



Advent

EPISCOPAL CHURCH

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Luminary

Summer, 2022

Springtime at Advent!



Every Perfect Gift



Thank you for everyone's Intention of Giving (Pledges) for the "Every Perfect Gift" campaign. We are over \$300,000 in Intentions. The Intentions support our mission and all of members support the church.

Thanks again for your contributions.

Jim Wooldridge-Chair-Gratitude & Generosity

NEWS FROM ADVENT CHURCH WOMEN

We seem to have hit the ground running following the pandemic. Thank you to all who helped with the spring rummage sale. Working together with the men contributed to a big success with almost \$10,000 earned to split between our two groups. To that end the ACW Board has allocated the following Outreach for 2022.

Fighter County Foundation (Luke Warm Heart)	\$500
Episcopal Habitat for Humanity	\$500
St. Mary's Food Bank	\$2,000
Valley View Food Bank	\$2,000
Community Fund of SCW	\$500
Surprise Police Dept. Victim's Advocacy	\$500
Hospice of the Valley	\$500
Soldier's Best Friend	\$1,000
Dysart Community Center	\$1,000
Goldensun (Adult Home)	\$500
New Leaf (Domestic Shelter, Surprise)	\$500
Ukraine Relief, Episcopal Relief & Development	\$500

We now work together with the Men's Club on all our events. We are small in numbers, but mighty and spirit. We welcome anyone interested in being more active in our church's social and fund raising activities. Watch the church bulletin for current events.



ACW's generous donation of \$1000 to the Dysart Community Center, a wonderful organization in El Mirage.

THANK YOU FROM THE ADVENT MEN'S GROUP



Thanks to all who attended the Cinco de Mayo **TACO BAR & MARGARITAS** evening on May 5. Over 100 members and friends joined in the wonderful event. It was sponsored by the Advent Men's Club. Approximately \$1600 was raised!

Watch for other events being scheduled for times of fun, food and fellowship this summer!

**Thank you for your
Easter Flower Offerings**

Anonymous—In memory of Steve & Mary Anne
Denise Bartlett—In memory of Pete Zetzel
David & Marsha Bathke—In honor of David Allen and wife Tina, and remembering our son Robert Patrick
Jim & Julie Bechtold - In memory of Geraldine and Ken Jacobson
Malinda Case—In memory of Merl Case
Margaret Cwieka—In memory of my parents, Edith and Charles Cwieka
Beverly DiCicco—in memory of Roger & Philomena DiCicco
Joann Deiner - In memory of Carl Deiner
Dianne Diaz—In thanksgiving for all the Blessings in my Life
Canon Geoffrey Dibbs—In loving memory of Margaret Dibbs
Bob & Dorothy Elmiger—In memory of John & Jim
Dorothy Eubank—In memory of George Eubank
Lloyd Findley—In memory of Barbara Findley
Stephanie Gilmore—in memory of Richard, my husband and my friend
Maureen & Kim Haskell—in memory of our Moms
Sarah & Neal Haskell—in memory of the Haskell & Goll families
Marcia Hammett—In memory of Fred Hammett
Annette Hemmingsen— in memory of my husband, William Hemmingsen
Margaret Hunter—In memory of my mother Mary
Arlene Janis—To the Glory of God
Charles Kerzan—In memory of Jane E. Kerzan
Lynn & John Long—In memory of our parents and grandparents
Lucy Lynch—In memory of Lillian Rauen & Sophie Lynch
Cheryl McCartney - In thanksgiving for God's Blessings
Dave & Pat McLaughlin—In thanksgiving for Advent
Chris Meyer—In memory of Bill Kasper and Norma Starr
Don & Shirley Mellum— In memory of Justine, Garry, Brian, Dawn & Ernie

