

# ADVENT 2021



St. Francis' EPISCOPAL CHURCH

## PROGRAM AND PRAYER OFFERINGS FOR ADVENT 2021

### ADVENT FAMILY NIGHT

FRIDAY, NOVEMBER 19, 5:30PM TO 7:30PM

Calling all children, youth and the adults who love them! Join us for Advent Family Night. This is a night when we will begin to prepare hearts and minds for the Advent season ahead. Dinner served, then a youth-focused Advent devotion and crafts to make and take home for use in Advent.

### ADVENT EVENINGS: MEALS AND MEDITATIONS

WEDNESDAYS (DEC. 1, 8, 15, 22), 5:30PM

Begin the evenings with us for a simple supper of homemade soup and rolls in the Community Room, then move to the Sanctuary for prayer and engaging with scripture. Adjourn at 6:45pm. Join us for one or all four. Parishioners are also invited to sign up to provide the meal.

### CAROLS WITH ROCKWOOD ARBORS

SUNDAY, DECEMBER 12

Enjoy beautiful lights, neighborhood camaraderie and some Christmas carols. Sing Christmas carols (beginning at 6pm) in the church parking lot alongside our neighbors from Rockwood Arbors. Either before (5:30-6:00pm) or after we carol together, enjoy a luminary walk—or drive—around the Rockwood Arbors neighborhood.

### CHRISTMAS EVE SERVICE AND DINNER

FRIDAY, DECEMBER 24, 5:30PM

Join us for a Eucharistic worship service on Christmas Eve where children will participate in a walk-on pageant. Roles and parts available for children of all ages. ALL children are welcome. Dinner follows for those who would like to stay. \$15 donation for holiday dinner with all the fixings! RSVP to Paul at Paul@Jokerst.us by December 15.

### MORNING PRAYER

SATURDAY, DECEMBER 25, 10:30AM

Join us on Zoom on Christmas morning for morning prayer with carols and a brief homily. Pray and give Christmas greetings to your St. Francis' family from the comfort of your own couch. Pajamas encouraged.

### LESSONS AND CAROLS

SUNDAY, DECEMBER 26, 10:30AM

Join us for a traditional service of nine lessons and carols, a service which tells the salvation story in word and song. This service is non-Eucharistic and we will only have one service this Sunday. After the service ends, the church property closes until Sunday, January 2, 2022.

### THE FEAST OF THE EPIPHANY

SUNDAY, JANUARY 2, 2022, 8:00AM AND 10:30AM

This feast day commemorates the Magi's arrival at the manger in Bethlehem and ushers in a new season in which we celebrate Christ's presence in the lives of all. We will have our regular scheduler of Sunday worship, with services at both 8:00am and 10:30am, with coffee hour and fellowship between the services.