

Advent Lutheran Church

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WELCOME

Welcome Guest! We pray the service will be a blessing for you and that you will join us again soon. Thank you for worshiping with us today. Your presence is a joy to this faith community. If you are visiting, please fill out the Guest card in the pew rack and place it in the offering plate, or in the basket in the narthex / gathering area, as a way to help us welcome you further and another way of offering yourself to God on this day.

NURSERY CARE

Nursery care for infants and toddlers is available during the worship service in Room 7 adjacent to the courtyard. If you prefer to keep your children with you during all or part of the worship service, feel free to pick them up and walk with them in the back of the worship area if they become restless.

COMMUNION

All baptized persons who believe that through the bread and wine we receive Christ's body and blood for our forgiveness are invited to commune. The center ring of glasses contains white grape juice for those who prefer it. Tell the pastor if you need gluten free bread.

PRAYER MINISTRY

Prayer ministers are available for individual prayer during communion and after the service at the front right corner area of the sanctuary.

PRAYER CHAIN

If you would like some of Advent's people to join you in praying for any matter, you may contact Sheila Walton at sagwalton@aol.com.

Anyone may also write any prayer request on the inside of the Guest Information card and leave it in the offering or in the basket on the Welcome table in the narthex/gathering area.

HEARING ASSISTANCE UNITS

Hearing Enhancement Equipment is available for check-out from the Sound and Light booth in the back corner of the sanctuary

Worship Assistants

8:00 am

10:45 am

Acolyte: John Wilson

Kyle Erickson

Lector: Bob Quayle

Mike Fumagalli

Communion

Assistants: Ellie Quayle

Floyd Seitz

Cantor: Phil Robb

Phil Robb

Ushers: Ken Carlson
Drew Carlson
Jim Carr
Daniel Carr

Bruce Corbridge
Ed Carr

Healing Prayer: Darlene Day

Daniel Carlile

Greeters: Zappe Family

Bannister Family

Coffee Set Up: Marilyn Luke

Clean Up:

Ellsworth Family

High School & Adult Drama Director:

Marc Northcott

SALT - Sound And Light Team: Steven Boyd, Matt Glover, Adam Paulsen, Chris Holmes, Emma Northcott, Marc Northcott and Matthew Paulsen.

Altar Guild: Joanne Briese, John Briese, Dottie Ellsworth;
Communion Bread: Betty Arnone.

Nursery Attendants: Ernestina & Azucena Atanacio.

Our Musicians

Pianist / Accompanist:

Mark Johanson

Organist:

David Johanson

Chancel Choir Director:

Phil Robb

Pacem Children's Choir Director:

Jennifer Hamilton

Youth Choir Director:

Phil Robb

Gather Musicians: Bruce Naylor, Erik Siverson, Bob Eltgroth, Matt Carson, Elizabeth Johanson, Luke Northcott, Rolf Siverson, Mark Gaetano, Ed Merrell, Dick Simunic and Valerie Sacks.

The Thirteenth Sunday after Pentecost

August 22, 2010

We greet you in the name of our Lord Jesus Christ. Whoever you are and wherever you are in your journey of faith, you are welcome in this community celebrating God's Spirit in the world.

God's grace meets us in the water and Word, and in the bread and wine. We are here to know again the touch of God's forgiveness and love and to hear God's calling in our lives.

Please introduce yourself to others here and to the pastor. We invite you to complete the Guest card in the pew rack and place it in the offering plate as a reminder of your presence with us in worship today.

GATHERING

Remember the sabbath day. Call the sabbath a delight. This is the Lord's day, and the Lord will do for us what the Lord does: feed us, forgive us, help and heal us. Rejoice at all the wonderful things God is doing.

Welcome

Phil Robb, Director of Music Ministries

Prelude

Hymn medley

Stand

Call to Worship

Phil Robb and Congregation

L: Shout with joy to God, all the earth!

Sing to the glory of His name;

Offer Him glory and praise!

C: Father, we give You glory and praise!

