



ADVENTures *a weekly newsletter*

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**June 7, 2020 The First Sunday after Pentecost
Trinity Sunday**

Worship with the Diocese of Albany at <https://www.youtube.com/channel/UCjVmrEwtur7R8akk7Drd9TQ>

At Advent

All services at Advent are scheduled for Sunday at 9:00 a.m. We will be celebrating the Holy Eucharist with a special service.



Advent's Graduate 2020

Arianna Evans graduated from Lakewood High School on May 28. Some of her accomplishments in school include: playing the tuba and sousaphone in the marching band for 4 years, singing in several choirs and was a member of barn stormers. Arianna participated in a boat regatta this year and made it onto Fox 8 for it. She enjoys painting and photography. She is taking a year off and will continue to work at Dewey's in Lakewood .

TRINITY



SUNDAY

Trinity Sunday

Trinity Sunday is the first Sunday after Pentecost in the liturgical calendar, and is the day on which the Doctrine of the Trinity has been celebrated since the late middle ages. With Trinity Sunday, we see the culmination of our Lord's teachings as set forth in the creed. Now it is us up to us to grow and mature, as seems to sum up best the purpose of the six months long season of Pentecost. We must grow and develop in the love of God the Father, the Son and the Holy Spirit. The color for Trinity Sunday is White.

Letter From Bishop Love

Dear Brothers and Sisters in Christ,
I recently received word that a new date has been set for my Hearing / Trial: The Episcopal Church vs. The Rt. Rev. William H. Love. It is scheduled for Friday, June 12, 2020, starting at 9:00 a.m. EDT. It is not expected to last beyond 5:00 p.m. that same day. The Hearing will be conducted through a Zoom Meeting format.

I have been told by the Rt. Rev. Nicholas Knisely, Convener of the Hearing Panel, that given the technology being used, "we will be able to have many people watch the Hearing if they desire." Unfortunately, the exact details regarding how observers can watch the Hearing have not yet been revealed. Once we have received that information, it will be shared with the Diocese of Albany and wider community. Please note that while the Canons require that the Hearing be "open" to the public, it is under the control and direction of the Hearing Panel.

I want to thank all of you who have been holding me and my family and the Diocese of Albany up in your prayers these past many months. It is greatly appreciated and means more than you know. Whatever the outcome of the Hearing, my prayer is that God's will and purpose will be accomplished.

Faithfully Yours in Christ,
+Bill

Prayers for Bishop Love

Father God, you seek Truth from your children. You seek obedience to your Word. You provide us courage and faith when we are persecuted. We boldly ask you to strengthen your servant Bishop Love and his family during this upcoming Hearing. He is faithful to you and your Word. Empower him with your Holy Spirit to be a witness for Truth, to stand strong in the face of the heresy he faces, and give him Your peace while he is in the fire, and beyond. In Jesus' name we pray. Amen.

Father, we come to you with heartfelt concerns and requests that you intercede on behalf of Bishop Love. You have blessed Advent abundantly with his oversight and ministry among us. We praise You for his conservative teachings in the midst of liberal theologies in the Episcopal Church. Now Bishop Love will meet with a governing board of his peers on June 12 regarding censure and possible dismissal as Bishop because of the theology he believes and lives by. As we have just celebrated Pentecost, we ask through your Holy Spirit that you grant Bishop Love protection, wisdom, courage and peace—the peace that comes from being one with You. Lord Jesus, may your Spirit of Truth prevail. In your name we pray. Amen.

This Week at Advent

Sunday, June 7 Trinity Sunday

9:00 a.m. Holy Eucharist
3:00 p.m. Memorial Service for Margaret Wells

Monday, June 8

Wednesday, June 10

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

Thursday, June 11

7:00 p.m. Dar's Happy Hour Zoom meeting

Sunday, June 14

9:00 a.m. Holy Eucharist

Server Schedule Today, June 7

9:00 a.m.

Assistant Kathleen Huffman

Lector Kathleen Huffman

Prayers of the People Kathleen Huffman (Form 4)

Ushers Peter Meckes & Teddi Augustine

Intercessory Prayer Ray Busony

Altar Guild

Close Advent Ray Busony

Counter Anne Crothall (6/8)

Next Sunday, June 14

9:00 a.m.

