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WORSHIP SCHEDULE
 7:45am | Holy Eucharist Rite I
 9:00am | Holy Eucharist Rite II
 10:15am | Sunday School for all ages
 11:15am | Holy Eucharist Rite I or II (alternating)

From the Rector – A New Year Filled with Hope!

The beginning of a new school year can have us flying high with great hopes and expectations. And why not? Once we've accepted that summer must come to an end, we can turn our focus toward learning new things, seeing old friends and meeting new ones, and participating in activities that are fun and which challenge us. It can be a very exciting time. Who knows? It could be the best year ever!

This is a very positive outlook and focuses on opportunities for growth. I realize that a new school year can also be an anxious time for students and their parents. I suppose all new beginnings can have a mix of both.

I'm sure that you notice that the beginning of a new school year coincides with the beginning of a new year of ministry programs at the Advent. The hopes and expectations you have about the start of an academic year can also extend to how you feel about the start of another program year at the Advent.

I hope you share my excitement about where we are headed in our life together this next year. The staff, vestry, and volunteers have been planning and working hard this summer to offer a rich variety of classes, as well as opportunities for outreach, fellowship, and worship.

August provided a taste of some of the rich and varied ministries for the building up of the kingdom of God. We continued to cook weekly in preparation for the ECW Bazaar (it'll be here soon – 11/15).

On August 12 we blessed a generous collection of school supplies for Mary H. Wright Elementary School (thank you to everyone who helped with this effort).

On August 19 we blessed the backpacks and a large gathering of Advent children on the eve of the first day of school and followed this with the Commissioning of our Christian Formation Leaders. In between the 9 and 11:15am services we had an extended coffee hour and the children and youth were able to meet their Sunday School teachers.

Finally, on August 26 – Outreach Sunday, we began our Sunday School classes for all ages. With four ongoing classes for adults, the Adventure Kingdom Sunday School classes for younger children, and the Middle and High School and Confirmation classes, we have a full slate of high quality offerings for Christian Formation across the board. Be sure to read about these classes in more detail in this issue.

At the 11:15am service on August 26, we welcomed representatives of the staffs, boards, and volunteers from most of our partner community organizations (approximately 30) who received 2018 Outreach Grants from funding provided by the Advent Foundation, as well as Oyster Roast and ECW Bazaar proceeds.

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Wednesday Night Dinner and Program

September 5 and 19

Additional Fall dates: October 3 and 17; November 7, December 5 and 19

Dinner is served from 5:45-6:30pm/ Program - 6:30-7pm

MEAL COSTS: Still the best deal in town!!

\$7/Adults; \$4/Child ages 3 to 12; FREE/Birth-age 3; Family max of \$30

Make sure you reserve your meal(s) by 5pm on the Monday prior by contacting 864-583-2438 or gowens@churchofadvent.org. We also request that nursery care be reserved by contacting 864-237-0570 or sdantin@churchofadvent.org by 5pm on the Monday prior.

Serendipity will meet Monday, September 10, at 10am in Dining Room B of the Parish and Community Life Center (PCLC). Mary Frances Price and Carole Davis are the hosts.



Lunch Bunch will meet September 10 at noon in Dining Rooms A and B of the PCLC. Please reserve your meal by contacting Anne Bomar at bomar.anne@gmail.com.

Fruit of the Spirit Advent Evening Women's Circle – please join us on Thursday, October 11, from 5:30-7pm at SPRUCE for socializing and shopping. BYOB and an appetizer to share. Many thanks to Mary-Stewart Loring for hosting us!

EPISCOPALS / WEDNESDAY, SEPTEMBER 12, at 11:45am in the PCLC. Please join us for the first EPISCOPALS meeting of the year. Our speaker will be Dr. Phillip Racine, history professor emeritus of Wofford College and author of several local history books. His topic will be “Beginnings of the ‘Burg.” Please reserve your \$7 lunch by contacting Gail Owens at 864-583-2438 or gowens@churchofadvent.org by noon on Monday, September 10. Advent members who are 45+ in age and their guests are invited.

FELLOWSHIP GROUP/SEPTEMBER 16/6:30PM will meet at the home of Brenda Lytle -1289 Brentwood Drive. Please let Brenda know if you're coming by e-mail at bsevans38@gmail.com or phone: 864-583-1978. Bring your favorite appetizer to share and beverage of choice.

