

THE ADVENTURE

July & August, 2011

Advent Lutheran Church

OUR MISSION – FAITHFUL IN THE WORD

- + To *gather* as God's people and nurture one another
- + To *know* the Word of God
- + To *grow* in faith, love, and service
- + To *go* into the world with the Good News of Jesus Christ



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WORSHIP NOTE

As you know, Advent has moved from our regular schedule of 3 services and 2 worship formats to a single summer service at 9:30 a.m. We are alternating different formats on the various Sundays of the summer. First Sundays of the month will be traditional green book Holy Communion. On other Sundays we may be using the blue With One Voice traditional service that we have used for many summers. On other Sundays we will be using the "Faith Alive" service of Holy Communion. While we realize each person has their preferences regarding worship style, we are hopeful that you will come regularly and be open to experiencing some different styles of worship. Summer is also a wonderful time to worship in that our three congregations worship as one and then enjoy fellowship together at the Summer Chat. Worship with us regularly and often during these summer months. Allow God to bless you in worship through the variety of worship experiences that we will offer.

3RD SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST INDEPENDENCE DAY

COMMEMORATION (Patriotic Hymns)
Sunday, July 3

9:30 a.m. Trad. (LBW) Holy Communion
10:30 a.m. Summer Chat - Evangelism

ST VINCENT DE PAUL SHOE DRIVE

Sunday, July 3 – Sunday, July 17

Please donate your new or gently used shoes!

4TH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST

Commissioning of VBS Staff
Sunday, July 10

8:45 a.m. Praise Team Rehearsal
9:30 a.m. "Faith Alive" Holy Communion
10:30 a.m. Summer Chat - Social Ministry
11:00 a.m. Church Council

VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL

Monday, July 11 – Friday, July 15
9:00 a.m. to 12:00 p.m.

5TH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST

Sunday, July 17

9:30 a.m. Traditional (WOV) Worship
10:30 a.m. Summer Chat – Worship & Music

LEM WEEK @ TUSCARORA

Saturday, July 23 – Friday, July 29
Mt. Bethel, PA

6TH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST

Sunday, July 24

8:45 a.m. Praise Team Rehearsal
9:30 a.m. "Faith Alive" Holy Communion
10:30 a.m. Summer Chat

7TH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST

Sunday, July 31

9:30 a.m. Trad. (LBW) Holy Communion
10:30 a.m. Summer Chat -

PASTOR ON VACATION

Thursday, August 4 – Tuesday, August 16

8TH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST

Guest Preacher: Paul Henke

Sunday, August 7

8:45 a.m. Praise Team Rehearsal

9:30 a.m. "Faith Alive" Holy Communion

10:30 a.m. Summer Chat

9TH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST

Guest Preacher: George Henry

Sunday, August 14

8:30 a.m. Adult Bible Class

9:30 a.m. Traditional (WOV) Worship

10:30 a.m. Summer Chat

11:00 a.m. Church Council

PHILADELPHIA PHILLIES BALL GAME

Wednesday, August 17

7:05 p.m. start time in Philadelphia

10TH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST

Sunday, August 21

8:45 a.m. Praise Team Rehearsal

9:30 a.m. "Faith Alive" Holy Communion

10:30 a.m. Summer Chat

ADVENT BLOOD DRIVE

Tuesday, August 23, 2:00 – 7:30 p.m.

(Give the Gift of Life)

11TH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST

Sunday, August 28

9:30 a.m. Traditional (WOV) Worship

10:30 a.m. Summer Chat –

12TH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST

Labor Day Commemoration

Sunday, September 4

9:30 a.m. Traditional (LBW) Holy Communion

10:30 a.m. Summer Chat

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Pastor's Message for the Month . . .

" . . . and how from infancy you have known the holy Scriptures, which are able to make you wise for salvation through faith in Christ Jesus. All Scripture is God-breathed and is useful for teaching, rebuking, correcting and training in righteousness . . . "

2 Timothy 3:15-16

As we move into the summer months I want to encourage you to continue your study of God's Word. Plan on coming regularly to church and let the scriptures speak to your heart and minister to your needs. We also have the opportunity of private study. Pick up one of the devotional guides Our Daily Bread and spend time in Word and prayer.

