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SUMMER SCHEDULE BEGINS MAY 19

8am | Holy Eucharist, Rite I
 9:10am | Gleaners Sunday School
 10:15am | Holy Eucharist, Rite II

Sunday Worship Reschedule and Renewal

Summer is almost here and with it the chance to find refreshment with family and opportunities to serve others in our community and beyond.

This season also marks nearly one year since we began a process of discerning our Sunday morning worship schedule in the context of our faith, worship, formation, and growth. Thanks to everyone who participated in our Town Hall Forum on April 11 along with the members of our Sunday Worship Reflection Group who have been meeting twice monthly since last August.

As part of our group's reflection, we've been reading together a book called *The Liturgy Explained* by James W. Farwell (I highly recommend it). In it, Farwell says, "Christian faith is renewed again and again in the Eucharist, not simply as a set of ideas to be held, but a form of life to be lived."

He goes on to say that God takes the first step. But by investing ourselves fully and participating in the liturgy, we allow it to shape our lives. The liturgy will not take us there without us, but it can mend us and, through us, mend the world.

As a child and teenager, I never thought about how the liturgy had anything to do with my life until it became personal. In early adulthood, I stopped looking around at everybody else in the service and started just looking at God and at myself in God's presence. The words in the Book of Common Prayer suddenly became living words that transformed me. That's when the Episcopal Church and the liturgy started making sense to me.

With the understanding that liturgy is a sacred time for personal investment and with input from the Sunday Worship Reflection Group, and many of you, I have decided to implement a two-service Sunday worship schedule year-round beginning May 19.

- 8am - Rite I (Rite II on 4th Sunday of the month)
- 9:10 - Christian Formation
- 10:15 - Rite II (Rite I on 4th Sunday of the month)

We will continue to have three services on Easter Day. During the year, we'll review this change and follow up in August of 2020 with a brief report. If we believe the calendar needs any additional adjustments along the way, we'll prayerfully consider how to move forward.

By concentrating our community into two services, I believe people will engage more actively, musicians will perform more joyfully, and worshipers will pray and sing more confidently. In this way, we will go where the liturgy takes us, allowing it to shape us and us to shape others.

Beginning on May 19, I hope to see you in church at 8 and 10:15, and most of all, I hope to see Christ's light in you as Christ mends us and through us, mends the world. Ned+

Wednesday Dinner and Mary H. Wright Elementary School Program: Dinner begins at 5:45pm, and the program will begin at 6:30. Please RSVP by 5pm on Monday, April 29, by contacting Gail Owens at 864-583-2438 or gowens@churchofadvent.org. For nursery reservations, please email Allison Little at alittle@churchofadvent.org.

EpiscoPals: One more luncheon this year! On May 8 at 11:45am in the PCLC Dining Rooms A & B please plan to join us as we welcome the Rev. Dr. Keith McDaniel of Macedonia Missionary Baptist Church speaking on community involvement. Please reserve your lunch by calling 864-583-2438 or emailing gowens@churchofadvent.org so we will know your wonderful \$7 plate will be waiting for you!

United Thank Offering (UTO) Sunday, May 12: The UTO Offering is a collection made twice a year by the Episcopal Church Women, goes to provide relief for disasters as well as other needs around the nation and world. It is yet another example of the outreach ministry of this important group in our parish and The Episcopal Church at large.

Serendipity will meet at 10am Monday, May 13, at the home of Gail Rodgers, 638 Crystal Drive, Spartanburg 29302. Regrets ONLY please to Gail: gail4888@gmail.com or 864-582-4888. Renee McCredie is the co-host.



Bazaar Cooking has begun!! Please come stir the pot with us! We promise you'll meet someone new, have FUN and you'll learn something – all while volunteering for the BEST Bazaar in town! May Cook Dates: **Strawberry Jam** - May 1, **Vidalia Onion Relish** - May 21, and **Black Bean Salsa** - May 29.

