

Advent Lutheran Church

York, PA



Advent Lutheran Church
The Eighteenth Sunday After Pentecost

September 23, 2018

8:30 and 11:00 a.m.

Preludes *(Please silence all cell phones)*

"Nocturne"
"Rhosymedre"

Edvard Grieg
arr. R. Vaughan Williams

Pastoral Greetings and Announcements

Gathering

* Confession and Forgiveness p. 94

* Entrance Hymn, #843

"Praise the One Who Breaks the Darkness"

* Greeting

P: The grace of our Lord, Jesus Christ, the love of God, and the communion
of the Holy Spirit be with you all.

C: And also with you.

* Kyrie p. 138

* Hymn of Praise p. 139-140

* Prayer of the Day

P: Let us pray...

C: Amen.

8:30 a.m.

"Jesus Loves Me When I'm Sad"
Cherub Choir; Benjamin Fetter, *piano*

Robert J. Powell

* *Please stand if able.*

Word

L: A Reading from Jeremiah.

It was the Lord who made it known to me, and I knew; then you showed me their evil deeds. But I was like a gentle lamb led to the slaughter. And I did not know it was against me that they devised schemes, saying, "Let us destroy the tree with its fruit, let us cut him off from the land of the living, so that his name will no longer be remembered!" But you, O Lord of hosts, who judge righteously, who try the heart and the mind, let me see your retribution upon them, for to you I have committed my cause. (*Jeremiah 11:18-20*)

L: The Word of the Lord.

C: *Thanks be to God.*

L: A Reading from James.

Who is wise and understanding among you? Show by your good life that your works are done with gentleness born of wisdom. But if you have bitter envy and selfish ambition in your hearts, do not be boastful and false to the truth. Such wisdom does not come down from above, but is earthly, unspiritual, devilish. For where there is envy and selfish ambition, there will also be disorder and wickedness of every kind. But the wisdom from above is first pure, then peaceable, gentle, willing to yield, full of mercy and good fruits, without a trace of partiality or hypocrisy. And a harvest of righteousness is sown in peace for those who make peace. Those conflicts and disputes among you, where do they come from? Do they not come from your cravings that are at war within you? You want something and do not have it; so you commit murder. And you covet something and cannot obtain it; so you engage in disputes and conflicts. You do not have, because you do not ask. You ask and do not receive, because you ask wrongly, in order to spend what you get on your pleasures... Submit yourselves therefore to God. Resist the devil, and he will flee from you. Draw near to God, and he will draw near to you... (*James 3:13—4:3, 7-8a*)

L: The Word of the Lord.

C: *Thanks be to God.*

C: *Alleluia, Lord to whom shall we go? You have the words of eternal life. Alleluia, Alleluia.*

P: The Holy Gospel according to St. Mark.

C: *Glory to you, O Lord.*

They went on from there and passed through Galilee. He did not want anyone to know it; for he was teaching his disciples, saying to them, "The Son of Man is to be betrayed into human hands, and they will kill him, and three days after being killed, he will rise again." But they did not understand what he was saying and were afraid to ask him. Then they came to Capernaum; and when he was in the house he asked them, "What were you arguing about on the way?" But they were silent, for on the way they had argued with one another who was the greatest. He sat down, called the twelve, and said to them, "Whoever wants to be first must be last of all and servant of all." Then he took a little child and put it among them; and taking it in his arms, he said to them, "Whoever welcomes one such child in my name welcomes me, and whoever welcomes me welcomes not me but the one who sent me." (*Mark 9:30-37*)

P: The Gospel of the Lord.

C: *Praise to you, O Christ.*

Sermon

Pastor Dan Biles

* Hymn of the Day, #815

"I Want to Walk as a Child of the Light"

Installation of 2018-2019 Sunday School Teachers

* Prayers of the Church

P: ...Lord, in your mercy.

C: *Hear our prayer.*

* The Peace is Shared.

Meal

Offering

Offertory Anthem

8:30 a.m.