We will be lifting up the teaching and learning of the Bible in our Vacation Bible School program to be held July 11 - 15 from 9am to 12 noon. It's not too late to enroll or to volunteer to help as staff. We can still use leaders, recreation, refreshment, and craft persons. Speak with VBS Coordinator Gail Oines or me for more information.

I hope all of you have a blessed summer filled with peace and God's re-creating power. If not able to attend here at Advent because of vacation, we encourage you to worship at a Christian church at the shore, in the mountains, while away If here, come and join the people of God here at Advent for worship and for fellowship every Sunday at 9:30 am. May the love of the risen Lord ever live in your hearts and lives

Yours in Christ,

Pastor Sorcek

PASTOR ON VACATION

As many are aware, I have been studying Spanish the last few years and going on mission trips in Latin America. This summer I will be away from August 4-16. My daughter Jessica and I will be attending a program in Spanish Language and Ministry at the Ysleta Lutheran Mission in El Paso, TX. Should there be any emergency in this time, contact Parish Secretary Gail Oines or Council President Tony Gryszka.

INDEPENDENCE DAY

Independence Day is on Sunday, July 3rd. We will have a green book service of Holy Communion with national hymns and patriotic music. Join us at 9:30 a.m. as we celebrate God and the freedoms He has given us in this land.



SHOE DRIVE

As in past years, we will be collecting gently used shoes for the St. Vincent De Paul Society from July 3rd – 17th.

VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL

Are you ready for the adventure of a lifetime? This year's Vacation Bible School Theme is Big Jungle Adventure. We will meet in the jungle on July 11 -15 from 9 – 12. Registration forms are in the entryway. We also need volunteers to help run our VBS. There is also a sign-up sheet to help with crafts, snacks, guides, games, music, etc. See VBS Coordinator Gail Oines for more information.



LEM WEEK AT TUSCARORA

Looking for something to do this summer? Consider coming to LEM Week at Tuscarora Inn in Mt. Bethel, PA from July 23 to July 29. Close to the Delaware Water Gap, the Inn is a beautiful and restful place to get away from it all. The food is great, the rooms are as good as your better hotels, and there is plenty to do. There is plenty of opportunity for Bible study, music, and worship as well as indoor, outdoor, and river sports. The kids and youth have their own programs and a good time is had by all. The worst part is not wanting to leave! Hope to see you there! For more info call 570-897-6000 or go to www.tuscarora.org

ADVENT BLOOD DRIVE

Our bi-annual Red Cross Blood Drive will be held on **Tuesday August 23rd from 2:00 – 7:30 pm**. Mark your calendars and sign up to donate or volunteer. Most people have enough blood to share, yet there is never enough to go around. There are sign-up sheets to set up appointments in the narthex. Along with donors, we need volunteers to make calls, help at registration and at the canteen. There are also sign-ups to volunteer. Thanks!!!!



LABOR DAY/END OF SUMMER SCHEDULE

On Sunday, September 4 we will commemorate Labor Day with a traditional service of Holy Communion at 9:30 am. On Sunday, September 11 we will return to our regular schedule of 3 services and Sunday School.

COMMISSIONING OF KATHRYN KELLY TO BOTSWANA

At our 9:30 am service on June 26th we commissioned one of our young adults who will be leaving on Saturday, July 2nd on a 5 week mission trip to Botswana. The first half of the trip will be spent helping at an orphan feeding station and running Vacation Bible School and Sports camps for the kids. The second half of the trip she will be helping the Campus Crusade movement at the University of Botswana, the country's only university. Kathryn again expresses her thanks for all of our prayers and support. Go to <http://journeytobotswana.blogspot.com> to keep updated on what's happening with Kathryn and her fellow missionaries.



RECENT GRADUATES

We are pleased to recognize those related to our congregation who have notified us of their graduation from high school, college, or professional schools:

Alice Holford Campbell graduated from Edison College in Nashville, TN with an Associates Degree in Accounting and was elected to "Who's Who of American Universities". She plans to continue on to receive her BA degree.