The Phoebe Crosland Lunch Bunch will meet Monday, May 13, at 12pm in Dining Rooms A and B of the Parish and Community Life Center. Please reserve your meal by contacting Anne Bomar at bomar.anne@gmail.com.

Parish Picnic, Bishop's Visitation, and Confirmation, Reception, and Reaffirmation, May 19: All Advent families are encouraged to celebrate our Confirmands. Following the 10:15am service we will enjoy a picnic on the lawn including Gail's fried chicken and all the fixins! Activities for children will keep us entertained while we fellowship and celebrate another amazing program year at the Advent. Dress comfortably, wear your nametag, and bring a blanket. The Gym will be the rain location.

Fellowship Group, Sunday, May 26, 6:30pm – will gather at the home of Sue and Jon Zoole, 183 Clifton Ave. Please bring an appetizer to share and your beverage of choice. Please let The Zoolies know you are coming by emailing: suzannezoole@gmail.com Traditionally this group is people born in the years 1930-1958, but ALL are welcome!

Altar Guild Commissioning and Reaffirmation Will Take Place at the 9am Holy Eucharist Service on Sunday, May 5. We will welcome and commission new members – Janice Williams, Joyce Bagnal, Erin Strickland, Ruth Bailey, Martha Honeycutt, and Dodie Cubitt. Present members will reaffirm their commitment to service in the Altar Guild. We ask that new and present members come forward at Ned's direction. We will participate as a group.

Editor's Note: We are grateful to Judy Waddell for serving as Director of the Altar Guild for the past two years.



Photos: Altar Guild Annual Meeting and Lunch. Yes, men are welcome to join!

Recipients of Junior Choir Royal School of Church Music Awards

Congratulations to Mary Elisabeth Reid - Light Blue Ribbon, Virginia Delaney - Dark Blue Ribbon, and Mallory Moore, Miles Little, and Abram Moyer - White Ribbons!

Another Successful Word and Music Series Has Drawn to a Close!

In March and April, the Church of the Advent presented 3 preachers and 2 organists as part of its annual Lenten Word and Music series. Now that Lent is long past and the Easter season is here, here's a chance to reflect on the gifts of our guest preachers and musicians. Pictured here are Dr. Charles Tompkins from Furman University, the Rev. Deborah Apoldo from St. Christopher's Episcopal Church, and Rev. Paul Abernathy from the Church of the Epiphany in Laurens, SC. Debbie was presented with artwork created by parishioner Helen Mitchell.



Randy Foster, Fayssoux McLean, and Brennan Szafron Performed "Without Forgiveness" at the Good Friday Service

"Without Forgiveness," a song written by singer/songwriter Randy Foster, was premiered at the Church of the Advent in 2012. Randy worked more than five years to get a group of vocalists and instrumentalists to produce a CD of original songs that touch on human experiences. This CD track included Fayssoux McLean on harmony and was directed and arranged by organist/choirmaster Brennan Szafron with members of the Advent Choir. The members of our choir that participated in the recording and the February 2019 concert at the Chapman Cultural Center are Barbara Adams, Bill Bungarz, Jerry Cogan, Lynn Davis, Tommy Lewis, Cathy Terrell, Chris Vaneman and Kelly Vaneman. The song is dedicated to the victims of the Mother Emanuel AME Church shooting in Charleston, South Carolina.



We are grateful that Randy and Fayssoux returned to the Advent to perform this song during Holy Week. Brennan joined them on cello. At request, we are providing the download link: <https://tinyurl.com/y5z2ys9z>. You may also view a YouTube video here: <https://youtu.be/lu8dA9jXNXs>.

Summer Choir Starts at the End of This Month

As another wonderful year of musical rehearsals and services ends, a season of a slower pace starts. Here begins an annual musical ritual at the Church of the Advent, Summer Choir! The great thing about Summer Choir is that it happens every Sunday during the summer, and it's a low-stress, easy way to be involved in the music program. Anyone aged 10 to 110 is invited to come to the choir room upstairs in Pendleton Hall on Sundays at 9:15am in preparation for the 10:15 service. We'll only learn the anthem for that given Sunday and repeat the same process each week. No regular commitment is required; just a desire to make a joyful noise. The first Sunday of Summer Choir is May 26.

