



The Bell Ringer



The Weekly Newsletter of the Episcopal Church of the Advent

November 4, 2018

Sunday, November 4 - 24th Pentecost

ALL SAINTS' SUNDAY

Holy Eucharist 7:45, 9 & 11:15am (Incense)

- 7:30am Ecumenical Blood Drive
- 8:45am Troop 1 Piggly Fest Ticket Sales
- 10:15am Sunday School for All Ages
- 5:30pm Service for Remembrance & Reflection
- 6:00pm Sunday Youth ConneXion

Monday, November 5

- 8:15am Morning Prayer *
- 12:00pm FAVOR Recovery Group (Wed., Fri.)
- 1:30pm Al-Anon
- 6:00pm Co-Dependents Anonymous
- 6:00pm Fruit of the Spirit Circle Cooking

Tuesday, November 6

- 9:30am High School Hike to Table Rock
- 12:15pm Book & Brown Bag
- 2:00pm Listening Hearts Group
- 3:00pm Co-Dependents Anonymous
- 4:30pm Meditation Group
- 4:45pm Gabriel's Instruments
- 5:30pm Holy Eucharist/Healing
- 6:30pm Troop 1 Meeting
- 6:30pm FAVOR Family Group
- 6:30pm St. Cecilia Choir

Wednesday, November 7

- 5:15pm Angel Choir/Junior Choir
- 5:45pm Wednesday Dinner & Program
- 6:30pm Advent Schola
- 8:00pm AA & Al-Anon

Thursday, November 8

- 7:00am Men's Bible Study
- 7:00am Middle School Prayer Breakfast
- 8:30am Cherub Choir
- 9:00am Women's Bible Study
- 10:30am Summit Hills Holy Eucharist
- 12:15pm Holy Eucharist/Healing
- 1:30pm Al-Anon
- 6:00pm Advent Toners

Sunday, November 11 - 25th Pentecost

Holy Eucharist 7:45, 9 & 11:15am

- 8:45am Troop 1 Piggly Fest Ticket Sales
- 10:15am Sunday School for All Ages
- 12:45pm Senior Gabriel's Instruments
- 5:30pm Sunday Night Worship Committee
- 6:00pm Sunday Night Youth ConneXion
- 9:00pm High School TV Discussion Group

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

Sunday, November 4

"Blood Sunday" Ecumenical Blood Drive: The bloodmobile will be at the Advent from 7:30am to 12:30pm. We hope that everyone in the parish, who is able to do so, will consider being a part of the drive. The church will be awarded \$20 per unit. Please bring your photo ID or blood donor card.

Sunday School for All Ages - 10:15am

- * **Adventure Kingdom:** Children ages 4k through 5th grade will meet in their individual classes in the Parish and Community Life Center (PCLC).
- * **Youth Classes** (6th-12th grade): *Youth Confirmation* and *XCentric* meet in the Youth Center.
- * **Adult Classes:** *Welcome to Sunday!*, *Seekers*, and *Parents in Community* meet in the PCLC dining rooms. The *Gleaners Class* meets in the Library Conference Room in Satterlee Hall.

Service of Remembrance and Reflection, 5:30pm: This will be a service of readings commemorating the passing of loved ones interspersed with music, in this case the *Requiem* by Gabriel Fauré (1845-1924). Our youth and adult choirs will be the choir which presents this work. An eight-piece orchestra will accompany the choir. Everyone is encouraged to bring photos and other mementos to be displayed on a table in front of the nave.

Monday, November 5

Fruit of the Spirit – Advent Evening Women's Circle, 6pm: Join us for a cook night in the PCLC Kitchen where we will bake sour cream rolls and prepare holiday rice packs for the Bazaar. No cooking experience is necessary. Bring an appetizer to share.

Tuesday, November 6

Youth Day Hike: If you signed up for the hike to Table Rock, please remember to bring a water bottle, day pack and bagged lunch. We'll leave the church at 9:30am and return around 5pm.

Book & Brown Bag: From 12:15-1:10pm in PCLC Dining Room C, join our rector, Ned Morris, as we continue our discussion of *The Undertaking: Life Studies from the Dismal Trade* by Thomas Lynch. The book is \$16 and is available from Jeanelle Smith in Satterlee Hall. To prepare for class, please read *Golfatorium - Mary & Wilbur* (42 pages).

