

April
2020



The Candle

Pastor's Message

I'm always the last to turn in my article for the newsletter, and this month my tardiness has led to an opportunity to better address the current situation. While the other articles were written

before the news of the COVID-19 pandemic spread, I'm able to inform you of the updated reality we are facing. Just a short week or two ago, the month of April looked to be full of activities – not least of which was the observance of Holy Week and the Celebration of the Resurrection on Easter Sunday. Now, because of COVID-19 pandemic, all might be cancelled. I say "might" because I'm holding out hope for a miracle. However, I am preparing for the fact that we probably will not be physically present with one another for any of Holy Week or Easter Sunday.

Continue to check in with our website, adventmentor.org, for the most up-to-date information. You will also be getting E-Blasts or mail sent to you from our office informing you of any changes in our schedule.

What is most important is that you know that I care for each of you and am concerned about how you are finding yourself in the midst of our new reality. Please know that you can call me with any concerns, need for assistance, or just to talk. I may not be able to see you face-to-face (although I will make every effort while maintaining social distance protocol), but there are other ways we can connect.

Advent needs your consistent giving.

Please take action today to ensure that your financial support of Advent remains as consistent as possible. Additionally, consider your ability to increase your generosity in response to the expected rise in needs over the weeks ahead. As in-person giving at worship services is not currently available, please consider the following options:

- Setting up **reoccurring gifts** through electronic bill pay services provided by your bank.
- Sending an **online gift** at <https://www.adventmentor.org/donate> -- please click on the "GivePlus+" logo or download the "GivePlus+" mobile app from the iTunes app store or Android Play Store.
- **Mailing a gift** to Advent Lutheran Church 7985 Munson Rd., Mentor, OH 44060.

And finally, I don't want our communication to be just about what has been cancelled or things that we can no longer do. In the coming weeks, I plan on sending you resources to help you navigate these new waters. I will not minimize the harm this virus is having on our lives, social networks, the economy, and our peace of mind. However, I expect that God will also be in our midst and that we will grow in ways unimaginable before this.

Grace and Peace,
Pastor Steve



"For I know the plans I have for you, declares the Lord, plans to prosper you and not to harm you, plans to give you hope and a future. "

Jeremiah 29:11



The Lord will keep you from all harm—he will watch over your life; the Lord will watch over your coming and going both now and forevermore. Psalm 121



You are my refuge and my shield;
I have put my hope in your word.
Psalm 119:114

First Communion

Celebration of First Communion

Three of our youth will be welcomed for
the first time to receive
Holy Communion on Maundy Thursday



*Charlie Morgan
Breanna Pollack
Evelyn Scripp*

April Altar Flowers

5 Morgan
12 Easter
19 Hamilton
26 OPEN



April Altar Guild:
Bonnie Reppert,
Becky Young

May Altar Flowers

3 OPEN
10 OPEN
17 Hamilton
24 Mach
31 OPEN



Holy Week Worship

Holy Week Worship Schedule

Maundy Thursday ■ April 9
12 noon & 7pm
Foot Washing
Holy Communion
(First Communion - 7pm)

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Good Friday ■ April 10
12 noon & 7pm

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Easter Vigil ■ April 11
Saturday, 8pm

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Easter Sunday, April 12
6:30am Sunrise
(Mentor Beach Park)

Easter Sunday, April 12
8, 9:30 & 11:30am

Worship and Music News

For those who attend the Sunday 11:30am service, we will soon be changing our sign-up process. Jamie Milavec, our Worship Participant Coordinator for the 11:30 service, will be setting up Sign-Up Genius for this service only. For the time being, you may continue to sign up for worship duties on the sign-up sheets outside the Music Room, but please be on the lookout for some changes. We will have more information at a later date.

"I was glad when they said unto me, let us go to the house of the Lord." Psalm 122:1

Wish to Join - Advent Welcomes New Members

The date is set! On the weekend of May 30 and 31, 2020, we will be welcoming new members as they make Advent their new home.

If you wish to join, or are considering membership, please get in touch with Pastor Steve at:

pastorstevebond@aol.com / 257-5565 or Cherie Moore at:

(623) 308-9514 as soon as possible for more details or to discuss any concerns.