MORNING PRAYER is said Monday-Friday at 8:15am in Olney Chapel when the church office is open.

Recurring Weekly Activities

Mon.-Fri., 8:15am Morning Prayer

Mon.-Thurs., 9am to 5pm Advent Historical Gallery open

Mon., Wed., Thurs., Fri., Noon-1pm - FAVOR All Recovery Group

Mon. & Thurs., 1:30pm - Al-Anon

Tuesday

10am Staff Prayer/Meeting

3pm Co-Dependents Anonymous

4:30pm Meditation Group

6:30pm St. Cecilia Choir

6:30pm FAVOR Family Group

Wednesday

9:30am Archives Committee

6:30pm Advent Schola

8pm AA and Al-Anon

Thursday

9am Women's Bible Study

12:15pm Holy Eucharist/Healing

6:30pm Advent Toner

Friday

9am-1pm Advent Historical Gallery open

Wednesday, May 1

9am Strawberry Jam Cooking

5:45pm Dinner & Mary H. Wright Program

Thursday, May 2

7am Men's Bible Study

9am Women's Bible Study

7:30pm Advent College Board Games

Friday, May 3

SUNDAY, May 5 - 3rd Easter

Baccalaureate Sunday

7:45am Holy Eucharist I

9am Holy Eucharist II/Altar Guild Commissioning

10am Baccalaureate Brunch

10:15am Sunday School for all ages

10:15am Adult Confirmation Class

11:15am Holy Eucharist II/Baccalaureate Recognition

4pm Youth ConneXion: Breakout Room,

5:30pm Sunday Worship Committee

Monday, May 6

9:30am Ecumenical Blood Drive Meeting

Tuesday, May 7

7am HS Prayer Breakfast

5:30pm Holy Eucharist/Healing

6:30pm Troop 1 Scouts

Wednesday, May 8

11:45am EpiscoPals

Thursday, May 9

7am Men's Bible Study

7am Middle School Prayer Breakfast

9am Women's Bible Study

10:30am Summit Hills (Assisted Living)

Holy Eucharist

SUNDAY, May 12 - 4th Easter

United Thank Offering Sunday

7:45am Holy Eucharist I

8am 2020 Nova Scotia Youth Pilgrimage

Fundraiser Breakfast

9am Holy Eucharist II/Baptism

11:15am Holy Eucharist I/Baptism

4:30pm Youth Choir

6pm Youth ConneXion

Monday, May 13

10am Serendipity Circle

12pm Phebe Crosland Lunch Bunch

5:30pm Mt. Mitchell Drivers Meeting

Tuesday, May 14

7am HS Prayer Breakfast

12pm ECW Board Meeting

4:45pm Gabriel's Instruments

5:30pm Celebration of the Rev. Deborah

Apoldo's Ministry (St. Christopher's

Episcopal Church)

6:30pm Troop 1 Scouts

Wednesday, May 15

5:30pm Confirmation Rehearsal and

Celebration Dinner

6:30pm Adult Choirs

Thursday, May 16

6:45am Men's Bible Study & Breakfast

7am Middle School Prayer Breakfast

5:30pm Sunday Worship Committee

SUNDAY, May 19 - 5th Easter

Two-Service Schedule: 8 & 10:15am

Bishop's Visitation

8am-12:30pm Ecumenical Blood Drive

8am Holy Eucharist I

9:10am Gleaners Class

10:15am Holy Eucharist II/Confirmation, Reception, and Reaffirmation

11:30am Parish Picnic

6pm Youth ConneXion

Tuesday, May 21

9am Vidalia Onion Relish Cooking

5:30pm Holy Eucharist/Healing

Wednesday, May 22

11:45am Office Volunteer Lunch

Thursday, May 23

7am Men's Bible Study

9am Women's Bible Study

10:30am Summit Hills (Independent Living)

