

September 2020



The Candle

Pastor's Message

I've lost track. I believe our last "normal" worship service, where we expected to see the majority of this congregation in person at one of three worship services was a week or two prior to Palm Sunday and Holy Week. That means that we have been living with Covid-19 for 5 months. Activities here, like everywhere else, have been cancelled and the relatively few small groups that have met in person have been masked and/or physically distant from one another. I, like you, long for things to go back to "normal." I keep putting the word normal in quotes because it is yet to be seen what the new normal will be.

However, we can be assured that things will not stay the way they are now. There will be a time when we can gather together with our loved ones and engage in activities currently unavailable. But, already, (meaning "The Church") are being warned that this experience has changed us and will affect our future. And, though we may grieve the loss of the way things were, these changes might actually be good for the future of the Church.

I'd like for you to join me in some time of reflection and ask you to contemplate a few questions.

- What, in the past five months, has surprised you about your Church?
- Have there been any activities that we used to engage in that you have not missed?
- Where has Advent done well in responding to the changes brought about by this pandemic?
- Where would you like to see your congregation improve in responding to this pandemic?

These are just a few questions to get us started. I seriously am interested in your response. Please feel free to call me to discuss these questions at 440-710-4757. Or, you can email me at: pastorstevebond@aol.com.

And, if you'd prefer to remain anonymous, please feel free to send a letter to the church address of 7985 Munson Rd, Mentor, OH 44060.

This time, although difficult for all, can also be exciting as we ask ourselves the question "What is God up to in our midst and what can we learn from our experience?"

Yours in Christ,
Pastor Steve

dates
to
Remember



Day of Service
Sunday, September 13



Upcoming Blood Drive
October 3
9am-3pm
Please Donate -
Help Save a Life



*"Thy Word is a Lamp
to my feet and a Light
to my path"
Psalm 119: 105*

Pastor Prayer Intercessors

Aug 29-Sept 4	Nancy Marshaus, Rose Schrum
Sept 5-11	Lee Sundblom, Kay Smith
Sept 12-18	Becky Young, Sue Keeley
Sept 19-25	Jen Egner, Sandy Kehler
Sept 26-Oct 2	Rick & Mary Hofer



**The power
of prayer**

Prayer Chain

Do you wish to feel strengthened and fulfilled by offering your time to help others? Nothing could be more gratifying than lifting someone up in prayer in their time of need.

The Prayer Chain is an intentional ministry focused through a network of callers/emails. The Advent prayer chain is looking for more people who would like to become part of this powerful ministry. Being a member of the prayer chain, prayer requests are sent to you either by e-mail or via the phone tree, then, we ask you to pray. What an honor and privilege it is to pray to our Heavenly Father on someone's behalf.

Please contact Sue Keeley @ 862.2790 or by e-mail at suesworkout@att.net if you would like to become part of the prayer chain ministry, or if you have any questions. Prayer is Powerful!!

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Spirituality Moment...

Sunlit Glades No Temptation has overtaken you except such as is common to man; but God is faithful, who will not allow you to be tempted beyond what you are able, but with the temptation will also make the way of escape, that you may be able to bear it.

1 Corinthians 10:13

Lord, bless us in this evening hour, and in Thy Mercy heal us all.

Do not think that suffering is the only path into My Kingdom. There are sunlit glades and ways amid the loveliest flowers, along which the steps and hearts of men are drawn to Me. There are birds and laughter and butterflies and warm, life-giving summer air, and with these as tender companions and friends, the Joy-Way into the Kingdom can be taken. Bleak, cold, and desolate, briar-beset and stony, are not all the ways. Leave all to Me. The choice of ways, the guidance in the way. But when the sunlight calls, accept it gladly.