Derek Frey graduated from Council Rock HS-North and will be attending Walnut Hill College and Bucks County Community College for Culinary Arts and Business.

Evan Messina graduated from Council Rock HS-North and will be attending Penn State University in the fall.

Keven Stephenson graduated from Council Rock HS-North and will be attending Bucks County Community College for Graphic Arts.

We pray that the Holy Spirit continue to guide them as they make decisions about further education and career.

CONGRATULATIONS ON CONFIRMATION

Advent expresses its congratulations to the following youth who affirmed their faith in the Rite of Confirmation on Pentecost, June 12:

- Stephanie Rebecca Hansen
- Kristen Alexis Morley
- Shannon Theresa McQuiggan

We pray for God's blessings upon these young people and hope that their Confirmation will be for them one of many steps on the path of growing in faith and in Christian maturity.

NUEVA CREACIÓN

Please keep in your prayers our sister congregation and urban mission partner Nueva Creación in Philadelphia. Consider sponsoring a week of mission support for them for \$25. The sign-up sheet is on the hallway bulletin board. We hope to send a group down to worship with them one Sunday this summer. Please speak with Jack Weaver or Pastor if interested in worshipping with us at Nueva Creación.

PRAYER REQUESTS

Please remember in your prayers the following Advent member and friends who are ill, hurting or homebound.

- Marge Caldwell at home
- Jennie Davis at home
- Jerry Diefenbach at home
- Eleanor Fleisch recovering at home
- Andy Frey at home after heart cath
- Shirley Haaf recovering in California
- Liz Holford recovering at home after surgery
- Fred Morley recovering at home after surgery
- Shirley Morris recovering at home after surgery
- Carolyn Morrison recovering at home
- Edie Noll at New Seasons Assisted Living
- Art Ruth recovering after leg surgery
- Phil Stark recovering at home after surgery
- Irene Welz at Southampton

WITH SYMPATHY

Advent expresses its sympathy to Pastor's friends Fred & Dot Cammarota on the death of Fred's mother Amanda Cammarota. Pastor Sorcek officiated at the funeral service on June 20 at St. Paul's Lutheran Church in Lionville (Exton), PA. May God's comfort and peace be with the Cammarota family on their loss.

<u>INCOME – 5/11</u>	<u>Received</u>	<u>Budgeted</u>
General Fund	\$16,405	\$17,199
Mortgage Fund	5,549	5,875
Benevolence (<i>LWR, etc.</i>)	1,209	
Baby Manna (inc. above)	377	

JULY/AUGUST SCHEDULES

ACOLYTES

1st	9:30 am	Shannon McQuiggan
2nd	9:30 am	Lauren Wills
3rd	9:30 am	Jerry Gugger
4th	9:30 am	Lauren Wills
5 th	9:30 am	Open

LAY READERS

7/03	9:30 am	Jennifer McQuiggan
7/17	9:30 am	Benicia Meyers
7/31	9:30 am	Jeanne Gryszka
8/14	9:30 am	Jack Weaver
8/28	9:30 am	Open

ALTAR GUILD

Julia Anderson, Karen Breig, Donna Duffy, Liz Gracey, Hanna McCollum, Kathy Sitler

COMMUNION ASSISTANTS

7/03	9:30 am	Mike Hall, Bill Pearson
7/31	9:30 am	Tony Gryszka, Kris Henke

COMMUNION BREAD

7/03	1 service	Linda Weaver
7/31	1 service	Jeanne Gryszka

ALTAR FLOWER DISTRIBUTION

Please check with coordinator Marian Siek.

