



ADVENTures *a weekly newsletter*

November 27th, 2022 The First Sunday of Advent

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

Episcopal Diocese of Ohio Elects New Bishop

The Diocesan Convention on November 19, 2022 elected The Rev. Anne B. Jolly as Bishop Coadjutor to eventually be ordained as the 12th bishop of the Diocese of Ohio. She currently serves as Rector of a parish in Deerfield, Illinois; served as president of the Diocese of Chicago Standing Committee (ecclesiastical authority in the absence of a bishop) during their 2-year hiatus without a bishop; is a Congregational Development trainer in her diocese; and has led congregations in Austin, Chattanooga, and Greenville. She describes herself as “an extroverted contemplative whose spirituality is heavily influenced by St. Benedict, who teaches about faith in uncertain times. Silence and solitude are vital to my spiritual life, and I sit in silent prayer daily and take regular spiritual retreats to slow the velocity of my soul”. She speaks often about Jesus and the Holy Spirit in encouraging phrases. During a Zoom call after her election, she was genuinely jubilant and enthusiastic to join in our Diocesan work. I am encouraged by her election, as I considered her to be the most qualified of the three candidates. She was elected with a convincing vote. After the Zoom call she wrote the following to her congregation “through the prompting of the Holy Spirit, the Diocese of Ohio elected me as their Bishop Coadjutor. This is something I have felt called to since I first read their profile in January”. For a glimpse into her preaching, this link takes you to her parish facebook page where you can watch recent Sunday worship services. <https://www.facebook.com/stgregoryepiscopalchurchdeerfield/live> Her previous corporate experience was in software and technology sales and recruiting. She and her husband of 30 years have 3 adult daughters.

Stewardship 2023 and Our Collective Response

What fun it is to read appeals for money! What fun it is to ask for money! Yet, your giving enables us to worship together on Sundays and special occasions and at memorial services, to grow from the Christ-centered sermons and music we're blessed with, to provide outreach to skilled nursing and international missionaries and relief organizations, to maintain our worship space and facility, to have fellowship opportunities, and to continue a presence of Christian hope in our little corner of God's earth. Please consider how you will participate with your time, energy, prayers, presence, and finances to encourage us all to continue serving as a remnant for God in this place we call Advent. Thank you so much for your prayers and support.

Advent Wreath Prayer

Beginning November 27th we are going to need parishioners to read the Advent Wreath prayer at the 8am and 10am services. If we could please have people volunteer that would be great!

Bible Study

There will be **NO** Bible study on Sunday Nov 27. Bible study will resume on Dec 4 at 9:00am.

Ladies Night Out

Please join us on Monday, December 5th at 5:30 p.m. at Macaroni Grill, 25001 Country Club Blvd, North Olmsted, OH. There will be a \$10 Christmas Ornament Exchange at the dinner! Please let Marilyn Decker know if you can attend at 440-779-8834 or see her at church. Hope you can make it!



Christmas Poinsettias

Sign-Up sheets for poinsettias are being passed around today. The poinsettias will adorn the altar for the Christmas services. The cost of each plant is \$10.00.

If you wish to purchase and donate a plant in memory or honor of a loved one, or in thanksgiving, please write it on the sign-up sheet (please print legibly), and put it in the offering plate, with cash or a check made payable to Advent and Poinsettias on the memo line.

The deadline for ordering is Monday **December 5**.

This Week at Advent

Sunday, November 27

8:00 a.m. Morning Prayer
9:00 a.m. Choir Rehearsal
9:00 a.m. NO Bible Study
10:00 a.m. Morning Prayer

Monday, November 28

Tuesday, November 29

Wednesday, November 30

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, December 1

Sunday, December 4

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

Prayer Request

Health and Recovery

Joan Joye	Gus Cratcha	
Mary Lou Dixon	Marilyn Decker	Stacey Smith
Karen Zolar	Shirley Moore	Barb Frank
Arthur Beel	Sue Boyce	Michael Uhrich
Sharon Rice	George Belinsky	Bill & Judy Arkley
Steve Boyce	Dave Luptak	John Crothall
Anne Crothall	Bev Cummings	Bill & Joyce Carangio
John Vasicek	Nita Ritchie	Warren
Bruce Finch	Cynthia Sabolich	
Jason Evans	Paul Laursen	

Friends of Advent

Toni Kulma, wife of Pastor Kulma	Fr. Richard Lutz
Jim Johnson	Betty Clark
Eliza Jennings residents	Ray Coy
Residents of Pinzone Tower	Gary Conaway
Andrew Bodi & Bodi Family, friend of Cynthia Sabolich	
Gabe, grandson of Jan & Jerry Nagy	
Mike Wilson, father of Debbie Priefer	
Dar Khoury's Mom	
Tina and Donna, friends of Beverly Cummings	
Pastor Julia Wertz, Pole Methodist Church, and Easton Methodist Church	
Jeff Campbell, nephew of Mary Lou Dixon	
Baby Ruby, 2 year old, friend of Sue Boyce	
Ann, sister of Mary Lou	
Cade and the Maurer Family, friends of Denise Geyer-Keller	
Sandy, friend of Sue Boyce	
Melissa, friend of Joan Joye	
Richard Shaw, cousin of Denise Geyer-Keller	

Safety Protection

David Arkley, son of Bill & Judy Arkley
Rachel Moffitt, ER Nurse daughter of Bill & Judy Arkley
All Workers at Cleveland Crisis Pregnancy Center
Please contact the church office if you would like your name added or removed from our list.

Server Schedule Today, November 27

8:00 a.m.

Officiant Kathleen Huffman

10:00 a.m.

Officiant Max Gage

Message Dick McCormick

Usher Peter Meckes

Intercessory Prayer Bill Benedict

Counter Anne Crothall (11/28)

Close Advent Peter Meckes

Server Schedule Sunday, December 4

8:00 a.m.

Officiant Dick McCormick

10:00 a.m.

Officiant Dick McCormick

Message Denise Geyer-Keller

Usher Jim Edwards

Intercessory Prayer Ray Busony

Counter Anne Crothall (12/5)

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.

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=NWFXZVhnVGdEY1Z5dzRCSjNVQzZlZOT09>

Meeting ID: 937 9020 7331

Passcode: 988930

From your smartphone, dial 312 626 6799

Meeting ID: 937 9020 7331

Passcode: 988930