory, the glory of the only begotten of the Father, full of grace and truth.”

Of course, interspersed between these lessons are beautiful hymns and carols which reflect the readings. This year, in our Lessons and Carols service at CHC, we will be blessed to enjoy music from members of the Dallas Symphony Orchestra, as well as our own musicians and choirs. We are praying and laboring now to make this one of our most beautiful services of the entire Church Year. We pray that the church will be filled that night with both our members and their guests. And it is our desire that the wonderful news regarding our Savior's birth would go forth and touch all of our hearts and transform our lives. Please join us in praying for this important service and invite your friends, family and coworkers to join you that night.

# You are invited to Christmas Lessons and Carols



**Christmas Lessons and Carols**

Sunday, December 23, 2018  
at 6:00pm

*Doors Open at 5:15pm, Pre-concert at 5:45pm*

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Free and Open to the Public  
Reception Following the Service

 **North Texas  
Food Bank™**

*Fight hunger in our community by bringing a canned good.*

## CHC Concert Committee hosts North Texas Food Bank Canned Good Drive

Christmas Lessons and Carols will be presented on Sunday, December 23. Doors will open at 5:15 pm. Please plan to arrive at 5:15 pm to get a good seat or sit in your favorite pew! We are very blessed to present this pre-concert and historic service to our community. The committee wanted to find an additional way to reach out to enhance this Front Porch Ministry working in concert with the Evangelism Committee.

CHC has partnered with the North Texas Food Bank to host a Canned Food Drive during Advent through Christmas Day. Boxes from the NTFB will be placed outside the front doors of the church, the side doors, in the Parish Hall, and next to the Christmas Tree in the Edman Building. Please plan to bring canned goods to help feed people in North Texas who need our help. Just drop your canned goods in the boxes before you enter the church. The NTFB will pick up the boxes the first week of January.

Thank you for your generosity and consideration.

Candace Bawcombe  
Organist & Concert Committee Member

*The Concert Series Committee*  
*Fr. Charlie Camlin, Fr. Kasey Gage, Candace Bawcombe, Carol Mulvey,*  
*Cathy Heissenhuber, Michael Brown, & Ilana Lemke*

# Holy Communion Christian Academy



Thank you for supporting our school!

HCCA hosts Breakfast with Santa!



## Meet our Teachers:

Pam Schweinsberg  
Thia Swain  
Stephanie Maldonado  
Mary Kimbrell  
Brett Camlin  
Ariel Bell  
Pamela Olson  
Monica Dalton– Director  
Judith Cruz  
Aisha Smiley



# The Sunday Lunch Bunch

The CHC Sunday Lunch Bunch met at Crossroads Diner on November 4. The group averaging 20 -25 gathers the first Sunday of the month at various restaurants at 12:30. All are welcome and reservations are needed. Please sign up in Lunt Hall and you will be contacted to see if you can join this fun bunch each month.



# Prayer Shawl Ministry



*Did you Know?*

Our CHC Prayer Shawls are for anyone who is in need. Please remember that one does not have to be a member of our Church to receive a Prayer Shawl. If you have a friend, neighbor, relative, a child or even someone in your office who might benefit from God's Peace and Comfort (grieving, ailing, caregiving, etc.), please contact Mona Perkins.

If you have someone to add to the CHC Prayer List—  
Please ask for a prayer shawl to take to them!

**If you like to knit or crochet, please join the prayer shawl ministry!**



# AROUND OUR PARISH



On behalf of Holy Communion Women (HCW), the HCW Board would like to thank everyone who contributed to the bake sale last Sunday! Along with proceeds from sales at The Silver Chalice, your support allows us to contribute to several different outreach programs including 7 Loaves, Prayer Shawl ministry, Cranmer Theological House scholarship funds, REC 100, Fielder family mission support, Patriot Paws, Collinwood Nursing Home and more. We are very grateful to God for this ministry and to you for your generosity and continued support. We wish you all a blessed holiday season.

Holy Communion Women

## With Thanks and Gratitude



William Bawcombe-Schast joins the Altar Ministry at CHC serving as an Acolyte. Thank you William!



The children have their first rehearsal for the Epiphany Pageant to be held on January 6.



