



# The Bell Ringer



The Weekly Newsletter of the Episcopal Church of the Advent

March 4, 2018

## THIS WEEK

### Sunday, March 4

- 4:30pm Youth Choir
- 6:00pm Sunday Night ConneXion
- 9:00pm High School Discussion Group

### Monday, March 5

- 8:15am Morning Prayer \*
- 11:45am ECW Annual Meeting
- 1:30pm Al-Anon
- 5:30pm AA

### Tuesday, March 6

- 7:00am High School Prayer Breakfast
- 9:30am Watercolor Class
- 2:00pm Listening Hearts Group
- 3:00pm Co-Dependents Anonymous
- 4:30pm Meditation Group
- 5:30pm Holy Eucharist/Healing
- 6:30pm Troop 1 Meeting
- 6:30pm St. Cecilia Choir

### Wednesday, March 7

- 7:00am 9th Grade Prayer Breakfast
- 12:05pm Word & Music
- 12:35pm Lenten Lunch
- 5:15pm Angel/Junior Choir
- 5:45pm Lenten Dinner & Lesson/Nursery
- 6:00pm Youth UNplugged
- 6:30pm Kids Crew
- 6:30pm Advent Schola
- 8:00pm AA & Al-Anon

### Thursday, March 8

- 7:00am Men's Bible Study
- 7:00am Middle School Prayer Breakfast
- 9:00am Women's Bible Study
- 10:00am Summit Hills Holy Eucharist
- 12:15pm Holy Eucharist/Healing
- 12:30pm Cherub Choir
- 1:30pm Al-Anon
- 6:00pm Advent Toners

### Friday, March 9

- 9:30am Watercolor Class

### Saturday, March 10

*Please Move Your Clock Ahead One Hour Before Bedtime*

**Sunday, March 11 - Fourth Sunday in Lent  
Refreshment Sunday - Kanuga Parish Weekend  
8 & 10:30am Holy Eucharist**

- 9:00am Gleaners Class
- 9:15am Rector's Forum

*Morning Prayer is said Mon. – Fri. in Olney Chapel when the office is open.*

### Sunday, March 4

**Spartanburg Interfaith Hospitality Network (SPIHN)** families will be with us this week. Please pray for our team members listed on the back page and volunteer if you can help.

**Sunday Night Youth ConneXion** will play dodgeball in the Youth Center from 6 to 7:30pm.

### Monday, March 5

**ECW (Episcopal Church Women) Annual Meeting** at 11:45am in the PCLC dining rooms. Krista Newkirk, President of Converse College, will be the guest speaker. Lunch will be \$7.

### Wednesday, March 7

**Word & Music Noon Lenten Series:** We will welcome Chip and Karen Hill, clarinetists in the Spartanburg Philharmonic Orchestra. Each installment of the series will last approximately 25 minutes, and lunch (\$6 per person) will follow in the Parish and Community Life Center (PCLC). On March 14, our guest preacher will be the Rev. Canon James Hartley, Canon for Christian Formation, Congregational Vitality and Missional Communities at the Episcopal Diocese of Upper South Carolina.

**Dinner and Lenten Programs:** *Worshiping Well: Maundy Thursday.* Dinner begins at 5:45pm, and programs for children and adults will begin at 6:30. Each week adults will be led through the various liturgies of Holy Week, and we'll focus on enhancing the experience of our worship but also on how our worship speaks to the realities of our lives. Children will learn about *The Parable of the Great Feast*. Please RSVP by noon on Monday, March 5, by contacting Gail Owens at 864-583-2438 or [gowens@churchofadvent.org](mailto:gowens@churchofadvent.org). Supper prices: \$6 Adults and children 13+; \$3 children ages 4-12; free for children ages 3 and under; \$25 max per family.

### Saturday, March 10

Daylight Saving Time will begin on Sunday morning. Please set your clock one hour ahead before bedtime.

### Sunday, March 11

**Two-Service Sunday: Services at 8 & 10:30am**

#### Sunday School for Adults

*The Gleaners Class* will meet at 9am in the Library Conference Room located in Satterlee Hall.