Holy Eucharist

SUNDAY, May 26 - 6th Easter

8am Holy Eucharist I

9:10am Gleaners Class

9:15am Summer Choir

10:15am Holy Eucharist II

6pm Youth ConneXion

6:30pm Fellowship Group

Monday, May 27 - Office Closed

Tuesday, May 28

5:30pm Holy Eucharist/Healing

Wednesday, May 29

9am Black Bean Salsa Cooking

"Blood Sunday" Ecumenical Blood Drive



The bloodmobile from the Blood Connection will be parked near the Parish and Community Life Center on Sunday,

May 19, from 8am to 12:30pm. We hope that everyone in the parish, who is able to do so, will consider being a part of the drive.

Keep in mind that the minimum donor age is 16 with parental consent. The Advent will be awarded \$10 per unit. To sign up, please contact Cathy McCabe at 864-706-1845 or cathy.mccabe78@gmail.com. Please remember to bring your photo ID or blood donor card.

Active Shooter Training Opportunities

The Safety and Security Commission would like to make you aware of these sessions that are offered by the Spartanburg Police Department.

May 21, 12pm, at Holy Communion Lutheran Church

July 23, 6pm, at Cleveland Park Event Center

Please contact Joanne Wood, Parish Administrator, if you are interested in attending: 864-504-3691 or jwood@churchofadvent.org.

Reminder: The Parish Paper Submission Deadline for the June-July issue will be Friday, May 17.

Book & Bible Studies

Book & Brown Bag, April 30-June 4: Our new selection is *Between Heaven and Mirth: Why Joy, Humor, and Laughter Are at the Heart of the Spiritual Life* by Fr. James Martin. The book is \$15, and it is available from Jeanelle Smith in Satterlee Hall. Please join us on Tuesdays from 12:15 to 1:10pm in Parish and Community Life Center (PCLC) Dining Room C.

The Men's Bible Study Group meets on Thursdays at 7am in the PCLC, Dining Room C. Newcomers are welcome. It's the kind of conversation you can easily join, whether or not you've had a chance to read the text. On the third Thursday, we meet for breakfast at 6:45am.

The Women's Bible Study, Thursdays at 9am, through May 16: We are continuing our discussion of *Taste and See: Discovering God among Butchers, Bakers and Fresh Food Makers* by Margaret Feinberg. We will not meet on May 9.

Sunday Mornings at 10:15am through May 12. Gleaners will continue through the summer.

Adult Confirmation Class will meet on May 5 and 12 in the PCLC, Dining Room B. Our remaining topics include *Prayer and Ministry and Spiritual Gifts*. We will meet on Wednesday, May 15, for a rehearsal and celebration dinner beginning at 5:30pm.

Parents in Community will be joining the Baccalaureate Brunch on May 5 and will have their final class on May 12 in PCLC Dining Room C.

The Seekers Class, taught by Anne Rodrick, meets in PCLC Dining Room A. The topics for May 5 and May 12 are *The Prayer Book Crisis of 1927* and *Wrapping it up: what do the 18th and 19th centuries tell us about our own faith practices?*

The Gleaners Class, facilitated by Agnes Martin, meets year-round in the Library Conference Room located in Satterlee Hall. Their discussions are based on Sunday morning lectionary readings. Beginning May 19, they will meet from 9:10 to 10am.

Invitation to the Installation of the Reverend Deborah D. Apoldo as Vicar of St. Christopher's Episcopal Church, Tuesday, May 14, 5:30pm: The Vestry and Wardens of St. Christopher's have extended an invitation to the Advent parish. They request your prayers and presence. Deborah will be installed by the Rev. Paula R. Griffin, Dean of the Piedmont Convocation, on behalf of the Rt. Rev. W. Andrew Waldo, Eighth Bishop of the Episcopal Diocese of Upper South Carolina. Our rector, the Rev. Ned Morris, will be the preacher, and Paula will be the celebrant. A reception will follow. St. Christopher's is located at 400 Dupre Drive.