Even in the Spirit-World appreciation results from contrary experience. Can the fireside of home be dearer than to the traveler who has forced his way over bleak moor and through blinding storm? Take to your hearts this word of cheer. He "will not suffer you to be tempted above that ye are able; but will with the temptation also make a way to escape, that ye may be able to bear it." The world is not the Kingdom. "In the world ye shall have tribulation: but be of good cheer; I have overcome the world." Live with Me, the Conquering Christ, and the Joy and Peace of conquest shall be yours, too.

A. J. Russell. "God Calling"

"I was glad when they said unto me, let us go to the house of the Lord." Psalm 122:1

Prayer & Spirituality



Points from your Parish Nurse

- ♥ Hello, Advent Family! I miss seeing everyone and most of all, I miss giving hugs!! I pray you are staying safe, wearing a mask in public, washing your hands and PRAYING! We don't know what the future holds but we do know that God is in control. No matter the circumstances, the Lord remains our refuge and strength, *"an ever-present help in trouble."* (Psalm 46:1)
- ♥ *"Even youths grow tired and weary, and young men stumble and fall; but those who hope in the Lord will renew their strength. They will soar on wings like eagles; they will run and not grow weary, they will walk and not be faint."* (Isaiah 40:30-31)
- ♥ Care Team Ministry will meet on Saturday, September 5 at 9:30am in a classroom with masks and socially distant. But we will not have coffee and pastries.
- ♥ Caregivers Support Group will meet either outside in the parking lot or in the narthex depending on the weather on the second Thursday, September 10 at 1pm. Last month we met outside and it was a very productive and supportive meeting. If you know anyone who is caring for a loved one, please invite them to join us.
- ♥ Flu season is upon us but due to the Coronavirus we will not be offering flu shots at Advent this year. Flu vaccine is still available at Walgreen's or most pharmacies or from your Primary Care Physician. It's important to remember to get your vaccine early. CDC (Center for Disease Control) recommends anyone 6 months or older receive the flu vaccine. There is no evidence that getting the flu vaccine increases your chance of getting Covid-19. It's always important to get the flu vaccine each year, but in the context of the Covid-19 pandemic, it's even more imperative to do everything possible to reduce illnesses.
- ♥ As always, *"When in doubt, Point to the Cross!"*

Your servant in Christ,
Christine Noble, Parish Nurse

Care Team

Aug 23-Sept 5	Mary Hofer, Sandy Kehler, Joanne Armao
Sept 6-19	Bonnie Reppert, Denise Janosko, Susan Enzerra
Sept 20-Oct 3	Becky Spudich, Barb Zahn, Lida Mackey



Upcoming Blood Drive

Saturday, October 3
9am-3pm.

call 1.800.RED.CROSS

~or~

RedCrossBlood.org
Key word: Advent



Health & Wellness

*"For the whole law is summed up in a single commandment,
You shall love your neighbor as yourself." Galatians 5:14*

Council Minutes - July

July Council Meeting Minutes 7.13.2020

In Attendance (via Zoom): Sandy Kehler, Denise McClanahan, Dave Mattson, Jim Williams, Karen Wallster, Donna Prescott, Pastor Steve, Dave Cattani, Greg Preske, Cherie Moore, Joan Hamm, Eric Williamson, Thomas Knowles

Excused: Bob Tilton

Guest: Claire Morris

Call to Order: 7:00pm

Meeting opened with moment of silence.

Devotion

Approval of June Council Meeting: Motion was made, seconded, and approved.

Treasurer's Report: Eric Williamson

- ◆ Income behind 4.5%
- ◆ Expenses are \$5700 less than plan
- ◆ \$5000 positive net year to date
- ◆ I/O Funds: \$3000 business match donation was placed into Technology.
**Motion was made and seconded, and the Treasurer's report was approved.