## Parishioners to Perform in Chicago

### at International Conference

*with the*

### Carrollton Wind Symphony



*Tagni McRae, oboe*



*Cathy Heissenhuber, horn*

Two of our parishioners, Tagni McRae and Cathy Heissenhuber will be traveling to the Windy City the week before Christmas to perform with the Carrollton Wind Symphony at the Midwest Band and Orchestra Clinic, the largest instrumental music conference in the world. This conference has been in existence since 1946. In the earliest years of the "Midwest Clinic," the organizers invited outstanding bands to perform, based upon the reputations of the organization and its director. Today, The Midwest Clinic continues to feature performances by outstanding organizations, but now every group that desires to perform at the international music conference must first apply to do so. The 96 member Carrollton Wind Symphony submitted a recording last year and was chosen as one of the two adult community bands invited to perform. Needless to say, it is a big honor to be able to participate in this event. Over the span of 4 days, over 14,000 musicians will come together to hear 50 concerts given by the finest middle school, high school, college, and community bands and orchestras around.



Every Tuesday night you will find Tagni and Cathy at rehearsal. At those rehearsals, individuals from all walks of life come together and forget their regular daily routines, immersing themselves in the joy of making music. There are, as you would imagine, quite a few band directors in the ensemble, but also many other professions are represented. The CWS has a judge, an assistant district attorney, multiple CPA's, engineers, teachers and even a church secretary in its membership! The Wind Symphony is performing a local Pre-Midwest/Christmas Concert, Friday night, December 14th at Creekview High School in Carrollton. They will be performing their Midwest concert pieces along with some Christmas favorites. The concert is free and begins at 7:30pm.

***Carrollton Wind Symphony in Concert***  
**Friday, December 14th at 7:30pm**  
***Creekview High School, Carrollton***



Thank you to our musical guest, Nathan Smith!



# AROUND OUR PARISH

## Tax Tips

### Take advantage by December 10!

Due to advantageous changes from the 2018 Tax Cuts and Jobs Act, parishioners may want to consider donating securities/investments to the church by December of 2018. Shares of certain securities/investments may be donated to the church outright or via a qualified charitable distribution (QCD) from an IRA account. If you would like to discuss these options further, please reach out to the Endowment Committee. You may contact Kim Winans at 214-356-6709 or Bud Longueville at 972-248-6505.



In Session December 7-9 at CHC

The Very Rev. Canon Charles Camlin will lecture on Biblical Theology.

Contact Dean Charlie Camlin if you are interested in CTH courses.

[www.cranmerhouse.org](http://www.cranmerhouse.org)

## Anglican Way Institute (AWI) 2019

The Anglican Way Conference is an annual summer conference geared toward young adults (18-40ish), or any who have an interest in better understanding the Anglican approach to worship and life. Presiding Bishop Ray R. Sutton and Fr. Jeff Baker began the conference in 2007 with the hope of forming the next generation of Anglicans through a conference focused on worship, teaching, practical instruction, and fellowship. Conference themes have included Liturgy, The Sacraments, Anglican Spirituality, The Incarnation, Marriage and Family, Christian Formation, The Creeds and Councils of the Church, The Inklings, The Church and the State, The Reformation, and The Music of the Church. We have been blessed to have world-renown keynote speakers like Presiding Bishop Sutton, Dr. Peter Kreeft, Bishop Michael Nazir-Ali, Dr. Carl Braaten, and Dr. Pater Leithart at our AWI's in the past. This past summer, our topic was The Music of the Church which featured Mr. Ken Myers. Mr. Myers has an impressive working resume that includes executive editor of Eternity magazine, producer and editor for NPR, contributing editor of Christianity Today, as well as Music Director at All Saint's Anglican Church (APA) in Charlottesville, VA. Mr. Myers gave five talks that covered; the purpose for the creation of music; its early biblical foundations as well as its place in the early church; its resurgence and expansion in the Renaissance and Reformation; the use of psalms in the development of Hymns and Spiritual songs; and the how the church has a special responsibility to continue to build the kingdom while remembering and recovering our great foundation and heritage of the past. We are excited to announce that next years Anglican Way Conference will be on what has been called The Great Tradition and will feature Dr. Hans Boersma as our keynote speaker. Dr. Boersma is currently the J.I. Packer Professor of Theology at Regent College. He was recently hired to become the Chair of Ascetical Theology at Nashotah House beginning in the summer of 2019. Dr. Boersma is the author of a number of books including Heavenly Participation: The Weaving of a Sacramental Tapestry which examines the historical dangers of leaving The Great Tradition in both Protestantism and Roman Catholicism. At the 2019 conference, Dr. Boersma will speak on how The Anglican Way maintains the Great Tradition of the church and how we must continue to uphold the faith once delivered.