Confirmation on Sunday, May 19, at 10:15am

The adults who have been preparing to be confirmed by participating in classes this Spring will go before the Bishop for Confirmation, Reception, and Reaffirmation. Please be present at the 10:15am service to welcome them. A family picnic follows the service in the church yard. The PCLC Gym will serve as the rain location.



Priests in the Episcopal Diocese of Upper South Carolina traveled to Trinity Cathedral for their annual Reaffirmation of Vows during Holy Week. The Rev. Ned Morris was the preacher for that service.

Confirmation Corner: The Youth Confirmation Class of 2019 concluded on April 28 with “What is God Calling You to Do?” They will also visit a congregation of a different religious tradition and serve as helpers during the VBS this June.

Please keep all our confirmands in prayer as they continue to journey to Confirmation Sunday in December: Sam Evins, William Morris, Drew Lawton, Robert Liollo, Jack Coleman, Will Cubitt, Ligon Chewing, Blair Brown, Cate Seegars, Chris Jungkind, Jack Birney, and Hank Warren.

We also want to give a big thank you to Bruce Schwartz for directing the youth confirmation program.

The following youth will be graduating this year. Please come on Sunday, May 5, at 11:15am to celebrate this important time in their lives. Neveah Dixon will be the preacher.

Miss Sarah Grace Byers
Miss Margaret Boyd Cubitt
Mr. Robert Joseph Dantin II
Miss Nevaeh Lynn Dixon
Mr. Beckett Neven Edwards
Mr. Alex Matthew Forrest
Mr. Maxwell Bartlett Goldman

Miss Madeline Adair Green
Mr. Cooper McKenzie James
Mr. Charles Huntington McLeod
Mr. Chandler Liddell McMillan
Mr. James Roberts Mullen
Miss Payton Merrill O’Shields
Mr. Samuel Foster Price

Mr. Bishop Richardson
Mr. Paul Kent Switzer IV
Mr. William Barton Switzer
Mr. Allen Robert Tebbe
Mr. John Liam Tighe
Mr. John Brownlee Wakefield

2020 Nova Scotia Youth Pilgrimage Fundraising Opportunities

- **Hanging Baskets for Mother’s Day; Order Deadline is May 3:** You may order an 11” Boston fern, an 11” Red Geranium basket, or an 11” Combo basket (a variety of sun-loving flowers) for \$18 which will be delivered to you by Saturday, May 11 (the Saturday before Mother’s Day). This is easy shopping and the perfect gift for Mom! Please email Suzanne Dantin at suzannedantin@gmail.com to place your order. All orders will need to be placed on or before Friday, May 3. You may pay by check (payable to The Episcopal Church of the Advent) or cash. Please pay upon delivery of flowers.
- **2nd Sunday Breakfast Fundraiser, Sunday, May 12:** Please join us for a fabulous meal on Mother’s Day! 8 to 9am in the Parish and Community Life Center (PCLC), Dining Room B. Enjoy a great time of fellowship and breakfast after the 7:45am service or before the 9am service. We will offer delicious food such as scrambled eggs, bacon, sausage, biscuits, grits, and other items. Donations are gladly accepted.
- **Cakewalk at the Parish Picnic, Sunday, May 19:** Stay tuned to the Bell Ringer for details!

Mary H. Wright Elementary School News

We are looking forward to seeing you at the Wednesday Dinner, May 1, at 5:45pm. We’ll be sharing our accomplishments for the year during the program that follows dinner.

Volunteer Opportunities: The school year is coming to a close! Please let us know if you are interested in helping with the following activities. **Tuesday, May 21 (K-2nd Grade Field Day)** and **Wednesday, May 22 (3rd - 5th grade Field Day)**. If you are able to assist, please call Joy Oates at 864-415-9095 or Julie Schwartz at 864-504-8776.

