



# ADVENTures *a weekly newsletter*

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

June 2, 2019 ◊ The Seventh Sunday of Easter  
Sunday after Ascension Day

## 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 June and beyond.

## Ladies Night Out

Please join us on Monday, June 3, at 5:00 p.m., at the Burntwood Tavern, 19304 Detroit Rd., Rocky River, 440-333-6700. We will be on the patio, weather permitting. Please let Teddi Augustine know if you can attend at 440-327-9334, [teddiagustine@gmail.com](mailto:teddiagustine@gmail.com) or see her at church. Hope you can make it.

## Church Landscaping

If you are interested in working on a small piece of the landscaping around our church, would you please let Ray Busony or John Urbas know. We would welcome the help in keeping the property looking nice. It can be as small or as large as you desire. It will help to make our home look welcoming to visitors.

Thank you, Ray Busony Jr Warden



## Father's Day 2019

On Father's Day, June 16, we will have a special lunch to honor all of our wonderful fathers. Bring your dad (even if he 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 fathers and would be delighted to help with this event: 440-657-5286 or [nosonut5830@att.net](mailto:nosonut5830@att.net).

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

This year in **GIFT** we have been using the DVD series "Goliath *Must* Fall" by Louie Giglio pastor of the Passion City Church and founder of The Passion Movement. He has guided us through many different possible giants that we may have in our own lives. In the conclusion of this series, Pastor Giglio asks us to look at the giant of addiction. We can get addicted to anything that promises our brains a reward they crave. Scientists have found that our brains release the chemical dopamine that is linked to happiness when we get that reward. Addiction may be to alcohol, nicotine, shopping, overeating, our phones or quite simply to the approval of others. We can become addicted to anything that we feel we can't do without, anything we turn to when life is in chaos or if we feel we are in a slump. Pastor Louie will help us examine the root cause of addiction and what it takes to get free from it. When we realize that it is God to whom we must turn, we can say goodbye to an addiction that we may have had at our heels for years and understand that we don't need to be controlled by anything. It is then that the giant of addiction *will* fall.

Please join us following the 10:00 a.m. service on June 9 for the conclusion of the "Goliath *Must* Fall" series. Each session stands alone, so if you have missed any of the previous ones, this session will make sense. We hope that you join us as we continue to learn and grow in our faith together.

## 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

## The Church in Babylon – Jesus at the Church Door – Prayerless Pulpits, Satisfied Saints and Spiritual Blindness

"So, because you are lukewarm—neither hot nor cold—I am about to spit you out of my mouth!" Rev. 3:16. Wow! Talk about tough love. These words from Jesus speaking to the church in Laodicea are haunting. Do they apply just to that church? Or to churches today? Even to Advent? Why did Jesus find himself outside the Laodicean church door, knocking and asking to be invited back in? Is He outside our doors? Do we need to invite Him into Advent? If so, how? And what rewards does Jesus promise to those who take up His glorious invitation? This is Dr. Lutzer's favorite chapter, and it's one of the toughest to face. Come, let's face it together in humility, repentance and hope.

Our class will continue today, Sunday, June 2.

## New Devotionals

The devotionals, Our Daily Bread, for June—August, are now available on the table in the Narthex.

## This Week at Advent

### Today, June 2

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

### Monday, June 3

5:00 p.m. Ladies Night Out

### Tuesday, June 4

### Wednesday, June 5

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

### Thursday, June 6

7:15 p.m. Choir Practice

### Sunday, June 9

8:00 a.m. Holy Eucharist  
 9:00 a.m. Choir Practice  
 10:00 a.m. Holy Eucharist  
 11:00 a.m. Coffee hour  
 11:30 a.m. GIFT

## Server Schedule Today, June 2

8:00 a.m.

Chalice Bearer/Lector Scott Duennes

10:00 a.m.

Chalice Bearers Dick McCormick & Cynthea Sabolich

Lector Lewis Meriam

Prayer of the People Marcia Duennes (Form 2)

Acolyte Bunny Meriam

Usher Max Gage

Intercessory Prayer Ray Busony

Altar Guild Jennifer Meckes & Karen Edwards

Coffee Hour Teddi Augustine & Sharon Rice

Close Advent Max Gage

Counter / Date Marcia Duennes (6/3)

### Next Sunday, June 9

8:00 a.m.

Chalice Bearer/Lector Dick McCormick

10:00 a.m.

Chalice Bearers Teddi Augustine & Bunny Meriam

Lector Denise Geyer-Keller

Prayer of the People Denise Geyer-Keller (Form 3)

Acolyte Denise Geyer-Keller

Usher Peter Meckes

Intercessory Prayer Sharon Rice

Altar Guild Cynthea Sabolich & Pat Perris

Coffee Hour GIFT

Close Advent Peter Meckes

Counter / Date Anne Crothall (June 10)

## 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	Steve Boyce	

### 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  
 Ken and Jim

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

## June Anniversaries & Birthdays

9 Barbara Gage  
 14 Lewis Meriam  
 16 Bruce Finch

6 Richard & Linda McCormick  
 17 Irv & Barb Frank



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