**The Flower Guild gives special thanks for the
support of our work by our Parish Family.**

Elizabeth Meyer—In memory of Bill Kasper
Rachel Moore—In memory of Dale Moore & Garey Lunn
Ronald Nagy—In memory of the Nagy/Mantia Family
James & Melody Nord—In memory of our parents
Sharon Paine—In memory of Gene & Dorothy Paine
Diane Prueher—In memory of Deacon Roi Prueher
Grace & Harry Roumell—In memory of Dick & Dorothy Eckstrom
Joy Schaeffer— In memory of the DeAngelis family
Chuck & Jane Smith—In memory of Bertha Henderson and Dorothy Smith
Christina Smith—To the Glory of God
Ronald Steel—In memory of Susan
Bob & Claudia Stewart—In memory of Ellen Cecrle
Carol & John Teays—In thanksgiving for our many blessings
Tamiko Thompson—To the Glory of God
Michael Thurstlic—In memory of Tom Thurstlic
Nan Wheeler— In memory of my husband Bob
Earl & Phyllis YingLing—In memory of Don Brewer
Carol Van Raam -In memory of Rudy , and Mom & Dad
Mary A. White—In memory of Rev & Mrs Kenneth White
Betty Pugh-Zaleski—In memory of Walt Zaleski & Edgar Pugh
Anonymous(7)—to the glory of God



Enjoy the Summer at Advent!!!

Summer Second Sundays at Advent

Monthly Potluck

June 12

A-G Appetizers/Egg Dish
H-M Salads/Fruit
N-S Main Dish
T-Z Desserts



July 10

A-G Desserts
H-M Appetizers/Egg Dish
N-S Salads/Fruit
T-Z Main Dish

August 14

A-G Main Dish
H-M Desserts
N-S Appetizers/Egg
Dish
T-Z Salads/Fruit

Kitchen Korner Note

THANK YOU!

The recent lunch collection brought \$200 for the *Food and Fellowship Fund!* We are suggesting \$3 per person for the Sunday lunches. (except for Potluck Sundays)

Advent Men's Club

Men's Social Breakfast

at Tivoli Gardens Restaurant

Banquet Room

(12555 W Bell Rd)

3rd Tuesdays, at 9:00 AM

June 21, July 19, August 16



Pizza & Bingo Nights

and

Wine & Cheese Evenings



Will be held throughout
the summer!

Watch "*This Little Light*" for
the dates and times.

Bible Study with Raph Martin

Isaiah and the Prophets

Wednesdays, June 8—August 3

10:00 AM—12:00 PM

We'll meet in Dibbs Hall.



EfM Lite—Multi Week Video/Discussion program

"Understanding the New Testament"

Tuesdays, 1:00-2:30 PM

Paine Hall or Via Zoom [Link Here for Zoom](#)



“The Light of the Holy Spirit: Reflecting on Spirit’s Work In Our Lives and in Our World.”

Pentecost Quiet Day Retreat
with Rev. Canon Scott A. Gunn

Executive Director of Forward Movement

Saturday, June 4, 2022,
8:30 AM—3:00 PM

The Rev. Scott Gunn, executive director of Forward Movement, publisher of the devotional “Forward Day by Day,” will be the guest presenter at a Quiet Day retreat on Saturday, June 4, 2022, here at Advent Episcopal Church.

A quiet day is structured with alternating talks and long periods of silence. During the silence people can journal, walk a labyrinth, walk the beautiful church grounds, or sit in the church and pray, or pray with icons in the church oratory. A lunch will be provided for all registered participants on a free well offering basis. Retreat participants should bring a notebook to take notes or record their thoughts and a seat cushion if they need it. The quiet day retreat is expected to end around 3 PM.

The theme of the quiet day is, *“The Light of the Holy Spirit: Reflecting on Spirit’s Work in Our Lives and in Our World.”* **Pre-Registration by May 31 is required. To register, contact Valerie at the church office (623) 584-0350 or email information@adventaz.org.**

Please register by May 31 in order to have an accurate count for the lunch. The quiet day participation is limited to 50 persons so please book early to avoid disappointment.

Meet Our New Staff Members

Two new staff members joined us in February.