Assistant Marcia Duennes

Lector Marcia Duennes

Prayers of the People Marcia Duennes (Form 5)

Ushers Jan & Jerry Nagy

Intercessory Prayer Bev Cumming

Altar Guild

Close Advent Peter Meckes

Counter Marcia Duennes (6/15)

Birthdays and Anniversaries

APRIL

- 6 Barb Frank
- Scott Medley
- 7 Bun Blossom
- 21 Bunny Meriam
- 25 Arianna Evans

APRIL

- 8 Jeff & Tracey Medley
- 15 Art & Kay Beel

MAY

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

May

- 9 Jerry & Jan Nagy

JUNE

- 9 Barbara Gage
- 14 Lewis Meriam
- 16 Bruce Finch

JUNE

- 6 Richard & Linda McCormick

Prayer Request

Health and Recovery

Lillian Kwasny	Dave Luptak	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	Shirley Moore

Friends of Advent

Toni Kulma, wife of Pastor Kulma	Fr. Richard Lutz
Ken and Jim	Richard Ward, Jr

Eliza Jennings residents
Trevor, grandson of Art Beel
Pastor Joyce Williams, friend of Bev Cummings
Stella, friend of Bev Cummings
Tom and Betty Clark

Safety Protection

David Arkley, Detective for Cleveland Police
Son of Bill & Judy Arkley
Rachel Moffitt, ER Nurse daughter of Bill & Judy Arkley

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

Invitation for all Advent members

The choir has been zooming every Thursday evening from 7:00 p.m.—8:30 p.m..
We really see zoom as an extended ministry to the Church, and would like to invite anyone who would feel a need to connect, to join us.
All you need to do is:
1. Download Zoom to their device; computer, tablet, iPad or cell phone.
2. Send me their email address, and I'll send them the link to join us. (sisdar@aol.com)
We call it, "Dar's Happy Hour". We bring a beverage and snack, talk and pray.
Hope to see you Thursday!
Dar Khoury

Matthew 28:16-20 (NASB) *But the eleven disciples proceeded to Galilee, to the mountain which Jesus had designated. ¹⁷ When they saw Him, they worshiped Him; but some were doubtful. ¹⁸ And Jesus came up and spoke to them, saying, "All authority has been given to Me in heaven and on earth. ¹⁹ "Go therefore and make disciples of all the nations, baptizing them in the name of the Father and the Son and the Holy Spirit, ²⁰ teaching them to observe all that I commanded you; and lo, I am with you always, even to the end of the age."*

Just before His ascension into heaven Jesus met one last time with His disciples. In verse 18, "Jesus came up and spoke to them, saying, 'All authority has been given to Me in heaven and on earth.'" The impact of this is almost overwhelming. He has died for sin, to triumph over guilt and condemnation. He has been raised from the dead to triumph over suffering and death. In triumphing over guilt & condemnation & over suffering & death, He has also triumphed over Satan who can only destroy us with the guilt of sin & torment us with suffering and death.

Because Jesus has triumphed so completely over guilt and condemnation and suffering and death and Satan, therefore "God has highly exalted him and given him a name that is above every name that at the name of Jesus every knee shall bow and every tongue confess that Jesus Christ is Lord, to the glory of God the Father (Phil 2:9-11). Which is just another way of saying: "All authority in heaven and on earth has been given to him."

Just think of it. He has authority over Satan and all demons, over all angels -good and evil - over the natural universe, including stars, galaxies, planets, meteorites; authority over all weather systems; authority over all molecular and atomic reality: atoms, electrons, protons, neutrons, undiscovered subatomic particles, quantum physics, genetic structures, DNA, chromosomes; authority over all plants and animals great and small: whales and redwoods, giant squid and giant oaks, all fish, all wild beasts, all invisible animals and plants: bacteria, viruses, parasites, germs.

He has authority over all the parts and functions of the human body: every beat of the heart, every breath of the diaphragm, every electrical jump across a million synapses in our brains; authority over all nations and governments; authority over all armies and weapons and bombs and terrorists even domestic ones; authority over all industry and business and finance and currency; authority over all entertainment and amusement and leisure and media; over all education and research and science; over all families and neighborhoods; and over the church, and over every soul and every moment of every life that has been or ever will be lived.

There is nothing in heaven or on earth over which Jesus does not have authority. Both the right and the power. The scope and the magnitude of the authority of Jesus is infinite, because Jesus is one with God the Father. **The Father has given Him all authority not because the Father can give up being God, but because Jesus is God.** And when deity shares infinite authority with deity, he neither loses nor gains anything, but remains infinitely full and triumphant and all-sufficient. Our Lord, Jesus Christ, has all authority in heaven and on earth, because our Lord Jesus is God.

Pastor Paul Laursen