

Advent Lutheran Church Newsletter



LETTER FROM THE COUNCIL PRESIDENT

By Denise Walker

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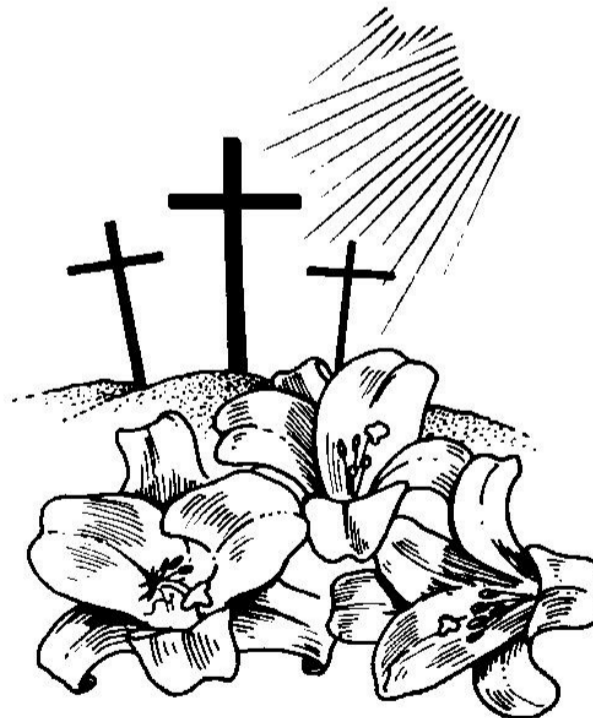
Hello Advent, Happy Easter!

As most of you already know I've been under the weather these last few days so my newsletter article is my thoughts about Easter. Easter is one of our most celebrated events. Holy Week is cherished as we remember death and resurrection of Jesus.

Following is a short Easter Prayer I'll share with you:

Lord, we lift our hearts to you. As the dawn breaks, may we carry the unity we share into every moment knowing that we are one with the risen Christ. Lord, we lift our eyes to you. As the sun rises, may this moment stay with us, reminding us to look for the beautiful colors of promise in your word. Lord, we lift our prayers to you. As the dew air falls, may we breathe this morning in and know that like the earth, you sustain us, keep us and work within us always. And so, we lift our voices to you. We celebrate the greatest day in history, when Jesus rose from death, defeated darkness and bathed the world in stunning resurrection light. May we ever live to praise you! Amen.

Blessings,
Denise



HAPPY HELPERS

By Forrest Diehl

Hello fellow Lenters! Hope your Lenten Journey is going well as we continue along our pathway to Easter in April. The Wednesday evening activities during Lent sure help in making this time special. Thanks to all who make the Wednesday activities happen! The soup suppers are wonderful. Thanks to **Terry Powell, Sue Wipperling, Jodi Meddock, Karen Nelson, Jodi Bullinger, Nevaeh Jones, Jazlyn Franklin, Erika Klages, Missy Bliesner** and to all those who cooked and shared their soups (there have been some really good ones)! The Holden Evening Services (**Pastor Matt, Kristin Larson, Paula Kenny, Liz Law, Holly Gunby, Kara Wilson, Kevin Kelly, Shirley Roraback, Ian Larson, etc.**), and the analysis and commentary of the Book of Psalms given by **Vicar Brendan Wiechert** are special and meaningful in our preparation for Easter 2025. **Thank-You!**

Ambling along, I recently received an e-mail entitled "A fun bit of trivia – The Invention of VELCRO", that I thought was interesting. I knew generally that Velcro was discovered in the early 50's, by an individual who, wondered how and why cockle-burs were sticking to his pants and his dog's fur, while hunting. What I didn't know is that the individual hunting was Mr. De Mestral, a Swiss engineer, hunting in the Jura mountains in Switzerland. Under a microscope he observed the hooks of the cockle-burs engaging the loops in the fabric of his pants. Also, he went on to patent a fabric that replicated that hook and loop attachment, and called it VELCRO. The word, VELCRO, came from De Mestral and his friends in the weaving business from the French words for velvet "velour" and hook "crochet". I am amazed how reliable Velcro seems to be now-a-days. Our grandkids almost solely wore shoes with Velcro straps for the lacing. The Velcro outlasted the life of the shoe. And, as I get older, I find myself gravitating to Velcro laced shoes. The Happy Helpers, again, compliment and thank **Roger Scheurer** for the work he does in recycling. **Roger** donates his personal time and resources to make this revenue-generating activity work. Advent Lutheran Church is blessed to have an active recycling program combined with a money generating stewardship activity!