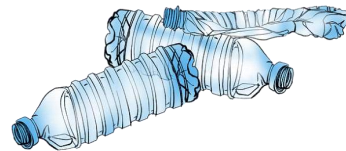
David Booth is our new Sexton. David is originally from Waukegan, Illinois but moved to Phoenix in 1980. He retired from the U.S. Postal Service after 35 years of service. David is married to his wife Marygrace. They have 3 adult children and 4 beautiful grandchildren. He enjoys traveling and spending time with family.



Valerie Lynch is our new Administrative Assistant. Valerie is originally from New York, but also lived in California, Indiana and New Jersey before relocating to the Phoenix area in 2011. She has been in the “church business” for many years. She served as a Religious Program Specialist in the US Navy Reserve (with Marines), a Membership/Stewardship Assistant at Christ Church Cathedral (Episcopal) in Indianapolis (10 years) and a Community Coordinator at Community Church of NY Unitarian Universalist (13 years). She is married to Nick Reachmack. She has 5 adult step-children, 4 adult grandchildren, and 15 “exchange student children” from all over the world.



Our Advent Church Women are looking for someone to chair the **Prayer Shawl Ministry**. We knit or crochet prayer shawls which are available to give to anyone in need. The prayer shawls can be made at home. Please contact parishioner Judy Purdy at 623-544-9214 for more information.



Thank you for all the support with the plastic water bottle collection for the **Wounded Warriors Program**. Please note, however, we **will not** be collecting bottles again until further notice.

Internet and Telephone Safety

Just a reminder, Canon Timothy, Advent staff and church leaders will never ask you to buy gift cards or other “special favors” by email or text. We won’t send links via text.

Be careful with texts and emails—there are entities pretending to be your bank, Social Security, your minister, relatives or friend, and even Amazon.



If ever in doubt, call the office and talk to us personally (623-584-0350).

New This Spring

We are very pleased to announce that our website is being updated soon. Follow “*This Little Light*” for a debut date. Also we can now be found on Instagram and Twitter in addition to Facebook and YouTube.



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Like and subscribe to our [YouTube](#) channel!

Our New Memorial Garden Team



Our new team includes Chuck Smith (chair), Jim Bechtold, John Long and Bruce Wilson.

Please note there are a few spaces left in the existing columbarium. The new unit should arrive soon but the fees will increase.

If you have questions about making arrangements for the Advent Memorial Garden, Columbarium or the Wall of Remembrance, contact Dianne Diaz at church office for more information : 623-584-0350 or dianne@adventaz.org.

Kitchen Korner

We need volunteers to serve on various Sundays.

- 2 people for Team 2 (3rd Sundays)
- 4 people for the Substitute Team
- Help with clean-up on Potluck Sundays

Come to the kitchen counter to sign up on the clipboard. Expect fun and great fellowship!



Pet Memorial Garden



If you would like your pet's ashes to be interred in the Pet Memorial Garden, please contact Chris Turner at email christint@cox.net or call or text at 623-680-0270.

(Please leave a message if no answer.)

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AFFILIATED CLERGY (*non-stipendiary*)

Rev. Canon Geoffrey Dibbs (*ret.*)

Rev. Dr. Janet Gooltz Deacon Debbie Greenleaf

Deacon Meg Lewis Rev. Janice Watts

Advent Vestry 2022

Louise Watts, Senior Warden

Virginia Ruetter

Earl Yingling, Junior Warden

David Raymer

Erica Hutchinson, Clerk

Cathy Shyers

Jim Bechtold

Tommy Smock, Jr.

Sally Charalambous

Gaye Wooldridge

Pat Carroll

ADVENT EPISCOPAL CHURCH VISION

Fewer lonely people, fewer hungry people; more peace, joy, and love in the lives of those we serve.

Please consider submitting an article, photo or poetry for the upcoming Fall issue of the *Luminary*. Promote upcoming activities your committee/group will be offering (or something you yourself are involved with in the greater community). The deadline is Monday, August 1. Send to Valerie@adventaz.org. We hope you enjoy this issue!



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