



ADVENTures *a weekly newsletter*

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

December 23, 2018 ◊ The Fourth Sunday of Advent

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 December and beyond.

Advent Wreath Readers

At the 10:00 a.m. service today, Anne and John Crothall will present the short Christmas readings that accompany the lighting of the Advent Wreath.



December 24 Christmas Eve Service

8:00 p.m. Candlelight Service with Holy Eucharist. Invite your family and friends.

Dan Schutte Concert “God With Us” A Worshipful Success

EVERYONE gave rave reviews of our collective night of worship led by Dan Schutte on December 14. The spirituality, fellowship, hospitality, and peace of the occasion exceeded our prayers, dreams and expectations. The December weather was perfect for Cleveland! The luminaries “lit up” people as they arrived. God was certainly with us and Dan’s mix of music, mini-homilies, stories, and genuine love of the Lord helped bring Him close to us all. The reception was the perfect ending. Of the 215 in attendance, 65 came directly from the Advent community so the fact that 70% of our attendees came from outside Advent is a testimony to Dan’s appeal. The Lord brought those He wanted here. Dan’s spirit was uplifted as well by Advent’s love and grace. We are ecstatic with the entire experience as Advent became very visible to our local community – and as far as Erie, PA!

Ladies Night Out

Please join us at Mahle’s Restaurant, January 7, at **5:00 p.m.** It is located at 24945 Detroit Road, Westlake, 440-899-6602. Please let Teddi know at: teddiaugustine@gmail.com, 440-327-9334, or see her at church. Hope you can make it.

The 2019 Advent Flower Calendar

The 2018 Flower Calendar will be posted on the wall outside the parish office starting December 23. If you wish to donate flowers for the altar, please add your name to the Calendar. Please print clearly if you are donating the flowers in memory of a loved one, as a thank offering, or in celebration of a birthday or anniversary. Flower costs will be the same as 2018, \$40.00.

The Twelve Days of Christmas

- My true love God and the gifts from God
- The partridge..... Jesus
- Two turtledoves The Old and New Testament
- Three French hens..... Faith, Hope and Charity
- Four calling birds The Gospels of Matthew, Mark Luke and John
- Five gold rings The Torah (The first five books of the Bible): Genesis, Exodus, Leviticus, Numbers and Deuteronomy
- Six geese a-laying The six days of Creation (Genesis)
- Seven swans a-swimming ... The Seven Sacraments: Baptism, Eucharist, Reconciliation, Confirmation, Marriage, Holy Orders and Anointing the Sick

...to be continued next week. From the Ohio Diocese

This Week at Advent

Today, December 23

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

Monday, December 24 Christmas Eve

Church office is closed.

8:00 p.m. Candlelight Service/Holy Eucharist

Tuesday, December 25 Christmas Day

Church office is closed.

Wednesday, December 26

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

Thursday, December 27

7:00 p.m. NO Choir Practice

Sunday, December 30

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

Prayer Request

Health and Recovery

Lillian Kwasny	Irv Frank	Joan Joye
Mary Lou Dixon	Marilyn Decker	Velta Sanborn
Bob Allen	Karen Zolar	Rose Walker
Barb Frank	Lois Zolar	Dave Luptak
Julie Cratcha	Michael Uhrich	Arthur Beel
George Belinsky		
Bill & Judy Arkley	Cynthea Sabolich	

Friends of Advent

Toni Kulma, wife of Pastor Kulma
Eliza Jennings residents
Sylvia Little, Bishop Little's wife
Kaylene Say Niece of Max and Barbara Gage
Jack Morgan

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

8:00 a.m. Chalice Bearer/Lector

12/23 8:00 a.m. Kathleen Huffman
12/30 8:00 a.m. Dick McCormick

10:00 a.m. Chalice Bearers

12/23 10:00 p.m. Teddi Augustine & Dick McCormick
10/24 8:00 p.m. Teddi Augustine & Dick McCormick
12/30 10:00 a.m. Bunny Meriam & Sharon Rice

Lector

12/23 10:00 a.m. Lewis Meriam
12/24 8:00 p.m. John Crothall
12/30 10:00 a.m. John Crothall

Prayers of the People

12/23 10:00 a.m. Anne Crothall (Form 6)
12/24 8:00 p.m. Anne Crothall (Form 2)
12/30 10:00 a.m. Anne Crothall (Form 3)

Acolytes

12/23 10:00 a.m. Cynthea Sabolich
12/24 9:00 p.m. Anna Evans & Kaylei Evans
12/30 10:00 p.m. Cynthea Sabolich

Ushers

12/23 10:00 a.m. Jim Edwards
12/24 8:00 p.m. Max Gage & Jim Edwards
12/30 10:00 a.m. Bob Sanborn

Intercessory Prayer

12/23 10:00 a.m. Sharon Rice
12/24 8:00 p.m. None
12/30 10:00 a.m. Ray Busony

Altar Guild

12/23 10:00 a.m. Jennifer Meckes
12/24 8:00 p.m. Altar Guild Members
12/31 10:00 a.m. Anne Crothall & Jennifer Meckes

Close Advent

12/23 10:00 a.m. Ray Busony
12/24 8:00 p.m. Max Gage
12/30 10:00 a.m. Ray Busony

Counter / Date

12/26 Anne Crothall
1/3/19 Anne Crothall

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



56th Annual Boar's Head & Yule Log Festival

Saturday December 29, 2018 is the 56th annual performance of the Boar's Head and Yule Log Festival at 3:00 p.m. and 5:30 p.m., Trinity Cathedral, 2230 Euclid Avenue, Cleveland. A multi-sensory event an hour in length for all ages, the Festival features costumed players and glorious music that includes choral and orchestral selections, together with organ and brass accompaniment. Brought to Cleveland in 1960 by Episcopal Bishop Nelson M. Burroughs, it has been presented as a gift to the people of this area.

Admission is free; a free will offering is welcome. Please see Boarsheadcleveland.org for more information