SORTA YOUNG/Baby Boomers Fellowship Group/September 28/6:30pm will meet at the home of John and Kate Dargan, 777 Plume Street. Please let the Dargans know you are coming by emailing Kate: kdargan@oatespartners.com. Bring your favorite appetizer to share and beverage of choice. Friends are always welcome!

BAZAAR NEWS!

This Year's Bazaar is **Thursday, November 15 / 11am-6pm.**

Lunch will be offered from 11:30-1:30, and we will conclude the day with **SIP AND SHOP** from 5 to 6pm with wine and hors d'oeuvres.

LOVE GIFTS are now being collected. Please drop your items by the ECW (Episcopal Church Women) Closet in the Spartanburg Shares Building during their regular hours: Tuesday 9am-1pm; Thursday 2-6pm; and Saturday 10am-1pm. If you have any questions, please contact Grantham at 864-431-2780.

TO VOLUNTEER with the Bazaar – we need you!! Please contact the Co-chairs: Kitsy Babb at kitsybabb@gmail.com or Krista Stone at kristastone@att.net.



ADVENT OYSTER ROAST & SILENT AUCTION!
THURSDAY, SEPTEMBER 20, 6:30-10PM

Don't miss this amazing night of food and fellowship while raising money for Outreach. LIVE MUSIC with Randy Foster and Brandon Turner. Buy your tickets online at <https://tinyurl.com/y7szkwt5> or at church on Sunday, September 9, or from a member of Vestry. Tickets are \$45 in advance for ages 21 and up and \$50 at the

door. Silent Auction includes trips, parties, gift certificates and art – plus MUCH more!

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It was a wonderful service and the reception afterward was filled with conversation and expressions of gratitude from both our church members and our honored guests. A huge thank you to our Outreach Commission members, Vestry, and staff for making this day so special!

Our life of faith and our relationships with each other as brothers and sisters in Christ continue to grow as we participate joyfully in worship, service to others, learning, caring, fellowship, and stewardship. This issue of the Parish Paper is filled with many opportunities for you to enrich your life in God.

It's a new year. We're just getting started. I pray that it holds all of the promise that new beginnings offer and I hope you will seek out ways to strengthen your faith and to grow in love. I look forward to seeing you often.

God bless you. Ned+

Message from Vestry

The Advent's 2018 Stewardship Campaign begins on Sunday, September 16, with a parish-wide kick off (pun intended) featuring Coach Mike Ayers as our guest speaker. He is the beloved, recently-retired football coach at Wofford College. All parishioners middle-school and older are invited to gather from 10:15 until 11am in the PCLC gym for fellowship, refreshments and a motivational, joy-filled presentation by Coach Ayers. At the end of the program, stewardship envelopes will be available to be picked up. With everyone's help, we will wrap up the campaign with the blessing of pledges Sunday, October 7.

As a reminder, in 2010 the Parish passed a by-law stating that the stewardship campaign must precede the formation of the following year's budget and that only 95% of pledges received may be used in planning the budget. While all gifts are needed and appreciated, only pledges may be used to plan the budget. This keystone decision was made to ensure financial stability going forward after our debt from persistent annual deficits reached a crisis level in 2008.

When the 2018 budget was approved, the Vestry had to make the extremely difficult decision of not fully funding the vacant Outreach Director's position and the even-more-difficult decision not to accept our full assessment by the Diocese. We pledged that if additional monies are received by the end of the year, we will contribute accordingly towards our full assessment. Our budget was as lean as it could possibly be. Our staff and clergy have done an amazing job of keeping expenses down, yet inflation affects the church like all organizations and families, salaries and benefits have to be provided, programs and ministries underwritten, and property and equipment maintained. Our shortfall for a fully-funded 2018 budget was \$90,000.

We are blessed immeasurably by our friendships and opportunities to grow our faith, serve, and support many in need. Thank you for being a part of our vibrant church and for prayerfully considering your financial discipleship as you make your 2019 pledge!

