



Advent

EPISCOPAL CHURCH

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THIS LITTLE LIGHT...
the weekly LUMINARY
May 5, 2024

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

REFLECTIONS ON GENEROSITY

John 15:16 – Jesus said, “You did not choose me but I chose you. And I appointed you to go and bear fruit, fruit that will last, so that the Father will give you whatever you ask him in my name.”

God has chosen us and given us our bodies, our minds and our spirits. As steward/disciples we are entrusted with these gifts (and God’s Holy Word) for a purpose – to bear fruit for a world that needs it.

EASTER SEASON SUNDAY SCRIPTURE CLASSES

Every Sunday of the Easter season Raph Martin will present a scripture reflection relative to the Sunday readings at the liturgy. Join us in the Conference Room beginning at 9:00 AM—9:45 AM. The bulletin and readings for the upcoming Sunday can be found on the homepage of Advent’s website.



MANY SOUNDS OF 9 CONCERT TODAY!



Join us for an exciting Big Band concert at 1:00 PM today. In 1958 just 9 players created the sound of 5 saxes, 4 trumpets and 4 trombones. Our current group picked up all the arrangements in 2018 and continues the practice of 9 musicians playing multiple instruments for fantastic sounds! Free will donations are welcome.

ACW ANNUAL MOTHER’S DAY DIAPER DRIVE



Diapers will be collected
May 5-May 12.

Baskets will be placed in the Narthex and Paine Hall to collect diapers. Monetary donations may be made to ACW for diaper purchases.

ADVENT DIRECTORIES AVAILABLE TODAY!

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Today there are updated Advent Directories in the Narthex. Please take one home and re-view your personal information for accuracy. We need to assure that we have the correct contact information for each member. If changes are necessary, please call the church office at 623.584.0350 or email information@adventaz.org.

MONTHLY POTLUCK NEXT SUNDAY MAY 12

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

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

THIS WEEK AT ADVENT

Monday, May 6

9:00 AM	Helping Hands
12:00 PM	Country Line Dancing
1:00 PM	Website Taskforce Meeting

Tuesday, May 7

9:00 AM	Morning Prayer in Sanctuary
9:30 AM	Men’s Club & ACW Joint Meeting
10:30 AM	Exercise Class
1:00 PM	EfM—DH
1:00 PM	Hospitality, Events & Publicity—CR

Wednesday, May 8

8:30 AM	Altar Guild
8:30 AM	Choose to Lose
4:00 PM	Holy Eucharist with Healing Service

Thursday, May 9

11:00 AM	Exercise Class
2:00 PM	Holistic Health Matters—CR
3:00 PM	Choir Practice

Saturday, May 11

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

Advent Prayer List—May 5, 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.*

Clark
 Elizabet
 Jake
 Kristine
 Scott
 Tina
 Barb Abbott*
 Dianne Adams*
 Steve Bopp
 Jeanne Boyce
 Erhard Buck*
 Kristen Careau
 Jim Clark

Donna Contonis*
 Garrett Cooper
 Glenn Dupper
 Mark Jordan
 Sharon Kissel
 Katherine McKennel
 Calvin Nap
 Bill Navratil*
 Sharon Navratil*
 LeeAnn Overbay*
 Julia Percy
 Richard Raszkwicz*
 David Raymer*

Peggy Rochon
 Touché Romero
 David Schaefer
 Betty Schryver
 Elizabeth Scott
 David Smith
 Ron Steel*
 Ann Stelter
 Larry Taylor
 Mark Wold
 Mike Wolf
 The Family of Ray Laffin*†
 The Family of Jeanne Sulley*†

BIRTHDAYS THIS WEEK

<p><i>May 5</i> Bonnie Bridge</p> <p><i>May 6</i> Yvonne Cooper</p>	<p><i>May 9</i> Virginia Reutter</p> <p><i>May 10</i> Jack Hanstein Jr</p> <p><i>May 7</i> Susan Syquia</p>
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ANNIVERSARIES THIS WEEK

May 6
 Howard & Janice Mann
 Norman & Susan Kelln

May 8
 William & Sharon Navratil

GIVING AWAY THE PLATE - LOVE FOR THY NEIGHBOR

Again, in 2024, 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, **\$593** was collected for the Clergy Discretionary Fund. This week, donations collected will support **Valley View Community Food Bank**. Founded in 2007, this organization provides emergency food boxes and help with utility bills for individuals in El Mirage and Youngstown. Assistance with utility bills is an especially important need as the temperatures in the Valley increase.



Do you know what this is about? Ask a member of the Planned Giving Committee...

UPCOMING EVENT



Jesus will make his pictorial debut at Advent Episcopal in the person of Jonathan Roumie in Dallas Jenkins's internationally acclaimed film

THE CHOSEN.

A treat is in store for all parishioners who can attend this seven week showing presented by Raph Martin each Wednesday morning beginning May 15 and concluding June 26. Selective episodic showings of the film will be held in Paine Hall from 10:30 AM-12:30 PM.

Attend as many of showings as you are able. As they are offered in the context of our parish scriptural study of the Gospels, we will have the opportunity to speak about our experiences, ask questions, and gain biblical insights. Our hope is that the film will be a transformative experience for you and draw you into closer relationship with our Lord, Jesus Christ.