We'd love to hear from you!!



OK Gang Luncheon

Tentative Plans

If you haven't joined the OK Gang (Older Kids) for lunch yet, you don't know what you're missing! This is a good way to get to know your pew partners and have great conversations. Barring any complications, we will meet at the Concord Family Restaurant, 9853 Johnnycake Ridge Road, Mentor, at 1:00pm, on Monday, April 20, 2020.

The sign-up sheet is located across from the office door in the Narthex. If we have your email address, you will get a reminder.

Hope to see you there!

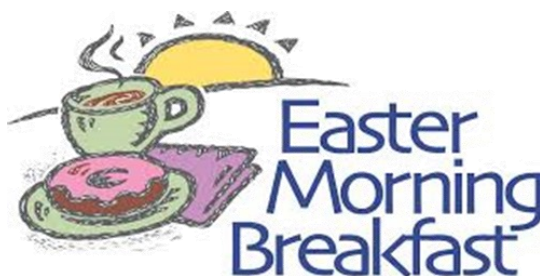
Fellowship & Witness

FELLOWSHIP

Easter Morning Breakfast

Breakfast will be served from 7:30-11:00am

Please join us on Easter Sunday, April, 12 for a continental breakfast served in Fellowship Hall.



*"For the whole law is summed up in a single commandment,
You shall love your neighbor as yourself." Galatians 5:14*

Update on Advent Lutheran's response to the COVID-19 outbreak: (as of 3.17.2020)

All Advent Lutheran Church events (including worship) are suspended through April 3, 2020. As the situation continues to develop, plans will be determined regarding Holy Week and Easter events scheduled for April 4-12. At that time, we intend to follow the recommendations of the Centers for Disease Control and the Governor for the State of Ohio

We will continue to livestream worship services. However, our worship schedule will change. **There will be no mid-week worship at noon on Wednesdays.** A live stream of Holden Evening Prayer will happen at 7 pm on Wednesdays. **One worship service will be live streamed on Sunday morning at 9:00 a.m.** The service will be "blended" as we plan on a mix of both traditional hymns and contemporary praise songs. All services are recorded and will be available to use for home worship at a later time or date.

This past week, many of you experienced for the first time how it is possible to worship while staying at home. We hope to continue to find ways to both keep us connected and provide resources that will nurture your faith and help us organize to meet the needs of our congregation and our neighbors. My biggest concern is finding ways that we can include individuals who currently do not have access to online worship. If you know of someone without internet access or a device to access the internet, please contact me. If you have a working device you no longer use (computer, tablet, phone), please contact me.

Please stay in touch with the staff of Advent. During this suspension of activities, most of Advent's staff will be working remotely doing everything we can to continue our ministries and addressing needs as they arise. As needed, staff will work at the church building while continuing to abide by social distancing recommendations.

The office phone and staff voicemail boxes will be checked regularly. You may also contact the office via email: adventmentor1@sbcglobal.net. Please contact me with any pastoral care and emergencies. My email is pastorstevebond@aol.com and my cell phone is 440-710-4757.

Finally, let me leave you with a prayer offered by our Bishop Abraham Allende in his most recent letter in response to our current situation:

Gracious God, it is good for us to gather as your beloved in community. We treasure your presence with us in word and meal, song and prayer. Be with us in these days when gathering together as often as we would like is not possible. When we must be apart for reasons of safety, we trust that you surround us with your sheltering wings. Encourage us in connecting as we are able, reaching out to our neighbors in need and being persistent in prayer. We ask this in the name of Jesus, our constant companion. Amen.

"As each has received a gift, use it to serve one another, as good stewards of God's varied grace." 1 Peter 4:10

BROWN-BAG LUNCH AND BIBLE STUDY

Beginning on Thursday, April 16th, there will be a mid-week "brown-bag lunch and Bible study" which will meet from 12:00pm until 1:30pm. Bring your lunch and your Bible. This will be an informal Bible study with no set format. The group will decide which study format to use and it will most likely change as time goes on. You definitely do not have to be a Bible scholar to participate and it is no problem if you need to miss one or more sessions because of personal circumstances.