Blessings to all,

Melissa Johnson, Senior Warden

Mary H. Wright Elementary School News

Thank you to all who so generously contributed school supplies and funding for supplies for the students at MHW. Once again we were overwhelmed by the generosity! As were the staff members at MHW. Julie and I took the supplies - a van full! - to the school on the Wednesday before school started. Everything was set out on the conference room so the teachers could see what was there. We were still there when the teachers came in to start "shopping" for their classrooms. It was wonderful to watch them get so excited and to share with each other. Then a teacher (who we admire and love!) came in and started crying. Quickly, Julie asked her what was wrong. She explained that she just got overwhelmed when she saw everything. She said we would never totally understand what it all meant to these children, but she did. She was once a MHW student with a single mom. As hard as her mom tried, they still never had extra money to purchase school supplies. She and her sister never had brand new sharp crayons or packages of crisp new paper. And she is right, we can't understand. But we really made a difference for those who do!!

Thank you again from Joy Oates and Julie Schwartz, on behalf of those at MHW.



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

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

Monday

6pm Co-Dependents Anonymous

Tuesday

10am Staff Prayer/Meeting

3pm Co-Dependents Anonymous

4:30pm Meditation Group

5:30pm Holy Eucharist/Healing

6:30pm St. Cecilia Choir

6:30pm Troop 1 Meeting

6:30pm FAVOR Family Group

Wednesday

9:30am Archives Committee

6:30pm Advent Schola

8pm AA and Al-Anon

Thursday

8:30am Cherub Choir

9am Women's Fellowship & Bible Study

12:15pm Holy Eucharist/Healing

6:30pm Advent Toner

SUNDAY, September 2 - 15th Pentecost

7:45am Holy Eucharist I

9am Holy Eucharist II

10:15am Sunday School for all ages

11:15am Holy Eucharist I

Monday, September - Office closed

Tuesday, September 4

2pm Listening Hearts Group

Wednesday, September 5

5:15pm Children's Choir Orientation

5:45pm Wednesday Night Dinner/Program

Thursday, September 6

6pm Vestry and Staff Dinner

7:30pm Advent College Board Games

SUNDAY, September 9- 16th Pentecost

Music Commissioning Sunday

7:45am Holy Eucharist I

8:30am Oyster Roast ticket sales

9am Holy Eucharist II

10:15am Sunday School for all ages

11:15am Holy Eucharist II

4:30pm Youth Choir

5:30pm Sunday Night Worship Planning Committee

6pm Sunday Night ConneXion

Monday, September 10

10am Serendipity Circle

12pm Lunch Bunch

Tuesday, September 11

7am High School Prayer Breakfast

11:45am Cancer Assoc. Luncheon

12:15pm Book & Brown Bag

Wednesday, September 12

11:45am EpiscoPals

5:15pm Angel Choir/Junior Choir

Thursday, September 13

7am Men's Bible Study

7am Middle School Prayer Breakfast

10:30am Summit Hills Holy Eucharist

Saturday, September 15

7pm South Carolina Bach Society Concert

SUNDAY, September 16 - 17th Pentecost

7:45am Holy Eucharist I

9am Holy Eucharist II

10:15am Stewardship Kickoff with Coach

Mike Ayers (PCLC Gym)

11:15am Holy Eucharist I

6:30pm Fellowship Group

Tuesday, September 18

7am High School Prayer Breakfast

12:15pm Book & Brown Bag

Wednesday, September 19

5:15pm Angel Choir/Junior Choir

5:45pm Wednesday Night Dinner/Program

Thursday, September 20

6:45am Men's Bible Study Breakfast

7am Middle School Prayer Breakfast

7:30pm Advent College Group

SUNDAY, September 23 - 18th Pentecost

7:45am Holy Eucharist I/Stewardship

Moment

9am Holy Eucharist II/Stewardship

Moment

10:15am Sunday School for all ages

11:15am Holy Eucharist II/Stewardship

Moment

Tuesday, September 25

7am High School Prayer Breakfast

12:15pm Book & Brown Bag

Wednesday, September 26

5:15pm Young Families Gathering at the

FR8Yard

Thursday, September 27

7am Men's Bible Study

7am Middle School Prayer Breakfast

5:30pm Sunday Night Worship Planning

Committee

7:30pm Advent College Board Games

Friday, September 28

6:30pm Sorta Young/Baby Boomers

SUNDAY, September 30 - 19th Pentecost

SPIHN Week Begins

7:45am Holy Eucharist I/Stewardship

Moment

9am Holy Eucharist II/Stewardship

Moment

10:15am Sunday School for all ages

11:15am Holy Eucharist I/Stewardship Moment

Youth Activities Resume After Labor Day!