USHERS

1 st	Ron Brown, Bob Matlack, Ted Siek
2 nd	Andy Frey, Bob Holford, Lance Muscara
3 rd	Ray Heiss, George Henry, Tom Herbert, Mike Sitler
4 th	Dave Frost, Tony Gryszka, Kris Henke
5 th	Andy Frey, Don Hoffmann, Ted Siek

MONEY COUNTERS

1 st	Dave Breig, Earl Gilbert, Paul Henke
2 nd	Andy & Cindy Frey, Bob Holford
3 rd	Joyce Heiss, Bill Pearson
4 th	Tony Gryszka, Tom Herbert
5 th	Andy Frey, Paul Henke, Don Hoffmann

ADVENT LUTHERAN CHURCH 2010 VBS

Monday – Friday, July 11 – July 15

9:00 am – 12 noon

Come meet with us in the jungle for a Big Adventure. There will be Bible stories, games, music, crafts, food, and lots of fun. Don't forget to bring a t-shirt before Thursday to wear for closing on Friday.

Advent requests a donation for the 5 day program of \$25 for a single child or \$20 each for multiple children. Please make checks payable to Advent Lutheran Church with VBS in the note line. If the suggested donation causes financial hardship, we will gladly waive all or part of the fee. We want every child to be able to enjoy Vacation Bible School.



Keep this portion as your reminder

Registration Form (1 form per child please)

NAME: _____ AGE: _____ GRADE COMPLETED: _____

BIRTH DATE: _____ ALLERGIES: _____

PARENT/GUARDIAN: _____

ADDRESS: _____

PHONE: _____ CELL PHONE: _____ email: _____

SIBLINGS & AGES: _____

EMERGENCY CONTACT IF YOU CAN'T BE REACHED: Name: _____

Phone: _____ Relationship to Child: _____

PERSON(S) PICKING UP CHILD: _____

CHURCH AFFILIATION: _____

ONE FRIEND MY CHILD WOULD LIKE TO BE WITH: _____

SIGNATURE OF PARENT/GUARDIAN: _____



Please indicate if you are able to volunteer: _____

Days available: _____

I hereby grant the VBS leaders permission to photograph/film the minor above in any manner or form for any lawful purpose associated with this VBS program.



JULY 2011

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
26 SECOND SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST 8:45 AM Praise Team Rehearsal 9:30 AM Contemporary Holy Communion 10:30 AM Summer Chat - Finance Committee	27 8:00 PM A.A. Open Meeting	28	29 Peter & Paul, Apostles	30 7:00 PM Youth Bible Study 8:00 PM A.A. Topic Group	1 8:00 PM A.A. Step Mtg	2
3 THIRD SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST Independence Day Commemoration Shoe Drive 9:30 AM Traditional (LBW) Holy Communion 10:30 AM Summer Chat - Evangelism Committee	4 Independence Day 8:00 PM A.A. Open Meeting	5 7:00 PM Finance Committee	6	7 7:00 PM Youth Bible Study 8:00 PM A.A. Topic Group	8 8:00 PM A.A. Step Mtg	9 8:30 AM Men's Breakfast
10 FOURTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST Commissioning of VBS Staff Shoe Drive 8:45 AM Praise Team Rehearsal 9:30 AM Contemporary Holy Communion 10:30 AM Summer Chat - Social Ministry 11:00 AM Church Council	11 VBS 1:30 PM Sola Gratia Circle 8:00 PM A.A. Open Meeting	12 VBS	13 VBS	14 VBS 7:00 PM Youth Bible Study 8:00 PM A.A. Topic Group	15 VBS 8:00 PM A.A. Step Mtg	16
17 FIFTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST VBS Sunday Shoe Drive 9:30 AM Traditional (WOV) Worship 10:30 AM Summer Chat - Worship & Music	18 8:00 PM A.A. Open Meeting	19	20	21 9:30 AM Deans Meeting @ LTSP 7:00 PM Youth Bible Study 8:00 PM A.A. Topic Group	22 8:00 PM A.A. Step Mtg	23 LEM Week @ Tuscarora
24 SIXTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST LEM Week @ Tuscarora 8:45 AM Praise Team Rehearsal 9:30 AM Contemporary Holy Communion 10:30 AM Summer Chat	25 LEM Week @ Tuscarora 8:00 PM A.A. Open Meeting	26 LEM Week @ Tuscarora	27 LEM Week @ Tuscarora	28 LEM Week @ Tuscarora 7:00 PM Youth Bible Study 8:00 PM A.A. Topic Group	29 LEM Week @ Tuscarora 8:00 PM A.A. Step Mtg	30
31 SEVENTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST 9:30 AM Traditional (LBW) Holy Communion 10:30 AM Summer Chat	1 8:00 PM A.A. Open Meeting	2	3	4 Pastor on Vacation 8:00 PM A.A. Topic Group	5 Pastor on Vacation 8:00 PM A.A. Step Mtg	6 Pastor on Vacation