HAPPY HELPERS-Continued

Thanks, **Roger**, for your work (even through your hip replacement) and continuing to donate the recycling proceeds to the Happy Helpers' dedicated fund; and thanks to all who support this church activity!

During March the Happy Helpers did some deep cleaning in the kitchen – cleaned all the ceiling light covers, air vent and ceiling area around it, walls, tops to oven roaster and stove hood, cabinet tops, and floor (**Sue & Wade Wipperling, Dave Cook, Terry Powell**); replaced ceiling fluorescent light bulbs in sanctuary (**Bill Thurston, Conrad Moss, Dave Cook, Jack Ishitani**), adjusted ceiling light to shine on pulpit (**Conrad Moss, Bill Thurston, Daryl Ziemer, Wade Wipperling**); removed and replaced ceiling fan/light unit in women's restroom (**Wade Wipperling, Dave Cook, Bill Thurston, Butch Yarnell, Daryl Ziemer**); donated \$150 to the Pastor's Discretionary Fund (**Happy Helpers**); cut and installed new shelf dividers for shelf in Child Center classroom (**Dave Opsal, Dave Cook**); updated wording on Broadway Ave sign (**Butch Yarnell**); repaired frayed carpet edge on threshold to kitchen (**Wade Wipperling**); repaired broken ceiling light fixture cover in Child Center classroom (**Wade Wipperling, Conrad Moss, Dave Cook**); replaced fluorescent bulbs in ceiling light fixture located in the office copying room (**Butch Yarnell, Dave Cook**); set up tables and chairs for Sunday Fellowship hours and Wednesday evening soup suppers (**Wade Wipperling, Daryl Ziemer, Wes Todd, Butch Yarnell, Marlene Diehl, Linda Semmen, Tom Sernka**); opened stuck windows in Child Center classroom and lubricated the sliding surfaces with silicone (**Conrad Moss, Dave Cook**); trimmed roses and weeded flower beds (**Daryl Ziemer**); repaired and replaced Child Center classroom window screens (**Dave Cook**); sprayed home defense insect spray along base of walls in Child Center classrooms (**Conrad Moss, Wade Wipperling**); repaired gym outside door stop (**Wade Wipperling, Conrad Moss**); repaired stuffed infant chair located in nursery (**Wade Wipperling, Conrad Moss**) etc.

The Happy Helpers are looking forward to the month of April and continued SPRING weather. We are also excited to help in any way we can in getting the new 2018 Ford 15-passenger bus ready for the road.

HAPPY HELPERS-Continued

We meet each **Thursday morning, 9:00 A.M.**, at the church. Coffee, tea, and “goodies” are provided. **Wade Wipperling** generally makes the coffee; **Thanks Wade!**

During March, **Dave Cook** provided the goodies. **Thanks Dave!** Visitors and new members are always welcome.

During the month of March, **Dave Opsal** visited us several times. Thanks for stopping by and helping us out, **Dave!** If you want to join us and can't make it by **9:00 A.M.**, come anytime. Usually, we finish talking by 9:30 A.M. and finish puttering/working by **10:30/11:00 A.M.**

PARISH NURSE

By Debbie Martin, RN, Parish Nurse

MEASLES

KEY FACTS

- Measles is a highly contagious, serious airborne disease caused by a virus that can lead to severe complications and death.
- Measles vaccination averted more than 60 million deaths between 2000 and 2023.
- Even though a safe and cost-effective vaccine is available, in 2023, there were an estimated 107,500 measles deaths globally, mostly among unvaccinated or under vaccinated children under the age of 5 years.
- The proportion of children receiving a first dose of measles vaccine was 83% in 2023, well below the 2019 level of 86%.