We will meet every Thursday indefinitely and, of course, weather permitting.

Please come and have fun, food and fellowship as we study Scripture.

Blessings,
The Prayer and Spirituality Team



DINNER AND A MOVIE

The Prayer and Spirituality Team will sponsor a dinner-and-a-movie event which will occur on Saturday, May 16th from 2:00 – 5:30 p.m. The biographical film drama, ***Out of the Ashes***, will be shown followed by pizza and a discussion. This film is intended to tie-in with our upcoming Holocaust presentation by Holocaust survivor, Erika Gold. Although Ms. Gold is not the subject of the film - like Dr. Gisella Perl (the film's central character), Erika is from Hungary.

Out of the Ashes is a 2003 American made-for-television biographical drama film that was released by Showtime. It is a dramatization of the life of Holocaust concentration camp survivor Gisella Perl and is based on her book "I Was a Doctor in Auschwitz" by Gisella Perl (Christine Lahti), a Jewish-Hungarian gynecologist from Sighetul Marmatiei, Romania, testifies before an Immigration & Naturalization Service (INS) review board consisting of three men (Bruce Davison, Richard Crenna, and Beau Bridges). Perl is seeking to be granted citizenship after passing the New York State Medical Licensing Board examinations, wishing to begin practicing in New York. She recounts her early life when she aspired to be a doctor despite the admonishments of her father, her time practicing as a gynecologist before the German invasion, and her experiences as prisoner #25404, where she provided what medical care she could to fellow prisoners. Her most controversial actions included providing late-term abortions to pregnant women in order to save their lives. These pregnant women would otherwise have been killed immediately or subjected to the torture of horrific "medical" experiments.

There is a sign-up sheet on the bulletin board by the office. Please consider bringing a pastry or dessert item to share.

In Christ,
The Prayer and Spirituality Team



Points from your Parish Nurse . . .

♥ I want to begin by saying God is in control of the universe. He will carry us through this difficult time dealing with the Coronavirus. I know folks are scared. We don't know what the future holds. We must remain calm, and follow the guidelines to stay safe: Wash your hands; Cover your mouth and nose when you cough or sneeze; Stay away from crowds; most importantly-PRAY! As you have heard the elderly and those with chronic underlying health issues are most at risk. Those are the individuals who may need our help. If you know someone who is alone, or chronically ill, call to see if they need groceries or prescriptions picked up or some simple task that you can do to help. Stay informed of the progress that the Center for Disease Control (CDC) is making. Remember that we have the best scientists and most knowledgeable resources working on how to treat this virus and develop a vaccine. In the meantime we must trust God. *"When you hear of wars and rumors of wars, do not be alarmed. Such things must happen, but the end is still to come."* Mark 13:7

Keeping perspective and not panicking apply here. No matter the circumstances, the Lord remains our refuge and strength, *"an ever-present help in trouble."* (Psalm 46:1)

♥ If the order to cancel all meetings is lifted then the Caregivers Support Group will meet on Thursday, April 9 at 1pm in the lounge. If you are caring for a loved one and faced with the daily challenges that caregiving involves, then know that you are not alone. It is a time to share your story and learn from each other's experiences. If you know anyone who is a caregiver who may benefit from this support group, please invite them to join us. For questions or concerns, I can be reached at 440-346-3120 at any time.

♥ Palm Sunday is April 5 and the beginning of Holy Week. I pray God's wondrous love be with you as you walk with Jesus through His

trial, crucifixion, death, and finally HIS RESURRECTION! May you have a most Blessed Easter!

♥ As always, *"When in doubt, Point to the Cross!"*

Your servant in Christ,
Christine Noble,
Parish Nurse



Blood Drive

Saturday, April 18, 2020
9:30am-2:30pm

You're
Invited...



