



# ADVENTures *a weekly newsletter*

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

August 19, 2018 ◊ The Thirteenth 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. Next Sunday, August 26, we will have Morning Prayers. Pastor Laursen will be back in September.

## **Advent Has a New Music Leader!**

I'm thrilled to inform you that Darlene Khoury has accepted our offer for this position. We have been searching for 5 months since late April for a person to fulfill the vision of planning, organizing, and leading our music programs to enrich the spiritual worship experience of members and visitors. Through music we are wanting to create an uplifting, respectful and memorable time of celebration, capturing the hearts and spirits of those in attendance. We seek to creatively blend liturgy and praise. Choir members on vestry were involved in the interviewing and the vestry voted unanimously Tuesday night. Darlene has a track record of having built church music programs elsewhere and currently serves full-time as a campus minister, music teacher, theology teacher and director of religious education at a Catholic school in Akron, PreK-12, so she's got the skill set. She's meeting with the choir this coming Thursday, August 23, to hit the road running. We'll have a welcome reception in September. Praise the Lord!

## **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

## **New Devotionals**

Forward Day by Day devotionals for August—October are now available on the table in the Narthex.

## **Sunday Morning Adult Bible Study**

Sunday morning Bible study has ended for the summer. We will resume late in September.



## **This Week at Advent**

### **Today, August 19**

8:00 a.m. Holy Eucharist  
10:00 a.m. Holy Eucharist  
11:00 a.m. Coffee Hour

### **Monday, August 20**

### **Tuesday, August 21**

### **Wednesday, August 22**

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

### **Thursday, August 23**

7:00 p.m. Choir Meeting

### **Sunday, August 26**

8:00 a.m. Morning Prayer  
10:00 a.m. Morning Prayer  
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
Julie Cratcha	Michael Uhrich	George Belinsky
Bill & Judy Arkley	Don Moore	

### *Friends of Advent*

Toni Kulma, wife of Pastor Kulma  
Eliza Jennings residents  
Sylvia Little, Bishop Little's wife  
Betty Clark

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

## **Server Schedule Today, August 19**

### **8:00 a.m.**

**Chalice Bearer/Lector** Dick McCormick

### **10:00 a.m.**

**Chalice Bearers** Teddi Augustine & Scott Duennes

**Lector** Scott Duennes

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

**Acolytes** Cynthea Sabolich

**Ushers** Jim Edwards

**Intercessory Prayer** Sharon Rice

**Altar Guild** Bunny Meriam & Karen Edwards

**Greeter**

**Coffee Hour**

**Close Advent** John Urbas

**Counter / Date** Marcia Duennes (8/20)

### **Next Sunday, August 26**

### **8:00 a.m.**

**Worship Leader** Dick McCormick

### **10:00 a.m.**

**Worship Leader** Dick McCormick

**Lector** Denise Geyer-Keller

**Suffrages** Denise Geyer-Keller

**Acolytes** Denise Geyer-Keller

**Ushers** Jan & Jerry Nagy

**Intercessory Prayer** Ray Busony

**Altar Guild** Pat Perris & Cynthea Sabolich

**Greeter** John Crothall

**Coffee Hour**

**Close Advent** Denise Geyer-Keller

**Counter / Date** Anne Crothall (8/27)

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