Sunday Night Youth Groups are held weekly in the Advent Youth Center or off campus at places such as Big Air or Paintball. We meet from 6 to 7:30pm. Come and hang out with us starting September 9!

This fall, we will begin a new monthly activity: volunteering at the Ronald McDonald House in Greenville. Stay tuned for more info!

The first prayer breakfasts of the semester will be held on September 11 and September 13.

All youth group meetings and events are OPEN to all youth 6th-12th grade throughout the community. Friends are not only welcome but encouraged to participate.

SPIHN Week September 30-October 7



Spartanburg Interfaith Hospitality Network families will be with us at the end of this month.

We will need your help for setup & breakdown, meals, hosting dinner time and staying the evening.

If you can assist, please sign up at <https://tinyurl.com/ydyxqk>. You may also contact Steve Wyman at jsstevew@gmail.com or 864-621-4148.

Reminder: The Parish Paper Submission Deadline for the October issue will be Sunday, September 16.

The Rev. Deborah Apoldo, Associate Rector for Christian Formation

Wednesday Night Dinner and Program for the Whole Family

September 5 and 19, October 3 and 17; November 7, December 5 and 19

5:45pm-7pm

We're back to the first and third Wednesday of the month with our Wednesday night formation offerings.

A delicious dinner is served from 5:45-6:30 followed by a program for adults and children. Each first Wednesday will feature teaching and inspiration for our spiritual growth from one of the Advent's ministry areas. The third Wednesday will feature activities to foster fellowship and getting to know one another.

Sunday Formation Opportunities for Adults

10:15-11:05am

The Gleaners Sunday School Class

The Library Conference Room in Satterlee Hall

An ongoing institution here at The Advent, The Gleaners invites adults of all ages and stations in life and faith to a lively encounter with music, religious art, teaching on the week's lectionary passages and fellowship. You'll be glad you came.

The Seekers Sunday School Class

Dining Room A in the Parish and Community Life Center

This is a new ongoing Sunday School class for adults of all ages and interests. Our kick-off presenter/facilitator for the Fall season is our own Dr. Anne Rodrick who will teach and lead us in an examination of one of the most important periods of growth and experience in the Church of England. We'll learn about how people like William Wilberforce, the Wesleys, Hannah Moore and others influenced their own generation and continue to influence our worship and faith culture today.

Welcome to Sunday! Class

Dining Room B in the Parish and Community Life Center

Why are we here? What are we doing? Why do the colors of the hangings and vestments change? What's a "feast" day? How does someone become a saint? Nave, narthex, chancel, sanctuary; what are these things? Come with your questions. We'll be working our way through a series of "Welcome" subjects from church architecture to hymns to Anglican spirituality. Taught by The Rev. Debbie Apoldo, the format will be teaching, question and answer, and humor.

Parents in Community Fellowship

Dining Room C of the Parish and Community Life Center

Targeted toward parents of children of all ages, this class is meant to encourage families as they make their way through some common parenting joys and challenges. We seek to unite the Christian faith to the realities of parenting in the present time and in the context of this community. Ashley Reid will facilitate. Come and help us identify topics and interests for this Fall.

Adult Christian Formation This Fall

Book & Brown Bag: The next book to be taught and discussed with Fr. Ned is *The Four Loves* by C.S. Lewis. This class will begin Tuesday, September 11, at 12:15pm in the PCLC, Dining Room C. The books are available for \$11 and may be picked up from Jeanelle Smith's office or from Fr. Ned on the day of the class.

The Men's Bible Study & Fellowship group led by Fr. Ned is studying the *Book of Mark*. They meet on Thursday mornings from 7 to 8am in the PCLC, Dining Room C. On the third Thursday, they gather at 6:45am for breakfast.

