



**THIS LITTLE LIGHT...**  
*the weekly LUMINARY*  
 May 4, 2025

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

### REFLECTIONS ON GENEROSITY

John 20:19 – “On the evening of that day, the first day of the week, the doors being locked where the disciples were for fear of the Jews, Jesus came and stood among them and said to them, ‘Peace be with you.’” Fear is the opposite of faith. That is, the kind of cringing fear we have in the face of something that is hostile to us and more powerful than we are. Jesus spends a lot of His time telling the disciples to not be afraid. Our fears constantly hem us in and prevent us from following the Lord’s will. But there is no need to fear. Jesus has conquered. No fear can keep us locked up. We have been set free by Jesus for lives that declare His marvelous deeds.

### DAN REED AND NICOLE PESCI CONCERT TODAY

Join us this afternoon at 1:00 PM to enjoy Dan Reed and his amazing trumpet and Nicole Pesci on piano for an upbeat concert of traditional jazz and other classic musical styles. This is an amazing FREE concert. Free will offerings are accepted.

### MORNING PRAYER THIS TUESDAY

Morning Prayer  
 Tuesday, May 6

9:00 AM  
 Sanctuary

Followed by an  
 informational  
 Breakfast in Paine Hall.



### CHANGES IN WORSHIP SERVICE TIMES

Beginning **June 1, 2025**, Advent will have one worship service on Sunday mornings at 9:00 AM. This schedule will continue through July and August.

Our **Wednesday Holy Eucharist and Healing Service** will be permanently moved from 4:00 PM to 10:00 AM beginning **June 4, 2025**. A short Bible study will be offered by Fr. Gary following the service.

### POTLUCK NEXT SUNDAY MAY 11

Plan now to join us next Sunday for our monthly potluck! Bring a healthy dish to share.

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

**Veterans Ministry monthly meeting** at 11:15 AM in Dibbs Hall. Special guest coming. Get your food first!

### THIS WEEK AT ADVENT

#### Monday, May 5

9:00 AM	Helping Hands
1:00 PM	Walking the Mourner’s Path-CR

#### Tuesday, May 6

9:00 AM	Morning Prayer
11:00 AM	Exercise Class
12:00 PM	EfM

#### Wednesday, May 7

8:30 AM	Women’s Weight Management
4:00 PM	Holy Eucharist w/Healing Service

#### Thursday, May 8

3:00 PM	Advent Choir Practice
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#### Saturday, May 10

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

## Advent Prayer List—May 4, 2025

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.*

Dave S.	Tom Carroll*	Debbie Nova
Justine	Sally Charalambous*	Richard Raszkievicz*
Katie	Cindy Clark	Patty Schneeman
Nicole	Jim Clark	Sue Ann Simon*
Robin G.	Donna Contonis*	Phyllis Widowski
Donna Anderson-Davies*	Jonathan Dombek	Earl Yingling*
Jordan Barnett	Glenice Higgins	The Family of Ron Steel*†
Erhard & Helen Buck*	Sherry Holleman	
Rick Carroll	Sharon Kasper	

*Please remember in prayer all our servicemen and women, especially those who are deployed in war zones, and their families.*

### MOTHER'S DAY DIAPER DRIVE!



It is time again for our Mother's Day diaper drive. Baskets will be placed on both sides of the

church and a basket in Paine Hall. Different sizes are needed along with baby wipes. Baskets will be in place Sunday, **May 4**, and Mother's Day, **May 11**. Questions? Contact Judy Purdy 623.544.9214.

### PLATES OF LOVE

Since 2007, Valley View Community Food Bank has provided emergency food boxes and assistance with utility bills for individuals in El Mirage and Youngstown. Assistance with utility bills is an especially important need as temperatures in the West Valley increase. To learn more visit [www.yourfoodbank.org](http://www.yourfoodbank.org).

### HEALING PRAYERS OFFERED



As a part of our Sunday morning worship services healing prayers will be offered in the back of the sanctuary following communion and in the Prayer Room following each service.

### PRAYER FOR OUR PARISH FAMILY

*Save us, O Lord, as your people, from being inward-looking and backward-looking in the work of the church. Help us to take our eyes off ourselves and turn them on the world around us: to be concerned less with what we have accomplished or where we have failed and more with what remains to be done: that with our vision enlarged and our love rekindled, we may go forward to attempt new and greater things to your glory; in the name of Jesus Christ our Savior. Amen.*



### BIRTHDAYS THIS WEEK

May 5	May 7
Bonnie Bridge	Susan Syquia
May 6	May 10
Yvonne Cooper	Jack Hanstein Jr

### ANNIVERSARYS THIS WEEK



May 6
Norman & Susan Kelln Howard & Janice Mann
May 8
William & Sharon Navratil