



ADVENTures a weekly newsletter

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

March 24, 2019 ◊ The Third 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.

The Church in Babylon – Islam, Immigration and the Church: Balancing Compassion and Security

We can't avoid the subject of Immigration in the news and current events. We are bombarded with polarizing claims on both extremes of the political spectrum. But, what are we as followers of Christ to think and do? We want to show compassion and want to feel secure. But how? Erwin Lutzer writes "In the matter of immigration as well as the entrance of refugees into the country, the role of the church is very different from the role of government. Our opinion of Islam should not stand in the way of our commitment to befriend Muslims in ways big and small and show them the love of Christ." What do we need to know about the beliefs and practices of Islam? What is the role of government in immigration? And, what is the role of the church, and we as believers, in immigration? This is a subject that many of us may not have thought about deeply, so, come for Biblical passages and Dr. Lutzer's wise inputs, and contribute to our discussions.

Ladies Night Out

Please join us Monday, April 1, at Berea Union Depot, at **5:00 p.m.** It is located at 30 Depot Street in Berea, 440-243-6169. Please let Teddi know if you will be there: at 440-327-9334, teddiaugutine@gmail.com, or see her at church. Hope you can make it.



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.

Some Easter Facts

- * Early Christians of Mesopotamia were the first to use colored eggs for Easter. In some European countries people colored eggs red to represent the joy of the resurrection.
- * The lamb is one of the symbols of Easter. The symbol comes from the Jewish *Pesah* (Passover) holiday. The Jewish Passover celebration is a partial re-enactment of the events of the Exodus when Jewish families killed a lamb and sprinkled its blood on their doorposts.
- * The word "Easter" is not found in the Bible.
- * The Spanish word of Easter: *Pascia*.
- * The Italian word for Easter: *Pasqua*.
- * The French word for Easter: *Pâques*

ALL are from the Hebrew, *Pessah*.



This Week at Advent

Today, 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. GIFT

Monday, March 25

2:00 p.m. Eliza Jennings Ministry

Tuesday, March 26

Wednesday, March 27

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

Thursday, March 28

7:00 p.m. Choir Practice

Sunday, March 31

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 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)

Next Sunday, March 31

8:00 a.m.

Chalice Bearer/Lector Kathleen Huffman

10:00 a.m.

Chalice Bearer Dick McCormick & Teddi Augustine

Lector John Crothall

Prayer of the People Anne Crothall (Form 6)

Acolytes Anna Evans

Ushers Max Gage

Intercessory Prayer Sharon Rice

Altar Guild Anne Crothall & Pat Perris

Coffee Hour

Close Advent Max Gage

Counter / Date Anne Crothall (4/1)

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