



# ADVENTures a weekly newsletter

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

March 17, 2019 ◊ The Second Sunday in Lent

## 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 March and beyond.

## GIFT...GROWING IN FAITH TOGETHER...

At Advent

This morning, following the 10:00 a.m. service, our **GIFT DVD** study of Pastor Louie Giglio's "Goliath *MUST* Fall" series continues. Session four focuses on "Comfort *MUST* Fall". Okay, just reading that may have placed some of us out of our comfort zone. Having a roof over our heads, food to eat and not having people dislike us, probably falls in all of our comfort zones. This giant of Comfort though can keep us from stepping out in faith in the ways that God is calling us to. Think back on the Apostles. They all left their lives behind to follow Jesus. Those who fought the oppression of slavery, stepped out of their comfort zones. The persecuted Christians of long ago and today in foreign lands, meet in secret to worship God to avoid being arrested. Today, perhaps at our workplaces, in our schools, stores, restaurants, neighborhoods or any of a number of other locations you may be confronted by an uncomfortable situation or asked to defend or explain your Christian beliefs. This may be a step out of our comfort zone.

With Pastor Giglio's guidance we will explore how a sneaky, yet prevalent, giant called Comfort may keep us from taking that step. We will see how that giant has been defeated in our lives. Our job isn't mustering up the courage to step out, it's remembering some key facts: "*Life is short. God is big.*" Please join us today as we learn and grow in our faith together. If you haven't been to any of the previous "Goliath *MUST* Fall" sessions, don't worry. Each sessions stands alone.



## Easter Flowers

Order forms for Easter flowers are included in today's bulletin. The flowers will adorn the altar for Easter. The cost of each plant is \$10.00. If you wish to purchase and donate a plant in memory or honor of a loved one, or in thanksgiving, please fully complete the order form (please print), and put it in the offering plate, with cash or a check

made payable to Advent and put *Easter Flower* on the memo line.

**The Deadline for ordering is Sunday, April 7.**

## A Note from Lois and Karen Zolar

Dear Loving Advent Family,  
My heart and mom's burst with joy that she has not been forgotten by her beloved Advent family. She misses you all and going to church terribly. It is very difficult for me to get her to church as she had another incident last October and requires more care. She is currently using a walker, but is still Lois. She does have visual issues, but still gets around and would so love to attend church. If she did attend she would need assistance with receiving the Body of Christ. Would really like to attend on Lent and Easter. God bless all who wrote her cards, even new church members. Our hearts just sang.  
Love Karen and Lois Zolar  
440-777-7337



## This Week at Advent

### Today, March 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, March 18

### Tuesday, March 19

### Wednesday, March 20

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

### Thursday, March 21

7:00 p.m. Choir Practice

### Sunday, March 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  
Jack Morgan  
Trevor, grandson of Art Beel

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



## Server Schedule Today, March 17

### 8:00 a.m.

**Chalice Bearer/Lector** Kathleen Huffman

### 10:00 a.m.

**Chalice Bearer** Teddi Augustine & Marcia Duennes

**Lector** Lewis Meriam

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

**Acolytes** Cynthia Sabolich

**Ushers** Bob Sanborn

**Intercessory Prayer** Sharon Rice

**Altar Guild** Karen Edwards & Anne Crothall

**Coffee Hour** **GIFT**

**Close Advent** Denise Geyer-Keller

**Counter / Date** Marcia Duennes (3/18)

## Next Sunday, March 24

### 8:00 a.m.

**Chalice Bearer/Lector** Dick McCormick

### 10:00 a.m.

**Chalice Bearer** Bunny Meriam & Sharon Rice

**Lector** Denise Geyer-Keller

**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**

**Close Advent** John Urbas

**Counter / Date** Anne Crothall (3/25)

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