



ADVENTures *a weekly newsletter*

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April 26, 2026 4th Sunday of Easter

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

Message from Pastor Paul:

Our fellowship has gone through some challenging times over the past few months: physically, mentally, emotionally, and spiritually. On Sunday, May 3rd, we will be focusing on healing and restoration for our people in those areas.

Please pray into it that the Lord would touch you individually as well as the whole atmosphere at Advent. You are invited to bring friends and family who also might need a healing touch. That's Sunday, May 3rd at 10 am.

Our Lord is able and willing to meet our needs!

Ladies Night Out (Lunch):

Ladies lunch will be Monday, May 4th at 11:30 a.m.

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25651 Detroit Rd.

Westlake, OH 44145

Please see Nita Ritchie at church or call/text her at 619-985-6482.

Men's Night Out:

Will be on Monday, May 11th @ 6:30 p.m.

Ruby Tuesday

5274 Abbe Rd North

Elyria, OH 44035

Please see or contact Peter Meckes if you will be joining, nosonut5830@att.net or 440-657-5286.

Fellowship Meal:

The next fellowship meal will be on May 9th at 5:30 in the evening.

We will be having a Lasagna Dinner in honor of Mother's day. There will be a clipboard going down one side and back up the other so that you can list your name and number of people that will be attending. If you would like to donate to the cost of this meal, please place your donation in an envelope in the offering basket labeled meal donation, as everything will be made from scratch. Hope you will join us!!

This Week at Advent

Sunday, April 26

8:00 a.m. Holy Eucharist

9:00 a.m. Bible Study

10:00 a.m. Holy Eucharist

Monday, April 27

Tuesday, April 28

Wednesday, April 29

9:00 a.m. Wednesday Morning Prayer

Thursday, April 30

Sunday, May 3

8:00 a.m. Holy Eucharist

9:00 a.m. Bible Study

10:00 a.m. Holy Eucharist

Server Schedule Today, April 26

8:00 a.m.

Assistant Anne Meldrum

10:00 a.m.

Assistant Denise Geyer-Keller

Lector Denise Geyer-Keller

Prayers of the People Denise Geyer-Keller (Form 2)

Usher Jason Evans

Intercessory Prayer Ray Busony

Counter Gary Conaway (4/27)

Close Advent Ray Busony

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=NWFXZVhnVGdEY1Z5dzRCSjNVQzIzQT09>

Meeting ID: 937 9020 7331

Passcode: 988930

From your smartphone, dial 312 626 6799

Meeting ID: 937 9020 7331

Passcode: 988930

Server Schedule Sunday, May 3

8:00 a.m.

Assistant Dick McCormick

10:00 a.m.

Assistant Dick McCormick

Lector Dick McCormick

Prayers of the People Dick McCormick (Form 3)

Usher Max Gage

Intercessory Prayer Bill Benedict

Counter Gary Conaway (5/4)

Close Advent Max Gage

Note: It is your responsibility to contact another volunteer directly to take your place. Please call the office with all changes. Thank you.

Greetings from Bishop Ed Little

Some years ago, the Episcopal Church temporarily created the position of DEPO bishop, Delegated Episcopal Pastoral Oversight, to provide bishop leadership for a congregation which requested it because they felt not theologically and spiritually aligned with their bishop. Bp Little and later Bp Love were graciously appointed by Bp Mark Hollingsworth to serve as DEPO bishop for Advent. This is background for the visiting priest, Fr. Tom, with us at the 10:00 Service on April 19th.

Bp Little,

We were blessed to have Fr. Tom from South Bend attend this morning's 10:00 Service and to give us that opportunity to extend our best wishes to you through him. He got the "full dose" of worship at Advent: casual but respectful liturgy, Emmaus sermon with a clear Gospel message delivered by our supply pastor ordained a Lutheran, praise music led by our Catholic Dr. of Theology music director, laying on of hands and prayers for an African Anglican priest aligned with Advent who is headed to Kenya to continue leading his and his wife's mission in Umala, and 4 ordained priests/pastors attending and celebrating in the service. All for an attendance of 30 people! We continue to pray for Christ's revelation of our future as a body of Christ.

I hope you are well and able to enjoy retirement. As I said in Announcements this morning, you served Advent during a challenging time for the church and us locally and we are eternally grateful for your wisdom, common sense clarity, Christ-centeredness, and willingness to serve as DEPO bishop. Bless you, and thank you for your service to God's Kingdom.

Dear Dick,

Thanks so much for the email. I also received a note from Fr. Tom conveying your greetings and saying how much he enjoyed his visit to Advent.

Thank you especially for your kind words. It was a great gift to serve as Advent's "delegated oversight" bishop and to be immersed in the life of this vibrant Christian community. I'm delighted, but not at all surprised, that you continue to draw people, and that so many clergy find Advent to be a place of nurture and fellowship. Your leadership is a blessing to the parish, and I tremendously enjoyed working with you during my Advent years.

I'm now living in Long Beach, retired but doing a bit of work in the Diocese of Los Angeles. (I guess that makes me "7/8ths retired"!) I will always be grateful for the privilege of serving and encouraging Advent. Please give my love and greetings to the parish community. With all blessings -

Yours in Christ,
Ed

REMINDER:

Please remember to make sure all announcements for ADVENTures or requests for the Prayer List are submitted to the office no later than NOON on Wednesdays to insure they are included for Sunday's print.

News from the Morgan's in Texas:

Please keep Jack in your prayers as he is having heart surgery, Monday the 27th for replacement of an aortic valve.

Announcement:

Don't forget about The Center for Aging in the Digital World's Senior Expo happening on May 14th beginning at 9:30 a.m. at Tri-C Westshore Campus in Westlake. Tak and Mely Sato are doing great things! Come hear all about the help that they can offer navigating in today's digital world.

The older aging adults that are part of their Wednesday meetings also know as Jackie's Hospitality Cart are fantastic and doing great things. This past Wednesday they started Seniors Circle of Love and partnered with Shining Star Preschool and did a chair volley ball game!! It's not just digital info, they are trying to find ways to help older aging adults be active and engaged!

  **Center for Aging in the Digital World**
Empowering Seniors with Digital Literacy.

CELEBRATING 10 YEARS OF KEEPING SENIORS CONNECTED

FREE EVENT

10TH ANNUAL LIVING IN THE DIGITAL WORLD SENIOR EXPO & CONFERENCE

THURSDAY, MAY 14, 2026 9:30AM ~ 1:30PM

NEW LOCATION! TRI-C WESTSHORE CAMPUS IN WESTLAKE
31001 CLEMENS ROAD WESTLAKE, OHIO 44145

DAY AT A GLANCE

9:30AM: REGISTRATION OPEN
LIGHT REFRESHMENTS
EXHIBITOR VISITS

10:00AM: OPENING REMARKS

10:15AM: WORKSHOP
PRACTICAL AI FOR OLDER ADULTS

11:00AM ~ 12:30PM
EXHIBITOR VISITS
LIGHT REFRESHMENTS
TEENS & SENIORS POWER UP
RAFFLES
CHAIR EXERCISE WITH GENKI

12:30PM: PANEL DISCUSSION
**DIGITAL ESTATE PLANNING:
PROTECTING YOUR DIGITAL FOOTPRINT**

 **Howard Hanna**
Real Estate Services

 **Liz Manning**
Planning your next move.

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