



# ADVENTures *a weekly newsletter*

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**November 14, 2021 The Twenty-fifth Sunday after Pentecost**

Worship with the Diocese of Albany at  
[https://www.youtube.com/results?search\\_query=episcopal+diocese+of+albany](https://www.youtube.com/results?search_query=episcopal+diocese+of+albany)

Welcome to Advent Episcopal Church and may God bless your worship today!

## **Zoom Invitation**

This is a recurring invitation for worship services at 10:00 a.m. each Sunday morning. You can use the same link, Meeting ID, and Passcode Sunday after Sunday. This way, the link won't change week by week. You can launch the link from this transmittal link.

Peace be with you!

There are no changes, just the same info in an abbreviated format. **These are not new, just shortened.**

Join Advent Service via Zoom from PC or tablet

<https://zoom.us/j/93790207331?pwd=NWFEXZVhnVGdEY1Z5dzRCSjNVQzIzOT09>

Meeting ID: 937 9020 7331

Passcode: 988930

From your smartphone, dial 312 626 6799

Meeting ID: 937 9020 7331

Passcode: 988930

## **The Impact of a Biblical Worldview**

Finn Laursen is our guest preacher this Sunday during Morning Prayer, as Paul is fulfilling other responsibilities in his ministry network. Finn is an educational consultant with Christian Educators Association International ([www.ceai.org](http://www.ceai.org)). Its mission is to encourage, equip, and empower Christian educators in public schools according to Biblical principles. Prior to serving for 14 years as CEAI's Executive Director, Finn was a public school educator in Ohio for 32 years: teacher, middle school & high school counselor, middle school & high school assistant principal, high school principal, and the last 11 years public school superintendent. Finn will share the powerful impact a Biblical Worldview has had on public education in the past and compare it to today's state of public education. He will share how a Biblical Worldview has impacted him and ask us to consider how it has or can impact us.

## **Stewardship Pledge Card Deadline of November 19 Is Approaching**

Paul's sermon on Sunday regarding the passage from the Gospel of Mark that the widow gave out of her scarcity, and his personal story about learning to give first fruits to the Lord not leftovers, were powerful reminders. Please prayerfully consider the blessings He's given each of us and fill in the stewardship sheet mailed a couple of weeks back. The ushers have spares if you need one. Thank you for your faithfulness. "All that we have accomplished you have done for us." Isaiah 26:12b.

**This Week at Advent**

**Sunday, November 14**

- 8:00 a.m. Morning Prayer
- 9:00 a.m. Choir Rehearsal
- 9:00 a.m. Bible Study
- 10:00 a.m. Morning Prayer

**Monday, November 15**

**Tuesday, November 16**

- 7:00 p.m. Vestry Meeting

**Wednesday, November 17**

- 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, November 18**

**Sunday, November 21**

- 8:00 a.m. Holy Eucharist
- 9:00 a.m. Choir Rehearsal
- 9:00 a.m. Bible Study
- 10:00 a.m. Holy Eucharist

**Server Schedule Today, November 14**

**8:00 a.m.**

**Assistant** Dick McCormick

**10:00 a.m.**

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**Lector** Dick McCormick

**Prayers of the People** Dick McCormick

**Usher** Peter Meckes

**Intercessory Prayer** Ray Busony

**Counter** Anne Crothall (11/15)

**Close Advent** Peter Meckes

**Server Schedule November 21**

**8:00 a.m.**

**Assistant** Dick McCormick  
**Acolyte** Kylie Bunn

**10:00 a.m.**

**Assistant** Denise Geyer-Keller

**Lector** Denise Geyer-Keller

**Prayers of the People** Denise Geyer-Keller (Form 6)

**Usher** Jim Edwards

**Intercessory Prayer** Ray Busony

**Counter** Anne Crothall (11/22)

**Close Advent** Ray Busony

Note: It is your responsibility to contact another volunteer directly to

**Choral Concert**

The BW Women's Chorus will be having a free choral concert, November 19, at 8:00 p.m. Kulas Hall, 96 Front Street, Berea.

**Prayer Request**

*Health and Recovery*

Lillian Kwasny	Joan Joye	Gus Cratcha
Mary Lou Dixon	Marilyn Decker	Stacey Smith
Bob Allen	Karen Zolar	Shirley Moore
Barb Frank	Arthur Beel	Sue Boyce
Michael Uhrich	Sharon Rice	George Belinsky
Bill & Judy Arkley	Steve Boyce	Dave Luptak
John & Anne Crothall		Jan Nagy
Bev Cummings		

*Friends of Advent*

Toni Kulma, wife of Pastor Kulma	Fr. Richard Lutz
Ken Wood Jim Johnson	Betty Clark
Eliza Jennings residents	Bill Liptak
Liz Schilling, friend of JoAnn Beck	
Julie and Ray Coy	
Residents of Pinzone Tower	
Will Hayes, friend of Cynthea Sabolich	
Gabe, grandson of Jan & Jerry Nagy	
Carolyn Kay, cousin of Jan Nagy	
Shirley Wilton, Grandmother of Bruce Bunn	
David Arkley, son of Bill & Judy Arkley	
Jessica Laursen, Niece of Paul Laursen	

*Safety Protection*

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.*

## November is Adoption Awareness Month

November is dedicated to raising awareness about the importance of adoption and the needs of orphans waiting for forever families. Many at Advent have been touched by earthly adoption – family and friends have opened their hearts and homes by adopting orphans, have served as foster parents, and have financially supported others in this expensive process. But it's also important to remember that each of us has been spiritually adopted: Ephesians 1:5 says “ God decided in advance to adopt us into his own family by bringing us to himself through Jesus Christ. This is what he wanted to do, and it gave him great pleasure”; James 1:27 says “The worship that God wants is this: caring for orphans or widows who need help.”; and Deuteronomy 10:18 instructs “He does what is right and fair for the child without parents”. Let's give thanks that God has adopted us into His spiritual family and let's give thanks that others have adopted orphans into their earthly families.



### Advent Wreath – Readers Needed

Those who are interested in participating in the Lighting of the Advent Wreath with short readings the Sundays of Advent (November 28, December 5, and 12) should please leave a note with your name and preferred Sunday on JoAnn's desk.

### Stewardship Corner

The Apostle Paul continually throughout his New Testament letters encourages people to express their gratitude and thanks to God for who God is, and what He has done for us through Jesus. One way that we express our gratitude is to give thanks throughout the day. When we see life and its blessings as gifts, we are prepared to offer our thanks. Our thanksgiving is demonstrated when we use the faith God has given us to live in obedience to His Word. God hears and sees our gratitude through the lives we live. When we generously share our time and money with others in Christian love, we show our thanksgiving for our gifts. Our giving reflects Christ's love in us. As stewards, we find that gratitude to God opens our hearts to receive more of God's love which enables us, in turn, to be more faithful with our time, talents, and treasure. In response to God's love and grace, we give of ourselves and our resources.