We invite you to join us at next year's conference July 10-14, 2019. We plan to open registration November 1<sup>st</sup>, 2018 on our website at: [holycommuniondallas.org](http://holycommuniondallas.org) under the Anglican Way banner. Please visit our website for more information about AWI including the speakers and workshops of past conferences.

We look forward to seeing you in 2019!

Fr. Kasey Gage

## UPCOMING EVENTS

Dec. 7-9		Library	Cranmer Theological House Course
Dec. 14	6:30pm	Miller Hall	Friday Fun Night
Dec. 15	11:30am	Library	Daughters of the Holy Cross
Dec. 21	12:00pm	Church	St. Thomas the Apostle Eucharist
Dec. 21	5:00pm	Miller Hall	Holy Communion Youth Lock-In 5:00pm to 7:30am
Dec. 22	10:00am	Church	Hanging of the Greens
Dec. 23	6:00pm	Church	Lessons & Carols, Doors open at 5:15, Pre-concert at 5:45
Dec. 24	5:30pm	Church	Family Christmas Eve Service
Dec. 24	10:30pm	Church	Candlelight Choral Eucharist
Dec. 25	10:00am	Church	Christmas Day Eucharist
Dec. 26	12:00pm	Church	St. Stephen Dcn. & Martyr Eucharist
Dec. 27	12:00pm	Church	St. John the Apostle Eucharist
Dec. 28	12:00pm	Church	Holy Innocents Eucharist
Dec. 29	10:00am	Edman Bldg	Prayer Shawl Ministry
Jan. 1	12:00pm	Church	Circumcision of Christ Eucharist
Jan. 6	10:15am	Lunt Hall	Epiphany Pageant
Jan. 6	12:30pm	TBD	Sunday Lunch Bunch
Jan. 7	6:00pm	Miller Hall	Ladies Bunco
Jan. 7	6:30pm	Lunt Hall	Theology on Tap
Jan. 11-13		Library	Cranmer Theological House Course
Jan. 12	9:00am	Miller Hall	Daughters of the Holy Cross
Jan. 13	10:15am	Library	Adult/New Member Confirmation Classes Begin
Jan. 18	6:30pm	Miller Hall	Friday Fun Night
Jan. 19			North Texas March for Life
Jan. 20			Sanctity of Life Sunday
Jan. 21	6:30pm	Lunt Hall	Women, Wine, and Wisdom
Jan. 25	12:00pm		Conversion of St. Paul Eucharist
Jan. 26	10:00am	Lunt Hall	HCW Valentine Craft Making for Collinwood
Jan. 26	10:00am	Edman Bldg	Prayer Shawl Ministry
Jan. 27	9:00am		One Service/ Annual Parish Meeting
Feb. 2	11:00am	Collinwood NH	Delivery of crafts to Collinwood Nursing Home
Feb. 2	12:00pm		Presentation of Christ in the Temple Eucharist



**The Collinwood Nursing Home Angel Tree is located in the Narthex. If you can help, please purchase gift, wrap it, and return to Narthex by December 16th.**

# Happy Anniversary

Diane & Daryl Smith	Dec 01
Miranda & Wade Krueger	Dec 03
Sandy & Fr. Sam Steere	Dec 16
Sue & Barry Gilbert	Dec 17
Laura & James Edmonds	Dec 18
Miriam & Wayne Gregory	Dec 19
Susan & Bishop Ray Sutton	Dec 19
Pat & Bob Smith	Dec 19
Wynell & Bob Esson	Dec 23
Sally & George Kilishek	Dec 26
D'Ann & Joshua Funk	Dec 30