New Business:

- ◆ **CPOD:** schedule/duties reviewed
- ◆ **Claire Morris – VBS/Sunday school overview:** at present, only 1 student has registered for VBS (virtual);
Sunday school: parent surveys have gone out with focus on thoughts on returning to in-person classes or online. Suggestions made for in-person - of staggered class dismissal, masks, hand sanitizer, classes outside. Another survey will be sent as the school year gets closer. Pastor suggested and encouraged phone calls for direct contact with parents for VBS and Sunday school thoughts.
- ◆ **Plans for getting back to church: Have you attended outdoor worship, thoughts:** the majority of council members have attended the outdoor drive-in services, most feel it has gone very well and it's good to be "together"; difficulty hearing was largest complaint. *How do we improve Drive-in attendance:* word of mouth, change time to 10am, advertise on front yard sign, variety of people and music options. *Livestream:* nothing to change, going very well with good music choices mixed with YouTube, pastor encourages those watching to leave a comment or send us a notice when you've watched so we know how many people are watching. Like & share on Facebook might help with attendance. *Drive-in Services:* offered the last Saturday of the month at 7pm; and the first Sunday of the month at 10am. Live-stream offered each week at 9am.
- ◆ **Outreach Ministry:** Day of Service plans?? No definitive answers at present. Cherie will discuss with outreach ministry team and next meeting and bring info to council next month.

"As each has received a gift, use it to serve one another, as good stewards of God's varied grace." 1 Peter 4:10

- ♦ **Ministry Teams:** Encouraged council members to touch base with their ministry teams (zoom or circle parking lot). Ministry teams should be meeting.
- ♦ **What can we do to sustain our faith and fellowship:** encourage parking lot meetings and group discussions; zoom meetings are difficult and non-personal.
- ♦ **Open Discussion:** Portable Hepa-filter units (dentist/hospitals are using). Draws fresh air in and circulates “negative” air out. Units would allow for inside small group meetings. Denise will check on pricing of units for next council meeting.

Pastor's Report:

Book Study (*Canoeing the Mountains*): discussion took place. Key points: *seeing church as an adventure, especially with Covid -virus; adaptive to changes, not as many people attending, youth not in church/SS attendance – youth other options available, youth getting away from structured religion, declining number of youth in community, aging community*

**Motion was made and seconded, and the Pastor’s report was approved.

Ministry Team Reports Received: Prayer/Spirituality, Health & Wellness

Ministry Teams that did not meet:

- ♦ **Stewardship:** read “Everyday Spirituality” – need to know who’s reading to prepare for small group discussions (coming up)
- ♦ **CE:** Joan spoke on the meaningful plans to write the curriculum for Sunday school (Claire): *“Pray Boldly, Love Boldly”*

Administration/Housekeeping Items:

August devotion/snack: Dave Cattani

Old Business/Ongoing:

- ♦ **REVEAL –** Tabled
- ♦ **Pictorial Directory:** Continuing work on the proof copy; to be submitted within 2 weeks.
- ♦ **Electronic Sign:** Mentor City Zoning Board – accepted our application to present to city; need variance to go ahead with sign approval. City meeting tomorrow (July 14).

Motion to Adjourn: Motion was made, seconded, and meeting adjourned at 9:02pm.

Respectfully submitted,
Sue Keeley, Council Secretary



What does Luther's Small Catechism say about THE TEN COMMANDMENTS?

The First Commandment: You shall have no other gods.

What is this? or What does this mean? We are to fear, love, and trust God above all things.

The Second Commandment: You shall not make wrongful use of the name of the Lord your God.

What is this? or What does this mean? We are to fear and love God, so that we do not curse, swear, practice magic, lie, or deceive using God's name, but instead use that very name in every time of need to call on, pray to, praise, and give thanks to God.

The Third Commandment: Remember the sabbath day, and keep it holy.

What is this? or What does this mean? We are to fear and love God, so that we do not despise preaching or God's word, but instead keep that word holy and gladly hear and learn it.

The Fourth Commandment: Honor your father and your mother.

What is this? or What does this mean? We are to fear and love God, so that we neither despise nor anger our parents and others in authority, but instead honor, serve, obey, love, and respect them.

The Fifth Commandment; You shall not murder.

