

The Adventurer



thanksgiving
gather
thankful family
blessed grateful
together
blessings
november

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November Worship Schedule

Sunday, November 2nd

All Saints' Day

Guest Preacher—Dr. Pamela Ward

Guest Organist—Justin Hornsby

Worship 9:30am

Ministry Morning 10:45am

Sunday, November 9th

22nd Sunday after Pentecost

Guest Preacher—Dr. Pamela Ward

Guest Organist—Pam Dutch

Worship 9:30am

Sunday School Classes 10:45am

Sunday, November 16th

23rd Sunday after Pentecost

Worship & Holy Communion 9:30am

Congregational Meeting Following worship
followed by a time of Fellowship.

Sunday, November 23rd

Christ the King Sunday

Guest Organist—Pam Dutch

Worship & Holy Communion 9:30am

Sunday School Classes 10:45am

Thanksgiving Dinner Worship 5:30pm

Sunday, November 30th

Guest Organist—Justin Hornsby

1st Sunday of Advent

Worship & Holy Communion 9:30am

Sunday School Classes 10:45am



Music Ministry

We want to thank everyone who plays bells and sings in the Advent choirs. Advent is truly blessed to have such faithful and dedicated choir members!

We are currently in a time of transition in the music ministry at Advent. Justin Hornsby and Pam Dutch will be helping us during this time of transition. Justin has agreed to help with choir practices and will be getting in touch with all of the choir members regarding upcoming practices. Pam Dutch has tuned all of the bells at Advent. Both will be guest organists over the coming weeks. We truly thank God for Pam and Justin and for their musical leadership!

We will be forming an Organist/Music Director Call Committee. We ask that you pray about joining this committee for the purpose of finding Advent's next Organist/Music Director.



CONGREGATIONAL
MEETING

Sunday November 16th

Advent's Semi Annual Congregational meeting.

The meeting will take place immediately following the worship service in the sanctuary. On the agenda is the approval of the proposed budget for 2026. The budget is being finalized and will be sent out via email when it is completed. We will have printed copies of the proposed budget available on November 16th at the meeting. We hope to see you there!



Advent's Stewardship theme for 2026: KNOW GOD'S POWER & LOVE

As we reflect on the past year, we are filled with gratitude for the blessings and challenges that have brought us closer as a faith community. Your generous contributions have been the cornerstone of our achievements, allowing us to live out our mission to Love God, Love People, Serve the World. Your contributions have allowed us to assist in disaster recovery efforts in the CSRA, spread God's love through our 8 ministries in broad ways, provide support for GAP, the Little Free Pantry, Community Garden and Family Promise, and make a significant impact both within our congregation and in the wider community.

This year, we embark on our annual giving campaign titled "Know God's boundless power and love". This theme is based on Ephesians 3:19-21, "Know the love of Christ that surpasses knowledge, so that you may be filled with all the fullness of God. Now to God who by the power at work within us is able to accomplish abundantly far more than all we can ask or imagine, to him be glory in the church and in Christ Jesus to all generations, forever and ever. Amen." It is our prayer that this year's stewardship campaign will powerfully bless not only this generation of faithful followers of Christ at Advent, for generations to come.

Your continued support will enable us to reach new heights in our mission endeavors, community outreach programs, small groups and spiritual development.

In 2026, may we grow in our stewardship knowing and trusting God's Power & Love.



SAVE THE DATE

December 7, 2025, 6pm

Live Nativity

**Music, Cocoa, Live Animals &
More**



This year we will have Advent's Annual Thanksgiving Dinner Worship Service at Advent. The Thanksgiving Dinner & Worship event is much like the setting of Advent's Seder Meal. The meal and worship are intertwined during the service.

We will gather together on the 23rd at 5:30 where we will eat, pray, sing, and fellowship together all in one service. It is an amazing time to gather together with our Advent family and give thanks. The Fellowship Ministry will provide Ham for the meat and the congregation is asked to bring a side dish or dessert to share. There is a sign up for the meal sides at Advent and online at Sign Up Genius.

We hope you will join us for this special time of worship and meal together in Advent's updated Fellowship Hall.

Give
thanks
to the LORD
for He is good
His love endures
f o r e v e r
1 CHRONICLES 16:34

Thanksgiving Dinner
Worship
In
Fellowship Hall
Sunday, November 23rd
5:30pm



Christians
confronting emptiness
choosing compassion
creating community

November GAP Donations – Thanksgiving Food!

- Do NOT bring items that expire in < 1 week
- Do NOT bring items that must be refrigerated
- Please place items in the box in the narthex!



Property
Ministry
Team

Just a reminder of our upcoming meeting Saturday Nov 1st, the official start time is 8am but we will take help at any time you may be able.

We hope to finish painting the Adult Sunday school room as well as any other projects we may be able to knock off our long list.

We hope you can all join us. More hands make for lighter work.

SERVICE MINISTRY NEWS

HATS, & GLOVES COLLECTION



Imagine being homeless.....and cold!

Thrivent Financial is sponsoring our November & December Collection: warm hats and gloves for GAP Ministries.

Large size gloves are requested. Hats that can pull down over the ears help keep those in need warm at night.

Please deposit these items in the Special donation box in the Narthex

Thank you for being so generous in donating items for those in need throughout the year. Advent is truly filled with such faith filled people of God.