OVERVIEW

Measles is a highly contagious disease caused by a virus. It spreads easily when an infected person breathes, coughs or sneezes. It can cause severe disease, complications, and even death. Measles can affect anyone but is most common in children.

Measles infects the respiratory tract and then spreads throughout the body. Symptoms include a high fever, cough, runny nose and a rash all over the body.

Being vaccinated is the best way to prevent getting sick with measles or spreading it to other people. The vaccine is safe and helps your body fight off the virus.

PARISH NURSE-Continued

Before the introduction of measles vaccine in 1963 and widespread vaccination, major epidemics occurred approximately every two to three years and caused an estimated 2.6 million deaths each year.

An estimated 107 500 people died from measles in 2023 – mostly children under the age of five years, despite the availability of a safe and cost-effective vaccine.

Signs and symptoms

Symptoms of measles usually begin 10–14 days after exposure to the virus.

A prominent rash is the most visible symptom. Early symptoms usually last 4–7 days. They include:

- running nose
- cough
- red and watery eyes
- Small white spots inside the cheeks.

The rash begins about 7–18 days after exposure, usually on the face and upper neck. It spreads over about 3 days, eventually to the hands and feet. It usually lasts 5–6 days before fading. Most deaths from measles are from complications related to the disease.

Complications can include:

- blindness
- encephalitis (an infection causing brain swelling and potentially brain damage)
- severe diarrhea and related dehydration
- ear infections
- severe breathing problems including pneumonia

If a woman catches measles during pregnancy, this can be dangerous for the mother and can result in her baby being born prematurely with a low birth weight.

Complications are most common in children under 5 years and adults over age 30. They are more likely in children who are malnourished, especially those without enough vitamin A or with a weak immune system from HIV or other diseases. Measles itself also weakens the immune system and can make the body “forget” how to protect itself against infections, leaving children extremely vulnerable.

PARISH NURSE-Continued

Who is at risk?

Any non-immune person (not vaccinated or vaccinated but did not develop immunity) can become infected. Unvaccinated young children and pregnant persons are at highest risk of severe measles complications.

Measles is still common, particularly in parts of Africa, the Middle East and Asia. The overwhelming majority of measles deaths occur in countries with low per capita incomes or weak health infrastructures that struggle to reach all children with immunization.

Damaged health infrastructure and health services in countries experiencing or recovering from a natural disaster or conflict interrupt routine immunization and overcrowding in residential camps increases the risk of infection. Children with malnutrition or other causes of a weak immune system are at highest risk of death from measles.

Transmission

Measles is one of the world's most contagious diseases, spread by contact with infected nasal or throat secretions (coughing or sneezing) or breathing the air that was breathed by someone with measles. The virus remains active and contagious in the air or on infected surfaces for up to two hours. For this reason, it is very infectious, and one person infected by measles can infect nine out of 10 of their unvaccinated close contacts. It can be transmitted by an infected person from four days prior to the onset of the rash to four days after the rash erupts.

Measles outbreaks can result in severe complications and deaths, especially among young, malnourished children. In countries close to measles elimination, cases imported from other countries remain an important source of infection.

Treatment

There is no specific treatment for measles. Caregiving should focus on relieving symptoms, making the person comfortable and preventing complications.

Drinking enough water and treatments for dehydration can replace fluids lost to diarrhea or vomiting. Eating a healthy diet is also important.

PARISH NURSE-Continued

Doctors may use antibiotics to treat pneumonia and ear and eye infections. All children or adults with measles should receive two doses of vitamin A supplements, given 24 hours apart. This restores low vitamin A levels that occur even in well-nourished children. It can help prevent eye damage and blindness. Vitamin A supplements may also reduce the number of measles deaths.

Prevention

Community-wide vaccination is the most effective way to prevent measles. All children should be vaccinated against measles. The vaccine is safe, effective and inexpensive.