What is this? or What does this mean? We are to fear and love God, so that we neither endanger nor harm the lives of our neighbors, but instead help and support them in all of life's needs.

The Sixth Commandment: You shall not commit adultery.

What is this? or What does this mean? We are to fear and love God, so that we lead pure and decent lives in word and deed, and each of us loves and honors his or her spouse.

The Seventh Commandment: You shall not steal.

What is this? or What does this mean? We are to fear and love God, so that we neither take our neighbors' money or property nor acquire them by using shoddy merchandise or crooked deals, but instead help them to improve and protect their property and income.

The Eighth Commandment: You shall not bear false witness against your neighbor.

What is this? or What does this mean? We are to fear and love God, so that we do not tell lies about our neighbors, betray or slander them, or destroy their reputations. Instead we are to come to their defense, speak well of them, and interpret everything they do in the best possible light.

The Ninth Commandment: You shall not covet your neighbor's house.

What is this? or What does this mean? We are to fear and love God, so that we do not try to trick our neighbors out of their inheritance or property or try to get it for ourselves by claiming to have a legal right to it and the like, but instead be of help and service to them in keeping what is theirs.

The Tenth Commandment: You shall not covet your neighbor's wife, or male or female slave, or ox, or donkey, or anything that belongs to your neighbor.

What is this? or What does this mean?

We are to fear and love God, so that we do not entice, force, or steal away from our neighbors their spouses, household workers, or livestock, but instead urge them to stay and fulfill their responsibilities to our neighbors.

What then does God say about all these commandments?

God says the following: "I, the Lord your God, am a jealous God, punishing children for the iniquity of parents, to the third and the fourth generation of those who reject me, but showing steadfast love to the thousandth generation of those who love me and keep my commandments."

What is this? or What does this mean?

God threatens to punish all who break these commandments. Therefore we are to fear his wrath and not disobey these commandments. However, God promises grace and every good thing to all those who keep these commandments. Therefore we also are to love and trust him and gladly act according to his commands.

"Beloved, I pray that all may go well with you and that you may be in good health, just as it is well with your soul." 3 John 2

Food Pantry Donations needed for the month of September:

Toothpaste & Toilet Paper

****Volunteers Needed****



Digital Divide

Worried about kids needing to do school remotely? Especially kids whose families cannot afford tablets, computers, or WiFi? We are working on a plan to help bridge the so-called "Digital Divide" and help students have the technology they need to learn during these times. Stay tuned!

ELCA Day of Service, "God's Work, Our Hands"

Sunday, September 13th.

Working together.....while apart.....creating connections and sharing God's love

Just like everything else this year, the Day of Service will be *different*. Lutherans do something different? Yikes! In 2020, we face a multitude of chronic crises - economic, public health, and societal - yes, everything seems to be changing. But there are at least three things that haven't changed:

1. God is love.
2. As Christians we are called by God to share that love with those around us.
3. As humans created in God's image, one of our greatest needs is connection with each other.

This year we may not be able to gather large groups to sing, enter homes to provide repairs, or gather inside to stuff hospice pillows or make cards. BUT, we can still connect with those around us, providing them little reminders that God loves them and they are *not* alone. In a time of such isolation and stress, these little things may in fact be one of the most effective ways we can serve. Here's a list of proposed ways we can individually, yet together, serve and love those around us. Each member of Advent is encouraged to select one (or several!) of ways to serve on or about the Day of Service on September 13th.

Project ideas:

1. **Bring a care package of cards, food, or other goodies to those workers around you particularly affected by the Coronavirus:** Teachers, Janitors, HealthCare Providers, Delivery Drivers, First Responders, Grocery Store Workers. For these people, we recommend that the people doing the service call ahead first and be sure the gift would be accepted. Also, we will recommend that only pre-packaged food be provided to ease safety concerns.



