



# ADVENTures *a weekly newsletter*

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**December 22, 2024 The Fourth Sunday of Advent**

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



Christmas Eve, Tuesday December 24th at 7:00p.m.  
Candlelight Service with Holy Eucharist. Invite your family and friends.  
Akron U Brass Quartet starting at 6:30 p.m.

**Advent Wreath Readers for today are as following:**

**8:00 - Bill Carangio**

**10:00 - Peter and Jennifer Meckes**

## **Christmas Eve:**

Paul and Kathryn are inviting everyone to once again have “Cookies and Cocoa” on Christmas eve after the service. They appreciate any cookie donations to this lovely evening. If you are able to contribute please bring your cookies into church Tuesday before the service and leave them in the lobby.

## **Christmas Message from the Morgan's:**

Dear Advent friends,

Greetings from Texas y'all! We want you to know we are thinking of you (and missing you), remembering all the joyful times from the past, especially sharing Christmas Eve as we celebrate the birth of Jesus. Our prayers are with you, wishing you the blessings of hope, love and peace.

Love, Sally & Jack

## **ATTENTION:**

Please make sure to cleanup after yourself in the restrooms, other people use the facilities and we need to be courteous to all.



## This Week at Advent

### Sunday, December 22

8:00 a.m. Holy Eucharist

9:00 a.m. Bible Study

10:00 a.m. Holy Eucharist

### Monday, December 23

### Tuesday, December 24

7:00 p.m. Christmas Eve Service

### Wednesday, December 25

Christmas Office Closed

### Thursday, December 26

### Sunday, December 29

8:00 a.m. Holy Eucharist

9:00 a.m. Bible Study

10:00 a.m. Holy Eucharist

#### 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 Today, December 22

### 8:00 a.m.

Assistant Dick McCormick

### 10:00 a.m.

Assistant Dick McCormick

Lector Dick McCormick

Prayers of the People Dick McCormick (Form 6)

Usher Jim Edwards

Intercessory Prayer Bill Benedict

Counter Susan Boyce

Close Advent Ray Busony

## Server Schedule December 29

### 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 3)

Usher Peter Meckes

Intercessory Prayer Kathryn

Counter Susan Boyce

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.

## **The Twelve Days of Christmas (Interpreted)**

*The partridge in a pear tree is Jesus Christ.*

*The two turtledoves are the Old and New Testaments.*

*Three French hens stand for faith, hope and love.*

*The four calling birds are the four Gospels.*

*The five gold rings recall the first five books of the Old Testament, known as The Law.*

*The six geese a-laying stand for the six days of creation.*

*Seven swans a-swimming represent the sevenfold gifts of the Spirit.*

*The eight maids a-milking are the eight beatitudes.*

*Nine ladies dancing? They are the nine fruits of the Spirit (Galatians 5).*

*The ten lords a-leaping are the Ten Commandments.*

*Eleven pipers piping stand for the eleven faithful disciples.*

*Twelve drummers drumming symbolize the 12 points of belief in the Apostles' Creed.*

**Anglican Digest, Advent 1996  
Trinity Church, Staunton, Virginia  
(via Sally Morgan)**