



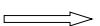
Advent Lutheran Church

Weekly News

Week of November 15-21



- **December Worship Assistants:** we need your help!!
lector, communion assistant, usher. See the sign up board in the Narthex.
- **Food Pantry (with St. Andrew):** needs for November - **soap & detergent**
Collection shopping carts in front/back door entryways
- **"Little Free Pantry"** current needs for this week are: **anything you would like to donate**
- **Blood Pressure:** It's Blood Pressure Weekend. Stop by the Parish Nurse office to have your BP checked.
- **Holiday Outreach Project:** Once again this year we are asking for donations to the Advent/St. Andrews Food Pantry. We will be providing Thanksgiving bags filled with a turkey and all of the fixings, including a pie for dessert, on November 19th. We are also planning to provide a Christmas bag in December filled with either a ham or turkey, all the sides and a dessert to go with it. During the holidays we usually serve over 60 families. In order to make all of the bags alike and to be able to buy in bulk, we are asking for financial help. Our neighbors that shop at our food pantry really depend on us to make their holiday meal special. If you would like to contribute, please write a check with "holiday food pantry" written in the memo section of your check. Thank you for your generosity!! *Deuteronomy 15:11 – Since there will never cease to be some in need on earth, I therefore command you, 'Open your hand to the poor and needy neighbor in your land.'* Any questions, please see Dave Mattson, Denise Janosko or Bev McArthur 
- **OK Gang Luncheon:** As we enter the last two months of 2025 and colder weather and the holidays are coming, I thought we might like to go south of the border for our November OK Gang luncheon. With this in mind, we will be going to Casa Agave located at 1531 Mentor Avenue (Painesville Commons Mall) on November 17th at 12:45pm. We will be eating in their party room at the back of the restaurant. At Casa Agave they believe great meals begin with the finest ingredients and a passion for authentic flavors. Each dish is crafted with love following traditional recipes and using high-quality ingredients for that true Mexican taste. From hand-prepared salsas to sizzling fajitas, every bite embodies their commitment to excellence and freshness. Enjoy an experience where your meal feels like it was made just for you—straight from their kitchen to your table. So please join us for our own fiesta and enjoy the friendship of your fellow Advent members. Looking forward to seeing you there I'll be the one in the sombrero!!!!
- **Confirmation Celebration:** This Sunday at the 11:30am worship service, Evelyn Scripp, Audriana Walker and Brooklynn Walker, will affirm their faith in the Rite of Confirmation. Congratulations and God's Blessings!



- **Mark your calendars for a four-week Advent Retreat:** Join us on: November 29, December 6, 13, and 20; **Time:** 9:30am - 12:00pm; **Cost:** \$24.00 total to cover materials, continental breakfast & snacks; **Sign up available on bulletin board: now - November 16.**

We will join the people of Israel waiting for the coming Messiah, entering into the confusion, longing, frustration, and sense of dreams deferred that the people of Israel felt year after year, generation after generation. We will prepare for the joy of Christmas by waiting on the dark streets of Bethlehem, our eyes straining to glimpse the dawning of that everlasting light. Questions: please contact Emma Krueger

- **Christmas Cookies:** Please join us on December 14th in the narthex for Christmas cookies, coffee and fellowship. If you would like to make cookies to share with everyone please bring them on December 14th. We will be serving a portion of these cookies on December 19th with the neighbors that shop at the food pantry for their Christmas dinner. Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year!



- **Altar Flowers:** Altar flowers this weekend are given by Pam Lenz and family, in loving memory of Dean Lenz.

- **Thanksgiving Eve Worship:** Join us for worship on Wednesday, November 26 at 7pm.

- **Annual Meeting—First Half:** Sunday, December 7 at 10am. The purpose of this meeting is for the election of new council members. Please join us.



- **Annual Reports:** Annual reports are due to the office by Monday, December 1.

- **Online Giving:** If you'd like to support Advent's ministry electronically, scan this QR code to visit our online giving page.



Next Weekend's Worship Assistants - (November 22 and 23)

	<u>Lector</u>	<u>Communion Assistant</u>	<u>Usher</u>
4:00pm	Mary Jo Jones	Cathy Doering/	
9:00am	Janet Tilton	Cherie Moore/Della Neace	Bob Tilton
11:30am	Eric Williamson	Michele Williamson/Henny Helland	

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