Schedule an appointment online at:

- ♦ [RedCrossBlood.org](https://www.redcrossblood.org)
- ♦ Sponsor keyword: **Advent**

Or call 1.800.RED.CROSS



Blood Pressure Screenings

Saturday, April 18 • 7pm
Sunday, April 19 • 10am
Prayer Room

Care Team



Mar 22-Apr 4	Bonnie Reppert, Denise Janosko, Susan Enzerra
Apr 5-18	Becky Spudich, Barb Zahn, Lida Mackey
Apr 19-May 2	Kay Smith, Chelley Bond, Kathy Jennings

"Beloved, I pray that all may go well with you and that you may be in good health, just as it is well with your soul." 3 John 2

Prayer Chain

Do you wish to feel strengthened and fulfilled by offering your time to help others? Nothing could be more gratifying than lifting someone up in prayer in their time of need.

The Prayer Chain is an intentional ministry focused through a network of callers/emails. The Advent prayer chain is looking for more people who would like to become part of this powerful ministry. As a member of the prayer chain, prayer requests are sent to you either by e-mail or via the phone tree, then we ask you to pray. What an honor and privilege it is to pray to our Heavenly Father on someone's behalf.

Please contact Sue Keeley @ 862.2790 or by e-mail at suesworkout@att.net if you would like to become part of the prayer chain ministry, or if you have any questions. Prayer is Powerful!!

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Pastor

Prayer Intercessors

Mar 28-Apr 3	Robin Ironhorse, Becky Spudich
Apr 4-10	Sue Keeley, Alice Santurri
Apr 11-17	Susan Enzerra, Deb Laukiavich
Apr 18-24	Barb Zahn, Bev McArthur
Apr 25-May 1	Doreen Mattson, Isabel Tomer

Spirituality Moment...

Many people feel that their level of spirituality is defined by their specific spiritual practices.... prayer, meditation and daily devotional readings as well as regular attendance at church. In a book titled "Everyday Spirituality- Discover a Life of Hope, Peace and Meaning" James Hazelwood, Bishop of the New England Synod of the ELCA challenges us to "experience **all** that we do as connected to God, the sacred, and holy." He had lots of examples of personal experiences that he felt were "spiritual" and could provide theological reflections for potential readers of a book. But he decided to take it one step further and asked his e-mail group for stories of everyday spirituality. One month later, he had over 200 responses and all the material he needed to proceed.

He writes that **every day** activities such as breathing, smelling, moving, and sleeping offer us opportunities to connect to God. Those things we do **every week** such as cooking, walking, cleaning, and serving can also give us a chance to share that connection with others. Lastly, things we do **every so often** such as disagreeing, contradicting, grieving, and wondering can be examples of spirituality.

We encourage you to increase your awareness of God in your everyday life experiences. You will be surprised to see how close he is!

Grace and peace to you,
The Prayer and Spirituality Team

36-hour Holy Week Prayer Vigil

Come and spend some quiet time in prayer as we begin Holy Week. Come, settle yourself in the quiet of the Sanctuary, reflecting on the journey of Jesus as we head toward Good Friday and the Resurrection of Easter. Through the Prayer Ministry, a 36-hour, 3 day prayer vigil has been scheduled for Monday, Tuesday and Wednesday – April 6-8. The vigil will be available from 8am to 8pm each day. See the sign-up sheets in the Narthex ~ sign up for an hour or even two to come and pray. Vigil "attendants" are also needed. The "attendants" main job is being a "presence" in the Narthex, so that no one is ever left alone during their prayer time. Please consider signing up to come and experience this very powerful, moving prayer opportunity.

Let His presence surround you, His love fill you, and His Spirit empower you. Please contact Becky Spudich or Sue Keeley with questions.

"Be joyful always; pray continually; give thanks in all circumstances, for this is God's will for you in Christ Jesus." 1 Thessalonians 5: 17

The Pop Tab Challenge Results Are In

The Thrivent Member Network is beyond excited to announce that we had 232 Churches & Schools throughout our region accept the challenge and participated in our 2nd Annual Pop Tab Challenge!