Women's Fellowship & Bible Study taught by The Rev. Debbie Apoldo: We have secured materials prepared by Amy-Jill Levine, whom some of you may remember from the Great Courses DVDs on The Old Testament. She is great - very engaging and thought provoking. The offering for the first part of the Fall is "Short Stories by Jesus: The Enigmatic Parables of a Controversial Rabbi." This is based on a book by Dr. Levine. Please plan to be a part of this eight-week study that will continue through October 11. We'll meet in the PCLC, Dining Room A.

First, I want to give a big thank you for all that this community of faith has done for our youth. Having adults who care about youth ministry is vital to its success and growth.

With all the insane busyness of parenting a teen, it's easy to let attending youth activities and Sunday morning worship slide off the grid. It's tempting to think, "My kid's just too busy for a night of hanging out with other teenagers, playing some goofy games and hearing another Bible lesson."

Believe me when I say, I understand the temptation. As a parent of teenagers (who have tons of homework, plays football and are not yet old enough to drive alone) my wife and I are constantly under pressure to measure every event through the lenses of what matters most. Although, we view ourselves as the primary spiritual influence of our kids, we also believe that a strong youth ministry plays a vital role in their overall spiritual development.

With this as a backdrop here are 5 short, yet powerful, reasons why you should encourage your youth to attend Sunday morning worship and youth activities:

1. Youth need models and mentors.

For the early Christian community it wasn't just parents that poured into the younger folks. Older men poured into younger men and older women poured into younger women (*Titus 2:1-8*).

2. Youth need community.

In an age of bullying, gossip, slander and hatefulness (which can destroy an individual's self-identity), young people need other young people who can lift them up, encourage them and challenge them in all the right ways.

3. Youth need mission.

When Jesus challenged his most-likely teenaged disciples to "go and make disciples of all nations," he was tapping into the activist wiring of these young men. In the same way our young people need challenged with making a difference in other's lives and the world around them.

4. Youth need theology.

Youth group is a place where young people can wrestle through theology and have it reinforced in a powerful and personal way under the guidance of a youth leader and other voices across our faith community.

5. Youth need a safe place to confess and confide.

Often youth who struggle with the complexities they face at school and among their peer group have nowhere to confess and confide. They often feel trapped and alone. But a healthy youth ministry can create a safe space for youth to open up and talk honestly about their struggles.

I am very excited about this fall and all the great opportunities we have for our youth to build community, relationship and experience spiritual growth. Please stop by the Youth Center and pick up the schedules of activities for this year or find them on our church webpage. Looking forward to seeing you all around campus.

Peace,
David

A Reason to Have a Will

"I saw what happened to Jill's family when she died without a will, and I don't want our children and grandchildren to go through the same thing."

For more information, call or email Kit Jennings of the Advent Foundation, kjennings@churchofadvent.org or 864-504-3689.

Show Up and Sing Over Labor Day Weekend!

For the last unofficial weekend of summer, come to the choir room at 8:15 to learn the anthem for the 9am service, or come to the church at 10:15am to learn the anthem for the 11:15 service. Either service will have easy music that can be learned in one rehearsal. Ages 10 to 110 are welcome.

All Music Ensembles Are Starting Back in September!

I hope that everyone at the Church of the Advent has had fantastic and relaxing summer! Now that it's September, the music department has revved up at full blast and is ready to offer you plenty of opportunities for ministry and musical development. We are always looking for new members and welcome anyone at any time. Here are the ensembles, along with their start days and times:

St. Cecilia Choir: Tuesdays, 6:30-7:45pm, starting September 4

Advent Schola: Wednesdays, 6:30-7:45pm, starting September 5

Advent Toners: Thursdays, 6:30-7:15pm, starting September 6 ("Blue Room" upstairs in Pendleton Hall; Note the later start time this year.)

Angel and Junior Choir: Wednesday, September 5 at 5:15pm (Orientation meeting in Room 106 of the Parish and Community Life Center). This year the junior choir welcomes a new director, Sally Frick!

Cherub Choir: Thursday, September 6, 12:30pm (Room 106 of the Parish Life Center; New early time for Advent Children's Center families this year)

Gabriel's Instruments: Tuesday, September 4 at 4:45pm

Youth Choir: Sunday, September 9 at 5:15pm

Occasional Choir: Sunday, September 23 at 8:15am

Carilloneurs Guild: Contact David Graham at dgraham@contecinc.com for more information.