"Festival Alleluia"

Junior Choir; Laurie Bailey, *piano*

Allen Pote

11:00 a.m.

"Let All Creation Sing His Praise"

More Than A Song Choir; Kimberly Scopano, *piano*

Joseph M. Martin

* Congregational Offertory

"Let the Vineyards..."

Hymn #182

* Offertory Prayer for Gifts

* Great Thanksgiving

p. 144 – 146

* Eucharistic Prayer

P: Holy God, mighty Lord, gracious Father: Endless is Your mercy and eternal Your reign. You have filled all creation with light and life; heaven and earth are full of Your glory. For as often as we eat of this bread and drink of this cup, we proclaim the Lord's death until He comes.

C: *Christ has died. Christ is risen. Christ will come again.*

P: Therefore, gracious Father, with this bread and cup we remember the life our Lord offered for us we await His coming in power to share with us the great and promised feast.

C: *Amen. Come, Lord Jesus.*

P: Send now, we pray, Your Holy Spirit may live to the praise of Your glory and receive our inheritance with all Your saints in light.

C: *Amen. Come, Holy Spirit.*

P: Join in our prayers with those of Your servants of every time and place until He comes as victorious Lord of all.

C: Through Him, with Him, in Him, with the unity of the Holy Spirit, all honor and glory is Yours, almighty Father, now and forever. Amen.

* Lord's Prayer (Traditional Form)

p. 145

Distribution

P: Come and receive the gifts of God for the people of God.

(Please sing "Lamb of God" p. 146, "Eat This Bread" and conclude with "Jesus Remember Me", Hymn #616)

"Eat This Bread"

The refrain will be sung by the cantor, repeated by the congregation and sung after each verse.

Eat this bread, drink this cup, come to him and nev-er be hun-gry.

The first system of musical notation consists of a treble and bass staff in G major (one sharp) and 4/4 time. The melody is written in the treble clef, and the bass line is in the bass clef. The lyrics are placed between the two staves.

Eat this bread, drink this cup, trust in him and you will not thirst.

The second system of musical notation is identical in staff and clef to the first system. The melody and bass line continue with the second verse of lyrics.

I am the bread of life, the true bread sent from the Father...

C: *Eat this bread...*

Your ancestors ate manna in the desert, but this is the bread come down from heaven...

C: *Eat this bread...*

Eat my flesh and drink my blood, and I will raise up on the last day...

C: *Eat this bread...*

Anyone who eats this bread, will live forever...

C: *Eat this bread...*

If you believe and eat this bread, you will have eternal life...

C: *Eat this bread...*

* *"Thankful Hearts and Voices Raise"*

Hymn, #204

* Post-Communion Prayer

Sending

* Benediction

* Recessional Hymn, #534 *"Savior, Again to Your Dear Name"*

* Dismissal

P: Go in peace...

C: *Thanks be to God.*

Postlude

"Pasticcio"

Jean Langlais

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AN INVITATION

Believing that the Christ who is truly present in this Holy Sacrament is Lord of His Church and this Supper, and this same Lord Christ calls all believers to “take and eat . . . ,” WE INVITE THE BAPTIZED OF ALL FAITH TRADITIONS who seek to commune with the crucified and risen Lord to participate in this Holy meal.

DIRECTIONS FOR CONTINUOUS COMMUNION

Please fill out a Communion Record Card and give it to the Usher as you are invited to come forward. Stand to receive the Elements. Adults not receiving communion, as well as young children who have not yet celebrated their first Communion, are encouraged to come forward to receive a blessing. To commune: After you have received the bread from the Pastor on your side of the church, please walk to the person holding the tray. When the tray of communion glasses is presented to you, select wine (amber colored) or grape juice (purple colored) according to your personal preference. Should you have difficulty removing the communion glass from the tray indicate to the Server your preference and it will be presented.

WE WELCOME THOSE who are visitors with us today. We wish to share with you every element of our congregation’s life. Please sign a Visitor’s Card and give it to an usher. If you are interested in having the Pastor call or in becoming a member of Advent, please check the appropriate box.