L: Say to God, "How awesome are your deeds!"

C: Father, how awesome are Your deeds!

L: All the earth bows down to You;

They sing praise to Your name.

C: We sing praises to Your name.

Hymns “Holy God, We Praise Thy Name” No. 524, verses 1&3
“Praise to the Lord, the Almighty” No. 527, verses 1&4
“Joyful, Joyful, We Adore You” No. 528, verse 4

Greeting

P: Sisters and brothers, called to freedom in Christ:
Grace, mercy, and peace be with you all.

C: And also with you.

Hymns “Love Divine, All Loves Excelling” No. 622, verses 1&3
“Rejoice, the Lord Is King” No. 487, verses 1,2&4

Prayer of the Day

P: Let us pray,
O God, mighty and immortal, you know that as fragile creatures surrounded by great dangers, we cannot by ourselves stand upright. Give us strength of mind and body, so that even when we suffer because of human sin, we may rise victorious through your Son, Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord.

C: Amen.

WORD

The Lord promises those who have returned from exile that where justice and mercy prevail, the ruins will be rebuilt and light will rise in the darkness. It is a day for new beginnings.

Reading Isaiah 58:9b-14

If you remove the yoke from among you, the pointing of the finger, the speaking of evil,¹⁰ if you offer your food to the hungry and satisfy the needs of the afflicted, then your light shall rise in the darkness and your gloom be like the noonday.¹¹ The LORD will guide you continually,

and satisfy your needs in parched places, and make your bones strong; and you shall be like a watered garden, like a spring of water, whose waters never fail.¹² Your ancient ruins shall be rebuilt; you shall raise up the foundations of many generations; you shall be called the repairer of the breach, the restorer of streets to live in.¹³ If you refrain from trampling the sabbath, from pursuing your own interests on my holy day; if you call the sabbath a delight and the holy day of the LORD honorable; if you honor it, not going your own ways, serving your own interests, or pursuing your own affairs;¹⁴ then you shall take delight in the LORD, and I will make you ride upon the heights of the earth; I will feed you with the heritage of your ancestor Jacob, for the mouth of the LORD has spoken.

L: The word of the Lord.

C: Thanks be to God.

Psalm 103 “Praise, My Soul, the King of Heaven” No. 551

Using images of Moses from the Old Testament, the writer presents a striking vision of the new covenant of God made possible in Christ. There is no longer fear; only awe in the new promise in Christ into which we are invited.

Reading Hebrews 12:18-29 printed on the back

L: The word of the Lord.

C: Thanks be to God.

Stand

Gospel announcement

L: The Holy Gospel according to Luke, the thirteenth chapter.

C: Glory to you, O Lord.

Jesus heals a woman on the Sabbath, offering her a new beginning for her life. When challenged by a narrow reading of the sabbath command, Jesus responds by expanding “sabbath work” to include setting people free from bondage.

Gospel

Luke 13:10-17

printed on the back

L: The Gospel of the Lord.

C: Praise to you, O Christ.

*Sit***Children's Message**

Pastor Warner

Hymn

"How Firm a Foundation"

No. 606

Message

Phil Robb

Creed

"Come, Now Almighty King"

No. 475

Prayers of the Church

P: ...Lord, in your mercy,

C: hear our prayer.

MEAL**Peace**

P: The peace of the Lord be with you always.

C: And also with you.

You are invited to share a sign of God's peace with others. You may use these or similar words: "Peace be with you." You may use the sign of a handshake, a hug, or a bow with palms together. Please allow those who prefer less contact to choose the level of touch.

Offering

Welcome! If you are visiting, please fill out a Guest card this morning on the welcome table in the narthex / gathering area and leave it in the basket, as a way to help us welcome you further and another way of offering yourself to God on this day.

Stand

Offering Response

“For the Beauty of the Earth”

No. 572 verses 1&2

Prayer at the offering

C: Let us pray.

