



REFLECTIONS ON GENEROSITY

“All the paths of the LORD are steadfast love and faithfulness, for those who keep his covenant and his decrees.” – Psalm 25:10

God’s commandments and Jesus’ teachings are not optional for Christians; they are given for the purpose of our growth in Christ. In turn we share Christ’s love with our neighbors and steward carefully all of God’s good gifts.

LENTEN SCRIPTURE STUDY ON SUNDAY MORNINGS

Raph Martin will facilitate this morning program reflecting on the Sunday morning scripture readings. The Lenten program begins February 18, the First Sunday of Lent, in the Conference Room from 9:00 to 9:45 AM. Program will conclude on Passion Sunday.

ANNUAL RUMMAGE SALE FEBRUARY 23 & 24

Advent’s Annual Rummage Sale begins on Friday, February 23 (8AM-3PM) and concludes on Saturday, February 24 (8AM-12PM). Volunteers are still needed to be cashiers, baggers, roaming organizers, shopping helpers, etc. No sign-up is required to volunteer unless you would like to provide a lunch during the week, just come as you are able throughout the whole process, many hands make light work! Feel free to contact **Sharon Navratil 602.430.0820** or **Ken Mead at 614.623.6223** with any questions.

BAKE SALE!

Advent’s Bake Sale will be held in conjunction with the Annual Rummage Sale on February 23 & 24. We are asking for donations of baked goods and volunteers to help sell items on both days. We will be accepting baked goods and packaging these food items on Thursday, February 22, beginning at 1:00 PM. Any questions may be directed to **Judy Purdy at 623.544.9214**. Proceeds go to Helping Hands to purchase supplies for our programs.

GIVING AWAY THE PLATE

Again, in 2024, the “plate offering” collected each Sunday is donated to worthwhile not-for-profit organizations in our community. (Plate offering is cash unidentified by giver). Last week, \$587.00 was collected for the West Valley Community Food Pantry. This week the recipient organization is the **Dysart Community Center – Before/After School Programs**. Advent is a long-time supporter of the Dysart Community Center, which among many services, provides before and after school programs for children in the Dysart community. These programs are a true lifeline for working parents in the community.

USHER & GREETER MINISTRY

Volunteers are needed to join the Usher/Greeter ministry at the 10:00 AM worship service. Training will be provided. Contact Jim Wooldridge, jim@wooldridgeconsulting.com.

THIS WEEK AT ADVENT

Monday, February 19

Church Office Closed—President’s Day

9:00 AM Rummage Sale Intake (9AM—3PM)

Tuesday, February 20

9:00 AM Advent Social/Working Breakfast
9:00 AM Rummage Sale Intake (9AM—3PM)
10:30 AM Exercise Class—Church Building
1:00 PM EfM—CR

Wednesday, February 21

9:00 AM Rummage Sale Intake (9AM—3PM)
9:00 AM Finance Committee
10:30 AM Vestry Executive Committee
4:00 PM Holy Eucharist with Healing Service

Thursday, February 22

3:00 PM Choir Practice

Friday, February 23

8:00 AM Rummage Sale (8AM—3PM)

Saturday, February 24

8:00 AM Rummage Sale (8AM—12PM)
8:30 AM Altar Guild
9:30 AM Flower Guild

Advent Prayer List—February 18, 2024

Please remember those for whom special prayers have been requested. Names will automatically remain on the prayer list for one month. If you wish an individual's name to return to the list after one month, please call the church office at 623.584.0350. *Names are listed alphabetically by last name.*

**Denotes Advent members. †Denotes deceased individual.*

Clark
Jake
Jason
Kristine
Mark
Michelle
Tina
Barb Abbott*
Jim Clark

Donna Claudon*
Garrett Cooper
Maureen Haskell*
Virginia Hokkanen*
Bill Navratil*
Richard Raszkievicz*
Kery Santisteven
David Schaefer
Ron Steel*

Jeanne Sulley*
Katie Watts
Mark Wold
The DeButts Family*
James & Cynthia Haggard
The Sloas Family
The Stiehl Family*
The Wold Family*
The Yingling Family*

DAY OF DISCOVERY—MARCH 16

Join us on Saturday, March 16, in Paine Hall from 10:00 AM -2:00 PM for an important congregational meeting to continue the process of choosing a new rector for Advent [first step was choosing our interim]. Canon Anita Braden will be with us to discover what we are seeking in the new rector's leadership, pastoral care, and ministerial styles. What is his/her vision for the future of our church? We need participation from all Advent members to allow us to call the best candidate for our busy/continuously growing church family. Lunch will be provided. A sign-up sheet is located in the "Sign Up" binder on the counter in the church office. Please register by March 11 to allow us time to plan for lunch.

Thank you for prayerfully considering this important leadership opportunity for the current and future members of Advent.

BIRTHDAYS THIS WEEK

February 18
Sue Ann Simon

February 22
Earl Thomas

February 19
Blake Flickinger Mellum

February 23
Eldon Wold Jr.

February 21
Beverly DiCicco
Charlotte Stiehl



CALLING YOU WITH A "PHONE CALL OF LOVE"

Advent's team of TeleCare callers place telephone calls to our church family, during fall and spring months. So that you'll be more likely to recognize the phone number and answer, names and numbers of callers are: Malinda Case 623.221.3793, Sally Charalambous 623.215.2780, Melody Nord 218.791.2337, Jayne Smith 262.923.0711, Stella Wegner 701.269.3984, and Pam Wilson 404.217.4679. We look forward to talking with you and learn if you have any special prayer requests.



HEALING BLESSINGS OFFERED EACH SUNDAY

At the 10:00 AM Sunday worship service, we will be offering Healing Blessings following communion in the back of the church. Please be respectful of those ahead of you. See Deacon Debbie if you have any questions.

ANNIVERSARIES THIS WEEK

February 21
Eugene & Cynthia Truppe

FAITHSTREET GIVING



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