Evensong Choir: Sunday, November 4, but contact bszafron@churchofadvent.org for more information.

Youth Band: Contact David Dixon at ddixon@churchofadvent.org for more information.

All ensembles will meet in the choir room upstairs in Pendleton Hall unless otherwise indicated. For information on each ensemble, please visit the music page of the Advent's website at www.churchofadvent.org. Online registration is available if you'd like to be a member of one of the ensembles, I invite you to fill out an online questionnaire.

Announcing the 2018-19 Concerts and Special Services at the Church of the Advent

Monthly concerts and special services are an important, meaningful form of outreach for the music program. This year's offerings include the South Carolina Bach Society debut at the Church of the Advent, along with some special Christian Formation presentations.

The events through December 2018 are listed below. The 2019 events will be listed in the October issue of the Parish Paper:

Saturday, September 15, 7pm: **South Carolina Bach Society**, playing instrumental music of Johann Sebastian Bach, featuring organist Brennan Szafron

Sunday, October 21, 10:15am: **Special Christian Formation hour presentation** featuring Converse College Music Therapy professor Carol Shultis in a talk entitled, "*What is Music Therapy?*"

Sunday, November 4, 5:30pm: Church of the Advent annual "**Service of Remembrance and Reflection,**" featuring the Requiem by Gabriel Fauré.

Sunday, November 18, 4pm: "**Brass Alive,**" featuring a large chorus of Spartanburg area trumpets, trombones, horns, and tubas

Sunday, December 2, 9 and 11:15am: **Excerpts from Johann Sebastian Bach's Cantata No. 140, "Sleepers Wake,"** offered for the First Sunday of Advent (i.e. the "name" Sunday for the Church of the Advent)



SEPTEMBER BIRTHDAYS

(Ages 1-11)

is officially in session! If you have children between the ages of 4K through 5th grade, please bring them to Sunday School in the Parish and Community Life Center (PCLC) from 10:15 to 11am for a chance to learn Bible stories, meet new friends and reconnect to old friends, play games and enjoy snacks. Our 4K through 4th graders are using a new lectionary based curriculum this year entitled *Hearts Alive*. Fifth graders will begin the year studying about the fruits of the spirit. Thanks to all of the wonderful volunteers who are giving of their time and talents to teach our precious children. Parents, please be sure you fill out a registration form with your child's emergency contact information. Registration forms will be in each classroom.

September Social at the FR8yard: Inviting all Young Families (all families with children in 5th grade or younger) to join us for a great time of food and fellowship at FR8yard on Wednesday, September 26, from 5:15 to 7pm. The Advent Children's Choirs will have an outdoor practice session from 5:15 to 5:45 in lieu of their regular Wednesday practice and then perform for all of us at 5:45 pm. You will not want to miss this great kick-off to Fall! Please RSVP to Suzanne Dantin at sdantin@churchofadvent.org by Friday, September 21.

Wednesday Nights: Please bring your children to Wednesday night dinners the 1st and 3rd Wednesday of each month. We will enjoy a delicious dinner from 5:45 to 6:30pm, and then we will have programming for the adults and children from 6:30 to 7pm. All children will meet in the gym at 6:30pm to begin their program. NEW this year: If you would like nursery on Wednesday night, please RSVP to 864-237-0570 or sdantin@churchofadvent.org or by the Monday prior before 5 pm.

Basketball Registration has begun! If you have a child in 1st grade or older who would like to participate in our wonderful ministry of church basketball, please complete the online registration at <https://tinyurl.com/yat3gchk> or download a form from our website at <https://tinyurl.com/yb2h52u8>. In addition, you may register on Realm Connect if you have created a log-in and downloaded the app. The cost is \$60 per child, and the deadline for registration is September 9. Please let Suzanne Dantin know if you would be interested in coaching this year at sdantin@churchofadvent.org.

