



ADVENTures *a weekly newsletter*

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

MAY 5, 2019 ◊ The Third Sunday of Easter

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 here for Sundays in May and beyond.

The Church in Babylon – Taking the Cross into the World – Shamelessly Sharing the One Message That Can Save Us

How do you take the cross of Christ into the world? What does that even mean? How do you “be a witness”? Do you have to walk the streets of Westlake knocking on doors, confronting reluctant and perhaps offended neighbors who answer the door, and inviting them to come to Advent on Sunday? Are you a Billy Graham-type – an evangelist? Are you afraid of being branded a “Bible basher”? What are some practical and reasonable actions that each of us can do to “share the one message that can save someone”? I mean, practical and feasible that I could do! Come and let’s reason together after the 10:00 a.m. service today.

Mother’s Day Brunch

On Mother’s Day, May 12, we will have a special brunch after the 10:00 a.m. service to honor all of our wonderful mothers. Bring your mom (even if she is not a member!). Peter Meckes is organizing this event; please sign up on the circulating clipboard, give him a call, or send him an e-mail, assuring him that yes, yes you do indeed love mothers and would be delighted to help with this event (440-657-5286 or nosonut5830@att.net).

GIFT...GROWING IN FAITH TOGETHER...at Advent

Does it seem that the world is filled with angry people? Psychologist Leon Seltzer says that the brain secretes a hormone which is a painkiller when we feel angry. If that is the case then, the anger helps to numb us to whatever feeling triggered the anger to begin with. Perhaps that feeling is fear or hurt or the pain of having been rejected. Anger can make us feel that we are in control... even when we lose control of the anger. But, as Christians we have been taught it is not okay to get angry. We may bury our anger and smile and say it’s okay, or that we’ve forgiven someone who hurt us, or that we are over it. In fact it may be that deep down we are not over it nor have we let go of that fear, hurt or rejection that caused the anger to begin with. Pastor Louie Giglio in this session, “Anger *Must* Fall”, states ‘we want the person we are angry at to pay a price for wrongdoing.’ God is a God of justice, so going to him with our anger is the best thing we could possibly do with it’. In this session we will come to terms with our anger and look at what is involved in dealing with it in a positive way. We start by acknowledging we aren’t perfect and learn that God has reconciled us to himself. Even though anger may feel good at that moment, if we bury it, or express it wrongly, anger harms us and others. Freedom from anger is at hand and through God anger *will* fall.

Please join us on May 19 following the 10:00 a.m. service for the DVD study of “Goliath *Must* Fall”. Our session together will last one hour. Please feel free to bring your own packed lunch with you if you so choose to eat as we watch the DVD.

Ladies Night Out

Please join us on Monday, May 6, at 5:00 p.m., at the BJ’s Restaurant & Brewhouse, Great Northern Mall, 25779 Brookpark Road, North Olmsted. Please let Teddi Augustine know if you can attend at 440-327-9334, teddi.augustine@gmail.com or see her at church. Hope you can make it.

Men’s Night Out

Men of Advent, please join us Monday, May 20, at 6:30 p.m. at Bootleggers Bar and Grille, 34550 E. Royalton Road, Columbia Station, 440-748-1029. Please let Peter Meckes know if you will be attending, at: 440-657-5286 or nosonut5830@att.net.

Secure Your Church

I attended a "Secure Your Church" seminar at the Jewish Community Center in Beachwood a while back. One of the suggestions was locking the entrance doors, at your church, once the service begins. We discussed this at Vestry and decided to give it a try. The ushers will need to watch the doors for late arrivals. As always, make sure you check the doors behind you during the week as you exit the building. Thank you,
Ray Busony Jr. Warden

This Week at Advent

Today, May 5

8:00 a.m. Holy Eucharist
 9:00 a.m. Choir Practice
 10:00 a.m. Holy Eucharist
 11:00 a.m. Birthdays and Anniversaries
 11:30 a.m. "The Church in Babylon" Bible Study

Monday, May 6

5:00 p.m. Ladies Night Out

Tuesday, May 7

Wednesday, May 8

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

Thursday, May 9

7:15 p.m. Choir Practice

Sunday, May 12

8:00 a.m. Holy Eucharist
 9:00 a.m. Choir Practice
 10:00 a.m. Holy Eucharist
 11:00 a.m. Mother's Day Brunch
 No "The Church in Babylon" Bible Study today

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
Michael Uhrich	Sharon Rice	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.



May Birthdays

1 Denise Geyer-Keller
 11 John Urbas
 16 Gus Cratcha
 22 Jerry Nagy
 26 Joan Joye
 28 Paul Koszkalda

May Anniversaries

9 Jerry & Jan Nagy

Server Schedule Today, May 5

8:00 a.m.

Chalice Bearer/Lector Dick McCormick

10:00 a.m.

Chalice Bearers Marcia Duennes & Bunny Meriam

Lector Marcia Duennes

Prayer of the People Marcia Duennes (Form 3)

Acolytes Denise Geyer-Keller

Ushers Jim Edwards

Intercessory Prayer Ray Busony

Altar Guild Jennifer Meckes & Cynthea Sabolich

Coffee Hour Teddi Augustine & Sharon Rice

Close Advent Ray Busony

Counter / Date Anne Crothall (5/6)

Next Sunday, May 12

8:00 a.m.

Chalice Bearer/Lector Kathleen Huffman

10:00 a.m.

Chalice Bearers Cynthea Sabolich & Scott Duennes

Lector Scott Duennes

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

Acolytes Kaylei Evans

Ushers Peter Meckes

Intercessory Prayer Sharon Rice

Altar Guild Jennifer Meckes & Pat Perris

Coffee Hour

Close Advent Peter Meckes

Counter / Date Marcia Duennes (5/13)

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

Rhythm of Life Concert

Southwest Community Chorus concert: May 5, 3:00 p.m.
 United Methodist Church of Berea, 170 Seminary St, Berea
 Ticket Price: \$15.00 at the door. Please see the bulletin board of further information.