



ADVENTures a weekly newsletter

Advent Episcopal Church ◊ 3760 Dover Center Road ◊ Westlake ◊ OH ◊ 44145

October 14, 2018 ◊ The Twenty-First Sunday after Pentecost

Preaching this Morning at Advent

Advent welcomes Pastor Paul Laursen to our 8:00 a.m. and 10:00 a.m. services today. Pastor Laursen will be with us through September and beyond.

Save the Date – December 14

Dar Khoury has brought to us a really exciting opportunity to hold a concert & mission at Advent on Friday December 14 featuring Dan Schutte. <https://www.ocp.org/en-us/artists/352/dan-schutte>. She believes we can fill Advent that night featuring this singer/songwriter/spiritual leader who is one of the best-known and most influential composers of music for liturgy in the English-speaking world. At Advent, we sing one of his most celebrated songs "Here I Am, Lord", and other songs in the BOB. She reports "He just gave a beautiful concert at our Motherhouse in Pittsburgh. They had to turn people away, because they wouldn't all fit in our Chapel which holds over 500 people." Being the Advent Season, she has arranged for him to give a concert/mission with the theme "God With Us", meaning, Emmanuel. Her vision is that this is a way for Advent to become more visible in our community and draw people, churched and unchurched, to Advent for a night of music, stories and reflections – taking a journey with and experiencing the presence of God. More to come; save the date.

Men's Night Out

Men of Advent, please join us at Bearden's Steak Restaurant, on Monday October 15, at 6:30 p.m., 19985 Lake Road, Rocky River. Please let Peter Meckes know if you will be attending at: 440-657-5286 or nosonut5830@att.net.

All Saints' Day

Advent will be celebrating All Saints' Day on Sunday, November 4. Please forward names of any family members, friends, or significant people in your life who have *passed away since All Saints' Day 2017 (October 30, 2017)* to JoAnn in the office by Thursday, October 25 (440-871-6685 or advent.church@sbeglobal.net), or by signing their name on the signup sheet. These people will be acknowledged during the Prayers of the People at both services on November 4.

GIFT...GROWING IN FAITH TOGETHER

...at Advent

Goliath *MUST* Fall, Advent's GIFT DVD study, begins October 21 from 11:30 to 12:30. Louie Giglio, pastor of Passion Church, opens this DVD session with "Dead but Still Deadly". Sharing his own giants, and using Bible lessons, Louie leads us to the fact that many of us have giants of our own controlling our lives. These giants of fear, rejection, addiction, anger, comfort or whatever your giant may be, want to steal joy from us. Their control over us takes away the fullness and freedom of life that God intended for us. We need to know that in Christ, that enemy is dead and that we also need Jesus' help to keep from falling prey to the giants that rise up against us. For it is in putting your hope in Jesus, who is the one and only giant slayer that you can watch your giant fall!

We will spend 25 minutes watching the DVD and 25 minutes discussing what we have seen and learned. The last 10 minutes will be "Living from Victory" where we transform what we have learned into practical action that we can use in our lives. Feel free to bring your own packed lunch with you, if you wish to eat during the DVD. For further questions about Goliath *MUST* Fall or GIFT please see Denise Geyer-Keller or Dick McCormick.

Junior Warden Update

It has been brought to my attention our snow blower has seen its better days.

We have several volunteers that use the machine to clear our walks during the week and on Sunday.

Since our Senior Warden has asked me to keep expenses down, I would like to take up a collection for a new snow blower.

Please mark your checks on the memo line, "SNOW BLOWER".

Any contributions will be appreciated.

I'll keep everyone posted on the fund.

Ray Busony

Jr. Warden

New Sunday Morning Bible Study

DOES GOD EXIST?

Dr. Stephen Myer lays out a process to provide reasons for faith using science and logic to evaluate the great question of life. In doing so, he is building a case for the existence of God by looking at the evidence all around us.

Please join us for the 9:00 a.m. Bible study starting Sunday, October 21.

This Week at Advent

Today, October 14

8:00 a.m. Holy Eucharist
9:00 a.m. Choir Rehearsal
10:00 a.m. Holy Eucharist
11:00 a.m. Coffee Hour

Monday, October 15

6:30 p.m. Men's Night Out

Tuesday, October 16

Wednesday, October 17

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

Thursday, October 18

6:15 p.m. Vestry Meeting
7:00 p.m. Choir Rehearsal

Sunday, October 21

8:00 a.m. Holy Eucharist
9:00 a.m. Choir Rehearsal
Bible Study
10:00 a.m. Holy Eucharist
11:00 a.m. GIFT

Prayer Request

Health and Recovery

Lillian Kwasny	Irv Frank	Marilyn Decker
Mary Lou Dixon	Joan Joye	Velta Sanborn
Bob Allen	Karen Zolar	Rose Walker
Barb Frank	Lois Zolar	Dave Luptak
Julie Cratcha	Michael Uhrich	George Belinsky
Bill & Judy Arkley	Arthur Beel	

Friends of Advent

Toni Kulma, wife of Pastor Kulma
Eliza Jennings residents
Sylvia Little, Bishop Little's wife
Betty Clark
Rebecca Bertalan, daughter of Paul Laursen

Please contact the church office if you would like your name added or removed from our list.

Financial Statements

Financial Statements for the third quarter of 2018 are available on the small table in the back of the church near the Ushers' stand. Please contact JoAnn in the Church office if you have any questions concerning your statements.

Message from Bishop Love

I must apologize to everyone at Advent Church. I have not purposely been ignoring you. Things have been crazy these past several months. While having the best of intentions to call or write, I have failed to do so. Please forgive me. I appreciated so much Dick's recent message of encouragement and your prayers following the aftermath of General Convention. I pray you and the Parish are holding up. Please let me know how I can be of help to you. I would like to get back out to see you before too long.

Bill Love +
Bishop of Albany

Server Schedule Today, October 7

8:00 a.m.

Chalice Bearer/Lector Dick McCormick
Acolyte Alex Dzurec

10:00 a.m.

Chalice Bearer Teddi Augustine & Bunny Meriam
Lector Lewis Meriam

Prayers of the People Dick McCormick (Form 5)

Acolyte Cynthea Sabolich

Ushers/Greeters Peter Meckes

Intercessory Prayer Sharon Rice

Altar Guild Pat Perris & Karen Edwards

Coffee Hour

Close Advent Peter Meckes

Counter / Date Marcia Duennes (10/16)

Next Sunday, October 21

8:00 a.m.

Chalice Bearer/Lector Scott Duennes

10:00 a.m.

Chalice Bearer Dick McCormick & Sharon Rice

Lector Denise Geyer-Keller

Prayers of the People Denise Geyer-Keller (Form 6)

Acolyte Kaylei Evans

Ushers/Greeters Bob Sanborn

Intercessory Prayer Ray Busony

Altar Guild Bunny Meriam & Cynthea Sabolich

Coffee Hour GIFT

Close Advent Denise Geyer-Keller

Counter / Date Marcia Duennes (10/22)

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