The Hats and Gloves will be distributed at GAP on December 18th

THE ANGEL TREE IS COMING!



The Angel Tree for Christmas will be here this month. Please select an angel as you begin your Christmas shopping to help. If you are interested in helping with the Angel Tree, please contact Gina Hammock. Thank you, Gina, for organizing this important event!

Help Keep the
Little Free Pantry
Stocked

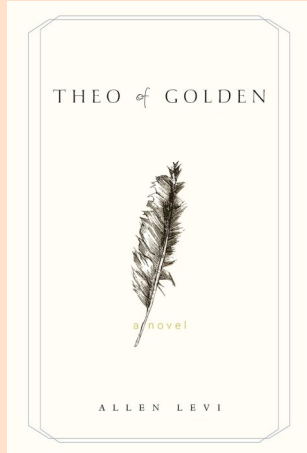
Thank you to all who support the pantry. During the coming cold months, the need will only increase with those who are hungry. Here are some items that could help:

- Water, small packets of water flavoring and flavoring drops
- Soup packets or cans
- Fruit (dried, canned or small cups)
- Snack items (crackers, granola bars, fruit bars, protein bars, etc.)
- Drinks (juice boxes, protein shakes, hot chocolate, instant coffee)
- Dried potato mixes and flavored rice packets
- Pasta and pasta mixes including those with protein, canned pasta
- Small packets of pancake mix, syrup
- Peanut butter
- Jelly
- Microwave popcorn, sunflower seeds
- Cereal (small boxes or packets including oatmeal and grits)
- Baby food (formula, small snack packets for toddlers, etc.)
- Diapers and wipes
- Oral hygiene items—toothbrush, toothpaste, dental floss, etc
- Personal hygiene products—toilet paper, soap, deodorant, lip balm, body lotion, combs, brushes, hair ties, etc.
- Feminine hygiene products
- Can openers—new or used in proper working order
- Wrapped utensil packets sent with food delivery that you may not need
- 16 oz. Insulated cups (used for making oatmeal and grits)

Candy



ADVENT BOOK GROUP SCHEDULE 2023-2024



Join us on Monday, November 24th at 11am in the Adult Sunday School Room as we meet to discuss the book, "Theo of Golden" by Allan Levi. The Discussion Leader for the morning will be Gayle Ricklefs.
All are welcome!

Date	Title	Author	Reviewer
11/24	<i>Theo of Golden</i>	Allan Levi	Gayle Ricklefs
1/26	<i>Fire Keeper's Daughter</i>	Angeline Boulley	Lillian Essaf & Ingrid Zamecnik
2/23	<i>The Keeper of Stories</i>	Sally Page	Susan Still & Mary Jean Pollard
3/23	<i>The Queen of Sugar Hill</i>	ReShonda Tate	Betsy Walker
4/27	<i>The First Gentleman: A Thriller</i>	Bill Clinton & James Patterson	Janice Richardson
*5/18	<i>The Grey Wolf: A Novel</i>	Louise Penny	Pat Grim



11/2	Shawn Merzlak
11/6	Matt Reed
11/6	Rick Reed
11/7	Jonathan Pingilley
11/8	Kevin Ward
11/11	Wendy Suprek-Jones
11/12	Joan Kruscavage
11/14	Tom Grimm
11/15	Karin Krog
11/16	Noah Fillgrove
11/18	Derek Herrmann
11/18	Diana Perry
11/18	Lily Summers
11/19	Marcy Jimenez
11/23	Mike Gamlen
11/26	Dottie Rasche
11/29	Taylor Krog
11/29	Dale Tupper



**HAPPY
ANNIVERSARY!!!**

11/29 Greg & Sarah Van Bladel

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
2 All Saints Sunday Worship 9:30am Ministry Morning 10:45am	3 AA 8am-9am	4 AA 8am-9am Chosen Episode 9:30am Chosen Bible Study 10:30am	5 AA 8am-9am	6 AA 8am-9am Toastmasters 6:30pm	7 AA 8am-9am	1 Property Meeting 8am 8 AA Celebration 8am
9 Worship 9:30am Sunday School 10:45am	10 AA 8am-9am	11 Veterans Day AA 8am-9am Chosen Episode 9:30am Chosen Bible Study 10:30am Council 6pm	12 AA 8am-9am	13 AA 8am-9am Toastmasters 6:30pm	14 AA 8am-9am	15
16 Worship & Holy Communion 9:30am Cong. Mtg. after Worship	17 AA 8am-9am CSRA League of Women Voters 7pm	18 AA 8am-9am Chosen Episode 9:30am Chosen Bible Study 10:30am	19 AA 8am-9am	20 AA 8am-9am Toastmasters 6:30pm	21 AA 8am-9am	22
23 Worship & Holy Communion 9:30am Sunday School 10:45am Thanksgiving Dinner Worship 5:30pm	24 AA 8am-9am Book Group 11am	25 AA 8am-9am Chosen Episode 9:30am Chosen Bible Study 10:30am	26 AA 8am-9am 	27 AA 8am-9am 	28 AA 8am-9am	29
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Daylight Savings Time is November 2th



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***Deadline For December
Newsletter Entries
November 25th***