More Than **5,375,000 Pop Tabs** Were Collected

Weighing A Total Of **3,759 Pounds**

This Year's Challenge Winners are:

Faith Lutheran Church from New Florence, Pennsylvania
Bethlehem Lutheran Church from Fairborn, Ohio
St Peter and Paul Lutheran Church from Sharon, Pennsylvania

For this year's
 #GivingTuesday initiative, the
 Thrivent Member Network
**Donated More Than Of \$25,000 To
 Ronald McDonald House Charities**

**On Behalf Of Ronald McDonald
 House Charities & The Thrivent
 Member Network
 We Thank You
 For #LivingGenerously!**

Pull for Ronald McDonald House!



Dear Advent,
 I am so very sorry to be so late in thanking
 each and every one of you for your cards,
 gifts, visits, phone calls etc. etc. and just for
 being so caring and thoughtful. People
 couldn't believe all the beautiful cards I
 received.
 I look forward to when I can worship with
 you once again.
 What a joy that will be for me to see you all!
 I hesitate to mention all the gifts received
 and most of all...Thank You Dear Friends.
 God Bless you all.

Love and Blessings to you.
 Helen Cahill

Thank You!
THANK YOU!

We've Moved

Eric & Michele Williamson
 1752 Muirfield Lane
 Painesville Township, OH 44077



"...but Jesus said, 'Let the little children come to me, and do not stop them; for it is to such as these that the kingdom of heaven belongs.'" Matthew 19:14

Group Studies

Advent.urous Men

- ♦ **Retired Men's Group** meets the first Tuesday of every month at 9:30am. If you are a retired man and would like to share your thoughts and discuss a wide variety of subjects, please join us. We would welcome your participation.



Women's Studies

- ♦ **Sophia Project:** Meets on the second and fourth Saturday of each month from 10am-11am in the Fellowship Hall. Please join us.
- ♦ **Hope Circle:** Meets on the second Tuesday of each month at 9:30am. All are welcome!



VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL IS COMING!

June 8th-12th
5:45-8pm

"Go into all the world and proclaim the gospel to the whole creation." Mark 16:15

April Calendar

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
29 7:30pm Men's AA	30 9am Easter Seals 7pm Boy Scouts	31 1pm Easter Seals 6pm Finance Meeting	1 12pm Lenten Worship 2pm Exec Meeting 5pm Lent Soup Supper 7pm Lenten Worship 7pm AA Mtg. 8pm AA Discussion Group	2 9:30am Quilting 7pm Fellowship Mtg.	3 7pm AA Mtg. 8pm AA Discussion Group	4 9am First Communion Retreat 2pm Prayer Vigil Setup
5 Palm Sunday 1pm Confirmation Retreat 7:30pm Men's AA	6 8am Prayer Vigil 9am Easter Seals 7pm W&M Ministry Mtg	7 8am Prayer Vigil 9:30am Retired Men's 1pm Easter Seals	8 8am Prayer Vigil 7pm AA Mtg. 8pm AA Discussion Group	9 9:30am Quilting 12pm Maundy Thursday 1pm Caregivers Support Group 7pm Maundy Thursday 7pm Choir Practice	10 12pm Good Friday 7pm Good Friday 7pm AA Mtg. 8pm AA Discussion Group	11 10am Sophia Project 8pm Easter Vigil
12 6:30am Easter Sunrise 8am Easter Worship 9:30am Easter Worship 11:30am Easter Worship 3pm Narcotics Anon. 7:30pm Men's AA	13 9am Easter Seals 5:30pm Praise Team 7pm Boy Scouts 7pm Council Meeting	14 9:30am Hope Circle 11:15am Witness Mtg. 1pm Easter Seals 5pm Children's Choir	15 6pm Food Pantry 7pm AA Mtg. 8pm AA Discussion Group	16 9:30am Quilting 12pm Bible Study/ Brown Bag Lunch 7pm Choir Practice	17 7pm AA Mtg. 8pm AA Discussion Group	18 9:30am Blood Drive 5pm SuperLittles Event 7pm BP Screening
19 10am BP Screening 7:30pm Men's AA	20 9am Easter Seals 1pm OK Gang Luncheon 7pm Boy Scouts	21 1pm Easter Seals	22 6pm Food Pantry 7pm AA Mtg. 8pm AA Discussion Group	23 9:30am Quilting 10am Prayer Ministry Meeting 12pm Bible Study/ Brown Bag Lunch 7pm Choir Practice 7pm Shared Hope Mtg.	24 10am Genealogy 7pm AA Mtg. 8pm AA Discussion Group	25 10am Sophia Project
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Piecemakers Quilting Circle:

The quilters meet every Thursday at 9:30am. You can call Sandy Agard at 953.1494 or Sara Coleman at 256.1131 if you have questions or you can just show up!