Wednesday, November 7

1st Wednesday Dinner, 5:45pm in the PCLC: Our own Regina Fargis, Executive Director of Summit Hills Retirement Community, will share from her experience and training on handling some of the difficult decisions related to the "later years" - aging, taking care of relatives, and other issues. Please reserve your meal by contacting Gail at gowens@churchofadvent.org or 864-583-2438 by 5pm on Monday, November 5. Nursery RSVPs should be directed to Brenda Rivera, the nursery coordinator, at 864-381-1307. Please bring canned goods at each dinner.

Welcome

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!

Pledge Update

Thank you to everyone who has made a financial pledge for 2019. If you have not made a pledge, please do so as soon as possible. Pledge forms are available in the pews, Pendleton Hall, the PCLC, and the receptionist desk in Satterlee Hall. You may also complete a confidential pledge form online at <https://tinyurl.com/yan3v2sq>. As of November 1, we have received 297 pledges totaling \$1,406,698.

ECW (Episcopal Church Women) Bazaar: Nov. 15, 11am to 6pm



New Location of Love Gifts Drop Off: Our ECW closets are full so we have changed our drop-off location. Beginning November 5, Love Gifts may be brought to the back entrance of the PCLC Gym. If you have any questions, please contact Grantham at 864-431-2780.

Bags and Packing Materials: Please save your extra bags, boxes, newspaper and any other packing materials you may have on hand. You may drop them off at the PCLC Lobby the week of the Bazaar, November 11-15.

Baked Goods: We will need LOTS of homemade goodies for this booth! Please let Jennifer Pitts know what you plan to bring: jenniferpitts@spencerhines.com. You may drop off items from 10am to 5pm on Wednesday, November 14, in the gym. Please bring your item, tagged (a sticky note is fine and a recommended price is welcome!) and wrapped with ribbon, if possible. If not, we will have extra cellophane and ribbon on hand.

To Volunteer with the Bazaar – we need you!! Contact Co-chairs: Kitsy Babb at kitsybabb@gmail.com or Krista Stone at kristastone@att.net. The Bazaar will be held on Thursday, November 15, from 11am to 6pm.

Bazaar Lunch, November 15, 11:30am-1pm, \$10/plate for dine-in and takeout. **Menu:** Chicken Athena (Chicken baked in white wine, lemon, fresh oregano and topped with grape tomatoes, feta cheese crumbles and kalamata olives), Lemon Thyme Rice, Greek Salad, Toasted Pita with Hummus, Lemon Cookies, and Tea/Coffee/Water. To reserve a table of eight or to place take-out orders for 10 plates or more, call 864-504-3684. Please make table and take-out reservations by noon on Monday, November 12.

Come Out and Support the 2020 Youth Pilgrims: Please order your Christmas wreaths and garlands at the Bazaar. Forms will also be available on campus and the website.

Looking Ahead

Troop 1 “Piggly Fest” BBQ and Brunswick Stew Tickets: Mark your calendars for the Troop 1 BBQ Fest on Saturday, November 17. Enjoy lots of delicious pulled pork, Brunswick Stew, slaw, roll, and dessert for \$10. Gallons of iced tea will also be available for purchase. You can pick up your plate anytime between 8:30am and 2pm on Advent Street in front of the PCLC. Scouts will be selling tickets between church services on Sundays through November 11. Please support Troop 1; it has been forming character at the Advent since 1914. Questions may be directed to troop1@churchofadvent.org.



“Upstate Big Brass Project” concert, Sunday November 18, at 3:30pm: The Upstate Big Brass Project is a newly founded group of 12 brass players in the upstate (i.e. trumpets, trombones, French horns, tubas) who will be giving a concert in our sanctuary with Brennan Szafron as guest organist. They will play some fun and festive music at the front of our church. Admission is free and everyone is welcome!

Operation Magi is looking for volunteers to adopt Mary H. Wright Elementary School students (ranging in age from pre-K to 5th grade) and purchase ONLY three gifts, to include a set of clothing, a book, and one toy/item from the child’s wish list with a value of no more than \$25. Shopping lists will be available in mid-November, and all gifts must be purchased and delivered to the PCLC by December 16. To adopt a child, please contact Lynne Blackman at 864-680-0578 or blackman.lynne@gmail.com.