Children should receive two doses of the vaccine to ensure they are immune. The first dose is usually given at 9 months of age in countries where measles is common and 12–15 months in other countries. A second dose should be given later in childhood, usually at 15–18 months. The measles vaccine is given alone or often combined with vaccines for mumps, rubella and/or varicella.

Routine measles vaccination, combined with mass immunization campaigns in countries with high case rates are crucial for reducing global measles deaths. The measles vaccine has been in use for about 60 years and costs less than US\$ 1 per child. The measles vaccine is also used in emergencies to stop outbreaks from spreading. The risk of measles outbreaks is particularly high amongst refugees, who should be vaccinated as soon as possible.

Combining vaccines slightly increases the cost but allows for shared delivery and administration costs and importantly, adds the benefit of protection against rubella, the most common vaccine preventable infection that can infect babies in the womb.

In 2023, 74% of children received both doses of the measles vaccine, and about 83% of the world's children received one dose of measles vaccine by their first birthday. Two doses of the vaccine are recommended to ensure immunity and prevent outbreaks, as not all children develop immunity from the first dose.

Approximately 22 million infants missed at least one dose of measles vaccine through routine⁴ immunization in 2023.

ADVENT LUTHERAN CHILD CENTER NEWS

By Heidi Perry, Director

This will be a fun month for us at the Child Center. Not only is the sun coming out and the weather warming up, but we get to celebrate all things Easter.

While we do go outside daily, even in the winter, recess just tends to be a little bit more enjoyable when it's warmer out. Teachers get to skip the lengthy process of dressing and undressing students in their heavy winter gear. Kids don't have to worry about cold fingers and noses AND they can move around a bit easier. Parents and staff might not appreciate the mud pit, the students sure do like playing in it in Springtime.

Warmer weather also means more field trips. PreK took their first field trip of the year recently, going to Mirabeau Park to celebrate the end of their Percussion Study. We also have the added excitement of being able to use the new bus on upcoming field trips!

Our weekly Chapel gets more active the month of Easter. Obviously, Easter eggs, candy, and the bunny are exciting, but we also have fun celebrating Palm Sunday and get to listen to some fun new music. In years past, we have got to use the church's leftover palms and the kids get to parade around with them. Sometimes the Easter Bunny even joins us for Chapel.

Our annual **Easter Egg Hunt** will take place on **Saturday, April 12**. Parents donate candy to help make this happen, but we always appreciate more. If you'd like to help with this, we just ask that you bring in individually wrapped candy that will fit in an egg. It takes a lot of time to stuff all the eggs, so the sooner you bring it in, the better!

ADVENT LUTHERAN CHILD CENTER NEWS



PASTOR MATT'S CORNER

By Pastor Matt Larson

Here we are, it's Spring! With signs of new life all around the place, even here at Advent. We welcomed seven 'New Faces' in March into our parish, including three high schoolers. We bought and have received our new "used" bus!

Easter planning and activities are just around the corner. And, two of our "daughters of the congregation" have brought a girl and a boy into the world! (**Kaelyn Smart (Barnes) and Taylor Wilson**). They both delivered within the same week and all mothers and babies are doing wonderful!

Easter is such a wonderful time to remember that God has given us new life, not just once, but every day. We are made new creations through Baptism into Christ, the old is cast away and the new life unfolds. God sees us as beloved children who are equipped to share Jesus with the whole world. Worship, sacraments, prayer, Word, these are all facets of our ever-growing life in God. It doesn't stop. We will always be growing, changing, and developing new and different ways to be Christ's messengers here on earth. And in those times where we fall, fail, or even walk away God will continue to pursue you (Prodigal Son) and welcome you home. Easter is the good news that nothing can get in the way of Christ's love for us, even death. May God's grace carry you forward, even in the midst of chaos and struggles. Even amid division and strife. We are one in Christ, as St. Paul likes to remind us, over and over. Let us finish our Lenten Walk to the cross, and to death, and once again celebrate the victory of Jesus and the new life that is ours!

