



# **ADVENTures** *a weekly newsletter*

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**August 25th, 2024 The Fourteenth Sunday After Pentecost**

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

## **Bible Study:**

Adult Sunday morning Bible Study will begin the Book of John on August 25. We meet between Advent's two Sunday morning services from 9:00 until 9:50am. John is referred to as "the disciple whom Jesus loved" and was very prominent in helping to form the early Christian church. There are many portions of The Gospel of John that contain eyewitness accounts of Jesus' ministry. To quote John, his main purpose in writing his accounts: "These are written that you may believe that Jesus is the Christ, the Son of God, and that by believing you may have life in his name."(20:31).

We begin by reading aloud the chapter for that Sunday and then have a discussion on what the chapter entails and how we are to integrate these lessons into our daily walk outside of Advent. We are all learners on this journey together and have lively discussions on what each of us hears or takes from that week's lesson. If you desire to deepen your faith walk, you are encouraged to attend whenever you are able.

## **Crusher's Game:**

We are attending the Crusher's game on August 23rd. If you have ordered tickets for this game please make sure to submit your payment to the office.

## **Wednesday Morning Prayer Group:**

Prayers at 9 am every Wednesday. The same zoom link is used every Wednesday.

<https://us04web.zoom.us/j/77746867800?pwd=RorCYkb0uF6u11pYTIg48iPb7I8Jpg.1>

Meeting ID: 777 4686 7800 Passcode: 615DAA

## **Advent Prayer List:**

If you or a loved one is on the Advent Prayer Request List appearing weekly in ADVENTures and wish to be removed, please notify Khoa in the office of this intention.

## This Week at Advent

### Sunday, August 25

8:00 a.m. Holy Eucharist

9:00 a.m. Bible Study

10:00 a.m. Holy Eucharist

### Monday, August 26

### Tuesday, August 27

### Wednesday, August 28

7:00 a.m. Men's Bible Study at Advent

9:00 a.m. Wednesday Morning Prayer Group

### Thursday, August 29

### Sunday, September 1

8:00 a.m. Holy Eucharist

9:00 a.m. Bible Study

10:00 a.m. Holy Eucharist

## Server Schedule Today, August 25

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 4)

Usher Peter Meckes

Intercessory Prayer Ray Busony

Counter Susan Boyce (August 26)

Close Advent Ray Busony

## Server Schedule Sunday, September 1

8:00 a.m.

Assistant Dick McCormick

10:00 a.m.

Assistant Dick McCormick

Lector Dick McCormick

Prayers of the People Dick McCormick (Form 5)

Usher Max Gage

Intercessory Prayer Ray Busony

Counter Susan Boyce (September 2)

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=NWFhZVhVdEY1Z5dzRCSjNVOzZlZOT09](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

### 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 Anne Crothall Bev Cummings  
Nita Ritchie Pat Perris Richard Guzowski  
Cynthia Sabolich Nancy & Ed Medley John Vasicek  
Barbara & Max Gage Bill & Joyce Carangio

#### 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 Pat, 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  
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.*

## **Episcopal Church Has a New Presiding Bishop**

The Rt. Rev. Sean Rowe was elected Presiding Bishop at the General Convention in late June. He serves as Bishop of Northwestern Penn. and Western New York, was ordained a priest at 24 and the youngest bishop ordained and consecrated at age 32. He is 49 starting a 9-year term. He was elected on the first ballot, garnering 89 of 158 votes cast. His wife is a Christian educator and they have one daughter. He has an undergraduate degree in history from Grove City College (small conservative Christian college in western PA), Master of Divinity from Virginia Theological Seminary, and a PhD in organizational learning and leadership from Gannon University (Catholic school in Erie, PA).

This link records an interview a few hours after his election. <https://livingchurch.org/news/news-episcopal-church/sean-rowe-i-see-significant-changes-2/>

Some highlighted quotes:

- “yes, the church is in decline, in terms of our numbers. Given the hand we’re dealt, given the situation as it is, given the state of Christianity, given the demographics of our various regions — how do we most effectively participate in this mission that we’ve called ourselves to?”
- “All trends point to a smaller church, at least in the next decade. There’s no question about that. The question for me more is, can we get to a level, to a greater level of effectiveness, and can we lay the groundwork in which to grow? But that doesn’t happen overnight. We’re talking about a multi-decade process here of rethinking, to use an old term, how we prosecute the mission of the church.”
- “I do want to make clear: I talk a lot about organizational structure. I talk a lot about budgets, strategy — but it’s all in the service of the gospel. If we don’t get the vehicle working, you can have all the values and all the high aspirations you want, but if the vehicle can’t get us there, what good is it?”