THE ALTAR FLOWERS ARE PRESENTED to the Glory of God and in loving memory of our family: Mr. & Mrs. Joseph Stover; Mr. & Mrs. Raymond Swingler; T. Elizabeth Holden and Patricia Hogan; and Mr. & Mrs. Charles Mattis – *Melanie & Bob Stover*.

THE ROSES IN THE CHANCEL AREA are presented to the glory of God and in memory of our departed Stitching Sisters: Dorcas Dellinger; Verda Williams; and Helga Erich, by all the members of Prayers and Stitches.

REMINDER – CHURCH PICNIC TODAY from 1-4:30 p.m. at Friendly Acres. Don’t forget your covered dish and your white elephant prizes for bingo!

CALL OF THE NEW PASTOR – The proposed candidate will lead worship and preach at **10:00 a.m. during the October 21 service**, followed by a congregational meeting to vote on the candidate. A “meet and greet” will be held **Saturday evening, October 20**, details to follow.

A NEW MEMBER CLASS will be held October 7th and 14th during the Sunday School hour. Please see Pastor Biles if you are interested in attending.

BIBLE STUDY is focused on Paul's Letter to the Ephesians. **Upcoming Dates: October 2, 9, 16; Times: 11:00 a.m. and 7:00 p.m.**

YOUTH NEWS – September youth happenings are listed below. Hope to see many at these events.

- **Tonight – Youth Group Meeting – 6:00-8:30 p.m.** – Following supper we will get a head start on the Youth Service and then spend time playing games to develop our community of friends who can work together.
- **September 28 – September 30 – ALiVE Middle School Youth Retreat (for 6th-8th graders)** – We will join other Middle School youth from our synod at Nawakwa for a weekend of fellowship and learning. Starting Friday evening by leaving from the church around 4:30 p.m. and ending after worship at Nawakwa on Sunday morning. If you signed up for this and have not handed in your forms, don't forget to get them to Paula.

Advent's youth group is open to students from 6th through 12th grade. We fill our time with fun, fellowship, learning, and service opportunities. Check out the bulletin board outside the youth room to see some pictures of our fun times. If you want to get youth news e-mailed to you (and you are currently not receiving it) please e-mail Paula at Paula.Rineer@yahoo.com and she will make sure you are added to the list! If you would like the schedule for the first half of the year they can be found on the bulletin board outside of the youth room.

LADIES BREAKFAST & BLESSINGS BUNCH - Friday, September 28 9-11:30 a.m. - Breakfast and fellowship in Fellowship Hall followed by a presentation at 10:00 a.m. by Guest Speaker, Deacon Marsha Roscoe, who is Director for Mission Interpretation for the Lower Susquehanna Synod. All ladies are welcome! Please RSVP to Lisa Deeter, 717.650.6300, by **Wednesday, September 26.**

ALL OUTSTANDING COMMITTEE MEMBERS budgets are due by October 1.

BLOOD DRIVE SCHEDULED: The Bloodmobile from Central Pennsylvania Blood Bank will be at Advent on **Wednesday, October 17, from 3:00 to 7:30 p.m.** **Sign-ups will be on September 30, October 7, and October 14 during the coffee socials** or call Judy Peters at 717.757.1850. Walk-ins are welcome the day of the blood drive. Please bring a friend! Follow signs to registration in the Gathering Area at the entrance from the rear parking lot. **Let us give personal thought and prayer on this life-giving service for the people in our community.**

SATURDAY, OCTOBER 13 - Bus Trip to Antietam Battlefield, Sharpsburg, MD. See today's insert for full details!

WORSHIP AND YOUNG CHILDREN – Children grow in faith and learning by seeing, hearing, and participating in worship. Therefore, it is recommended that parents take their children with them and involve them in worship as soon as possible. To support this growth and learning, soft-covered books, worship bags of quiet activities, and children's bulletins are available by seeing one of the ushers.

For families whose children may become restless, you may take them to the Gathering Area and still be able to view a live stream of the service.

