

ADVENTURES a weekly newsletter

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

August 26, 2018 ♦ The Fourteenth Sunday after Pentecost

Preaching this Morning at Advent

Jason Evans will deliver the sermon at Morning Prayer this morning. Next Sunday, September 2, Advent will once again welcome Pastor Paul Laursen to celebrate the Holy Eucharist here thru September and beyond.

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

Sunday Morning Adult Bible Study

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

Eliza Jennings Ministry

There will not be an Eliza Jennings Ministry Nursing Home service on August 27. Our next service will be held on September 10.

Ladies Night Out

Please join us at Jo Jo Carloni Italian Restaurant, September 10, at 5:30 p.m. It is located at 627 W. Bagley Road, Berea. Please let Teddi know if you will be attending, at teddiaugustine@gmail.com, 440-327-9334, or see her at church. Hope you can make it.

This Week at Advent

Today, August 26

8:00 a.m. Morning Prayer 10:00 a.m. Morning Prayer 11:00 a.m. Coffee Hour

Monday, August 27

Tuesday, August 28

Wednesday, August 29

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

Thursday, August 30

7:00 p.m. Choir Meeting

Sunday, September 2

8:00 a.m. Holy Eucharist 10:00 a.m. Holy Eucharist

11:00 a.m. Birthdays & Anniversaries

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 26

8:00 a.m.

Worship Leader Dick McCormick

10:00 a.m.

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Lector Denise Geyer-Keller

Suffrages Denise Geyer-Keller

Acolytes None

Ushers Peter Meckes

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)

Next Sunday, September 2

8:00 a.m.

Chalice Bearer/Lector Kathleen Huffman

10:00 a.m.

Chalice Bearer Bunny Meriam

Lector

Prayers of the People Dick McCormick

Acolytes

Ushers/Greeters Peter Meckes

Intercessory Prayer Ray Busony

Altar Guild Jennifer Meckes & Anne Crothall

Coffee Hour Teddi Augustine & Sharon Rice

Close Advent Peter Meckes

Counter / Date Anne Crothall (9/4)

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