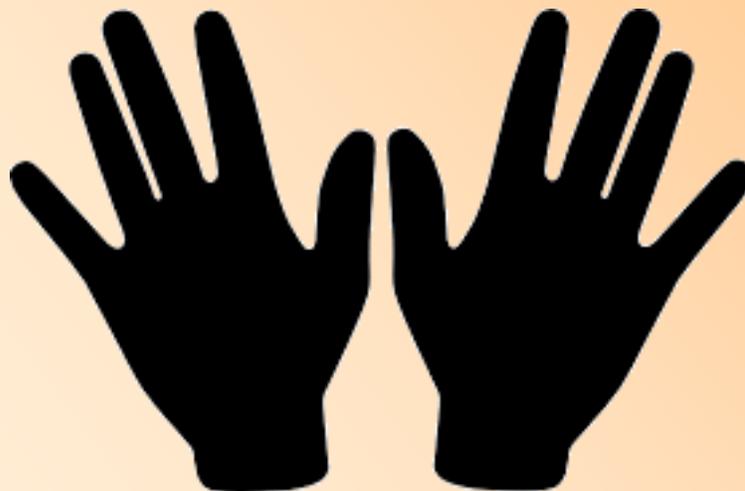
"Through love, serve one another" Galatians 5:13

Day of Service (cont'd)

2. **Making homemade baked goods for someone you know personally to brighten their day** - especially someone who is particularly isolated during this time. (Check if they are comfortable with homemade)
3. **Beach or park clean up** - since this is outside, it could possibly be done by several people together but spread out.
4. **Chalk a happy or encouraging message** or picture on your neighbor's sidewalk
5. **Pay for the person or people behind you** in the Drive-Through
6. **Do yard work** for your neighbor. Or wash the outside of their windows.
7. **Make 5 phone calls** to people you haven't talked to in a while
8. **Make and distribute masks**
9. **Decorate rocks** and hide them to brighten the finder's day
10. **Arrange to have groceries or a meal delivered** to someone in need or lonely. You can even enjoy your meals "together" through Zoom or similar.
11. **Collect needed items for Project Hope.** Please drop off at Advent on September 13th at the back entrance between 10:30am and 12:30pm. See page 9 of this newsletter for the list of needed items.

**Once we have served our neighbors,
Let's all connect as a community!**

Please post pictures and reflections on Advent's Facebook page if you are on Facebook. Use the hashtag #GodsWorkOurHands. If you are not on Facebook, please email Jen Lenz at JenDLenz@gmail.com and she will compile our experiences for sharing with the community. You can even call Jen at 614-580-1647 to share about your day. We will share our experiences virtually during live-stream church in the following weeks.



Needs list for Project Hope

Please drop off supplies at **Advent** on September 13th from 10:30am to 12:30pm. There will be a collect at the back entrance to the church. If you cannot make that time, items can be dropped off at Project Hope on Wednesday or Friday from 9am to 1pm.

- ◇ Seventh Generation Professional All-Purpose Cleaner (effective against COVID-19 virus), Pine Sol or all purpose cleaners, Bleach, Toilet bowl cleaner, Lysol spray, floor cleaner
- ◇ Paper towels, toilet paper, 13 & 33 gallon trash bags
- ◇ Styrofoam cups 8 oz, disposable hot cups 8-12 oz, paper plates and cups, plastic forks, spoons, knives, napkins
- ◇ Drink mix (no red flavors please due to possible staining issues)
- ◇ Cereal (please no Cheerios so there is a variety)
- ◇ Disposable cereal bowls 12 oz or larger
- ◇ Lunch chips (individually bagged), lunch snacks (granola bars, etc.)
- ◇ Women's clothing 3X
- ◇ NEW women's & men's underwear L/XL/XXL
- ◇ NEW twin size **fitted** sheets
- ◇ Large bottles of shampoo/conditioners/body washes
- ◇ Sugar
- ◇ Hot cocoa, tea bags, coffee regular and decaf, powdered coffee creamer
- ◇ Wash cloths and bath towels
- ◇ Shower flip flops/shoes men & women L & XL sizes
- ◇ Men's T-shirts & long-sleeves L/XL/XXL, men's socks
- ◇ Hairbrushes
- ◇ Large/XL vinyl or latex gloves
- ◇ Aspirin, Tylenol and Ibuprofen, adult and children's cough syrup, cough drops
- ◇ AA, AAA, D size batteries
- ◇ Aluminum foil, saran wrap
- ◇ Foot powder
- ◇ Men's deodorant, women's deodorant
- ◇ Ear plugs
- ◇ Air freshener (the automatic kind)
- ◇ Copy paper
- ◇ Stamps

