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#### **REFLECTIONS ON GENEROSITY**

"Very truly, I tell you, unless a grain of wheat falls into the earth and dies, it remains just a single grain; but if it dies, it bears much fruit." – John 12:24

Jesus speaks about his coming death and outlines what it means to truly follow him. Like Jesus, we are called to put aside self-interest for the sake of the gospel and serve God and neighbor willingly.

#### **THANK YOU FOR PARTICIPATING!**

Thank you to the many parishioners who participated in our "Day of Discovery" yesterday. The search for a new rector is not simply a hiring pro-



cess, but rather a discernment Chank guided by faith and prayer. We you will continue to seek direction from scripture, prayer, and reflection as God guides us through our

search. Advent's Search Committee will provide updates as appropriate. Please remember to keep Advent's transition process in your prayers.

#### **ADVENT SOCIAL BREAKFAST TUESDAY MARCH 19**

Everyone is invited to attend this breakfast sponsored by the Advent Men's Club and the Advent Church Women on Tuesday, March 19 at 9:00 AM in Paine Hall. There will be a discussion of upcoming events. The breakfast is all about food, fun, and fellowship. Enjoy a delicious breakfast with great camaraderie!

#### **RAPH MARTIN CLASS—THE ACTS OF THE APOSTLES**

Raph Martin Bible Study of the Acts of the Apostles continues each Wednesday from 10:00 AM-12:00 PM in Dibbs Hall through April 10. The class will discuss Peter's mission and the conversion of Saul/ Paul. We will then journey with Paul throughout the Roman world on his conversion missions as we continue with Dennis Hamm's book The Acts of the Apostles. Please consider joining us in Dibbs Hall for an inspiring experience.

PLEASE NOTE THE FOLLOWING CHANGES IN ADVENT'S 2024 LENTEN SCHEDULE ON WEDNESDAY, MARCH 27 **3:15 PM STATIONS OF THE CROSS 4 PM HEALING SERVICE 5 PM LENTEN SOUP SUPPER AND STUDY** 

THIS LITTLE LIGHT...

the weekly LUMINARY

March 17. 2024

#### **CELEBRATION OF LIFE PLANNING CLASS**

One of the most loving and considerate deeds we can do for our loved ones is to make our final arrangements before we die. Is this something that you keep putting off or is on your to-do-list?

Gaye Wooldridge, our Bereavement Coordinator and Deacon Debbie Greenleaf will be holding a Celebration of Life Planning Class on Wednesday, March 20, at 3:00 PM in the Conference Room. Questions? Contact Deacon Debbie @ 208.409.3517.

#### WEDNESDAY SOUP SUPPERS AND LENTEN STUDY

You are invited to join us for Lenten Soup Suppers followed by a casual Lenten Study using a booklet titled "Living Well Through Lent 2024". We meet each Wednesday through March 27 following the 4:00 PM worship service. A sign-up sheet is available in the office and more booklets will be ordered if necessary.

#### **GIVING AWAY THE PLATE - LOVE FOR THY NEIGHBOR**

Again, in 2024, the "plate offering" collected each Sunday will be donated to worthwhile notfor-profit organizations in our community. (Plate offering is cash unidentified by giver). Last week, \$742 was collected for Habitat for Humanity/Central Arizona. This week, our love offering will be provided for Giving4Pets-Keeping Families Together. The vision of this unique organization is founded on the belief that no family should have to surrender their pet to a shelter, choose euthanasia, or abandon a pet, because of their financial situation. The organization operates a re-sale store in Sun City and accepts direct financial donations. Please visit <u>www.giving4pets</u> for more information.

# Advent Prayer List—March 17, 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 Dale & Mary Eve B. Jake Jason Kristine Mark Michelle Pat B. Tina Barb Abbott\* Dianne Adams\* Jeanne Boyce Jim Clark Donna Contonis\* Garrett Cooper Glenn Dupper Mary Ann Fleeger James & Cynthia Haggard Maureen Haskell\* Mark Jordan Sharon Kissel Bill Navratil\* Sharon Navratil\* LeeAnn Overbay\* Jerrie Pierce\* Evelyn Pipis\* Richard Raszkiewicz\* David Raymer\* Peggy Rochon Page Rohloff Richard Ruder\* David Schaefer Sue Ann Simon\* Nash Simcoe & Family David Smith Larry Taylor Katie Watts Mark Wold The Abowd Family The DeButts Family\* The Sloas Family\* The Stiehl Family\* The Wold Family\* The Wold Family\*

#### THIS WEEK AT ADVENT

Monday,	March 18
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9:00 AM Helping Hands

### Tuesday, March 19

9:00 AM Advent Social Breakfast 10:30 AM Exercise Class 1:00 PM EfM—DH



# Wednesday, March 20

8:30 AM Altar Guild 8:30 AM Choose to Lose 9:00 AM **Finance Committee Meeting** 10:00 AM Acts of the Apostles Study-DH 10:30 AM Vestry Executive Committee Celebration of Life Class-CR 3:00 PM 4:00 PM Holy Eucharist 5:00 PM Lenten Soup Supper & Study

# Thursday, March 21

10:00 AM	Pastoral Care Meeting-CR
11:00 AM	Exercise Class
3:00 PM	Choir Practice

## Saturday, March 23

8:30 AM	Altar Guild Meeting-CR
9:30 AM	Flower Guild

# BIRTHDAYS THIS WEEK

March 17 Muriel Christensen

> March 19 Pat Kindle

March 21 Amanda Weese

March 22 Gary Endean Erica Hutchinson

# ANNIVERSARIES THIS WEEK

March 19 Michael & Harriet Thurstlic

> March 21 Richard & Jeanne Sulley

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