



ADVENTures a weekly newsletter

March 10 2024 The Fourth Sunday in Lent

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

Advent Blessed to be Served by Abraham Fiodembo

While Paul and Kathryn are ministering in Liberia, Abraham Fiodembo will serve as our supply priest on Sundays and during Holy Week. Paul and Abraham have known one another for many years and each holds the other in high esteem. Abraham's first Sunday leading worship and preaching will be March 10. Here is some biographical information about him and his family.

Biography:

Family: 35 years ago, Joyce and I got married at All Saints' Cathedral, Nairobi Kenya. We are blessed with two children Xavier (adult male) married with 2 children and Patience (adult female). We have two wonderful grandchildren.

Education: DMin, MA Christian Ministry, MA Religious Studies, BA Bible/Theology and Certificate in Anglican Studies.

Ministry: Teacher, Director - Children Worldwide, Kenya (England based Children's Ministry), Branch Manager (YMCA-Kenya), Priest (Anglican Church of Kenya), Church Relations Officer (Wycliffe Bible Translators - Kenya), Supply Priest (Diocese of Tennessee), Priest - Diocese of Ohio (Cleveland). Bereavement Coordinator, Hospital/Hospice Chaplain (Cleveland Clinic, Hospice of the Western Reserve), Priest/Church Planter (Anglican Diocese of the Great lakes).

Mission: Director/Founder – Umala Village Mission non profit registered in Ohio and in (Kenya, East Africa). Serving 25 orphans, 25-30 widows, 10-15 young mothers and 25 youth involved in various economic and social empowerment initiatives like tailoring, soap making, farming among others. The Mission also runs PRISCARE – Nurse assistants' training program and medical services to the community members with no access to medical services. The Mission sponsors education of needy children in the community.

The Mission needs include (supply of clean water, transport, child sponsorship and salaries for 25 staff members).

We feel honored to be in the family of Advent and hope that God will use us to be a blessing.

Chili!!!

Please join us on Saturday March 16th at 6 pm for a chili dinner potluck style. There is a sign up sheet or let Peter Meckes know if you will be joining us and what you would like to bring!! Hope to see you all there. If you prepare a dish, make about 5-6 serving because it is a potluck, we don't want to have too much to send back home with everyone.

Scott Boyce Serves Advent Well

Scott Boyce finished at the end of February his two-year role as Advent's Parish Administrator. Scott has performed well after having stepped in at the beginning of 2022 without a lot of overlap with JoAnn Beck, his predecessor. His duties included creation, publication, and distribution by email and snail mail the weekly worship bulletin using the Book of Common Prayer, prior-year bulletins, music inserts and lyrics from Dar, the Hymnal, and the pew Bible; editing and printing the ADVENTures newsletter; counting and handling receipts and disbursements and entering them into QuickBooks working under the direction of Gary Conaway our treasurer; office administration; answering the phone; and generally being the voice and face of Advent to the outside during 4 days a week. During this period Scott carried a full load in achieving his master's degree in business administration at Baldwin Wallace. And, at times, work another job part-time. We are thankful for Scott's contributions, the quality of his work, dedication to timely completion of assignments, cooperative attitude working with others at Advent, his professionalism, and willingness to adapt his schedule when surprises arose. We wish him Godspeed as he embarks on his professional career.

Khoa Evans Joins as Advent's Parish Administrator

Khoa and Jason (Advent's trustworthy and always reliable sexton – they're really a team!) have been members of the Advent family for years and years. Jason can tell you many stories about prior personalities and happenings at Advent! Khoa has been co-chef (chief chef?) assisting Pete Meckes in several fellowship activities at church. Through Ray Busony's efforts, she started shadowing Scott and has spent January and February learning all the above duties as Parish Administrator. She's working 25 hours per week, Monday through Thursday, nominally 8:00 – 2:30 with flex time. She shows a servant-mentality and really wants to support our ministries here. Welcome Khoa and help her in this new assignment.

This Week at Advent

Sunday, March 10

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, March 11 2:00 p.m. Eliza Jennings

Tuesday, March 12 7:00 p.m. Healing Room

Wednesday, March 13

7:00 a.m. Men's Bible Study at Advent
9:00 a.m. Wednesday Morning Prayer Group

Thursday, March 14

Sunday, March 17

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 Jennifer & Peter Meckes
Mary Lou Dixon Marilyn Decker Stacey Smith
Karen Zolar Shirley Moore Barb Frank
Sue & Steve Boyce Michael Uhrich
Sharon Rice Bill & Judy Arkley Dave Luptak
John Crothall Anne Crothall Bev Cummings
Bill & Joyce Carangio Pat Perris
John Vasicek Nita Ritchie Richard Guzowski
Cynthia Sabolich Nancy & Ed Medley
Barbara Gage

Friends of Advent

Wendy & Jim Johnson Bill Liptak Ray Coy
Eliza Jennings residents
Residents of Pinzone Tower Carole & Gary Conaway
Andrew Bodi & Bodi Family,
Gabe, grandson of Jan & Jerry Nagy
Dar Khoury's Mom
Jan, Peggy and Evelyn, friends of Beverly Cummings
Pastor Julia Wertz, Pole and Easton Methodist Church
Jeff Campbell, nephew of Mary Lou Dixon
Baby Ruby, Pat, Joyce, Sandy, Kurt, Rita, Derek, Josh, and Janet, friends of Sue Boyce
Ann, sister of Mary Lou
Cade and the Maurer Family, friends of Denise Geyer-Keller
Melissa, friend of Joan Joye
Ernie, friend of Katherine Jensen
Stephen Masih + Church in India
Elizabeth Haas

Safety Protection

First Responder Capt. Jason Evans IPFCA Chaplin
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, March 10

8:00 a.m.

Assistant Dick McCormick

10:00 a.m.

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Lector Dick McCormick

Prayers of the People Dick McCormick (Form 6)

Usher Max Gage

Intercessory Prayer Kathryn

Counter Susan Boyce (3/11)

Close Advent Ray Busony

Server Schedule Sunday, March 17

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 2)

Usher Peter Meckes

Intercessory Prayer Bill Benedict

Counter Susan Boyce (3/18)

Close Advent Denis 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=NWFhZVhVdEY1Z5dzRCSjNVOzZlZOT09>

Meeting ID: 937 9020 7331

Passcode: 988930

From your smartphone, dial 312 626 6799

Meeting ID: 937 9020 7331

Passcode: 988930