Cumberland Mission Team – June 17 – 22 (ages 21+). Come build with us!

Join the Cumberland Mission Team for a week that is guaranteed to awaken muscles! Departure is Sunday, June 16, and return on Friday, June 21. A brief history: The Advent Cumberland Mission Team has volunteered with Housing Sewanee Inc. (HSI) for more than twenty years and has been a part of the construction of seventeen homes in the greater Sewanee area for qualified low-income families.

The Advent Team will be staying at the DuBose Conference Center (DCC) in Monteagle, TN. Breakfast will be provided by DCC. Local options will be the source for lunch and supper. Cost: \$300 for a double room/\$400 for a single room. Forms will be available on the church campus and on the website the week of May 5. For more information, please contact Larry Moore at daddymoe@yahoo.com or 864-621-7681.

Budget Message from the Vestry

With much gratitude to parishioners who made a 2019 Advent pledge, at their March 27, 2019 meeting, the Vestry approved a balanced budget that is approximately \$78,000 less than the amount needed to fully fund planned expenses. Using the guideline that 95% of pledges can be budgeted, the 2019 budget is based on \$1,618,127.40. The 2019 budget includes 100% of the Diocesan pledge and a merit-based overall increase of 2% for current staff. To close the gap on the shortfall, the positions of Associate Rector for Christian Formation and Director of Outreach were not funded. Using available Parish Missioner funds in the Advent Foundation, The Reverend David Pittman will be compensated for stepping up in his role as Priest Associate to support Fr. Ned, Mtr. Paula, and the parish. We are grateful to Fr. David for his willingness to assist us.

We pray that Christ's light will be seen in us as we continue to embrace opportunities to be good stewards of our many blessings.

FLOWER MEMORIALS - MAY 2019

May 5

Altar Memorials

The flowers that adorn the altar are given to the glory of God

in loving memory of Patricia Reamy Curry by her family

in loving memory of Thomas Flowers Johnston, Reid Madison Spencer, and Elizabeth McGeorge Spencer by their family

May 12

Altar Memorial

The flowers that adorn the altar are given to the glory of God

in loving memory of Robert Zimmerman Cates, Mary Love Fraleigh Cates, MacFarlane Lafferty Cates, Mary DuPre Cates, Elisabeth Cates Wall, Mary Love Cates Hayes, Mary Love "Zoo" Cates Hayes, Clifford Barron Hayes III, and Robert Cates Hayes by their families

May 19

Altar Memorial

The flowers that adorn the altar are given to the glory of God

in loving memory of Mary "Putsy" W. Wardlaw, Anne M. Wallace, Elizabeth Wallace McWalter, and Grace J. Smith by Mrs. Stokes J. Smith

May 26

Altar Memorial

The flowers that adorn the altar are given to the glory of God

in loving memory of John H. Bachman, Jr. by his family



Children & Young Family Happenings

Spring has sprung and brought with it a beautiful Easter Sunday. The day was filled with many activities for the children in our parish. They were able to return their mite boxes during a special offering in church. The children participated in flowering the children's cross at the front of the sanctuary. At the end of this very special Sunday, they celebrated with the egg hunt after of course!

In the middle of all of that excitement, the children went into our church's Undercroft to hear the Easter story, receive the rites of baptism, and to retrieve the Alleluia banner! The banner was hidden away in the Undercroft on Shrove Tuesday and the children have been waiting for the day when they could say "Alleluia" again. Today they did in a very special way. The children had the opportunity to walk together down the aisle with the banner to present it to the whole parish! It was truly a special day and one in which to say "Alleluia" again!

Unfortunately, spring has also brought the wind and the rain! It was such a disappointment to us all to cancel the Young Families & 20s, 30s, 40s Connect event at the FR8Yard once again. We will be looking into another date to try to reconvene towards the end of summer.