Thank you to all our soup makers, we have had some wonderful choices these past Wednesdays! And as always, to our hospitality crew for setting up and cleaning up.

See you in Worship!

+Pastor Matt

THOUGHTS FROM VICAR BRENDAN

By Brendan Wiechert

Greetings!

Hopefully Spring has sprung by the time you read this (we are currently in the March yo-yo of weather where it looks sunny but it still pretty cold).

I feel like I have been on my own yo-yo of late. Internship retreats, Lutherhaven board meetings, Luther Seminary intensive week to kick off my Spring semester, and stops through Lawrence, Kansas to see my Mom and Boise, Idaho to visit my graduating senior. The good news is that I think I am home for a while now!!!

At Advent, I am still leading a weekly Sunday school on the Old Testament. Our Old Testament videos should be getting into Ruth and Kings in the first two weeks of April, and we have adjusted our schedule to be done by the end of May. I am also writing the weekly message and leading **Holden Evening Prayer** on Wednesday evenings after Soup Supper through Lent. I have enjoyed exploring the psalms with all of you and look forward to participating in my first Holy Week on a church staff!

We are well under way in my Spring class, "**Cultivating Church in Everyday Life.**" I have presented the possibility of starting a "Beer, Biking, and Bible Study" group as part of the class and would love to connect with any of you who might have an interest in participating!

On the Lutherhaven front, the Annual Meeting was held on March 22nd and **Golden Agers Day Out (GADO)** will be **May 6th**. This year kicks off the **80th Anniversary of Lutherhaven** and I am proud to be a part of that legacy. Stay tuned for other events celebrating the long history of camp! It is hard to believe that I have been here at Advent Lutheran for nine months already. It has gone fast! I am so appreciative of all of you, Pastor Matt, Cheryl, and the Child Center staff, Heidi and Dulce. You have all been incredibly encouraging and supportive. This experience has been an energizing and rewarding journey! Thank you!
Brendan (Vic Wick)

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Online Worship:

www.youtube.com/c/adventlutheranspokane

ADULT SUNDAY SCHOOL

The Adult Sunday School, lead by Vicar Brendan, continues to meet right after worship. Grab your coffee and a cookie after the service and join the group in the classroom.

MID-WEEK BIBLE STUDY

Mid-Week Bible study meets each Thursday morning at 10:00 am. We are currently studying selections from the book of Genesis.

MEN'S PRAYER GROUP

The Men's Prayer group continues to meet each Friday morning at 7:00 am at Revel Community, 16807 E. Mission Avenue, Spokane Valley. All men are welcome!

SAUSAGE FEED

St. John's Lutheran Church of Sprague is hosting a Sausage Feed, April 6, 11:00 am-3:00 pm. Cost: Adults: \$18; Children 6-12: \$12; 5 and under: Free. Menu: Smoked sausage, mashed potatoes, green beans, sauerkraut, homemade applesauce, dessert. Sprague Community Hall, 3rd & C Street, Sprague, WA. Sponsored by Thrivent. Questions? Call Maureen Bourne at 509-257-2806.

'COME TO FRIDAY DINNER'

'Come to Friday Dinner' will take place on Friday, April 11th & April 25th, from 5:00 pm-6:00 pm. April 11 menu: baked chicken, mashed potatoes and gravy, a vegetable, and garlic bread. April 25 menu: ham, pasta alfredo, a vegetable, and a roll. If you are interested, please call the church office at 509-928-7733 or place your name and the number of meals you wish on the sign-up sheet on the table in the Narthex. EVERYONE welcome!

EASTER CANDY NEEDED

On Saturday, April 12, at 10am, the Child Center will be having their annual Easter Egg hunt. Donations of individually wrapped Easter candy would be greatly appreciated! You may bring your donations to church on any Sunday, or drop off your donations to the Child Center or church office during the week. Thank you!

ANNOUNCEMENTS-Continued

MONTHLY LADIES LUNCHEON

Our next luncheon will be Saturday, April 12th at 11:30 a.m. at The Max at Mirabeau. Please contact Gerry O'Rourke at 509-893-0787 so she can make a reservation. The sign-up sheet is on the table in the Narthex. Please also include your phone number so if the weather is bad, and the lunch needs to be cancelled, Gerry can notify you. Thank you.

