



# ADVENTures *a weekly newsletter*

August 20th, 2023 The Twelfth Sunday After Pentecost

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

## Alpha

In a world of isolation, anonymity, and keyboard-warriors, Alpha offers content and guidance for churches and individuals to create a space for honest and open conversations about life's biggest questions. Everyone is welcome and no questions are off limits. The Alpha Course is open to everyone interested in exploring the meaning of life and discovering the relevance of the Christian faith.

We share a simple meal together at the beginning of each session, which gives us an opportunity to get to know each other a bit better, followed by a short video talk which then leads into small group discussions.

Alpha is by the Church, for the Church, and through the Church, but it is run worldwide in many settings—homes, cafés, restaurants, prisons, and more. It is estimated that more than a million people in the U.S. have experienced Alpha for themselves in the last three years.

As of 2022, millions of people have tried Alpha in 169 countries, and it has been translated into 112 different languages. There are now over 55,000 Alpha Courses worldwide. Today more than 17 million people have participated in the Alpha Course. Alpha is supported by all the major Christian denominations.

Alpha will be starting at noon on Wednesday, September 20 in the Fellowship Hall, and will run for ten weeks. There is no charge for the Alpha Course. You may like to make a voluntary contribution towards the cost of food with which each weekly session is started.

By the way, we still need volunteers to help prepare the weekly meal as well as to be table hosts. Training will be given! To volunteer or to register for Alpha, please use one of the following emails:

[Kathrynsears@yahoo.com](mailto:Kathrynsears@yahoo.com)

[Paulnlaursen@gmail.com](mailto:Paulnlaursen@gmail.com)

## Healing Ministry

Following the second service on August 27, we will be having our second meeting to discuss the potential for a healing service and healing ministry through Advent Church.

If you participated in our first meeting, please come to this important follow up meeting. If you weren't able to participate in the first gathering, you're welcome to come to this one.

Hope to see you there.

## Carpet Cleaning

Last Monday, 7/31/2023, I had a cleaning company come for the purpose of cleaning the green carpet in the sanctuary. I did not clean anything on the riser or Altar area. (Too much furniture to move.) I used Olen Carpet & Upholstery Cleaning (440-915-3988). He cleaned all the carpet & the seat cushions in the pews. I also had him clean the rugs in the Narthex and all the furniture, seat cushions and stuffed chairs. He also cleaned the entrance way carpets in front of the courtyard doors and front entrance. He arrived on time and spent approximately 4 hours in the building. I was impressed with his work and would use him again.

Ray Busony  
Jr. Warden

## Crusher's Game

A quick reminder that the Advent outing for the Crusher's game is this Friday, August 25th. The game is at 7:05 p.m. See Peter Meckes for tickets if you have not received them yet!

## This Week at Advent

### Sunday, August 20

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, August 21

### Tuesday, August 22

### Wednesday, August 23

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

### Thursday, August 24

### Sunday, August 27

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
Cynthia Sabolich	Nancy & Ed Medley	Jason Evans

### *Friends of Advent*

Toni Kulma, wife of Pastor Kulma	Fr. Richard Lutz
Wendy + Jim Johnson Betty Clark	Bill Liptak
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	
Jean, Jan and Carol, 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, Kurt, and Rita, friend of Sue Boyce	
Melissa, friend of Joan Joye	
Pat, friend of Sue Boyce	
Ernie, friend of Katherine Jensen	
Stephen Masih + Church in India	
Elizabeth Haas	

### *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*

## Server Schedule Today, August 20

### 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 Peter Meckes

Intercessory Prayer Ray Busony

Counter Anne Crothall (8/21)

Close Advent Ray Busony

## Server Schedule Sunday, August 27

### 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 Max Gage

Intercessory Prayer Kathryn

Counter Anne Crothall (8/28)

Close Advent Denise Geyer-Keller

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=NWFXZVhnVGdEY1Z5dzRCSjNVOzIzOT09](https://zoom.us/j/93790207331?pwd=NWFXZVhnVGdEY1Z5dzRCSjNVOzIzOT09)

Meeting ID: 937 9020 7331

Passcode: 988930

From your smartphone, dial 312 626 6799

Meeting ID: 937 9020 7331

Passcode: 988930