



ADVENTures

a weekly newsletter

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

August 18, 2019 ◊ Tenth Sunday after Pentecost

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 August and beyond.

ADVENT BIBLE STUDY

Advent's Sunday morning Bible study returns on September 8 at 9:00 a.m. We will be studying the book of Revelation. "The powerful book of Revelation starts with a vision of the heavenly throne room and ends with the triumphant return of Christ." Guiding us along this journey in CD format is Dr. Charles Stanley, who has served as senior pastor of First Baptist Church Atlanta since 1971. He is the founder of *In Touch Ministries* and has authored more than 50 books. Dr. Stanley will guide us through complex Bible passages and explain in layman's terms the meanings and messages held within this chapter in order to prepare and encourage us for challenging times ahead. Please feel free to bring your own personal Bible with you or you may borrow one from the back of the sanctuary.

Men's Night Out

Men of Advent, please join us Monday, August 19 at 6:30 p.m. at Burntwood Tavern, 5600 Great Northern Blvd., North Olmsted. (Just south of I 480 on the west side by the new Aloft Hotel.) (AGAIN!) Please let Peter Meckes know if you will be attending, at: 440-657-5286 or nosonut5830@att.net

Advent's Mission Statement

Advent will be a Church guided by God's Purposes. Advent exists to:

Celebrate God's presence through **Worship**

(Ps. 34:3) *"Join me, everyone! Let's praise the Lord together. Let's make him famous! Let's make his name glorious to all."*

Educate God's people through **Discipleship**

(Eph. 4:12-13) *"He did this to prepare all God's people for the work of Christian service, in order to build up the body of Christ. ¹³ And so we shall all come together to that oneness in our faith and in our knowledge of the Son of God; we shall become mature people, reaching to the very height of Christ's full stature."*

Incorporate God's family through **Fellowship**

(Eph. 2:19) *"So then, you Gentiles are not foreigners or strangers any longer; you are now citizens together with God's people and members of the family of God."*

Demonstrate God's love through **Ministry**

(Eph. 4:12) *"He did this to prepare all God's people for the work of Christian service, in order to build up the body of Christ."*

Communicate God's Word through **Evangelism**

(Acts 1:8) *"But when the Holy Spirit comes upon you, you will be filled with power, and you will be witnesses for me in Jerusalem, in all of Judea and Samaria, and to the ends of the earth."*

Heads-Up: Baptism, Confirmation, Reception, Reaffirmation: In August 2016 Bishop William Love, Bishop of Albany of the Episcopal Church, visited Advent and celebrated at a healing service. We are keen to have him return, he is asking to return, and we'd like his visitation to embrace baptism, confirmation, reception, and reaffirmation of baptismal vows. Therefore, we are asking all in our Advent family to consider whether family members or friends are interested in being baptized as youth or adults, whether there are baptized persons desiring confirmation, whether there are folks who want to reaffirm their baptismal vow, and whether there are people who wish to be received into the Episcopal Church. Formal preparation is required of candidates for confirmation. Parents, godparents, and sponsors of those being baptized and others reaffirming and being received may also choose to participate in such preparation. Therefore, over the next 3 weeks, please pray about possible candidates and inform JoAnn in the church office of their names. Preparation sessions will include The Baptismal Covenant, Holy Eucharist, The Lord's Prayer, The Ten Commandments, The Apostles' Creed, The Nicene Creed, forms of prayer, and discipleship.

This Week at Advent

August 18

8:00 a.m. Holy Eucharist
10:00 a.m. Holy Eucharist
11:00 a.m. Coffee Hour

Monday, August 19

6:30 p.m. Men's Night Out

Tuesday, August 20

7:00 p.m. Vestry Meeting

Wednesday, August 21

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

Thursday, August 22

Saturday, August 24

6:00 p.m. Church Picnic

Sunday, August 25

8:00 a.m. Holy Eucharist
10:00 a.m. Holy Eucharist
11:00 a.m. Coffee Hour

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	Dave Luptak

Friends of Advent

Toni Kulma, wife of Pastor Kulma
Eliza Jennings residents
Sylvia Little, Bishop Little's wife
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.

1st Annual Advent Golf Outing

Open to men and women! Friday, September 6 at 5:00 p.m. at Mallard Creek Golf Club, 34500 Royalton Road in Columbia Station next to Bootleggers Grill. Dinner at Bootleggers Grill after golf. Wives and sweethearts invited.

Grand Prize: Pot of Gold! Bragging rites!

Sign up.....spots limited.

See Peter Meckes 440-657-5286 or nosonut5830@att.net if you have any questions.

Server Schedule Today, August 18

8:00 a.m.

Chalice Bearer/Lector Scott Duennes
Acolyte Alex Dzurec

10:00 a.m.

Chalice Bearers Bunny Meriam & Cynthia Sabolich

Lector Lewis Meriam

Prayers of the People Denise Geyer-Keller (Form 4)

Acolyte Kaylei Evans

Usher Jim Edwards

Intercessory Prayer Bev Cummings

Altar Guild Cynthia Sabolich & Jennifer Meckes

Coffee Hour

Close Advent Peter Meckes

Counter / Date Marcia Duennes (8/20)

Next Sunday, August 25

8:00 a.m.

Chalice Bearer/Lector Kathleen Huffman

10:00 a.m.

Chalice Bearers Dick McCormick & Teddi Augustine

Lector Dick McCormick

Prayers of the People Dick McCormick

Acolyte Cynthia Sabolich

Usher Bob Sanborn

Intercessory Prayer Ray Busony

Altar Guild Anne Crothall & Bunny Meriam

Coffee Hour

Close Advent Ray Busony

Counter / Date Anne Crothall (8/26)

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

Choir Practice

Choir practice will start August 29, at 7:00 p.m.
All are welcome to join us!