1 - Lily Skinner
6 - Maggie Liollo
8 - Drayton Hayes
9 - Hugh Little
21 - James Seegars
24 - Emmylou Cashman
26 - William Bauer
27 - Ramsey Lawter
29 - Isaac Soto
30 - Sarah Johnson



Classrooms for Sunday School (all in the PCLC)

4K/5K – Room 108

Teachers

Allison Little
Jenny Moore

1st& 2nd grades - Room 103

Teachers

Jennifer Bauer
Lindsay Scoggins

3rd & 4th grades – Room 201

Teachers

Erin Strickland
Ashley Moody

5th grade – Room 203

Teachers

Ellen Morris
Elizabeth Graham



Save the date for Halloween Festival: Sunday, October 28, from 4pm to 6pm

Thank you, Becky Bagwell, for taking a photo of our Backpack Blessing!

FLOWER MEMORIALS

First Sunday in September - September 2

Altar Memorial

The Altar flowers are given to the glory of God and
in loving memory of Rose and Walter Montgomery and Sara and Bill James by Betty and Walter Montgomery

Second Sunday in September - September 9

Altar Memorials

The Altar flowers are given to the glory of God and
in thanksgiving to God for the blessings He gave to us through the life of Nicholas Lawton Belmont

in loving memory of Mr. and Mrs. Edwin Wallace Johnson and Marshall M. Jordan, Sr. by Wallace Johnson and Frannie Jordan and their families

in loving memory of Michael John Normanly by his family, Patricia, Benjamin, Trish and Jay Walpole

in loving memory of Louis P. Howell by his family

Third Sunday in September - September 16

Altar Memorial

The Altar flowers are given to the glory of God and
in honor of and with grateful hearts for our daughters, Mary-Stewart Loring and Blair Holmes Brown by Nancy and John Holmes

Fourth Sunday in September - September 23

Altar Memorials

The Altar flowers are given to the glory of God and
in loving memory of Elizabeth Strickland Evins and Thomas Alexander Evins by their family

in loving memory of Deas Manning Richardson, Betty McDougal Richardson and Ellen Richardson Cole by their family

Fifth Sunday in September - September 30

Altar Memorial

The Altar flowers are given to the glory of God and
in loving memory of Mr. and Mrs. C.B. Hayes, Mr. and Mrs. John E.R. Hayes II, Mary Love Hayes, Mr. and Mrs. C.B. Hayes, Jr., Mr. and Mrs. Lawson Hayes, Sr., C.B. Hayes III, Robert Cates Hayes and Lawson Hayes III by their family

For updates or additions to the Advent Prayer List, please contact the Rev. Paula Griffin at 864-504-3686, 864-542-6650 or pgriffin@churchofadvent.org.

*After-Office Hours for Pastoral Emergencies
Call 864-590-5602*

EPISCOPAL CHURCH OF THE ADVENT

PRAYER LIST AS OF AUGUST 26, 2018

WE ARE ASKED TO REMEMBER THESE

PARISHIONERS: Steve Battocchio, Gloria Bock, Mac Cates, Judith Chase, Marianne Clark, Arthur Cleveland, Ted Conwell, Phyllis Delapp, Carolyn Doepner, Roland Doepner, Phillip Edge, Roy Ellis, Sue Fisher, David Fudge, Aly Goodwin, Linda Hays, Bob Heim, Gene Henline, Taft Hunt, Betty Irwin, Pinckney Irwin, Julian Josey, Cibby Krell, Diane Lee, Giles Lewis, Jesse Martin, Jim McCullough, Glenn McGee, Kathleen McGee, Anne McIntyre, Iris Milhous, Cynthia Moseley, Dinny Moses, Mark Mullen, Herb Neely, Marion Nichols, Francie Satterfield, Prudy Scott, Molly McCuen Sherard, Julie Silliman, Grace Smith, Susan Taylor, Florence Twitty, and Ginger Watson

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Commission and Team Meetings

Monday, September 10 5:30pm Parish Life Commission	Monday, September 17 5:30pm Adult Formation Comm.
Tuesday, September 11 12:15pm ECW Board 3pm Liturgy Commission 6:15pm Stewardship Commission	Tuesday, September 25 5:30pm Parish Management 6:15pm Vestry
Wednesday, September 12 12:30pm Outreach Commission 1:15pm St. Francis & St. Clare 4:45pm Altar Guild Board	

From the Archives Committee

Have you ever seen this painting? This is not the Margaret Law pastel. It is similar in style but has a different signature.



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