



THIS LITTLE LIGHT...
the weekly LUMINARY
December 31, 2023



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

REFLECTIONS ON GENEROSITY

"When they had finished everything required by the law of the Lord, they returned to Galilee, to their own town of Nazareth. The child grew and became strong, filled with wisdom; and the favor of God was upon him." --Luke 2:39-40

Stewardship of faith involves showing up, doing the right thing, and taking care of responsibilities. Joseph and Mary practiced this by fulfilling God's law for their son Jesus. Why not make 2024 a year to develop good, consistent stewardship practices all year long?

RETIREMENT RECEPTION FOR FR. TIMOTHY TODAY

The Hospitality, Events, and Publicity (HEP) team members have planned a retirement reception luncheon for Fr. Timothy today following the 10:00 A.M. worship service. Please join us to make this a memorable occasion for Fr. Timothy!

GIVING AWAY THE PLATE—LOVE FOR THY NEIGHBOR

Last week, \$229.00 was collected to support the Clergy Discretionary Fund of Advent. This week, funds collected will support [Goldensun Peace Ministries](#) in Glendale. Goldensun promotes the physical, social, and spiritual well-being of adults with developmental disabilities. They provide a living environment that encourages better quality of life for their community members, strengthens the family, and encourages congregational and community support.

COUNTRY LINE DANCING CLASS



A one time Country Line Dancing Class will be held in Paine Hall on January 1 from 12:00 PM to 3:00 PM led by instructor Tammy Wolfe. Cost is \$5.

THANK YOU FR. TIMOTHY

Fr. Timothy,
We are grateful for your
guidance, prayers, and
unwavering faith. May your new
journey be filled with joy, peace,
and fulfillment.
Farewell and God bless you!

*Thank
You*

THIS WEEK AT ADVENT

Monday, January 1

Church Office Closed

12:00 PM Country Line Dancing—Paine Hall

Tuesday, January 2

9:00 AM Morning Prayer in Sanctuary

9:30 AM Men's Club & ACW Joint Meeting

10:30 AM Exercise Fitness Class

1:00 PM EfM

1:00 PM HEP Meeting

Wednesday, January 3

8:30 AM Altar Guild

8:30 AM Choose to Lose

4:00 PM Holy Eucharist with Healing Service

Thursday, January 4

11:00 AM Exercise Class

1:00 PM Website Task Force Meeting

3:00 PM Choir Practice

Saturday, January 6

8:30 AM Altar Guild

9:30 AM Flower Guild

10:00 AM PH Decoration Removal

Advent Prayer List

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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.*

Jason	Robin Ladd	Sue Ann Simon*
Barb Abbott*	Laurie Lewis	Christina Smith
Jose Antonio	Larry Loft	Ron Steel*
Salvatore & Marie Baressi	Millie Mallett*	Susan Syquia*
Donna Claudon*	Donna May	Jesse Tavares*
Sam Conley*	David McLaughlin	Michael Thurstlic*
Mary Ellen Fleeger	Evelyn Meyer*	Katie Watts
Harv Haskell	Bill Navratil*	Jerry Wold
Karin Hessellund	Richard Raszkievicz*	The Yingling Family*
Arlene Janis*	Karey Santastevens	

*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.*

UPCOMING EVENTS

- January 7 Many Sounds of 9 Concert
January 11 Holistic Health Matters
January 14 Monthly Potluck
January 16 Men's Club Social Breakfast
January 21 Vestry Meeting

BIRTHDAYS THIS WEEK

December 31
Janice Mann
Herbert Norton

January 3
Rita Aston
Kathryn Bodine
James Hamilton
Nannine Wheeler

*Happy
Birthday !*

ANNIVERSARIES THIS WEEK

*Happy
Anniversary*

January 4
Tommy & Anya Smock, Jr

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.

CHURCH OFFICE HOLIDAY HOURS

A REMINDER

**THE CHURCH OFFICE WILL BE CLOSED ON
JANUARY 1, 2024.**

May the love of Christ fill your heart and home this holiday season bringing you joy and comfort!

FAITHSTREET GIVING



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