EASTER FLOWERS

You may purchase a white Easter Mum to decorate the sanctuary after Easter. The forms are available on the table in the Narthex. The cost is \$17 per plant. Deadline is Sunday, April 13. (Due to some having allergies to the Easter lilies, this year we will purchase ONLY white Mums).

COMMITTEE LEADERS

It's that time of year again....time to be thinking of your committee reports for the Semi-Annual Congregational meeting booklet. If you would like to submit a report about your committee's activities (photos are great too!), of this past year or what you have planned this coming year, please submit your report to the Church office no later than May 16th.

COUNCIL MEMBERS NEEDED

Advent has three open seats on the church Council. Please prayerfully consider being a part of our Council. This is a one hour per month commitment for three years, and you are able to meet either in-person or by Zoom. New Council member nominees are needed by May 16th.

SEMI-ANNUAL CONGREGATIONAL MEETING

The Semiannual Congregational Meeting will be on Sunday, June 8th, immediately following the worship service. At this meeting we will elect three new Council members and review Committee and small group reports. Please plan to attend as we need a quorum to vote on the new Council members

LUTHERHAVEN CAMPERSHIPS

See the sign-up sheet on the table in the Narthex to sign up your child for summer camp at Camp Lutherhaven. The camp schedule is posted on the bulletin board outside the classroom.

ANNOUNCEMENTS-Continued

HOLY WEEK SCHEDULE

Palm Sunday: April 13
9:30 am Worship service with Holy Communion
Maundy Thursday: April 17, 6:30 pm
Good Friday: April 18, 6:30 pm
(The Church office and Child Center will be closed)

Easter Sunday: April 20
Easter Breakfast-Serving between
8:30 am - 10:30 am
8:00 am Sunrising Service: Saltese Cemetery-
(in person only)
10:00 am Worship service at Advent with Holy Communion
(All services at Advent are in-person and online)

On **Easter Sunday**, we will have a **wooden cross** in the front of the sanctuary for the purpose of **filling it with cut flowers**. If you would like to purchase some cut flowers and bring them with you on Easter, you will have an opportunity to come forward and bring the flowers to help cover the cross. (If you did not bring flowers, some flowers will be available for you).



NEWSLETTER DEADLINE

If you wish to submit an article or announcement for the **May** newsletter, please submit it to the Church office no later than **Thursday, April 24th**.

ANNOUNCEMENTS-Continued

GOLDEN AGERS' DAY OUT

Tuesday, May 6 from 10am-2pm

Join us for fun, laughs, food, song, and stories. **Golden Agers' Day Out** is a one day retreat especially for retirees, senior adults and older adult groups; a great day during a beautiful time of year at camp! Join us for a terrific day at **Camp Lutherhaven**...a fabulous lunch is included, great friends, and plenty of laughs, as always! This year's speaker will be **Tracy Smith**, a former Olympic athlete. **(Meet at the church and ready to leave by 8:45 am and return by 2:45 pm). Questions? Contact Linda Semmen at 509-389-4191.** Advent Lutheran Church will cover the costs for attendees.

PEOPLE IN OUR PRAYERS

Church Family and Friends: Barney Barnhart & family, Michael Baumann, Manda Benton, Linda Bradford, Belle Campbell, George & Sandy Coombs, Georgia Coulston, Angela Davila, Nancy Filardo & family, Dorothy Grier, Leigh & Steve Hopkins, Mary & Clancy Howard, Midge Kiourkas, Jayne family, family of Audrey Johnson, Judy & Manny, Savannah Kelley, Pastor Matt & Kristin Larson & family, Bridget Madden, Jan Madden & family, McCune family & Donny, Duncan McMillan, Ian & SaraLu Moore, Moseman family, Jeanne Mummert, Amaryllis & Ken Otteman, Jared & Cindy Pauletto, Rector family, Myrna Rehn, Carol & Roger Scheurer, Eva Sturges, Isabel Toth, family of Margot Wilson, Marlene Wilson, Steve Woodard, Chris Worth & family, and Jenniper Zapay.