**C: God of mercy and grace,
the eyes of all wait upon you,
and you open your hand in blessing.
Fill us with good things at your table,
that we may come to the help of all in need,
through Jesus Christ, our redeemer and Lord. Amen.**

Celebration of Ministry

Today we celebrate the ministry of those who served and built relationships in other countries this summer.

The Great Thanksgiving

Preface

P: The Lord be with you.

C: And also with you.

P: Lift up your hearts.

C: We lift them to the Lord.

P: Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

C: It is right to give our thanks and praise.

Eucharistic Prayer

“For the Beauty of the Earth”

No. 572 verses 4,5&6

Words of Institution

Lord's Prayer

**Our Father in heaven, hallowed be your name.
Your kingdom come.
Your will be done on earth as in heaven.
Give us today our daily bread.
Forgive us our sins as we forgive those who sin against us.
Save us from the time of trial,
and deliver us from evil.
For the kingdom, the power,
and the glory are yours, now and forever. Amen.**

Invitation to Communion

P: The gifts of God for the people of God .

Communion

We believe that in the bread and wine of communion we receive Christ's body and blood for our forgiveness, life, and salvation. Come forward as the ushers direct to receive the bread and the wine. This morning two different sides will come together to receive communion bread, then split apart again on each side to receive wine. The center ring of cups in each tray contains grape juice for those who prefer it. We invite those who do not yet receive communion to come forward for a blessing – please cross your arms over your chest as a sign.

Songs during communion:

“The King of Love My Shepherd Is” No. 635

“I Heard the Voice of Jesus Say” No. 646

“I Am the Bread of Life” No. 828

SENDING

Blessing

Closing prayer

C: Let us thank the Lord.

**C: God our creator,
at this table you have satisfied us
with the good things of your grace.
Fix our hearts on your mercy and truth,
that our lives may reflect your love for all creation,
through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.**

Announcements

Benediction

P: Almighty God, Father, Son, and Holy Spirit, bless you now and forever.

C: Amen.

Hymn “All Creatures of Our God and King” No. 533 verses 1,3&5

Dismissal

A: Go in peace. Sing God’s praise with your life.

C: Thanks be to God.



VISUAL ART this morning is *The Torn Curtain* (2009) by local artist and Advent member Jill Carlson.

Jill created this work for the Good Friday stations of the cross worship service at Advent in 2009. Matthew 27:51 and Mark 15:38 tell that at the moment of Jesus’ death, the curtain of the temple was torn in two, from top to bottom. Through his death on the cross Jesus removed any ritual separation between us and the presence of God. Let us then approach God with true hearts and offer our prayers, thanks, and praise!

THOUGHT FOR THE DAY

“Learn to enjoy every minute of your life. Be happy now. Don’t wait for something outside of yourself to make you happy in the future. Think how really precious is the time you have to spend, whether it’s at work or with your family. Every minute should be enjoyed and savored.”

Earl Nightingale: speaker, author and radio personality

From Your Stewardship Committee

DID YOU KNOW?

From Your Stewardship Committee

We had six members of our congregation travel to distant lands this summer on missions to do good works and share God’s message. Tom and Judith Dunham traveled to El Salvador for a six week mission, Emma Northcott and Casey Carlson represented Advent with the Sierra Pacific Synod Youth Committee’s mission to Rwanda, Jacqui Kanode traveled to Awaso, Ghana on a collaborative mission with Morgan Hill’s St. Catherine’s Catholic Church, and Pastor Warner helped construct a home in Guatemala with Habitat For Humanity. 50 members of Advent attended a potluck brunch last Sunday to hear their stories. More about these wonderful missions can be read in the September issue of Advent Adventures.

Your Gifts and Participation Make a Difference!

WORSHIP SCHEDULE

AUGUST 22	8:00 and 10:45	Hymn festival worship
AUGUST 29	8:00 and 10:45	
SEPTEMBER 5	8:00 and 10:45	Faith in Daily Labor Sunday
SEPTEMBER 12	8:00 and 10:45	Rally Day at 9:30

THIRD QUARTER MISSION

The Church Council selected **California Interfaith Power and Light** as Advent's 3rd Quarter Mission.