Food Pantry Donations needed for the month of April:

**Shampoo &
Paper Towels**



PROJECT HOPE FOR THE HOMELESS NEWS

Advent's Outreach Focus for Lent

As we continue in the season of Lent, be encouraged to reflect and remember "as you have done it unto the least of these you have done it unto me."

Opportunities for us to give and serve have been highlighted throughout our 2020 season of Lent. Sunday school offerings and the "Quarter Folders" will be donated. Also, Lanterns with the Project Hope for the Homeless logo on them are available for small change and smaller bills. Large donations may be given by check to Advent L.C. memo: *Project Hope for the Homeless*. Look for the Lanterns in the Narthex or donations can be mailed to the church.

For more information on volunteering, needed items for donation, and events visit: **projecthopeforthehomeless.org**.

Our Families Moving Forward meal makers will be available to give more information regarding making meals. Reimbursement for food purchased to make meals is available by submitting a voucher to our treasurer.



**Don't miss the special presentation from the
Director of Project Hope on Sunday, March 29
during our Live Stream Worship Service at 9:00am**

Outreach Ministry

Food Pantry Update

As we strive to balance our call to serve the most vulnerable among us with the cautions of "social distancing" and protecting the most "at risk": The Food Pantry will now be a Curb-Side Order and Delivery Pantry! Our Neighbors will remain almost entirely in their car and we will bring food out to them. We are in need of volunteers and encourage young, healthy members of Advent to consider this opportunity to serve in a time of increasing need. Please contact Jen Lenz at 614-580-1647 or JenDLenz@gmail.com for details if you are able to help.

"Through love, serve one another" Galatians 5:13

Council Minutes

February Council Meeting Minutes 2.10.2020

In Attendance: Eric Williamson, Dave Cattani, Sandy Kehler, Bob Tilton, Cherie Moore, Pastor Steve, Denise McClanahan, Dave Mattson, Jim Williams, Joan Hamm, Karen Wallster, Greg Preske

Excused: Donna Prescott

Unexcused: Thomas Knowles

Visitor: Claire Morris

Call to Order: 7:00pm

Meeting opened with moment of silence.

Devotion

Youth Ministry Update: Claire attended the ELCA Youth Conference in California last week. Topic of “change.” “Where are all the youth?” Multigenerational events/gatherings/ anything we do, should be the “norm” not a special event.

Approval of January’s Council Meeting: Motion was made, seconded, and approved.

Treasurer’s Report: Eric Williamson

*All on track after the first month of the year. Income slightly above – good beginning of 2020.

*Cub Scout collections were moved from a general I/O to its own Fund. It has currently \$874.27 as start up monies for a new cub scout pack at Advent.

**Motion was made, seconded, and the Treasurer’s Report was approved.

Pastor’s Report: (verbal)

*Plan for Pastor Dave Daubert to return this year as a “booster” for our next steps

*REVEAL for church is still being looked into. We would like to take another survey to see if we have improved or changed our results over the past few years.

*Pastor is still in the process of narrowing down a book for council to read/discuss this year. He will bring a suggestion to March’s meeting.

*Membership Rolls were cleaned. Letters were sent to members back in early December – those who had not communed/worshipped in last 3 years. As of January 20, 74 members were removed due to inactivity.

** Motion was made, seconded, and Pastor’s report was approved.

Ministry Team Reports Received: Prayer, Finance, H&W, W&M, Witness, Outreach

Ministry Teams that did not meet:

Fellowship: Fellowship will not be doing Shrove Tuesday.