Can You Help?

WORSHIP AND MUSIC NEWS ATTENTION READERS AND YOUTH!!

We have enjoyed our live-streamed Worship Services very much and now want to step up our game! It would be very nice to include more of our members in the live-stream. How can we do this and not have more people in the sanctuary? Why, we can send a video of ourselves to Pastor! What are we talking about? We would like to have the readings done by members at home. If you like to serve as a lector/reader for church service readings, we would love for you to participate. Here is the procedure:

1. Call the church office and talk to Sue Keeley. You can agree on a Sunday when you would read.
2. You could videotape yourself doing the reading at home or you could arrange to meet at the church and have Pastor videotape you reading at the lectern.
3. If you did the reading and taping at home, send the file via text or email to Pastor Steve

That's it. Simple, right? AND, you do not need to be available on Sunday morning in order to participate.

In addition, we would like to include the youth in the closing. The procedure is similar. You will need to videotape your children saying "Go in peace, serve the Lord!" and send this file to Pastor via text/email. You may be as creative as your like with this. For example, your children could be helping Mom or Dad in the kitchen while speaking. Have the children think of ways in which they "serve the Lord." Have fun with it! We are looking forward to the result!

September Altar Flowers

- 6** OPEN
- 13** **Williams** (in honor of Dawn & Carrie and families)
- 20** **Hamilton** (in honor of Tom Koch)
- 27** OPEN

September Altar Guild:

Roxana Williams,
Dawn Toth



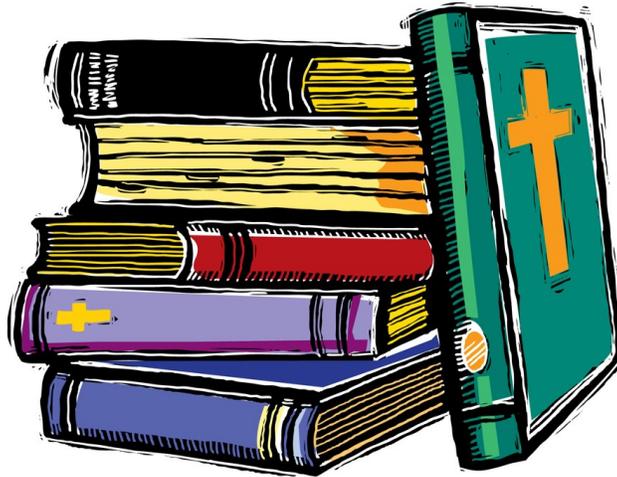
Go in Peace, Serve the Lord

MID-WEEK BROWN-BAG BIBLE STUDY

The Prayer and Spirituality Team sponsors a mid-week ***BROWN-BAG BIBLE STUDY*** which occurs on the fourth Thursday of each month from 12:00pm to 1:30pm. As the title implies, bring your own “brown-bag” lunch to enjoy while we study scripture.

The discussion is going to be light and fun. You do NOT have to be a “Biblical scholar.” Just bring your Bible (or E-Bible) and show up. We will all learn together as we go. Also, if you have to miss a session, that’s fine. The program is not built upon sequencing of topics.