The mission of **California Interfaith Power and Light** (CIPL) is to be faithful stewards of Creation by responding to **global warming** through the promotion of energy conservation, energy efficiency and renewable energy. This ministry intends to protect the earth's ecosystems, safeguard public health, and ensure sufficient, **sustainable energy** for all. CIPL is a faith based organization and stipulates that every major spiritual tradition calls on us to be faithful stewards of Creation. Advent is already a member of CIPL and the Sierra Pacific Synod Green Teams expect to leverage the synergies that exist between ELCA congregations and CIPL activities amongst others. Donations to the 3rd Quarter Mission will go first toward implementing stewardship efforts in the areas of energy, recycling, and education.

FAITH IN DAILY LABOR STORIES

On September 5 we will hear stories of how faith is at work in the daily labor of people in our congregation. Do you have a story to tell? Contact Pastor Warner today at 408-779-3551 or pastorw@advent-lutheran.org and let her know!

ADVENT OFFICE RE-CONFIGURATION

At the Church Council's encouragement, a team has been meeting for a few months to re-configure Advent's offices in order to improve the functionality and appearance of the offices for Advent's staff, volunteers, and the public.

The team includes Bill Hiller (leader/convener), Dave Johanson, Sharon Lewis, George Crowe, Sherry Quick, Pastor Warner, and Casey Carlson. They have devised a plan that will make significant improvements, and are hoping to use the skills of Advent's people to implement the changes. The cost estimates follow here:

Budget Items	Estimated Cost
1) Paint	\$ 130.00
2) Carpet	\$ 2727.00
3) Window Treatment	\$ 682.00
4) Lighting Fixtures 8 Foot (each \$295 x 2)	\$ 544.00
a) 16 Foot (each \$495 x 2))	\$ 990.00
5) Doors	
Admin Office Split Door	\$ 300.00
Pastor & Casey Office wood with window (\$335 ea)	\$ 670.00
6) Cabinet (Book shelves/storage) materials	\$ 1500.00
7) Stain/Paint for doors	\$ 75.00
 Total Estimate	 \$ 7618.00

Several people have given special gifts toward this effort totaling \$225.00. If you would like to donate toward this project, make a notation "Front Office Project" on your gift. Thank you!

School Kits Donations Needed

Advent's Sew Seeds ministry will be assembling school kits again this year for distribution by Lutheran World Relief. These kits aid students whose education may have been disrupted due to war, natural disaster, or poverty. Already many stores are offering school supplies at special back-to-school sale prices. Please take this list and keep it in your purse or wallet to take advantage of these sales. A collection box for donations is available in the narthex.

SCHOOL KITS

- Notebooks of wide- or college-ruled paper approximately 8" X 10 1/2" totaling 150-200 sheets (If using 70-sheet notebooks, please include three); no loose-leaf paper
- One blunt scissors (Safety scissors with embedded steel blades work well.)
- One 30-centimeter ruler, or a ruler with centimeters on one side and inches on the other
- One pencil sharpener
- Six new, unsharpened #2 pencils with erasers
- One eraser approximately 2 1/2" long
- 12 sheets of construction paper in assorted colors
- One box of 16 or 24 crayons

Sew Seeds volunteers need sturdy fabrics to make school bags, 12" X 14" with cloth handles.

Special Note: Please do not purchase items with religious symbols or messages, U.S. flags, patriotic or military symbols, or references to armed forces, including camouflage, for use in LWR kits. —Evelyn Seitz

All Are Invited.....All Are Welcome!

*Food n' Fellowship Summer Party at The House of Lee for a
"Chinese Take Out".....*

Date: Sunday - August 29, 2010

Time: After Church - 1:00 p.m.