Families are reminded to come back into the Sanctuary to receive Holy Communion and blessings for the children.

As needed, childcare for youngsters from birth through three years old is available in our Church nursery on Sundays from 8:15 a.m. to 12:30 p.m. for parents who participate in Worship. This nursery is staffed by trained personnel and is located upstairs in the former library location. See an usher for directions.

***Evangelical Lutheran Church
Hurricane Florence Relief***

As a church, we're ready to stand by our neighbors as they recover from the hurricane. Please give to Lutheran Disaster Response today. Your gifts ensure that our church will be able to provide help and hope for those whose homes have been devastated or who have been otherwise affected. Your gifts designated for Hurricane Response will be used entirely (100 percent) for direct response until it is complete. Together, we can help provide immediate and long-lasting support.

To give on-line: www.elca.org

To give by mail: *Make checks payable to Lutheran Disaster Response. Write "Hurricane Response" on your check's memo line and send to: **Evangelical Lutheran Church in America, P.O. Box 1809, Merrifield, VA 22116-8009.***

SUNDAY SCHOOL TEACHERS AND SHEPHERDS

2018 - 2019

Nursery Staff

Bethany Horn
Luanne Bergstrom

3 & 4 Year olds

Joel Bergstrom
Jamie Lumpkin
Lauren Van Pelt
Shelly Van Pelt

Kindergarten

Todd Unger
Ann Oestereich

Grade 1

Shelly Freedline
Amy DeBolt

Grade 2

Jen Eckert
Kathy Schwartz

Grade 3 and 4

Janel Stomberger
Patti Baughman
Cathy Schneider

Grade 5 and 6

Nancy Dellinger
Paula Rineer
Andrew Smith

Grade 7 – Confirmation

Bruce Marrow
Tracy Imschweiler

Grade 8 – Confirmation

Jonathon Oestereich
Annabelle Wenzke

High School (9-12 grade)

Jim Mitchell

Bring Your Own Bible (BYOB) Adult Class

Dan Dull

Faithful Followers Adult Class

Lori Loken

Innovators Adult Class

John Uhler
Tom Powers

Kids Connections Club (formerly Library Club)

Jill Fetter
Lori Loken

Attendance Records

	Last Week	Last Year
Church	278	251
Sunday School	101	122

Last Week's Fund Offerings

Current		Benevolence	
Weekly Offering Needed to Meet Budget	\$9,376	Weekly Offering Needed to Meet Budget	\$1,423
Weekly Offering Received	\$7,907	Weekly Offering Received	\$1,213
Total Offering Needed Year-To-Date	\$346,912	Total Offering Needed Year-To-Date	\$52,651
Total Offering Received Year-To-Date	\$265,673	Total Offering Received Year-To-Date	\$44,825

Capital Campaign Update

Total Campaign Pledge	\$1,871,220.00
Total Amount Received to Date	\$1,486,795.41

THIS WEEK AT ADVENT

Today	8:30 & 11:00 a.m.	Worship Services – <i>Sanctuary</i>
	9:45 a.m.	Sunday School
	<i>NO Youth Choir Rehearsals</i>	
	1:00 p.m.	Church Picnic – <i>Friendly Acres</i>
	6:00 p.m.	Youth Group Meeting
Monday	9:00 a.m.	Joy in the Morning – <i>Home of Kathy Lauer</i>
	1:00 p.m.	Circle of Love – <i>Gathering Area</i>
Wednesday	7:00 p.m.	Chapel/Chancel Choir Rehearsal
Thursday		NO PRAYER TEAM
Friday	9:00 a.m.	Ladies' Breakfast & Bless. Bunch – <i>Fellowship Hall</i>
	4:30 p.m.	Junior High Youth Retreat – <i>Nawakwa</i>