As you are all well aware, we are in the middle of a pandemic. Weather permitting, we will meet outside behind the Church. If not, we will meet in the Fellowship Hall and/or the Narthex in 2 groups. Current Ohio mask wearing and social distancing guidelines will be observed at all times.



If you are interested in participating and so that we can develop a contact list, please contact Tim Krueger at LTCTKRUE@aol.com or (440) 391-0369 or Becky Spudich at bspudich@sbcglobal.net or (440) 487-7897.

BACK TO SCHOOL!



Please keep the youth, parents, and all teachers in prayer during this difficult time of “Covid-schooling,” as everyone navigates through new ways, thoughts, and ideas.

September / October Birthdays

02 Matthew Berlin
Abigal Zevnik
03 Clara Rykaczewski
04 Kevin Freese
05 Donna Prescott
06 Brittny Manos
Frankie Collins
07 Richard Allay
08 Mark Toth
10 Jeanne Ann Elkin
Amelia Flowers
12 Julie Cattani
13 Natasha Dodge
Zachary Patrick
15 Denise McClanahan
16 Leah Bruno
17 Judith Grove
18 Caroline Berlin
21 Sandra Agard
Jennifer Lenz
Darren Jochum
22 Yvonne Kulma
23 Kelly Xie
24 Rhoda Rutkowski
Sarah Knowles
Tyler Wallster
25 Ginny Heiss
26 Robert Kracht
William Patrick
April Driesse
Troy Molinar
27 Vince LaTona
28 Adam Rutkowski
Patricia Kaselonis
29 Quinn Flowers
30 Billy Robinson

01 Michael Weiss
Matthew Killeen
Laura Petro
03 Ann Marie Johnson
Regina Dubeansky
04 Carole Niebes
Geoffrey Zevnik
Victoria Young
05 Thomas Marshaus
06 Tim Krueger
08 Frank Bickley
Alexis Kracht
Jordan Kracht
Memphis Friel
12 Rosalie Spano
Paula Gibson
NathanENZerra
13 Esther Scott
Richard Hofer
Kristie Mentch
Andrew Nowak
15 Jerry Gribbons
David Mattson
John Marshaus
Joshua Amspauagh
19 Lori Roy
22 Donna Lesiacsek
Nathan Kemery
Fawn Patrick
23 Ann Molinar
Barbara Zahn
John Bolton
24 Eric Williamson
Laura McArthur
25 Carol LaBrush
MichaelENZerra
27 David Fabian

27 Lida Mackey
Alveno Parker
Samantha LaTona
Irie Tagle
28 Leslie Sundblom
Sterling Coleman
Adam Roeder
30 Maureen Hodgson
Alleigh Stout
Johnny Ciani
31 Betty Davis



Advent Endowment Committee Scholarship Program

The Endowment Committee is pleased to announce the recipients of the 2020 Endowment Committee Scholarships. Four scholarships valued at \$1,000 were awarded. The four recipients were selected via random drawing from a group of ten applicants. Those not selected are encouraged to reapply next year.

The winners are:

Matthew Brown, attending Ohio University, majoring in mechanical engineering technology;

Regina Dubeansky, attending Hiram University, majoring in exercise science;

Quinn Daniel Flowers, attending Bowling Green State University, majoring in business; and

Hannah Robertson, pursuing her doctorate in veterinary medicine at the North Carolina State University College of Veterinary Medicine

This scholarship is supported through Advent's General Endowment Fund, the Judi Kulma / Gene Allen Educational Fund, and generous contributions from the Rod Mattson family and the Moorman family.

The purpose of Endowment is to strengthen Advent's financial position for enhancing its ministry. It is a long-term partnership with the congregation to realize opportunities that cannot ordinarily be accomplished through our regular church budget.