*The Rector's Forum* will meet in the PCLC dining rooms at 9:15am. We'll have beverages and doughnuts for you to enjoy.

## Visitors and Newcomers

We are glad you are here! Please fill out a yellow welcome card, found in the pew racks, and place it in the offering plate. We are eager to answer any questions and provide materials that might be helpful. We look forward to getting to know you and greeting you by name!

**Advent Basketball Recognition:** Coaches and players will be dressed in jerseys during the 9am service and will attend a breakfast in the Parish and Community Life Center (PCLC) Gym following the service. Three of our teams were league champions: 12 & 13-Year-Old Boys Team and Junior Boys, Team 2 in the YMCA league and the 3rd & 4th Grade Boys in the St. Paul's league! Thanks to everyone for another great year!

## Please Give Thanks and Pray for Our Advent Host Team

### Spartanburg Interfaith Hospitality Network (SPIHN) - March 4-11

**Session Coordinator:** Steve Wyman

**Volunteers:** Katherine Bauer, Kevin Bock, Lynn Brown, Ted Conwell, Jean Dunbar, Ann Evans, Marshall Evans, Nancy Gage, John Gaskins, Sally Gaskins, Alec Hopps, Melissa Johnson, Ruthie Knight, Chip McLeod, Stone McLeod, Doris Mathews, Alene Pittman, David Pittman, Ashley Reid, Evelyn Richards, Dave Rodrick and Trey Thies

We still have multiple openings: Overnight Hosts for tonight (3/4) and Friday, Saturday Brunch provider, Saturday Afternoon Host, Assistant Supper Host for Saturday night and Sunday morning teardown. If you're available to help, please contact Steve Wyman at 864-621-4148 or [jssteve@gmail.com](mailto:jssteve@gmail.com).

## Looking Ahead

**Sorta Young Baby Boomers**, Friday, March 16 at 7pm hosted by Bill and Sally Coker, 1205 Partridge Road. Please bring and appetizer to share and your beverage of choice. Please let the Cokers know you are coming by emailing [sallywcoker@gmail.com](mailto:sallywcoker@gmail.com). Invite your friends!

### Sunday, March 18

- **Youth Pilgrimage Car Wash:** Please support the Youth Pilgrims by having your car washed from 7:30 to 11:30am. We will be located in the Kennedy Street parking lot near the Youth Center. Donations are greatly appreciated.
- **The Brotherhood of St. Andrew**, 8:45-9:30am in PCLC Dining Room C: Kathie Bennett will introduce us to novelist Chris Swann. His debut novel, *The Shadow of the Lions*, is set in Virginia and is a finalist for the Townsend Prize! Chris is a gifted speaker and head of the English Department at Holy Innocents' Episcopal School in Atlanta.
- **Fellowship Group** will gather at 6:30pm in the home of David and Debbie Bowdish, 421 Mustang Drive. Please bring and appetizer to share and your beverage of choice. Email [dsr49@bellsouth.net](mailto:dsr49@bellsouth.net) and let them know you are coming. Friends are welcome!

## Events and Opportunities

**Easter Flower Memorials:** Forms for Easter memorials and thanksgivings may be found in the pew racks, Pendleton Hall, Satterlee Hall and the church website, [churchofadvent.org](http://churchofadvent.org). The deadline for memorials and thanksgivings to be included in the Easter bulletin is 4pm on Wednesday, March 21. Please note that memorials must be submitted in writing. Print names clearly and exactly as they should appear in the bulletin.

**Candy collection for Easter Egg Hunt:** Please drop off pre-wrapped candy in the blue bins in Satterlee Hall and the PCLC Lobby. We are recycling our eggs so all we need is candy to fill the eggs so our children have a wonderful hunt Easter morning at 10:30am.

**Volunteers Needed for the "Aladdin" school play (March 27-28):** Please contact Joy Oates at [joyoates61@gmail.com](mailto:joyoates61@gmail.com) or Julie Schwartz at [julieschwartz@charter.net](mailto:julieschwartz@charter.net) to learn more. Thank you for sharing God's light and love!