



ADVENTures a weekly newsletter

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

February 17, 2019 ◇ The Sixth Sunday after the Epiphany

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 February and beyond.

GIFT...GROWING IN FAITH TOGETHER...

At Advent

This morning, following the 10:00am service, our **GIFT DVD** study of “Goliath *Must* Fall” continues. Today’s topic deals with the giant of rejection. We may all have dealt with rejection of some form in the past. Whether we were rejected for a job or promotion; received a rejection letter from a publisher; or any other number of reasons---rejection hurts! It is the rejection though from a few key people in our world such as a parent, a spouse, a close friend that can shape how we view ourselves, sometimes for our entire lives. The giant of rejection drags along its cousins—insecurity, inferiority, being driven by perfectionism or compulsiveness with it. We need to break free from rejection. The good news for us is that God can defeat rejection! God accepts us and it is through this realization that the giant of rejection *will* fall.

Please join us this morning as Pastor Louie Giglio leads us through this DVD session “Rejection *Must* Fall”. We will learn together that whatever the giant may be in our lives, the key to living free from our giant is by keeping our eyes on the one and only giant-slayer: Jesus. Put our hope in him and we can watch Goliath fall. If you haven’t been able to attend a previous session please come anyway, each month’s study stands alone.

Save the Date

Please plan on joining us as Advent hosts a Spaghetti Dinner on Saturday February 23 at 6:00 p.m. Cost is FREE and open to the public, so all are invited. Free will donation will be accepted. Please let Peter Meckes know if you will be attending at: 440-657-5286 or nosonut5830@att.net or if you would be willing to help.



The Church in Babylon – Conflicts of Conscience: Keeping the Faith in a Hostile Work Environment

This is the title of today’s session. How far can we engage our culture without compromising our convictions? Where do we draw the line? How do we respond to conflicts of conscience when confronted by state & federal influences? Pressures from leaders and bosses? Peer pressures existing in our clubs, social activities – even our churches? There are seldom black & white answers, so what are some principles we can follow? Let’s explore together what God, Dr. Lutzer, and the Holy Spirit speaking through each of us has to say. Come and see! Sunday, February 24, at 11:30 a.m.

PALMS

Palms will be burned by the Altar Guild to be used during the Imposition of Ashes at our Ash Wednesday service at 7:30 p.m. on March 6. If you have palms at home that were blessed at our Palm Sunday service last spring and wish to include them, please bring them to church by Sunday, February 24 and either give them to Jennifer Meckes or put them on the back file cabinet in the church office.

Shrove
Tuesday



Shrove Tuesday Pancake Supper

Our pancake supper will take place this year on Tuesday, March 5 at 6:00 p.m. We will have punchkies, assorted pancakes (blueberry, chocolate, buttermilk, and surprise) and sausages. Come one, come all. Bring family, friends, neighbors and a healthy appetite. If you plan to attend, and/or can help, please let Peter Meckes know (nosonut5830@att.net or 440-657-5286), or sign up on the clipboards circulating during services.

This Week at Advent

Today, February 17

8:00 a.m. Holy Eucharist
9:00 a.m. Choir Rehearsal
10:00 a.m. Holy Eucharist
11:00 a.m. Coffee Hour
11:30 a.m. GIFT

Monday, February 18

Tuesday, February 19

Wednesday, February 20

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

Thursday, February 21

7:00 p.m. Choir Practice

Saturday, February 23

6:00 p.m. Spaghetti Dinner

Sunday, February 24

8:00 a.m. Holy Eucharist
9:00 a.m. Choir Rehearsal
10:00 a.m. Holy Eucharist
11:00 a.m. Coffee Hour
11:30 a.m. "The Church in Babylon" Bible Study

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	Arthur Beel
Julie Cratcha	Michael Uhrich	
George Belinsky	Bill & Judy Arkley	

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.

Ladies Night Out

Please join us Monday, March 4, at JoJo Carlonis, at **5:00 p.m.** It is located at 627 W. Bagley Road, Berea. Please let Teddi know at 440-327-9334, teddiaugutine@gmail.com, or see her at church. Hope you can make it.

Server Schedule

Today, February 17

8:00 a.m.

Chalice Bearer/Lector Dick McCormick
Acolyte Alex Dzurec

10:00 a.m.

Chalice Bearer Scott Duennes & Sharon Rice

Lector Lewis Meriam

Prayer of the People Denise Geyer-Keller (Form 5)

Acolytes Denise Geyer-Keller

Ushers Teddi Augustine

Intercessory Prayer Ray Busony

Altar Guild Bunny Meriam & Jennifer Meckes

Coffee Hour GIFT

Close Advent Denise Geyer-Keller

Counter / Date Marcia Duennes (2/19)

Next Sunday, February 24

8:00 a.m.

Chalice Bearer/Lector Kathleen Huffman

10:00 a.m.

Chalice Bearer Teddi Augustine & Dick McCormick

Lector John Crothall

Prayer of the People Anne Crothall (Form 6)

Acolytes Cynthea Sabolich

Ushers Jim Edwards

Intercessory Prayer Sharon Rice

Altar Guild Cynthea Sabolich & Karen Edwards

Coffee Hour

Close Advent John Urbas

Counter / Date Anne Crothall (2/25)

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