March 17, Election Day – soup bar is planned. Need volunteers for both food and help. January’s Painting Party went well. Easter Breakfast is still up in the air – either Fellowship will provide continental breakfast or Claire and the youth will take care of providing breakfast. Lenten Soup Suppers – still looking for ministry help on March 11, 25, and April 1.

Stewardship: Becky Spudich has joined the team; still looking for more help.

Prayer: many upcoming activities/events. Maltz Museum visit, Holocaust speaker. Dinner & A Movie planned for Saturday, February 22.

Worship & Music: there will be an Easter Vigil this year, beginning at 8pm.
**Motion was made and seconded, and the ministry team reports were approved.

Administration/Housekeeping Items:

- *March devotion/snack: Bob Tilton
- *Reminder from the office - to please get Beacon and Newsletter articles into the office for communication from your ministry team.

Old Business/Ongoing:

- ***Constitution Ratification:** will take place at the December 2020 Annual Meeting, instead of March 1 as originally planned.
- ***Code of Ethics/Covenant:** Jim read through the behavioral covenant and overview of the Code of Ethics. Each council member signed and dated the covenant.

New Business and any other business:

- ***Council retreat:** The March 13/14 date that was planned is not good for most council members; most of council like the overnight retreat and would like to pick a different date. Pastor will check into this and Jim will email the council with a possible new retreat weekend date. Dave Cattani made a suggestion of checking into Stony Glen Retreat Center as a possible location if camp Frederick is not available.
 - ***Boiler:** Work was done on the boiler last week, a pump that was replaced a year ago went bad. Cost \$1500. Greg is looking into a different commercial heating company to service our needs, as Kish has not provided us with good service as of late.
 - ***Endowment:** Members of Endowment for 2020 were approved by council back in December, but the officers for 2020 were presented for approval: Bob McClanahan – President; John Bolton – Treasurer; and Donna Prescott – current Secretary and will be asked to serve as Secretary again this year.
- **Motion was made and seconded, and the officers were approved.

Motion to Adjourn: Motion was, seconded, and approved at 8:26pm.
Doxology sung

Respectfully submitted,
Sue Keeley, Council secretary



**Council
Minutes**

Finance Update · February 29, 2020

GENERAL FUND

Balance 1/1/20	\$ 34,533.98	\$ 34,533.98	
Income	56,527.48	57,974.00	(1,446.52)
Expenditures	62,608.30	60,848.00	(1,760.30)
Ending Balance February 29, 2020	\$28,453.16	\$31,659.98	\$ (3,206.82)

BUILDING FUND/ EXISTING MORTGAGE

Balance 1/1/20	\$15,457.18	\$15,457.18	
Income	-	-	-
Expenditures	-	-	-
Ending Balance February 29, 2020	\$ 15,457.18	\$ 15,457.18	No Mortgage

DESIGNATED/ RESTRICTED FUNDS

Balance 1/1/20	\$ 99,284.56	<i>Treasurer's Report with Fund Balances are posted at the end of each month on the council bulletin board in the hallway.</i>	
Income	1,524.95		
Expenditures	18,203.36		
Ending Balance February 29, 2020	\$82,605.15		

Deadline Reminders:

Beacon information: Tuesday's by noon
Newsletter information: by the 15th of the month

"Free Little Library" Books

We are still collecting books for our "Free Little Library." There is a collection box in the coatroom.

Thank You!



Advent is LIVE

Please tune in at 9am on Sunday mornings to join us live, as we live-stream our 9am Traditional Worship Service.

Please visit our new, updated webpage:
adventmentor.org -
or visit us on Facebook Live

To submit items to *The Candle*, contact:
Sue Keeley - Office Administrator at 440.257.5565
You may also e-mail your information to:
adventmentor1@sbcglobal.net.