Up Next.....Mark your calendars for VBS (Vacation Bible School)!

June 23 - VBS Kickoff Party immediately following the 10:15am service

June 24-27 9am to 12pm

The theme this summer is a continuance of the Abundance Orchard curriculum as we dive into part 2 - The New Testament. We will continue learning as to how we can help feed those in need in our own community and all over the world!

On April 28, printed registration forms were made available at the receptionist desk in Satterlee Hall, Pendleton Hall, and in the PCLC Lobby. VBS forms will go home with all ACC children this week.

Online registration will begin on May 1. Please register and pay at <https://tinyurl.com/y3cutf8g>.

Your help is needed to have an amazing VBS this year. It takes each of you who are gifted with so many different and wonderful skills to lead the children during VBS. If you feel led to help, you can in so many ways! You can use your skills and talents by teaching a small group, bringing or preparing snacks, or using your creativity by helping in arts and crafts. Please contact alittle@churchofadvent.org or ashley.h.moody@gmail.com. We will be happy to answer any questions you have about VBS.

The Children & Young Families Facebook group will be posting new information and updates all summer long! Check it out and join!

MAY BIRTHDAYS (Ages 1-11)

3 - Reynolds Green
7 - Heath Boyd
7 - Jacob Gay
8 - Brady Lowry
9 - Camille Kendall
9 - Georgia Kendall
16 - Sims Loring
29 - Mattie Moore



Sunday School teachers are needed this Fall to help lead the 4K-5th grade classes in Adventure Kingdom.

Teaching is a great way to give back to the church and spend time with its smallest Parish members! Each grade has two teachers who alternate Sundays throughout the year. The lessons, materials and snack are provided and ready in each classroom every Sunday morning. Sunday school meets from 9:10-10am during the school year. If you would like to help out or request more information, please contact Allison Little at alittle@churchofadvent.org or 864-504-3693. Thank you!

EPISCOPAL CHURCH OF THE ADVENT PRAYER LIST AS OF APRIL 25, 2019

WE ARE ASKED TO REMEMBER THESE PARISHIONERS

Jess Barrett, Beverly Barrs, Gloria Bock, Quentin Broom, Katie Burris, Marjorie Cannon, Mac Cates, Judith Chase, Marianne Clark, Terry Clark, Arthur Cleveland, Ted Conwell, Phyllis Delapp, Carolyn Doepner, Roland Doepner, Jim Elliott, Roy Ellis, Bill Ferguson, Sue Fisher, Jane Flandry, David Fudge, Aly Goodwin, David Graham, Ed Hall, Linda Hays, Bob Heim, Taft Hunt, Pinckney Irwin, Julian Josey, Cibby Krell, Bennie Larj, George Leamy, Diane Lee, Jesse Martin, Jim McCullough, Glenn McGee, Kathleen McGee, Anne McIntyre, Iris Milhous, Cynthia Moseley, Dinny Moses, Mark Mullen, Herb Neely, Marion Nichols, Daniel Scoggins, Prudy Scott, Molly McCuen Sherard, Allene Taylor, Susan Taylor, Florence Twitty, and Ginger Watson

AND FOR THESE PERSONS

Ally Anderson, Wyatt Bass, Beverly, Cody Bowman, Jim Burchfield, Jim Carlisle, Joann Carlisle, Mason Carlisle, Nancy Carlisle, Danny Cash, Rebecca Chapman, Roy Cole, Peach Collins, Chase Comer, Catherine Conrad, Aiden Rito Cope, Steve Crane, Winston and Caroline DeCarlo, Jennifer DeClaremont, Charles DeMars, Devin Edwards, Talon Edwards, Mary Satterlee Egglezos, Al Folcher, Travis Green, Art Grotz, Larry Head, Rusty Hollifield, Rick Holm, Braxton Horton, Joan Horvath, Julian Horvath, Will Hoy, Ken Huckaby, Barbara Humphries, Dick Humphries, Mary Kinard, Donghee Lee, Ted Lipscomb, Marilyn, Tony Messel, Felicia Montabano, Julia Oates, Harv Oostdyk, Tony Owens, Joyce & Mario P., Carla Paxton, Brenda and Ralph Rivera, Rosemary Roberts, Randy Romberger, David Rowland, Martha Sams, Madison Simpson, Carolyn Smyth, Grayson Spring, Stephanie Stewart; Francie Tate, Dacey Tessigner, Karen Toth, Ray Trail, Nicholas Voyadgis, John Thad Wade, Ellen Watters Wilkins, Myles Whitlock, and Justin Daniel Wyatt

