



August 2011



Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
	<i>1</i> *8:30 Aerobics *6:00 Weight Watchers 6:45 Bible Study	<i>2</i> 2:00 Prayer Shawl Ministry 6:30 Stephen Ministry *8:00 AA & Alanon	<i>3</i> *9:30 Women of Praise *6:30 Iron Man, Men's Study	<i>4</i> *6:00 Praise Band Practice	<i>5</i> *8:30 Aerobics First Friday Prayer Day	<i>6</i> *9:00 Kinder-musik *10:00 Karate
<i>7</i> 9&11 Worship 10:00 Sunday School	<i>8</i> Photos of families with college students for new Advent directory	<i>9</i> Photos of families with college students for new Advent directory	<i>10</i>	<i>11</i> 6:30 Windows into the Soul	<i>12</i>	<i>13</i> 9:00 Clean Up Day
<i>14</i> Kick Off Sunday Dedication of CLC addition PW selling coffee	<i>15</i>	<i>16</i> 2:00 Prayer Shawl Ministry 6:30 Stephen Ministry	<i>17</i> 2 or 7:00 Batik Fabric Dyeing	<i>18</i> 10:00 Book Club 6:30 Children's Sunday School Teacher's Gathering	<i>19</i> 5:00 Skate Session 6:00 LOGOS Training	<i>20</i> 9:00 LOGOS Training
<i>21</i>	<i>22</i> 7:00 Zentangle	<i>23</i>	<i>24</i> 6:00 SS Teachers	<i>25</i>	<i>26</i>	<i>27</i>
<i>28</i> Grow Expo 2011	<i>29</i>	<i>30</i>	<i>31</i>	* Events are weekly		

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Pastor's Letter

Dear Friends:

As we come to the end of the summer, it is probably time to think a bit about the future and the fall. Some where in the body of this newsletter, you will find Robin Ballou's outline of some very important events in August and early September. Please read it. I want to especially emphasize our need for Sunday School Teachers and helpers on Wednesday Night. If we are to continue to be the child-friendly congregation we have always been, we need to do all that we can to see that every child of Advent gets all the Christian love and nurture we know how to give them.

Fall Sermon Series. Last winter, one of our members asked that we preach a series of sermons about people in the Bible. This fall, we are going to have a sermon series that features the lives of the great figures of Genesis: Adam and Eve, Abraham and Sarah, Isaac and Rebecca, Jacob and his family, Joseph and his brothers and others. We hope that by Christmas you will have had a wonderful fall thinking about the characters in Genesis, and have some better idea of the story of the beginning of God's people that Genesis is telling.

Dedication Sunday. Sunday, August 14th, we are going to dedicate the new Youth Room and the other additions to the Christian Life Center. It is going to be great. We will also kick off our new Sunday School year.

Grow Expo. Each August, we try to have a Sunday in which we feature opportunities to learn and to serve at Advent. August 28th, we will be having the Grow Expo. It is always fun—and the food is always great. Don't eat too much breakfast!!!

Back to Church Sunday. Sunday, September 11th, we will be celebrating "Back to Church Sunday". This is a wonderful chance for everyone to invite a friend, perhaps a new family in your neighborhood to Advent. It will also be "Name Tag Sunday". We are going to ask everyone to wear a name tag, so we can get to know one another better.

This Summer, Dave Schieber and some of us have been thinking a lot about our Youth Club program. I would encourage everyone at Advent to pray about how we and other congregations can minister more effectively to the next generation of Christians. How should we minister to singles and couples in their 20's and 30's in the future? How do we make Advent more "New Christian/Young Christian" friendly? How can we best help young parents nurture the faith of children and preteens? These are really big questions, and we need to be praying about this as a congregation.

God bless you all,
Chris, Don & Cindy



**As disciples,
causing God great
joy by sharing the
love of God with
others as we have
seen it in Jesus
Christ.**

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new church
Directory

Early photography dates
for families
with college students

Aug 8th-9th
sign up online



College students are heading off to campus soon and we don't want them to be left out of the new Advent Directory.

On August 8th and 9th, we will have photographers at the Cordova campus with sessions available from 2:30 pm to 9:00 pm.

If you have a college student who will not be available for the October dates, you can register online now for your session.

Sunday School Kick-Off
Sunday, August 14th

Everyone will gather in the CLC for the dedication of the new construction. Then children & youth will go to their new Sunday school classes.

Grow Expo 2011

Sunday, August 28th
9:30am-12:30pm
Lindsay Hall



Make plans to visit Lindsay Hall to learn more about the numerous opportunities for growth (Sunday school classes, Bible studies & other ministries) at Advent. If you'd like a table for this event, contact Robin Ballou

755-6290 ext. 21 or
rballou@adventpres.com.

Begins September 14th!!
Registration forms available in the church & CLC this month.

Looking for Opportunities??

We have the perfect place for you. If you love to rock babies, play with toddlers, tell pre-schooler's the stories of Jesus, and teach 1st through 3rd graders how to live as a child of God, come see us in the Children's Department. There is no better way to begin the week than by sharing your time with our children. Please pick the opportunity on the list below and help us give the children a good start in Advent Church.

Nursery—Once every 6 weeks:

	9:00	10:00	11:00
Infants #1 & #2	___	___	___
1 year olds	___	___	___
2 year olds	___	___	___
3 year olds	___	___	___

"The Way #1" 4yrs through 6 yrs. Teach 1 month

9:00 ___ 11:00 ___

"The Way #2" 9:00 ___ 11:00 ___

Please call Daphne @ 755-6290, ext. 17 or come by the nursery office.

"Bless the little children who come unto me, and forbid them not, for of such is the kingdom of God."
Matthew 19:14

Clean Up Day
Saturday, August 13th
9:00am—early afternoon

Help needed!!

We will move items out of the storage unit, clean the kitchen, prepare Sunday school rooms for new church year, and do general clean-up around the building.

Hope to see you there!

Mark your calendars:
Children's Sunday School Teacher's Gathering
(3 yr. olds -5th grade)
Thursday, August 18, 6:30pm
Special guest Mark Smith
From Gospel Light

HEY -- 5th AND 6th GRADERS!!!

Do you like helping younger children learn about God? Would you like to be an assistant to the teachers in "The Way"? If this is you, then you need to join the Park Rangers!

The Park Rangers serve once a month in the children's program, "The Way". This is the children's program that runs during the 9:00 and 11:00 service. You would help the teachers by instructing the children, handing out supplies, etc.

If you are interested, please come by the nursery department and pick up an application form. There will be one short training class before the new session begins in September.

For information call Daphne Stephens 755-6290 Ext. 17 or come by the nursery on Sunday morning.

Youth Club Volunteers—Mark your calendars!

LOGOS Training

Friday, August 19th, 6:00-8:00pm
Saturday, August 20th, 9:00am-noon
Lindsay Hall

The national LOGOS team will be at Advent to coach us on how to make our Wednesday Night Alive program the best it can be. We hope you will join us!

Nursery available with registration.

They devoted themselves to the apostles' teaching and to fellowship, to the breaking of bread and to prayer.

Acts 2:42