

# ADVENTURES a weekly newsletter;

April 2nd, 2023 Palm Sunday

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

## Earthquake Relief for Victims in Turkey

Advent supported Ukrainian war refugees last year through Samaritan's Purse and Feed My Starving Children in the combined amount of \$5,415 - donated by individual parishioners and from Advent's Outreach funds. Now the world faces another humanitarian and spiritual calamity. The death toll surpassed 50,000 on Feb. 24th from the 7.8 magnitude earthquake and large aftershocks in Turkey and Syria that started on Feb. 6. Turkey declared more than 44,000 people dead and Syria almost 6,000. The situation in Syria amounts to a "catastrophe on top of a catastrophe," as the country has experienced suffering from 12 years of civil war. Eye witnesses describe "apocalyptic" scenes in southern Turkey. "Entire neighborhoods have been flattened; homes destroyed, schools and shops closed; lives torn apart. The scale of devastation here is truly incomprehensible".

Kathryn for many years has been a part of Word & Deed Ministries. She and Paul went to Nepal and Bangladesh under that ministry banner. Word & Deed is a Reformed Christian ministry that focuses on meeting the spiritual and physical needs of people in accordance with biblical principles for the glory of God. Its approach is to act as a bridge connecting Christian churches, businesses, and individuals in North America with churches and missions in the developing world so that together they can reach out in the name of Christ to those in need.

Please pray for those whose lives are devastated in Turkey and Syria, that they may experience Christ's hope and comfort during their dire circumstances. Vestry voted to appropriate \$3,000 from our Outreach budget for humanitarian aid to Turkey, to be channeled through Word & Deed Ministries. We invite parishioners to individually add their contributions. If you choose to do so, place "Turkey" in the memo line of your check. Thank you.

### Men's Night Out

Tuesday April 11th @ 6:30 PM, Moosehead Hoof and Ladder 7989 Columbia Road, Olmsted Falls, OH 44138. Come join us for good, food, conversation, and fellowship. Please let Peter Meckes know if you will be attending, at: nosonut5830@att.net or 440-657-5286.

### **Mission Trip to Liberia**

After the Ark of the Covenant had been restored to Jerusalem to the tent that King David had established for it, a team of worshipers were set in place. They then offered up thanks to the Lord. On Palm Sunday we honor the Lord joyfully, even though we know that Good Friday is coming for Jesus.

In King David's day the following two verses were a part of that celebration. 1 Chronicles 16:23-24 (NASB) Sing to the LORD, all the earth; Proclaim good tidings of His salvation from day to day. 24 Tell of His glory among the nations, His wonderful deeds among all the peoples.

Kathryn and I are also offering thanksgiving for your ongoing support so that we might continue our overseas missions work. We will be jetting off to Liberia two days after Easter; we return home on May 4. You may have heard that my bride started ministering in Liberia in 2004; for me this will be my first trip to this African nation.

Evangelism will of course be a focal point. Along with outreach, we will be doing discipleship training for younger leaders as well as for new converts so that effective leaders will emerge for the Kingdom in the months ahead. Please pray for safe travel as well as divine health throughout our trip! From the US, we travel to Brussels on the 11th, on to Freetown, Sierra Leone. From there to the capital of Liberia, Monrovia.

On the way home we go through Sierra Leone to Casablanca, Morocco. From there we zoom into London for a brief stayover to see Kathryn's mother and family. From London we come into Newark and then onto Cleveland! We pray that the itinerary holds!

#### **April Birthdays & Anniversaries**

Barb Frank 8 Jeff and Tracy Medley Scott Medley

Bun Blossom 15 Art and Kay Beel

21 Bunny Meriam

25 Arianna Evans



#### This Week at Advent

Sunday, April 2

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

Monday, April 3

Tuesday, April 4

Wednesday, April 5

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, April 6

7:30 p.m. Maundy Thursday Service

Friday, April 7

7:30p.m. Good Friday Service

Sunday, April 9

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

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** Bill & Judy Arkley Steve Boyce Dave Luptak John Crothall Anne Crothall Bev Cummings Bill & Joyce Carangio Pat Perris

John Vasicek Nita Ritchie Richard Guzowski

Cynthea Sabolich Nancy & Ed Medley Jason Evans

Friends of Advent

Toni Kulma, wife of Pastor Kulma
Jim Johnson
Betty Clark
Eliza Jennings residents
Ray Coy
Residents of Pinzone Tower
Andrew Bodi & Bodi Family, friend of Cynthea Sabolich

Gabe, grandson of Jan & Jerry Nagy Mike Wilson, father of Debbie Priefer

Dar Khoury's Mom

Tina, Jan, and Carroll, 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

Jan Maicco

Dominic, friend of Sue Boyce

Safety Protection

Server Schedule Today, April 2

8:00 a.m.

**Assistant** Kathleen Huffman

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 Bill Benedict

**Counter** Anne Crothall (4/3)

**Close Advent** Denise Geyer-Keller

Server Schedule Sunday, April 9

8:00 a.m.

**Assistant** Dick McCormick

10:00 a.m.

**Assistant** Dick McCormick

**Lector** Dick McCormick

**Prayers of the People** Dick McCormick (Form 2)

Usher Peter Meckes

**Intercessory Prayer** Ray Busony

**Counter** Anne Crothall (4/10)

**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=NWFXZVhnVGdEY1Z5dzRCSjNVQzlZQT09

Meeting ID: 937 9020 7331

Passcode: 988930

From your smartphone, dial 312 626 6799

Meeting ID: 937 9020 7331

Passcode: 988930