



# The Bell Ringer



The Weekly Newsletter of the Episcopal Church of the Advent

September 8, 2019

## September 8 - 13<sup>th</sup> Sunday after Pentecost

8:00am Holy Eucharist Rite I  
9:10am Sunday School for all  
10:15am Holy Eucharist Rite II  
Formation Commissioning  
11:30am Acolyte Lunch with Training to follow  
5:00pm Middle School Youth Hangout  
7:00pm High School Youth Hangout

## Monday, September 9

8:15am Morning Prayer\*  
10:00am Serendipity Circle  
12:00pm Phebe Crossland Lunch Bunch  
5:30pm Parish Life Commission  
6:00pm Youth Pilgrimage Fundraising Meeting

## Tuesday, September 10

7:00am High School Prayer Breakfast  
12:00pm ECW Board Meeting  
12:15pm Book & Brown Bag  
3:00pm Liturgy Commission  
4:30pm Meditation Group  
5:30pm Holy Eucharist with Healing  
6:15pm Stewardship Commission  
6:30pm Troop 1 Scouts Meeting

## Wednesday, September 11

11:45am EpiscoPals  
12:30pm Outreach Commission  
1:30pm St. Francis & St. Clare  
4:45pm Altar Guild Board Meeting  
5:15pm Angel Choir/Junior Choir  
6:30pm Adult Choirs

## Thursday, September 12

7:00am Men's Bible Study  
7:00am Middle School Prayer Breakfast  
9:00am Women's Bible Study  
10:30am Summit Hills (Assisted Living) Holy Eucharist  
12:15pm Holy Eucharist with Healing  
5:00pm Children's Team Meeting  
5:15pm St. Helena's Commission  
6:00pm Advent Toners

## September 15 - 14<sup>th</sup> Sunday after Pentecost

**Rejoice! Celebrating Joy Together**  
8:00am Holy Eucharist Rite I  
8:30am Breakfast, Ministries Fair, Stewardship Packet Pickup (nursery available)  
10:15am Holy Eucharist Rite II  
5:00pm Middle School Youth Hangout  
7:00pm High School Youth Hangout

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

## Sunday School (9:10-10am)

- \* **Adventure Kingdom** (Children ages 4K-5<sup>th</sup> grade) Parish and Community Life Center (PCLC)
- \* **Youth Sunday School** (6<sup>th</sup> -12<sup>th</sup> grades) and **Confirmation Class** - Youth Center
- \* **The Gleaners Class:** Library Conference Room in Satterlee Hall.
- \* **Seekers:** Kick-off brunch in PCLC Dining Room A
- \* **Welcome to Sunday/Adult Confirmation Class** PCLC, Dining Room B
- \* **Parents in Community:** Cobe Loring will be the guest speaker in PCLC Dining Room C.

## This week:

### Sunday Night Hangouts at the Youth Center:

- Middle School Youth: 5 to 7pm
- High School Youth: 7 to 9pm

**Serendipity:** Monday, September 9 at 10am at the home of Deborah McAbee, 715 Springdale Drive. The co-host is Lois Stringer.

**Phebe Crossland Lunch Bunch:** September 9 at 12pm in the PCLC, Dining Rooms A and B.

**Book & Brown Bag:** Tuesdays from 12:15-1:10pm in PCLC Dining Room C, join our rector, Ned Morris, as we continue our discussion of *Inspired: Slaying Giants, Walking on Water, and Loving the Bible Again* by the late Rachel Held Evans. To prepare for class, please read *The Beast* through Chapter 5 (pages 113-140).

**EpiscoPals:** Wednesday, September 11, at 11:45am - Robert Mitchell, tenor, and accompanist, Paula Joye, will present the program "Without A Song." Robert is the worship minister at Morningside Baptist Church, and Paula is the church organist.

**Men's Bible Study:** Thursdays at 7am in the PCLC, Dining Room C. They are discussing the Book of Revelation.

**Women's Bible Study:** Thursdays at 9am in PCLC Dining Room A. We will continue a Bible study where we reflect on joy and have our hearts awakened to the delight of being a child of God. Books are available for purchase.

## Welcome

**Visitors and Newcomers:** We are glad you are here! Please fill out a yellow welcome card in the pew 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!

## Did You Know?



Forward Movement, a ministry of the Episcopal Church, grew out of the determination of the General Convention in 1934 to counter a period of anxiety, distrust, and decline in the Episcopal Church with a “forward movement” charged to “reinvigorate the life of the church and to rehabilitate its general, diocesan, and parochial work.”

Forward Movement is best known for the popular daily devotional Forward Day by Day, which provides daily meditations based on scripture readings appointed by the lectionary and Daily Office. Forward Day by Day is published in English, Spanish, large print, audio cassette, and Braille editions, and the daily meditation is available online: <https://tinyurl.com/y6b75mhy>.

## Sunday, September 15 - Rejoice! Celebrating Joy Together

Want to get engaged at the Advent? Come explore the many different programs and ministries on September 15 and learn the many ways we can celebrate Joy together at the Advent! The morning will include a fundraising breakfast for our Youth Pilgrims, our Annual Stewardship Campaign Kick-off, and the Ministries Fair. All activities (from 8:30-10:05am) will take place in the Parish and Community Life Center, and nursery will be available.



8:00am	Holy Eucharist Rite I
8:30-9:15am	Youth Pilgrimage Breakfast Fundraiser, Ministries Fair, and Stewardship Packet Pick-up
9:15-9:30am	Welcome, Blessing, Video, and Announcements
9:30-10:05am	Ministries Fair and Packet Pick-Up Continue
10:15am	Holy Eucharist Rite II

Stewardship Packet **Pick up RAFFLE** at the Ministries Fair. Be sure to pick up your Stewardship Packet and enter your name to win one of the following. *You do not have to be present to win!*

- \* \$100 VISA Gift card
- \* Two Oyster Roast tickets
- \* Advent Bazaar Country Store goodies



Please donate generously at the Youth Pilgrimage Fundraiser Breakfast. The menu includes cheese strata, baked eggs mornay, sausage, baked apples, grits, biscuits, pastries and orange juice.

Tickets for the October 23 Oyster Roast will be available for \$50. Cash, check, and credit accepted.

## Looking Ahead

**Fellowship Group** - Sunday, September 15, 6:30pm at the home of Eileen and Stephen Shepherd, 513 Mockingbird Lane. Please let the Shepherds know you are coming by email at [briessis@aol.com](mailto:briessis@aol.com) or phone 864-579-0197. Bring your favorite appetizer to share and beverage of choice. Friends are welcome!

**Fruit of the Spirit - Advent's Evening Women's Circle with Jennifer Evins:** Tuesday, September 17, 6pm at the Chapman Cultural Center followed by drinks at Ciclops Cyderi and Brewery.

**SORTA Young/Baby Boomers,** Friday, September 20 at 6:30pm - at the home of Sara Lynn and Jan Postma, 103 Plantation Drive with special guest, Brennan Szafron, on the piano. Come with your song requests and singing voices ready! Please let the Postmas know you are coming by emailing Sara Lynn at [saralynnpostma@gmail.com](mailto:saralynnpostma@gmail.com). Bring your favorite appetizer to share and beverage of choice. Friends are always welcome.

**Moving, changing decor, downsizing or simplifying?** Serendipity Circle would appreciate any donations for their “Let's Decorate” booth at the Bazaar. For questions or collection, please call Alene Pittman at 704-575-7783 or email [alenepittman@gmail.com](mailto:alenepittman@gmail.com).