



ADVENTures *a weekly newsletter*

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November 17, 2024 The Twenty-sixth Sunday after Pentecost

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

Advent Wreath Readers



Thank you to all who signed up to read this Advent Season. I will send an email reminder the week that you are reading. Please let me know if something happens to change and you can not read on your signed up day. ***We still need readers for the 10 a.m. service on the 1st and the 15th. Clipboard is available for signup.***

Thank You:

To all the were able to join us for dinner on Saturday. Hope that you all enjoyed your meal and the company! Looking forward to doing more fellowship in the New Year.



Christmas Poinsettias

Order forms for poinsettias are included in the bulletin today. The poinsettias will adorn the altar for the Christmas services. The cost of each plant is \$10.00. If you wish to purchase a plant in memory or honor of a loved one, or in thanksgiving, please fully complete an order form (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. There are extra order forms outside the chapel on the usher stand. ***Deadline to order by is December 8th***

Stewardship 2025 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.

Ladies Night Out for December:

LNO will be Monday, December 2nd at 5:30 p.m. @

Macaroni Grill on Country Club Blvd.

North Olmsted

It is a Christmas towel gift exchange (value \$10). There is a signup sheet or see Marilyn Decker if you plan on attending.

This Week at Advent

Sunday, November 17

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

Monday, November 18

Tuesday, November 19

Wednesday, November 20

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

Thursday, November 21

Sunday, November 24

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

Server Schedule Today, November 17

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 Jim Edwards

Intercessory Prayer Bill Benedict

Counter Susan Boyce (11/19)

Close Advent Ray Busony

Server Schedule November 24

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 Max Gage

Intercessory Prayer Ray Busony

Counter Susan Boyce (11/26)

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=NWFhZVhnVGdEY1Z5dzRCSjNVQzIzQT09>

Meeting ID: 937 9020 7331

Passcode: 988930

From your smartphone, dial 312 626 6799

Meeting ID: 937 9020 7331

Passcode: 988930

Prayer Request

Health and Recovery

Jennifer & Peter Meckes

Mary Lou Dixon Marilyn Decker Stacey Smith
Shirley Moore Barb Frank Sue & Steve Boyce
Michael Uhrich Sharon Rice Bill & Judy Arkley
Dave Luptak Bev Cummings Nita Ritchie
Pat Perris Richard Guzowski Cynthea Sabolich
Nancy & Ed Medley John Vasicek Bill Campbell
Barbara & Max Gage Bill & Joyce Carangio

Friends of Advent

Bill Liptak Ray Coy
Eliza Jennings residents
Residents of Pinzone Tower
Andrew Bodi & Bodi Family,
Gabe, grandson of Jan & Jerry Nagy
Dar Khoury's Mom
Elena, Sherry, Selena, and Linda 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
Little Vinny, friend of the Boyce Family
Ann, sister of Mary Lou
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.

Seven Steps to Seek to Reconcile Relationships

James 3:18 ...those who are peacemakers will plant seeds of peace & reap a harvest of righteousness.

Romans 12:18 If possible, so far as it depends on you, be at peace with all men.

1. TAKE THE INITIATIVE & MAKE THE 1st MOVE!

Matt. 5:23-24 If you're standing before the altar in the temple & you're giving an offering to God & you suddenly remember somebody has something against you, leave your offering there beside the altar, go at once & first be reconciled.

2. TALK TO THE LORD BEFORE YOU TALK TO THE OTHER PERSON.

The 2nd step that is concurrent with the first step.

James 1:5 If you want to know what God wants you to do, ask Him & He'll gladly tell you.

3. CONFESS YOUR PART IN THE CONFLICT.

1 John 1:8 (NLT2) If we claim we have no sin, we are only fooling ourselves & not living in the truth.

Matt. 7:3 & 5 Why do you notice the little piece of dust in your friend's eye, but you don't notice the big piece of wood in your own eye? First, take the wood out of your own eye. Then you will see clearly to take the dust out of your friend's eye.

4. SEEK TO UNDERSTAND PERSPECTIVE & POSSIBLE HURT

James 1:19 Be quick to listen, slow to speak, and slow to get angry.

5. SPEAK THE TRUTH WITH GRACE!

Ephes. 4:15 ...Speak the truth in love.

Ephes. 4:29 (NASB) Let no unwholesome word proceed from your mouth, but only such a word as is good for edification according to the need of the moment, so that it will give grace to those who hear.

6. ATTACK THE PROBLEM NOT THE PERSON

Col. 3:8-10 NLT But now is the time to get rid of anger, rage, malicious behavior, slander, & dirty language. Don't lie to each other, for you have stripped off your old sinful nature & all its wicked deeds. Put on your new nature & be renewed as you learn to know your Creator & become like him.

7. FOCUS ON RECONCILIATION, NOT RESOLUTION.

2 Cor. 5:18-20 NLT & all of this is a gift fm God, who brought us back to himself through Christ. & God has given us this task of reconciling people to him. For God was in Christ, reconciling the world to himself, no longer counting people's sins against them. & he gave us this wonderful message of reconciliation. So we are Christ's ambassadors; God is making his appeal through us. We speak for Christ when we plead, Come back to God!

Prov 12:18 Reckless words pierce like a sword, but the tongue of the wise brings healing.

Greetings!!!

If you ever wondered about Chromebooks or want more tips on using your new Chromebook, come find out next Wednesday, November 20th at 10AM at Advent.

Also, as cyber criminals continue to phish you and major leaks beyond your control lead to illicit gains for the nefarious continue, protecting your identity has become ever so important. It will continue to be so for a foreseeable future. I've helped several people "freeze" their credit report last month. I've decided the afternoon continuing education topic to be about freezing your credit report at the big 3 credit agencies. If you are also interested but can't make it next Wednesday afternoon at 1PM at Advent, please let me know so I can set up another continuing education session before the end of the year.

Regards,
Tak

Tak Sato, President & Co-Founder
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