For Family Members & Friends Serving in the

Military: CPT Ashley Allinger, Chaplain US Army, CPT Zane Allinger, USAF, CPL Damien Anderson, Major Ryan Baker, Majors Megan & Robert Barnwell, SGT Alex Baron, USAF, Capt. Jordon Bolster, CPT Christopher Finch, Robert Guyton, CW2 Aaron Lang, Sr. Airman Richard Luna III, MSgt. Duncan McFarlane, Bryan McGoon, SSG Aaron Moeller, Sam Nelson, Mst. Sgt. Alex Pohle, AF Staff Sgt. Garytt Shirey, Kurt Strigel, Colin Wells, U.S. Air Force, Ryan Wells, Master Sgt. AF Nat'l Guard Sarah Meddock, TSG Jason Wood, CPT Michael West, Staff SGT Jacob McKenzie, Capt. Stephen King, Airman Chase Strunk, U.S. Air Force, LCPL Jared Martin, Rafe Rector in Marines, Staff Sgt. Dan Zabriskie in the National Guard, and Airman Justin Wise, US Air Force.

INCOME/EXPENSE INFORMATION
Advent General Fund Income/Expense

	<u>February</u>	<u>Year to Date</u>
Income	21,337.00	54,917.60
Expenses	<u>29,644.53</u>	<u>65,377.91</u>
Net	-8,307.53	-10,460.31

Notes for Advent Lutheran Church

- Expenses include the budgeted disbursement (10%) of benevolence dollars for the ELCA, Spokane Valley Partners, Advent Lutheran Child Center, and Lutheran Community Services.
- Budgeted monthly expenses for 2025 are \$28,662. Total Reserve Amount is \$16,151. This equates to .56 month's of operating expenses.

Child Center Income/Expense

	<u>February</u>	<u>Year to Date</u>
Income	85,342.34	168,889.88
Expense	<u>84,529.19</u>	<u>204,510.17</u>
Net	813.15	-35,620.29

Notes for Advent Lutheran Child Center

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- Budgeted monthly expenses for 2025 are \$104,166.98. Total Reserve amount is -\$41,574.83.

IN-PERSON ATTENDANCE

March 2	93
March 9	109
March 16	94
March 23	105

ONLINE

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ADVENT LUTHERAN CHURCH/CHILD CENTER BUS



THANK YOU Advent for your generosity! We have purchased our 'new' bus! It's a **2018 Ford** bus and we are looking forward to using it for our church outings and the Child Center has begun using it for their daily bus runs to the schools. We are very appreciative of all your donations! Without you, this purchase would not have been possible. We are very grateful! **THANK YOU, THANK YOU!**



