



Advent Lutheran Church

Weekly News

Week of February 7-13



- **March 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 February - **deodorant & detergent**
Collection shopping carts in front/back door entryways
- **"Little Free Pantry"** current needs for this week are: **anything you would like to donate**
- **2026 Phone Directory:** The new directory is being worked on. Please let the office know if you have a new phone number or email address that you would like included.
- **Happy Valentine's Day:** Please join us in the Narthex on Sunday, February 15th for a sweet valentine treat for our sweet congregation. *The Fellowship committee*
- **Valentine's Day is Saturday night the 14th.** Come with your sweetheart or by yourself for a real treat after the Saturday evening worship service. Hope to see you all there. *Cathy Doering*
- **Shrove Tuesday Pancake Dinner:** Please join us for a family fellowship Mardi Gras style Shrove or Fat Tuesday party. This will be held on Tuesday, February 17, the day before Ash Wednesday - from 5-7pm in the Fellowship Hall. There will be plenty of food with pancakes, sausage, fruit salad, and paczkis! So come hungry. Also, good fellowship and music with plenty of color. Wear a colorful shirt or outfit (optional). There is no charge, but a free will offering will be taken. Invite anyone who might need a free meal. Please pass the word around to neighbors and friends. All are welcome! Hope to see you there!
- **Ash Wednesday:** February 18. Services at both noon and 7pm. Imposition of Ashes and Holy Communion.
- **Lenten Worship Services:** Join us for a wonderful Lenten Journey utilizing materials from Sanctified Art! The theme for this year is "*Tell Me Something Good*," focusing on Jesus' core teachings of radical welcome, love for neighbor, care for the vulnerable, and justice, aiming to inspire positive action and embody the good news of the Gospel for all people. Devotionals will be available in the narthex. Ash Wednesday will be a traditional service with distribution of ashes, possibly with a few things from Sanctified Art. The regular Wednesdays during Lent will be informal services structured around the materials from Sanctified Art. For the first Wednesday in Lent, February 25, there will be both a noon and 7pm service. Continuing the 7pm service will be decided based on attendance and input.



- **OK Gang:** We will be going to Mean Mugs Pub located at 7061 Chillicothe Rd. in Mentor at 12:45 pm on Monday February 16, 2026. As one of the O K Gang's favorite places, Mean Mugs is known for its welcoming atmosphere and friendly service and is the perfect spot for gatherings with friends. The food is delicious and reasonably priced. You will find everything from Sandwiches that come with homemade Pub chips, FF or coleslaw, salads including a Chicken Pecan salad to a variety of pizzas. If you haven't joined us before please give us a try. We are a great fun group and this is a great way to meet fellow Advent members who might go to a different church service. If you have any questions you can ask Kathie Hayden, Cherie Moore, or Jenny Helland.
- **Mark your calendar for a special concert:** You are invited to attend a wonderful afternoon of Beethoven's music. This will be followed by an **optional dinner at TJ's on the Avenue located at 7485 Mentor Ave., Mentor, Ohio** (everyone will pay for their own meals). The cost of tickets is a group rate of \$20/person. We need at least 10 or more people attending to get the group rate. If you are interested in attending, make out a **check or money** order to Tim G. Krueger (with "Beethoven" on the memo line) and give it to him **not later than Sunday, February 22nd. Cash will also be accepted.** You can 1) give it directly to Tim, 2) place it in Tim's mailbox at church or 3) U.S. Mail it to: Tim Krueger, 8172 Deepwood Blvd., #15-9, Mentor, Ohio 44060. He will need to know: 1) number of people in your party, 2) if you will be attending the optional dinner after the concert, 4) your preferred phone number and email address (**please use the sign-up sheet in the narthex**). *Once Tim has purchased your ticket from the Snowbelt Musical Arts Association, there will be no refunds.* If you have any questions, call/text Tim Krueger at (440) 391-0369 or email him at LTCTKRUE@aol.com.
- **Funeral for formal member:** Many of you remember Bob Jokela, who faithfully attended worship on Saturday evenings, went home to the Lord on November 19, 2025. There will be a Celebration of Life for Bob on March 7 at 1pm, at Penitentiary Glen. Visitation at 12pm, with the memorial service following at 1pm. There will be light refreshments served following the Memorial Service.



Next Weekend's Worship Assistants - (February 14 and 15)

	<u>Lector</u>	<u>Communion Assistant</u>	<u>Usher</u>
4:00pm	Pastor Rod	Deb Laukiavich,	
9:00am	Keith Manos	Denise McClanahan, Chris Noble	Dave Mattson
11:30am	Terry Mach	John & Jenny Helland	Audri Walker

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Rev. Steven C. Bond, Pastor

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