FOR THESE PERSONS SERVING IN THE ARMED FORCES

Halcott R. Carter (Navy), Maren W. Catolico (Army National Guard), Henry M. Graham (Army National Guard), Christopher Guyne (Air Force), Michael R. Hall (Air Force), Alex Holland (Army), Tripp Lynn (Navy), Travis Moore (Army National Guard), Michael McCraw (Navy), Friedan McLean (Air Force), Wayne Pennington (Army), Joshua Scybert (Army), Keytrick Thompson (Army), John Watters (Navy), and Russell Westenhaver (Army Special Forces)

FOR THIS EXPECTANT COUPLE

Laney and Marcus White

FOR THE BIRTH OF THESE CHILDREN

Emory Louise Boyd, daughter of Caroline and Martin Boyd and granddaughter of Sharon and Eddie Boyd; and Caroline Ann Poole Reutter, daughter of Cole and Richard Reutter

FOR THESE PERSONS WHO HAVE DIED

Lynn Christian, Margaret Cothran, Francie Satterfield, Putsy Wardlaw, and Rosalia Whiteside

For prayers to be included on the confidential prayer list of The Daughters of the King (DOK): please fill out a blue prayer card found in the pew rack and drop it in the wooden box located above the last pew to the left of the doors exiting the church. You may also leave a request on the confidential DOK prayer line 864-504-3681.

For all updates or additions to the Advent Prayer List, please contact

The Reverend Paula Griffin at pgriffin@churchofadvent.org or 864-504-3686.

In case of a pastoral emergency after hours, please call 864-590-5602 for the clergy member on call.

During office hours, please call 864-504-3686 or 864-585-2268.



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PARISH MANAGEMENT | VESTRY

Commission and Team Meetings

Thursday, May 2 5pm Safety Committee	Monday, May 13 6pm Parish Life
Monday, May 6 5:15pm Children's Team	Tuesday, May 14 3pm Liturgy Commission
Tuesday, May 7 6pm Stewardship Commission	Monday, May 20 5:30pm Parish Management
Wednesday, May 8 12:30pm Outreach Commission	
1:30pm St. Francis & St. Clare	
4:45pm Altar Guild Board	
5:30pm Vestry Retreat	

2019 VESTRY MEMBERS

SENIOR WARDEN

MELISSA JOHNSON (2020)

SENIOR WARDEN-ELECT

NANCY GAGE (2021)

JUNIOR WARDEN

JIM LITTLE (2021)

VESTRY

BILL COKER (2020)

BRENDA LYTL (2020)

TRAVIS MOORE (2020)

JOHN PRICE (2020)

JACK GASKINS, YOUTH REPRESENTATIVE (2020)

JEAN DUNBAR (2021)

HUGH JAMES (2021)

CLINT SETTLE (2021)

BEA SMITH (2021)

ALEX EVINS (2022)

ANNA JOHNSON (2022)

BYRON MORRIS (2022)

BILL SCHWARTZ (2022)

The Episcopal Church of the Advent Analysis of Revenues & Expenses

March 2019

	YTD Actual	Last Year Actual
YTD Total Pledge Contribution	\$494,462	\$452,811
YTD Total Revenues	\$510,812	\$490,243
YTD Expenses	\$418,044	\$489,606