APRIL CALENDAR

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
		1 9:00 am Happy Piecemakers 4:00 pm ALCC Board Mtg. 4:00 pm Choir Practice 6:00 pm Cub Scouts 6:00 pm Heads of Committee mtg.	2 8:30-9:30 am Fitness Class 11:00 am Child Center Chapel 5:30 pm Lenten Soup Supper 6:30 pm Worship Service	3 9:00 am Happy Helpers 10:00 am Mid-Week Bible Study 5:30 pm-6:30 pm AA Meeting	4 7:00 am Men's Prayer Breakfast 6-9:00 pm Boy Scouts Pinewood Derby Setup	5 10:00 am-2:00 pm Boy Scouts Pinewood Derby
6 Fifth Sunday of Lent 9:30 am Worship Service/Holy Communion Coffee Fellowship Adult Sunday School Council Table Talks 10:45 am High School Sunday School	7 8:30-9:30 am Fitness Class 5:00 pm Executive Committee 6:00 pm Boy Scouts	8 9:00 am Happy Piecemakers 4:00 pm Choir Practice 5:00 pm Council Meeting 6:00 pm Cub Scouts	9 8:30-9:30 am Fitness Class 11:00 am Child Center Chapel 5:30 pm Lenten Soup Supper 6:30 pm Worship Service	10 9:00 am Happy Helpers 10:00 am Mid-Week Bible Study 5:30 pm-6:30 pm AA Meeting	11 7:00 am Men's Prayer Breakfast 5:00 – 6:00 pm 'Come to Friday Dinner'	12 10:00 am Child Center Easter Egg Hunt 11:30 am Ladies Lunch-The Max at Mirabeau 4:00 pm AA Quarterly mtg.
13 Palm Sunday 9:30 am Worship Service/Holy Communion After Worship Coffee Fellowship Adult Sunday School Confirmation 10:45 am High School Sunday School	14 Holy Week 8:30-9:30 am Fitness Class 6:00 pm Boy Scouts	15 Holy Week 9:00 am Happy Piecemakers 4:00 pm Choir Practice 6:00 pm Cub Scouts	16 Holy Week 8:30-9:30 am Fitness Class 11:00 am Child Center Chapel	17 Maundy Thursday Holy Week 9:00 am Happy Helpers 5:30 pm-6:30 pm AA Meeting 6:30 pm Maundy Thursday worship Service	18 Good Friday Holy Week 7:00 am Men's Prayer Breakfast 6:30 pm Good Friday worship service Church office & Child Center Closed	19
20 Easter Sunday 8:00 am Sunrising Service-Saltese Cemetery 8:30-10:30 am Easter breakfast 10:00 am Worship Service/Communion After Worship Coffee Fellowship	21 8:30-9:30 am Fitness Class 6:00 pm Boy Scouts	22 9:00 am Happy Piecemakers 6:00 pm Cub Scouts	23 8:30-9:30 am Fitness Class 11:00 am Child Center Chapel	24 9:00 am Happy Helpers 10:00 am Mid-Week Bible Study 5:30 pm-6:30 pm AA Meeting NEWSLETTER DEADLINE	25 7:00 am Men's Prayer Breakfast 5:00 – 6:00 pm 'Come to Friday Dinner'	26 9:00 am-1:00 pm Daughters of Norway
27 'Fill the Shelf' Sunday Quilt Sunday 9:30 am Worship Service/Holy Communion After Worship Coffee Fellowship Adult Sunday School 10:45 am High School Sunday School	28 8:30-9:30 am Fitness Class 6:00 pm Boy Scouts	29 9:00 am Happy Piecemakers-Packing quilts 6:00 pm Cub Scouts	30 8:30-9:30 am Fitness Class 11:00 am Child Center Chapel			

APRL HOSPITALITY SCHEDULE

Ministry Description	April 6	April 13 Palm Sunday	April 17 Maundy Thursday	April 18 Good Friday	April 20 Easter Sunday	April 27
	9:30 AM	9:30 AM	6:30 PM	6:30 PM	10:00 AM	9:30 AM
ASSISTING MINISTER: (1)	Duane Yates	Butch Yarnell		XXX		
COMMUNION ASSISTANTS (2)	Sandra McCune Francie Shoquist	Francie Shoquist Denise Walker	Sandra McCune Francie Shoquist	XXX	Francie Shoquist Denise Walker	Sandra McCune Francie Shoquist
READER: (1)	Larry Nelson	Holly Gunby	Barb Potter	Butch Yarnell	Butch Yarnell	
ACOLYTE: (1)						
USHERS (3-4)	1. Bill Johnson 1. Linda Semmen	1. 2.	1. 2.	1. 2.	1. Bill Johnson 2. Linda Semmen 3. 4.	1. 2.
GREETERS: (2)	1. 2.	1. 2.			1. 2.	1. 2.
FELLOWSHIP HOSTS	1. Missy Bliesner 2. 3. 4.	1. 2. 3. 4.	XXX	XXX	Youth & Parents	1. 2. 3. 4.
(Cookies, etc., 2 dozen each)	Linda Semmen		XXX	XXX	Easter Breakfast	
“Share with God’s people,Practice Hospitality” Romans 12:13 (NIV)						

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