

# ADVENTURES a weekly newsletter

Advent Episcopal Church ♦ 3760 Dover Center Road ♦ Westlake♦ OH ♦ 44145

July 15, 2018 ♦ The Eighth Sunday after Pentecost

## **Preaching this Morning at Advent**

Advent welcomes Pastor Paul Laursen to our 8:00 a.m. and 10:00 a.m. services today. Pastor Laursen will be with us through June and beyond.

# **Positive Financial Results After 6 Months**

Through the faithfulness of all of you, because some are paying their pledges in advance, I'm pleased to report that revenues are more than \$13,700 ahead of our budget after 6 months. Expenses are about \$9,300 less than budget so, in the aggregate, we are showing a positive variance of \$23,000 January – June, 2018. Some of the expenditures Ray Busony has announced for replacing kitchen cabinets, cleaning and stretching the sanctuary carpet, and stripping/waxing the parish hall floors will be expensed and some comes out of our capital funds including a generous parishioner gift late last year. So, the good news is you are faithfully honoring your financial commitments to Advent and that is enormously reassuring. Thanks be to God!!! Dick McCormick



#### Advent at Crushers Baseball

Enjoy a night of Crushers baseball with your friends from Advent on Saturday, August 11 at 6:05 p.m. Tickets are \$8.00, parking \$4.00 (not included.) Deadline for ordering tickets is July 31;

no sales or returns after that date. Please signup on the sheets to get your tickets. See Peter Meckes 440-657-5286 or nosonut5830@att.net if you have any questions.

# Men's Night Out

Men of Advent, please join us at Houlihan's on Monday July 16, at 6:30 p.m., at 25651 Detroit Road, Westlake, 440-808-9090. Please let Peter Meckes know if you will be attending at: 440-657-5286 or nosonut5830@att.net.

#### **Financial Statements**

Your second quarter financial statements are available on the table in the narthex. Please call the office

#### A reminder about articles for ADVENTures

All articles should be sent by e-mail to the parish office (advent.church@sbcglobal.net), by noon on the Tuesday preceding the Sunday on which you would like the article to appear in ADVENTures. Articles may also be dropped off in the parish office.

## God finances His church. He wants our treasures only after He has our heart.

The gathering of the offerings is, therefore, not merely collecting money. It is responding to His Word and Sacrament; it is a holy privilege for those who believe in Jesus Christ. This is an opportunity to express gratitude for God's love and grace by returning a portion of the gifts He has so freely given to us. As God's children, we consider it a special honor to build and extend His kingdom through our offerings. Our visitors and guests are in no way compelled to contribute to this offering. We welcome our guests and pray our worship is a blessing to all.

#### God is Calling!

God keeps his promises daily. The members of Advent know about God's free gift of salvation through Jesus' blood; therefore, when visitors drop in this summer, bring them to church with you.

#### This Week at Advent

#### Today, July 15

8:00 a.m. Holy Eucharist 9:00 a.m. Adult Bible Study 10:00 a.m. Holy Eucharist 11:00 a.m. Coffee Hour

#### Monday, July 16

#### Tuesday, July 17

#### Wednesday, July 18

7:00 a.m. Men's Bible Study at Advent 9:00 a.m. Wednesday Morning Prayer Group

## Sunday, July 22

8:00 a.m. Holy Eucharist 9:00 a.m. Adult Bible Study 10:00 a.m. Holy Eucharist 11:00 a.m. Coffee Hour

#### **Prayer Request**

Health and Recovery

Lillian Kwasny Irv Frank Marilyn Decker Mary Lou Dixon Joan Joye Velta Sanborn Bob Allen Karen Zolar Rose Walker Barb Frank Lois Zolar Dave Luptak Michael Uhrich George Belinsky Julie Cratcha Bill & Judy Arkley Renee Conrad-Finch Stacie Smith

Friends of Advent

Toni Kulma, wife of Pastor Kulma

Eliza Jennings residents

Sylvia Little, Bishop Little's wife

Please contact the church office if you would like your name added or removed from our list.



Server Schedule Today, July 15

8:00 a.m.

Chalice Bearer/Lector Dick McCormick

10:00 a.m.

**Chalice Bearers** Sharon Rice & Marcia Duennes

**Lector** Barbara Gage

**Prayers of the People** Anne Crothall (Form 4)

Acolytes Anna Evans
Ushers Jim Edwards

**Intercessory Prayer** Ray Busony

Altar Guild Marcia Duennes & Cynthea Sabolich

**Greeter** John Crothall

**Coffee Hour** 

**Close Advent** Ray Busony

**Counter / Date** Anne Crothall (7/16)

Next Sunday, July 22

8:00 a.m.

Chalice Bearer/Lector Kathleen Huffman

10:00 a.m.

Chalice Bearers Teddi Augustine & Dick McCormick

**Lector** Dick McCormick

**Prayers of the People** Denise Geyer-Keller (Form 5)

**Acolytes** Denise Geyer-Keller

**Ushers** Jan & Jerry Nagy

**Intercessory Prayer** Sharon Rice

Altar Guild Jennifer Meckes & Anne Crothall

**Greeter** Don Moore

**Coffee Hour** 

**Close Advent** Denise Geyer-Keller

Counter / Date Marcia Duennes (7/23)

Note: It is your responsibility to contact another volunteer directly to take your place. Please call the office with all changes. Thank you.