The Church of the Advent

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An Anglican parish in the heart of the Sandhills!



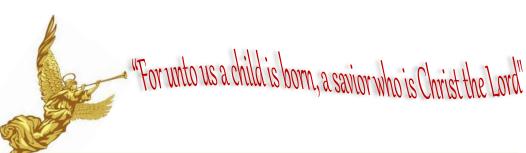


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The Anglican Diocese of the Living Word (ADLW)



December's events just for YOU!

Our "coming events" newsletter needs a NAME! Got any ideas?? Email Susan Lamm at autumnsusu@bellsouth.net



Sign up NOW for Winter Supper Clubs!

(January, February & March) It's a great way to meet someone new or get to know your church family better. Fellowship!

Food! Fun! What could be better?

Grab a flyer in the Narthex for more info!

Important info about parking: The parking areas in front of the church and in the driveways are reserved for visitors, seniors and handicapped parishioners. If you are able, please park outside of these areas and enjoy a short stroll along the sidewalk.





Got a minute? Or an extra hour? On December 12th, our church will be providing a delicious meal for the women and children currently staying at Family Promise, home-environment accommodations for women in need of safety, shelter, and nourishment.

Please sign up in the Narthex!

For additional information, please see Vickie Collins or Fr. Michael!

Sunday Mornings:



9:00am Solemn High Mass (with Traditional Language & incense)

11:00am Holy Eucharist (using the 2019 Anglican Book of Common Prayer)

Children's Chapel is offered at both services for ages 4-10 (following the Gospel Proclamation and returning during the Offertory)

Nursery care is available during both services for children ages 0-3



Wødnøsday Evønings:

6:00 p.m. The Celebration of the Holy Eucharist

-or- Mass of Healing on December 18th

6:30 p.m. Bible Study

(Note: There is no Bible study after the Mass of Healing)



Tuesday, December 24th, 2024

Christmas Carol Sing-a-long: 5:00pm-5:25pm

Arrive early for a celebration in song! Fun for the entire family!

5:30pm Christmas Eve Candlelight Solemn High Eucharist

The Animals Come to the Creche



Attention all children! **Jesus is so special!** And so is your favorite, most cherished stuffed animal! Bring <u>yours</u> to sit around the sacred manger during our Christmas Eve service! **Yes**- you **will** take them home with you after the service!

Hot and Chilled Cider will be available following the Service.

Got cookies? Bring them to share! The best gift we can give, and likewise receive, is the gift of each other's company!



The **poinsettias** adorning the church are given in memorandum, honor, and/or celebration of someone you love! Sign up **NOW** in the Narthex to have yours included in the Christmas Eve service!

A suggested donation of \$30+ is much appreciated!



Did you know? Our Prayer Team, led by Father Bill and Linda, will pray daily for you or someone you care about- all you need to do is ask, whether in person or by writing your request on one of the little cards and placing in the heart-shaped bowl in the Narthex. They need not know who made the request- the Lord already does!



A **HUGE** shout out for your generosity to the **Feed My Sheep** outreach project that benefitted **Meals on Wheels of the Sandhills**! Together we raised \$305.71!

Because of loving generosity, MANY in our community had a wonderful Thanksgiving meal, complete with stuffing and cranberry sauce!



Attention Ladies! Mark your calendars for the Holiday Edition of Ladie's Coffee Time!

Friday afternoon, December 13th at 4:00pm! Hosted by Susan Lamm, 120 Glenmoor Drive, Southern Pines! Wear your most festive outfits! *Jingle Bells welcome!*

FRIAR TUCK'S THEOLOGY ON TAP~ THE CHRISTMAS EDITION!

Attention COTA gents: Join Fr. Michael once a month for a beverage and enjoy Christian fellowship while discussing matters of faith. Email Fr. Michael to have your name added to the "when & where" email! Our next meeting is scheduled for Thursday, December 5th, 6:30 - 8:30 p.m. more details to follow!





In a growing church, many hands make for light work - This month's spotlight is on **Children's Chapel**, and **WE NEED parents and volunteers** to assist once every several weeks! The Bible-based curriculum includes a lesson, craft, and perhaps a song so that our youth, **ages 4 to 10**, can learn about the Lord in a setting that is fun and interactive. Please support this important program! **See Emily Lamm** for more details!

...and coming in January:

- > Church of the Advent's **Annual Parish Meeting**: Lunch and childcare provided! Who should attend? **YOU!**
- ➤ Big changes to the Ladie's coffee hour- wine-ers welcome!
- ➤ Event's Committee planning retreat- Love to help? Join the team!
- ...and much, MUCH more!

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