



The Third Sunday of Advent

The Collect of the Day

Stir up your power, O Lord, and with great might come among us; and, because we are sorely hindered by our sins, let your bountiful grace and mercy speedily help and deliver us; through Jesus Christ our Lord, to whom, with you and the Holy Spirit, be honor and glory, now and for ever. Amen.

Third Week of Advent: Journeying with Community

As we continue our Advent walk, we invite you to see the Way of Love as a journey that includes the community. The witness of Zechariah and Elizabeth who bring infant John to the Temple to be circumcised reminds us of the importance of our faith community to sustaining the Way of Love. Just as the community did for John’s family, communities provide a place for discernment, sometimes challenging us and other times affirming us. Communities celebrate and mark important moments along the journey.

Sunday, December 16 **WORSHIP**

Pray for each person as they receive communion. Imagine who you would like to see at church next week.

Invite them to church today.

Monday, December 17 **GO**

Read your local news.
Where is reconciliation needed?
Pray for healing.

Tuesday, December 18 **LEARN**

Read Luke 1:57-80.
Name three ways in which your faith community challenges you to practice the Way of Love. Share your list with a member of your community.

Wednesday, December 19 **PRAY**

Gather with your faith community for a short time of prayer today.



THE WAY OF LOVE
Practices for Jesus-Centered Life

Thursday, December 20 **BLESS**

Identify a blessing you have that you could give away. Then share this blessing with your church, a local ministry, or your community.

Friday, December 21 **TURN**

Read the General Confession in an unfamiliar location—in the park, at work, at school, or on the bus. What does the prayer invite you to turn from in that location? What does it invite you to turn toward?

Saturday, December 22 **REST**

How can you or your community open yourselves to people in need of rest and relief from overwork? From oppression? From violence?

For more Advent resources related to the Way of Love, visit episcopalchurch.org/wayoflove.

There, you’ll find links to the full Advent curriculum Journeying the Way of Love, as well as a nine-session curriculum for use anytime, a printable Advent calendar, video, and much more.

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Please Join Us for
**Christmas at
 All Souls'**

Monday, December 24th
 Carols for the Congregation and
 Midnight Mass of the Nativity
 starting at 10:30 pm

Tuesday, December 25th
 The Holy Eucharist of
 Christmas Day
 starting at 10:30 am



ANGEL TREE TOY DRIVE

The last day for the annual Angel Tree Toy Drive is DECEMBER 16TH. **THANK YOU** to all those who "Adopted a Little Angel" by donating to this great cause. All toys and monetary contributions will be donated to Care Resource to benefit children with families affected by HIV/AIDS.

Boiled Eggs for the Homeless

December 16th is our monthly opportunity to reach out to the homeless and hungry with a gift of hard-boiled eggs. **Please bring as many hard-boiled eggs as you can manage** for the **Feed My Sheep feeding program** in down-town Miami and leave them in the crate at the back of church.



Search Corner Information

The Search Committee has been meeting to review the OTM Profiles and Resumes of potential candidates who are applying to be the next Rector of All Souls'. The Search Committee's recommendations will be sent to the Bishop for his approval to go ahead with the interviews. Please keep us in your prayers as we go forward in this very important process.



Hospitality

If your surname begins with **S - Z**, a reminder that there is an opportunity for you to provide a much-needed food item for our hospitality next **Sunday, December 23rd**. Please check with Joyce Foreman this morning and ask her what she needs for next Sunday. Items needed usually are a starch (pasta, potato, etc.), a meat, a salad, a vegetable and a dessert

We Hold in Prayer †

For Healing:

Northshore Medical Center's staff and patients.

Baby Ailia, Bob, Bobby, Bronwen, Carmela, Dana, Daphne, Darryl, Dennis, Gary, Glen, Greg, Rafael, Jim, Karen, Deacon Katon, Ken, Rev. Kleban, Lily, Malu, Nellie, Obie, Paul, Rafael, Ray, Richard, Rick, Rito, Rose, Santos, Sheila, Bishop Sturdy, Tania and Tony.

All Hospice and Palliative Care Units.

The dying and those who watch and care for them and mourn for their loss.

Heavenly Father, giver of life and health: Comfort and relieve your sick servants, and give your power of healing to those who minister to their needs, that those for whom our prayers are offered may be strengthened in their weakness and have confidence in your loving care; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. Amen †

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Season of Advent

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Saturday, December 15th
 Christmas Decoration Day 10:00 am
 Centering Prayer
 All Souls' 10:30 am

December 16th
The Third Sunday of Advent
 Holy Eucharist 8:00 am
 Sung Eucharist 10:30 am

December 23rd
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 Holy Eucharist 8:00 am
 Sung Eucharist 10:30 am