A letter from the Boy Scouts of America Claims Agent:

August 1, 2020

Dear Advent Lutheran Church:

As you may be aware, the national organization of the Boy Scouts of America has filed for Chapter 11 bankruptcy in order to restructure its nonprofit organization and pay Sexual Abuse Survivors who were abused during their time in Scouting. Sexual Abuse Survivors include anyone who was sexually abused during their time in Scouting on or before February 18, 2020. We are requesting your assistance in notifying anyone you are in contact with who may have been involved with Boy Scouts, Cub Scouts, or any entity or activity associated with Scouting.

You will find a short one-page notice enclosed (*we have placed this notice on the bulletin board outside the church office*), which provides additional information about the bankruptcy case and the deadline to file claims by November 16, 2020. You can also obtain further information and materials by visiting: www.OfficialBSAclaims.com or by calling 1.866.907.2721.

Sincerely,

Official BSA Claims Agent

*****This information is being shared with you incase you know of a family member, friend, neighbor that may need it.*****

Finance Update · July 31, 2020

GENERAL FUND

Balance 1/1/20	\$ 34,533.98	34,533.98	
Income	172,216.77	180,276.00	(8,059.23)
Expenditures	170,012.16	187,308.00	17,295.84
Ending Balance July 31, 2020	\$36,738.59	\$27,501.98	\$ 9,236.61

BUILDING FUND/ EXISTING MORTGAGE

Balance 1/1/20	\$15,457.18	\$15,457.18	
Income			
Expenditures			
Ending Balance July 31, 2020	\$ 15,457.18	\$ 15,457.18	No Mortgage

DESIGNATED/ RESTRICTED FUNDS

Balance 1/1/20	\$ 99,584.56	<i>Treasurer's Report with Fund Balances are posted at the end of each month on the council bulletin board in the hallway.</i>	
Income	14,073.61		
Expenditures	26,527.98		
Ending Balance July 31, 2020	\$87,130.19		

From the Office

Deadline Reminder:

Newsletter information: by the 15th of the month

I am currently working **in the office** on Monday and Thursday, and working from home Tuesday, Wednesday and Friday. I can be reached on my cell at 440.862.2790 when I am not in the office. Thank You.

Just a reminder...

When emailing church info or church questions, please use the **church email address:**
adventmentor1@sbcglobal.net

Information and/or questions sent to my personal email can be missed and may not be answered in a timely manner as needed. Thank you, Sue

**To submit items to *The Candle*, contact:
Sue Keeley - Office Administrator at 440.257.5565
You may also e-mail your information to:
adventmentor1@sbcglobal.net.**

ADVENT'S STAFF

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 Chancel Choir Director: Doreen Mattson 946.5043
 Praise Team Director: Tracy Ammon 749.0690
 Parish Nurse: Christine Noble 346.3120
 Youth Director: Claire Morris 670.8877

OFFICE HOURS

Administrative Hours:

Monday - Thursday: 8am-5pm (phones answered at 9am)
 Friday: 8am-12pm

Pastor's Office Hours:

Monday-Thursday: 9am - 1pm / Friday: Day off
"It is always best to call in advance for an appointment as his schedule may take him out of the office even during these times"
 Cell phone: 440.710.4757 / Email: pastorstevebond@aol.com

Parish Nurse

Monday, 10am - 2pm

VOLUNTEER CONTACTS

Greeters

Isabel Tomer (9am)974.1396
 Robyn Lojek (11:30am)974.8464

Worship Assistants (6pm)

Lisha Ciani 216.905.5306

Lay Assistants and Bread Givers

Doreen Mattson 946.5043

Worship Assistants (9am)

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Worship Assistants (11am)

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• **Prayer Chain**

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• **Healing Touch**

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Worship Schedule

- ◆ During this time of Covid-19, please be sure to check our webpage often, as worship times are changing.
- ◆ Sunday School: 10:05am ▪ all ages
(will resume in the fall)

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Advent Welcomes You!

Welcome! With delight, we greet all who come to worship. You are sincerely welcomed and invited to be a regular worshipper here in God's house. If you are looking for a church home, you will find a ready welcome here at Advent Lutheran Church.

Welcome Friends



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