



# ADVENTures *a weekly newsletter*

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**January 16, 2022 The Second Sunday after the Epiphany**

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=NWFXZVhnVGdEY1Z5dzRCSjNVQzlZQT09>

Meeting ID: 937 9020 7331

Passcode: 988930

From your smartphone, dial 312 626 6799

Meeting ID: 937 9020 7331

Passcode: 988930

## **Annual Meeting to Be Held Today January 16**

This year's Annual Meeting will follow one service at 9:00 a.m. This meeting is most important, with weighty topics to discuss, so we ask everyone to make every effort to attend in person. We will Zoom both that service and the meeting but face-to-face interaction will greatly increase the effectiveness of communication. The Zoom link is the same as the one we've been using for Sunday services. See elsewhere in ADVENTures.

## **Tornado Victims Need Our Financial Help and Prayers**

We've all seen the devastation from the tornadoes that ripped through Kentucky, Tennessee, Missouri, and elsewhere. Can we even comprehend what Westlake would look like were it to have happened here? Years ago, Advent provided financial support and 2 separate work crews of Advent parishioners to do Katrina hurricane relief work at and through St. John's Episcopal Church in Pascagoula, MS. I searched for Episcopal Churches in Mayfield, KY, and found an African Methodist Episcopal (AME) church. St. James AME Church was at 419 S. 8<sup>th</sup> Street. According to their Facebook page, the church building was destroyed. The Rev. Gloria Lasco writes "We know that the next few days and weeks will be busy and challenging but we serve a God who always provides. We ask for continued prayers and thank everyone for your continued support." A faith like that is worthy of help, hope and encouragement. Let's collect funds over the next 3 Sundays. On the memo line write "St. James AME Church", place it in the collection plate or send it to the office, and we'll pool money for their recovery. I'm reminded of Jesus' words from Matthew 25:40 "The King will reply, 'Truly I tell you, whatever you did for one of the least of these brothers and sisters of mine, you did for me.'"

## **Bad News and Good News**

The bad news is that JoAnn Beck has chosen to retire. She has professionally, ably, responsibly, and responsively served as Advent's Parish Administrator for many years. JoAnn's husband has been retired for 5+ years so they want to enjoy retirement together. JoAnn has "run the place", handling myriad details and VERY often just doing what's needed without asking or being told. What a blessing she has been to all of us who have worked with her. Her Christian faith has brought a really vital dimension to that position. Huge shoes to fill. JoAnn's last day is Thur. Jan. 13th. Still, the good news is that Scott Boyce is our new Parish Administrator. Scott, Sue and Steve have been members at Advent for many years so he's a "known and trusted entity". He's pursuing a Master's degree at Baldwin Wallace, double majoring in Business Analytics and Strategic Marketing, and can manage his school schedule around the 6 hours a day, 4 days a week at Advent. Scott is shadowing JoAnn last week and this week as part of his training. He'll be solo after the 13th.

Let's wish JoAnn all the best in her retirement. May health and blessings be with the two of them. And, let's support Scott as he takes on these new and much needed responsibilities.

## **This Week at Advent**

### **Sunday, January 16**

9:00 a.m. Holy Eucharist  
10:00 a.m. Annual Meeting

### **Monday, January 17**

### **Tuesday, January 18**

7:00 p.m. Vestry Meeting

### **Wednesday, January 19**

7:00 a.m. Men's Bible Study at Advent  
9:00 a.m. Wednesday Morning Prayer Group  
7:00 p.m. NO The Praise Community

### **Thursday, January 20**

### **Sunday, January 23**

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

## **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
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

Cathy Sutula, friend of Kathleen Huffman

### *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.*

## **Server Schedule Today, January 16**

### **9:00 a.m.**

**Assistant** Denise Geyer-Keller

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**Lector** Denise Geyer-Keller

**Prayers of the People** Denise Geyer-Keller (Form 5)

**Usher** Jim Edwards

**Intercessory Prayer** Ray Busony

**Counter** Anne Crothall (1/17)

**Close Advent** Denise Geyer-Keller

## **Server Schedule Sunday, January 23**

### **8:00 a.m.**

**Assistant** Dick McCormick

### **10:00 a.m.**

**Assistant** Dick McCormick

**Lector** Dick McCormick

**Prayers of the People** Dick McCormick (Form 6)

**Usher** Max Gage

**Intercessory Prayer** Ray Busony

**Counter** Anne Crothall (1/24)

**Close Advent** Ray Busony

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

## **2021 Financial Statements**

2021 Financial Statements have been mailed to members. Please contact JoAnn or Scott in the office (440-871-6685) if you have any questions concerning your statements.

## **The 2022 Advent Flower Calendar**

The 2022 Flower Calendar is posted on the wall outside the parish office. If you wish to donate flowers for the altar, please add your name to the Calendar. Please print clearly if you are donating the flowers in memory of a loved one, as a thank offering, or in celebration of a birthday or anniversary. Flower costs will now be \$50.00. Payment must be received before flowers will be ordered.