COMING EVENTS

September 30	8:30 & 11:00 a.m.	Worship Service – <i>Sanctuary</i>
	9:30 a.m.	Cherub Choir Rehearsal – <i>Choir Room</i>
	9:45 a.m.	Sunday School
	Noon	Junior Choir Rehearsal – <i>Choir Room</i>
	5:00 p.m.	MTAS Choir Rehearsal – <i>Choir Room</i>
October 1	7:00 p.m.	Suicide Survivors Support Group
October 2	11:00 am & 7:00 pm	Bible Study
October 3	9:00 a.m.	Quilt Group
	7:00 p.m.	Chapel/Chancel Choir Rehearsal

Serving Our Lord and Church Today

Acolyte/Crucifer

8:30 Jason Eckert

11:00 Colton Lutz

Lector

8:30 Lois Conaway

11:00 Cathi Wampler

Cantor

Samantha Blevins

Communion Assistants

8:30 Cody Willoughby & Lucas Strickland

11:00 Don Dubs & Keith Lutz

Assistant to Pastor

8:30 Linda Askey

11:00 Steve Tome

Altar Guild

8:30 Pat Breneman, Barry & Lorelei Attig

11:00 Don Dubs, Mark & Anne Zerbe

Flower Delivery

Melinda Pugsley

Lay Hospital

Cathy Schneider

Ushers

8:30 Charles Wurster (H), Dewey Burkett, Betty Speicher,
Jessica Bobb, Gary & Diane Rodriguez, Victor Ferree, Jr.

11:00 David Dellinger (H), Nancy Dellinger, Dan & Connie Ross,
Larry & Carol Myers, Raymond Harbold

Coffee Social

8:30 Connie & Ed Billet, Gary & Carol Hensel

11:00 Elizabeth Dellinger, Don & Jane Dellinger

Tidy-Up Worship Area

Melinda Pugsley

Prayers of the Church are requested for:

Those Hospitalized:

Those Recuperating: Lee Sumner

Those with Ongoing Health Issues: Steve Clevenger, Alexander Cucinella, Marie Fray, Ila Faye Stare, Stan Zeiders

Those Who Struggle:

Those in Need of Prayer: Sandy Cartwright, Donna Chaney, Doug Davis, Jill Fetter, Family of Joann Hoover, DeHaven Speicher, Kirk Summers

Those with Life-Threatening Illness: John DeFelice, Dayna Girken, Robin Groff, Lynn Hawk, Diane Horton, Brad Oldenburg, Jr., Natalie Scala, Nathan Sulpizio

Those Serving in Combat Zones: Jose Arroyo, Jesse Butler, Jessica Deeter, Matt Olphin, Travis Reed, Mike Rudisill

PRAYER LIST UPDATE

Please complete the form below for adding loved ones to the prayer list. You may either bring it to the office or drop it in the offering plate. Thank you.

Add to: *Recuperating* *Ongoing Health* *Struggle* *In Need of Prayer*
 Life-Threatening *Combat Zones*

Names:

PLEASE REMOVE:

Requested By:

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We're On A Mission

Advent is a community of Christian Believers: experiencing, witnessing, and growing in the love of Jesus, and proclaiming the Good News of the Gospel by sharing God's gift with all people . . . friends and strangers alike.

To this adventure we invite you!

Ministers

The People of the Parish

Pastor

Pr. Daniel V. Biles

Interim Pastor

Program Staff

Samantha M. Blevins
Frederick M. Meads
Paula J. Rineer
Bethany A. Horn
LuAnne Z. Bergstrom

Director of Music Ministries
Organist
Director of Youth Groups, Technology Outreach Coordinator
Nursery Care
Nursery Care

Ministries

Lisa A. Deeter
Pamela R. Mitchell
James L. Mitchell

Fellowship Team Coordinator
BreadBreakers Coordinator
Lay Hospital Visitation Coordinator
Table Grace Communion Visitation Coordinator

Staff

Erika A. Dubs
Kathy A. Baublitz
Lisa P. Beil
Michael S. Paules

Financial Secretary
Administrative Assistant
Administrative Assistant
Sexton

Mission Partners

Stephen M. Deal
Pastor Jeffrey Truscott
Molly O'Brien

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Lifting Up Christ...Building Up People...Preparing the Way