



**Advent**  
 EPISCOPAL CHURCH  
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**THIS LITTLE LIGHT...**  
*the weekly LUMINARY*  
 November 19, 2023

Thank you for being with us for worship today.  
*Welcome to Advent!*

**REFLECTIONS ON GENEROSITY**

*"I was afraid, and I went and hid your talent in the ground."* –**Matthew 25:25**

In Jesus' day a "talent" was a hefty sum of money, and the characters in the parable are expected to use the talents for profit. Today we think of talents as extraordinary gifts, but the same principle applies. God wants us to use all our talents – and our resources – for Godly purposes, and not just bury them. How are you doing?

**GIVING AWAY THE PLATE—LOVE FOR THY NEIGHBOR**

This year, the "plate offering" collected each Sunday will be donated to worthwhile not-for-profit organizations in our community. (Plate offering is cash unidentified by giver). Last week, \$482 was collected to support Sojourner Center. This week, our recipient organization is West Valley Community Food Pantry. Since 1991, WVCFP has provided food and toiletry items to the poor and homeless in the West Valley. This November, the organization is providing turkeys for Thanksgiving. Learn more at [westvalleycommunityfoodpantry.org](http://westvalleycommunityfoodpantry.org).

**THANKSGIVING DINNER NOVEMBER 22**

Today is the last day to purchase tickets for our annual Thanksgiving dinner this Thursday, November 22 at 5:00 PM!

**BISHOP REDDALL TO VISIT ADVENT DECEMBER 3**

Bishop Jennifer Reddall of the Diocese of Arizona will be visiting Advent Church on December 3 and presiding at the 8:00 and 10:00 AM worship services.

Bishop Reddall leads a diocese of 64 worshipping communities that strive to build churches where newcomers and longtime parishioners alike can deepen their faith, experience the love of God and their neighbor, and claim their identity as disciples and ministers of the Gospels. Be sure to attend church that day and meet our Bishop!

**LOVED ONES CHRISTMAS TREE**

Has a loved one who is not a member of the Advent Family died this year? The Daughters of the King have purchased a "Loved Ones" Christmas Tree for family members who do not attend Advent. We will be preparing ornaments for the Tree to be hung on **December 5**. In order to have time to create these ornaments please contact either Lynn Long, [lynsey1904@gmail.com](mailto:lynsey1904@gmail.com) or Maureen Haskell, [Neenhaskell@aol.com](mailto:Neenhaskell@aol.com) with the name of your loved one prior to December 1, 2023.

**THIS WEEK AT ADVENT**

**Monday, November 20**

- 9:00 AM Helping Hands
- 1:00 PM "Christmas Cheer" practice
- 1:00 PM Walking the Mourner's Path (Women's Group)

**Tuesday, November 21**

- 9:00 AM Advent's Men's Club Social Breakfast
- 10:30 AM Exercise Fitness Class
- 1:00 PM EfM
- 3:00 PM DOK Training

**Wednesday, November 22**

- 8:30 AM Altar Guild
- 8:30 AM Choose to Lose
- 4:00 PM Healing Eucharist with Healing Service
- 5:00 PM Thanksgiving Dinner

**Thursday, November 23**

Church Office Closed



**Friday, November 24**

Church Office Closed

- 1:00 PM "Christmas Cheer" practice

**Saturday, November 25**

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

# Advent Prayer List

November 19, 2023

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.*

Barbara Abbott\*

Jose Antonio

Salvatore & Marie Baressi

Bob Carroll

Donna Claudon\*

Sam Conley\*

Angie Dombek

Karin Hessellund

Mildred Horton

Arlene Janis\*

Laurie Lewis

Millie Mallett\*

David McLaughlin

Bill Navaratil\*

Richard Raszkievicz\*

Sue Ann Simon\*

Ron Steel\*

Jesse Tavares\*

Michael Thurstlic\*

Patricia Tomlin\*

Jerry Wold

The Doyle Family\*

The Yingling Family\*

The Family of Margaret Clemett\*†

## MEMBERS NEEDED FOR FLOWER MINISTRY

The ministry of the Flower Guild provides arrangements for worship services throughout the year. They are a group of four and in dire need of more members. It is now possible to reserve a Sunday for a special memorial. You may choose flowers (\$30) or a sanctuary candle (\$10). The sign-up sheet is located in the hall by the office. They are a group of four and in dire need of more members. If you can help please contact Deacon Meg or Pat Fishback at 206.972.1673.

## BIRTHDAYS THIS WEEK

November 20  
Marilyn Alcamo

November 24  
Cheryl Signor  
Janice Watts

November 21  
Jack Stiehl

November 25  
Elizabeth Hoggan

November 22  
Andrea Hersey



## ANNIVERSARIES THIS WEEK

November 23  
Thomas & Kathryn Flaherty

## UPCOMING EVENTS

- December 3** Bishop Reddall Visit to Advent and The Phoenician Tenors Concert
- December 5** Men's Club and ACW Joint Meeting
- December 8** Advent Quiet Day

## PASCUA YAQUI CHRISTMAS OUTREACH

It's that time of year again! Once again, Advent is blessed to celebrate with the Elders in the in the Old Pascua Yaqui Village (Tucson, Arizona) at the Santa Rosa de Lima Mission. Details are as follows:

- The Pascua Yaqui gift tree will be located in the east narthex beginning **November 19**.
- Simply remove a gift envelope from the tree, place cash/check in the envelope and place it in the box provided next to the tree.
- Pre-determined gifts items will be purchased (in bulk) with the funds collected.
- On **Tuesday, December 5**, interested Advent parishioners will travel to Tucson (arrival time scheduled for 10:30 am). Pascua Yaqui tribal members will serve a traditional meal to those in attendance.
- At 12:00 PM, tribal elders will arrive at the church and gifts will be distributed until approximately 1:00 PM.
- Please contact Erica Hutchinson at 710.354.9054 if you are interested in traveling to the Old Pascua Yaqui Village.

## FAITHSTREET GIVING



Scan the QR code to go directly to Advent's giving page on the Faithstreet website.