*Menu: Lemon Chicken
Sweet n' Sour Pork
Korean Beef
Honey Walnut Prawns
Veggie Chow Mein Noodles
"American Dessert"
Beverage*

Price: \$12 per person - payable at time of RSVP

RSVP: ASAP

Promise: Fun, Food and Fellowship

*What a wonderful way to end the summer with your fellow
"Diners Foodies and Friends too! Hope to see you all at The
House of Lee!*

*Nancy Lee
Coordinator*

Youth & Family Announcements



Advent Lutheran White Water Rafting Family Weekend

Get ready for campfires, stargazing, incredible food, family time, beautiful nature, and experiencing God!

Gather up your whole family for an awesome weekend of white water rafting and fellowship in God's Creation.

Rafting is for 6th graders and older, but there will be tons of activities at camp for anyone who is too young or doesn't want to raft.

When: September 17-19 We will carpool up on Friday evening, white water rafting on the American River all day on Saturday, drive home Sunday morning.

Where: American River at Rock-n-Water Campgrounds on the river

How Much: \$128 for rafters/ \$56 for non rafters (includes camping, food and rafting/all activities)

Please speak with Casey Carlson if you would like to be part of this wonderful experience! Invite your friends too! Please pay either half or all of your cost with a check to Advent Lutheran Youth with "rock-n-water" in the subject line. Sign up with a deposit or full cost by Aug. 29. Thanks!

CONFIRMATION!

Confirmation is just around the corner! I'm looking forward to another year of learning, growing, and living our faith together! I hope you are too! All 7-9 graders are invited to participate in confirmation. Friends are welcome. Please feel free to speak with Casey Carlson to learn more about this 3-year program. For more information, visit:

<http://advent-lutheran.org/education/confirmation.html>

Sept. 8 @ 6:30-8:30 pm—Family Potluck & Confirmation Kick Off: A chance to meet other confirmation families, meet your guides, and get ready for the new year!

What's Happening This Week?

*Today! At 9:30am ADVENT YOUTH INTEREST MEETING! In Room 1
No Faith Journeys this week. We will resume next week though!*

**My Word:
The Bible for Everyone!**



Rally Day

Sept. 12

9:30a—10:30a

Join us in the courtyard for games, crafts, and a chance to get ready for another *AWESOME* year with Advent's Sunday School!



Sunday School
Church School

NURSERY CARE IS AVAILABLE ALL MORNING
IN ROOM 7

ADULTS

Galatians Bible Study at 9:40 am in Berkland Fellowship Hall

MID-WEEK BIBLE STUDY

Tuesday mornings at 10:00 AM.

All are welcome every Tuesday in the Library at Advent.

francis_gilroy@yahoo.com.

WOMEN'S SPIRITUALITY CIRCLE

Meets on Thursdays @ 10:00 AM

WOMEN'S BIBLE STUDY

MARY AND MARTHA CIRCLE

Meets 2nd Wednesday of the month @ 10:00 AM

INDIVIDUAL AND GROUP SPIRITUAL DIRECTION

For support in your prayer life, deepening relationship with God and living out your faith with the gifts you are given, please contact Marie W. Juncker at 847-3087 or mariewj3@garlic.com

Week of August 22nd – 29th

Today	8:00 AM	Hymn Festival Worship
	9:30 AM	Advent Youth Group Interest Meeting
	9:40 AM	Galatians Bible Study
	10:45 AM	Hymn Festival Worship
	1:00 PM	Cornerstone Church Worship Service
Monday	7:00 PM	Al-Anon
	7:00 PM	FA
Tuesday	10:00 AM	Mid-Week Bible Study
	10:00 AM	Sew Seeds
	5:00 PM	The Community Table Dinner
	6:00 PM	Women for Sobriety
Wednesday		
Thursday	10:00 AM	Women's Spirituality Circle
	7:00 PM	Cornerstone Church Worship Service
Friday	8:00 PM	AA
Saturday	7:30 AM	Men's Fellowship
	9:00 AM	Gather Musicians
	10:00 AM	Women for Sobriety
Next Sunday	8:00 AM	Worship Service
	9:40 AM	Galatians Bible Study
	10:45 AM	Worship Service
	1:00 PM	Cornerstone Church Worship Service