



The Weekly Messenger

November 18 & 19, 2023

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Our goal is that you experience the presence of God all around you today; in the warm welcome of the people, in the power and beauty of the worship, in the gifts of God offered to all who come through our doors.

There are Connection Cards located in the pew pockets. Please use these cards to share/update information, to submit a prayer request, or if you would like a pastor to contact you. You can place the Connection/Prayer Card in the offering plate.



MINISTRY OPPORTUNITIES & ANNOUNCEMENTS

Concert Series "Rising Star"

Sunday, November 19 at 3 pm

Colin MacKnight will perform in concert on our sanctuary organ as part of our concert series. Free to the public.

Confirmation

No confirmation this Sunday. Confirmation class will resume next Sunday, November 26 at 10:15am.

Sermon Podcast: Sermon Soundwaves on the Space Coast

Did you know Pastor Alisha has a sermon Podcast? "Sermon Soundwaves on the Space Coast" is available and "subscribable" on whatever platform you use to listen to podcasts, including Apple Music, Spotify, Alexa, and more! Just ask your smart device, "play Sermon Soundwaves on the Space Coast Podcast" and it will play the most recent sermon. For an archive of sermons, or to find the latest episode, visit <https://alishaunga.podbean.com/>

United in Thanksgiving

Monday, November 20 at 7:00 p.m.

Suntree United Methodist Church (7400 N Wickham Rd)

United in Thanksgiving is an annual event for people of all beliefs and traditions to come together for prayer, music, messages, and discussion. This year's theme is "A Gathering of Hope and Peace." This is a free event, and all are welcome.

Angel Tree Gifts

Once again, we are sponsoring the Angel Tree for the Friends of Children of Brevard and the Guardian Ad Litem group in Brevard County. These groups help abused, neglected, and abandoned children in Brevard. The Angel Tree gift tags are available in the church lobby.

KidsTown Volunteers needed:

As part of our church's policy in safeguarding our youngest members, every Sunday we need one additional volunteer for KidsTown, along with Lori Jahn. This volunteer helps in any way they feel comfortable, from just being a silent presence, to helping the storyteller with the story or the craft. Please let Lori Jahn (lori.d.jahn@gmail.com) know if you are interested in helping these precious little ones.

THIS WEEK at ADVENT LUTHERAN CHURCH

SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 19

- 9a Contemporary Worship
- 10:15a Aloha Bible Study
- 11a Traditional Worship
- 3p Organ Concert Series

MONDAY, NOVEMBER 20

ADVOCATE ARTICLE DEADLINE

- 2p Seniors Gaming Group
- 7p Council Mtg [Zoom avail]
- United in Thanks [offsite]

TUESDAY, NOVEMBER 21

- 12p Watercolor

THURSDAY, NOVEMBER 23

THANKSGIVING—OFFICE CLOSED

SATURDAY, NOVEMBER 25

- 5p Informal Trad. Worship

WEEKEND SCRIPTURE READINGS

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25th Sunday after Pentecost

- Zephaniah 1:7, 12-18
- Psalms 90:1-12
- 1 Thessalonians 5:1-11
- Matthew 25:14-30

November 25 & 26, 2023

Christ the King

- Ezekiel 34:11-16, 20-24
- Psalms 95:1-7a
- Ephesians 1:15-23
- Matthew 25:31-46



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Sanctuary Decorating for Christmas:

On Saturday, December 2 from 9:00 am until noon, many hands are needed to transform the sanctuary for the seasons of Advent and Christmas. We need folks who can climb ladders to help decorate the tree and hang the garlands and wreaths. We need folks to set up the nativity scene and prepare the silk poinsettias. The narthex and a few places outdoors need wreaths hung as well. If you are not available on Saturday, there will be some tasks to do earlier in the week, such as set out the tree ornaments (Chrismons) on tables near the tree, unroll and fluff the garlands. If you are available earlier in the week (November 26 — December 1) please reach out to Tom Hawk or Lori Jahn and we can give you something to do!

Women's Christmas Luncheon

Women of Advent are invited to a luncheon at Tuscan Grill on Monday, December 4th, at 12:15 p.m. The cost is \$25 per person. Details and reservation forms are available in the narthex.

Advent3D: Dinner, Drama, & Discussions

December 6, 13, & 20

5:30 – 7:00 p.m. Fellowship Hall

Come one, come all! Join us for Advent 3D: Dinner, Drama, and Discussion on Wednesday nights during the season of Advent. Come together with friends and family to share the joy of the season and deepen your faith. We are looking for actors. We are also looking for ministry groups or individuals willing to organize the dinners on Dec 6, 13, & 20. Please get in touch with our Pastor's Assistant, Lynda Herrman, if you would like to help by acting or providing food.

Bible Study Opportunities

- **Aloha Bible Study with Rudy Pacarro.**
Books of Genesis and Job
Sundays, at 10:15 am in the conference room of the administration building.
- **Adult Bible Study with Pastor Alisha**
Courageous Faith: The Story of Queen Esther
Wednesdays, at 6 pm in the conference room of the administration building. Also available via Zoom. Contact Pastor Alisha for Zoom link.

Pop Tabs for Ronald McDonald House

Advent supports the Ronald McDonald House Charities by donating the tabs you pull to open soda, soup, and other aluminum cans. The funds generated help support their programs. Collection boxes are located in the church lobby.

Advent's Food Pantry

This week, Advent's Food Pantry served 57 families representing 175 individuals. We distributed 90 bags of food and saw 2 new families. Current needs: pre-holiday items; stuffing, gravy mix, cranberry sauce. Crazy, rainy night. Fantastic volunteers. God has blessed us with amazing people.

WEEKLY WORSHIP SCHEDULE

SATURDAY (1 SERVICE)

5:00pm Informal Traditional

SUNDAY (2 SERVICES)

9:00am Contemporary

11:00am Traditional

GET IN TOUCH

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OFFICE HOURS

Mon-Thu 9:00am—2:00pm

Food Pantry items may be brought to the office during regular office hours.

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WORSHIP AIDS

Assisted-listening devices are available at the sound booth.

Large-type Bibles and bulletins are available from the ushers.

OPEN COMMUNION

All are invited to participate in the Lord's Supper. Allergen-free wafers are available (gluten, wheat, dairy, corn, and soy free). "Communion in one kind" (wine/grape juice or wafer only) is considered to be partaking of the whole sacrament.

ALTAR FLOWERS

If you would like to purchase flowers for our altar to commemorate a special day, please sign up in the Flower Book on the podium by the sound booth. Each arrangement is \$30. Please write Altar Flowers on the memo line of your check.

CONNECT WITH US

For more information about Advent and our ministry opportunities please visit our website, adventbrevard.org, or follow us on social media:

Facebook: [AdventLutheranChurch](https://www.facebook.com/AdventLutheranChurch)

Instagram: [@adventbrevard](https://www.instagram.com/adventbrevard)

Note: Messenger notices are due by 12p on Tuesdays. Email worshipmedia@adventlutheranbrevard.org. Subject to approval.



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