ADVENT'S STAFF

Pastor: Rev. Steven C. Bond	710.4757
Office Administrator: Sue Keeley	862.2790
Organist: Elizabeth Sumiejski	255.5489
Chancel Choir Director: Doreen Mattson	946.5043
Praise Team Director: Tracy Ammon	749.0690
Parish Nurse: Christine Noble	346.3120
Youth Director: Claire Morris	440.670.8877

OFFICE HOURS

Administrative Hours:

Monday - Thursday: 8am-5pm (phones answered at 9am)
Friday: 8am-12pm

Pastor's Office Hours:

Monday-Thursday: 9am - 1pm / Friday: Day off
"It is always best to call in advance for an appointment as his schedule may take him out of the office even during these times"
Cell phone: 440.710.4757 / Email: pastorstevebond@aol.com

Parish Nurse

Monday, 10am - 2pm

VOLUNTEER CONTACTS

Greeters

Isabel Tomer (9am)	974.1396
Robyn Lojek (11:30am)	974.8464

Worship Assistants (6pm)

Lisha Ciani	216.905.5306
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Lay Assistants and Bread Givers

Doreen Mattson	946.5043
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Worship Assistants (9am)

	OPEN
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Worship Assistants (11am)

Jamie Milavec	882.3013
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Nursery

	OPEN
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Ushers

Bob McClanahan	352.8025
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Worship Tech

Mark Bond	639.0711
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Altar Guild Chairperson

Becky Young	257.7578
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Children's Choir Director

Jennifer Dubeansky	255.1468
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Sunday school

Beth Hamilton	669.1902
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Service Outreach

Dave Lenz	477.5679
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Food Pantry

Dave Lenz	477.5679
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Youth & Family Ministry

Beth Hamilton	669.1902
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Claire Morris	670.8877
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Prayer Ministry

• Prayer Vigil

Sue Keeley	862.2790
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• Prayer Chain

Sue Keeley	862.2790
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• Healing Touch

Christine Noble	346.3120
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Meals for Members

Barb Caspell	440.840.5393
Barb Louis	352.7055

SuperHeRose Youth Group

SuperLittles

Jen Lenz	614.580.1647
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LAMB (Youth)

Nancy Marshaus	231.9483
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Membership Support

Isabel Tomer	974.1396
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Memorial Gifts

Barb Zahn	440.223.2852
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Finely Aged Ministry

Christine Noble	346.3120
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Funeral Luncheons

Christine Noble	346.3120
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Bonnie Reppert	336.2228
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Historian

Kathy Sneary	221.0445
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Blood Drives

Kim Schmidt	257.1047
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Webmaster

Church Office	257.5565
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Liturgical Arts

Fawn Patrick	357.7898
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Quilting

Sandy Agard	953.1494
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Cradle Roll	OPEN
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Social Media Coordinator	OPEN
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CHURCH COUNCIL

Pr. Steve Bond	710.4757
Jim Williams (President)	622.5165
Dave Cattani (Vice-President)	440.269.0705
Denise McClanahan	352.8025
Karen Wallster	255.3471
Cherie Moore	623.308.9514
Sandy Kehler	479.4312
Thomas Knowles	428.5835
Donna Prescott	257.4296
Greg Preske	336.1918
Eric Williamson	209.0136
Joan Hamm	476.1494
Bob Tilton	255.8776

Council Secretary

Sue Keeley	862.2790
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Treasurer

Dave Mattson	946.5043
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Financial Secretary

Chelley Bond	639.0711
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Asst. Treasurer

Eric Williamson	209.0136
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MUTUAL MINISTRY

Deb Laukiavich	942.0307
Julie Cattani	391.2061
Gary Swanson	257.8480
Bob Conklin	209.1993
Jenny Helland	974.1776
Jim Williams	622.5165

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Worship Schedule

- ♦ Saturday Evening Casual Worship: 6pm
- ♦ Sunday Traditional Worship: 9am
- ♦ Sunday School: 10:05am • all ages
- ♦ Adult Education: 10:15am
- ♦ Sunday Contemporary Worship: 11:30am
(11:00am: June - August)
- ♦ Holy Eucharist celebrated weekly

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Advent Welcomes You!

Welcome! With delight, we greet all who come to worship. You are sincerely welcomed and invited to be a regular worshipper here in God's house. If you are looking for a church home, you will find a ready welcome here at Advent Lutheran Church.

Welcome Friends



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