



Advent
EPISCOPAL CHURCH
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THIS LITTLE LIGHT...
the weekly LUMINARY
SEPTEMBER 22, 2024

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

REFLECTIONS ON GENEROSITY

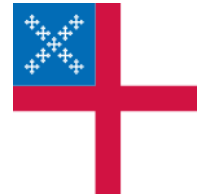
James 4:1, 2 – Those conflicts and disputes among you ... do they not come from your cravings that are at war within you? You want something and do not have it; so you commit murder. And you covet something and cannot obtain it; so you engage in disputes and conflicts. *James puts his finger on the pulse of human misery. We drive ourselves crazy by craving the things we don't have and envying those who have more than we do! Spiritual maturity and practicing steward/discipleship help bring us sanity.*

FAITH SEEKING JOURNEY CLASS BEGINS TODAY

All are welcome to attend The Faith Seeking Journey, a weekly program of Christian formation and education in preparation for baptism, confirmation, reception, or reaffirmation beginning this morning. Sessions will be held in the in the East Room (Library) of Paine Hall between worship services from 9:00 AM—9:45 AM. Program texts are \$25.00. Please contact Judy Huffman for more information.

UPCOMING EVENT THIS WEDNESDAY!

Join us for Food, Fun, and Trivia this Wednesday, **September 25**, at 5:00 PM in Paine Hall featuring Trivia with Eldon! This fun-filled event also includes a wonderful spaghetti dinner, cash raffle, and door prizes! Tickets are \$10 each and can be purchased after church today. Please contact Paulette Caraghar at 623.600.8685 for more information.



RECTOR SEARCH UPDATE



Advent's Parish Profile is complete and available to review on our website—adventaz.org. Look for the picture above on the left side of your screen and click "View Here".

THIS WEEK AT ADVENT

Monday, September 23

9:00 AM Happy Hat Hookers

Tuesday, September 24

9:30 AM Pastoral Care Meeting-CR

10:30 AM Exercise Class

Wednesday, September 25

8:30 AM It Pays to Lose \$

10:00 AM Epistle of Hebrews—DH

4:00 PM Holy Eucharist with Healing Service

5:00 PM Food, Fun and Trivia!



Thursday, September 26

11:00 AM Exercise Class

3:00 PM Choir Practice

Friday, September 27

10:00 AM Loss and Grief Support Group-DH

Saturday, September 28

8:30 AM Altar Guild

9:30 AM Flower Guild

10:00 AM Verger Meeting-CR

Advent Prayer List—September 22, 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.*

Mavis M.
Sandy R.
Dianne Adams*
Sharon Bach-Thomas*
Pat Beavin
Jim Clark
Donna Contonis*
Mary Ellen Fleeger
Stephanie Gilmore*

Andy Hersey*
Michael Horne
Tom Martin*
Rachel Moore*
Bill Navratil*
Steven Ollestad
Richard Raszkievicz*
David Raymer*
Iris Reed

David Schaefer
Sue Ann Simon*
Tom Sizemore
Ron Steel*
Mike Wolf
Tom Wolfe*
The Compton Family
Frank & BJ Mancano
Miles Clark & Family

All our servicemen and women, especially those who are deployed in war zones, and their families. Please take the list home and include these individuals in your private prayers.

GIVING AWAY THE PLATE - LOVE FOR THY NEIGHBOR

Last week, \$461.00 was donated to Westbrook Posse. This is an all volunteer organization providing security services for Westbrook Village residents. Today, funds collected will support the Clergy Discretionary Fund. This fund is used to help parishioners and others at the discretion of Advent clergy.

BIRTHDAYS THIS WEEK

September 23
Sam Conley



September 26
Dorothy Eubank

September 24
Cathy Kissel

September 27
Dorothy Halonen-
Elmiger

September 25
David Chew
Dirk Prather
Carolyn Carlson

September 28
Patti Hirst

ANNIVERSARIES THIS WEEK

September 24
Tom & Pat Carroll

FAITHSTREET GIVING



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

LOSS AND GRIEF SUPPORT GROUP

Deacon Debbie continues to offer a Community Grief Support Group on Fridays in Paine Hall from 10:00 AM—Noon. This is a weekly casual get-together primarily for widows, but all are welcome. The gathering will be a safe place for friendly conversation, where the members are free to cry or laugh or just listen. Coffee and iced tea will be provided. If you have any questions, contact Deacon Debbie at 208.409.3517.

EPISTLE TO THE HEBREWS CLASS CONTINUES

Come, meet Melchisedeck, Abel, and Isaac (and Jesus) in our ongoing course on Hebrews led by Raph Martin. Class meets on Wednesdays in Dibbs Hall from 10:00 AM—12:00 PM.



PRAYER FOR OUR PARISH FAMILY

Save us, O Lord, as your people, from being inward looking and backward. 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.*