JULY BIRTHDAYS

1 Jenna Geragi	8 Joshua Hanlon	15 Lindsey Kirschner	23 Irene Anderson
3 Kathryn Urbaniak	10 Andy Frey, Sr.	16 Liam Cannon	24 Raffaele Manco
4 Liz Holford	Marguerite Hall	Sabrina Cannon	25 Andrew Frey, III
5 Judy Rilling	Joyce Heiss	20 Carla Henry	27 Andrew Breig
6 Andrew H. Frey	12 Laszlo Kovacs	Larry Kovacs	29 Kathleen Pearson
7 Karen Breig	13 Charles Stirzel	21 Fred Wagner	31 Carolyn Morrison
Bernadette Pearson	15 Allison Kirschner	22 Margo Spahn	Steve Sanderlin

AUGUST 2011

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
31 SEVENTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST 9:30 AM Traditional (LBW) Holy Communion 10:30 AM Summer Chat	1 8:00 PM A.A. Open Meeting	2	3	4 Pastor on Vacation 8:00 PM A.A. Topic Group	5 Pastor on Vacation 8:00 PM A.A. Step Mtg	6 Pastor on Vacation
7 8TH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST Guest Preacher - Paul Henke Pastor on Vacation 8:45 AM Praise Team Rehearsal 9:30 AM Contemporary Holy Communion 10:30 AM Summer Chat	8 Pastor on Vacation 1:30 PM Sola Gratia Circle 8:00 PM A.A. Open Meeting	9 Pastor on Vacation	10 Pastor on Vacation	11 Pastor on Vacation 8:00 PM A.A. Topic Group	12 Pastor on Vacation 8:00 PM A.A. Step Mtg	13 Pastor on Vacation 8:30 AM Men's Breakfast
14 9TH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST Guest Preacher - George Henry Pastor on Vacation 9:30 AM Traditional (WOV) Worship 10:30 AM Summer Chat 11:00 AM Church Council	15 Pastor on Vacation 8:00 PM A.A. Open Meeting	16 Pastor on Vacation	17 7:05 PM Phillies Game	18 9:30 AM Deans Meeting @ LTSP 7:00 PM Youth Bible Study 8:00 PM A.A. Topic Group	19 8:00 PM A.A. Step Mtg	20
21 10TH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST 8:45 AM Praise Team Rehearsal 9:30 AM Contemporary Holy Communion 10:30 AM Summer Chat	22 8:00 PM A.A. Open Meeting	23 2:00 PM - 7:30 PM Advent Blood Drive	24	25 7:00 PM Youth Bible Study 8:00 PM A.A. Topic Group	26 8:00 PM A.A. Step Mtg	27
28 11TH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST 9:30 AM Traditional (WOV) Worship 10:30 AM Summer Chat	29 8:00 PM A.A. Open Meeting	30	31	1 7:00 PM Youth Bible Study 8:00 PM A.A. Topic Group	2 8:00 PM A.A. Step Mtg	3

AUGUST BIRTHDAYS

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| 3 Haden Jones | 14 Jessica Buttil | 17 Dorothy Masciotro | 25 Richard Hofer |
| 4 Aimee Manco | Dorothy Hofer | 18 Laura Sanderlin | 29 Daniel Gracey |
| 8 Paul Sorcek | Kenneth Meyers | 19 Elaine Gilbert | Joanne Kelly |
| 9 Christopher Starke | 15 Nancy Starke | 24 Kylie Rayher | |
| 10 Diane Kirschner | 16 Marie Beer | Tom Starke | |
| 11 Madeline Pearson | Janice Hoffmann | Will Zipf | |