

All Around Arndt's - December 16, 2024

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Attendance and Offering:

December 15, 2024 Attendance – 55 Offering - \$2274.00

Stewardship Snippets: December 22, 2024: (Fourth Sunday of Advent)

And he shall stand and feed his flock in the strength of the Lord, in the majesty of the name of the Lord his God. And they shall live secure, for now he shall be great to the ends of the earth; and he shall be the one of peace. **Micah 5:4**

Peace is the theme for the fourth Sunday of Advent. We remember that Jesus is, as Micah, says, "the one of peace," the shepherd who cares for us, his flock. Steward/disciples draw near to Jesus and find peace in him.

Let us pray for families of Arndt's:

Marjorie Frace; Peg Freeman; Mary Grube; Karen Frye; Adam, Tiffany and Anna Gary; Donald and Debbie Gebhardt; Marianne Gehris; Robert and Janet Gruninger; Mike, Becky, Aidan, Cathleen and Abigail Haffner; Lorraine Hammerstone.

Announcements and Reminders

Covid 19

Recommended actions from the CDC: Stay [up to date](#) with COVID-19 vaccines and get tested if you have symptoms. **Wear a mask if you have symptoms, a positive test, or exposure to someone with COVID-19.** When worshiping in the Arndt's sanctuary masks are optional. Your consideration of others is appreciated.

Final Midweek Advent Soup Supper and Worship Service: Join us this Wednesday, December 18th for the final Midweek Advent soup supper and worship service at St. Andrew's Lutheran Church, 3900 Freemansburg Avenue, Palmer Township. This week's service will also feature an anthem by a combined choir.

Offerings received during these services will be forwarded to Safe Harbor Homeless Shelter. In addition, we will be collecting canned goods (with pop-top lids) for the Safe Harbor Food Bank, which helps to supplement the homeless who utilize their warming center over the winter months

Advent Food Drive: The Arndt's 2024 Advent Food Drive began on Sunday, December 1st and continues through this Sunday, December 22nd. The food drive will benefit the ProJeCt of Easton Food Pantry at St. John's Lutheran Church in Easton. The Food Pantry has been a community cornerstone in the Easton area for more than 30 years, helping families and individuals reduce food insecurity and increase their knowledge and understanding of quality, nutritious food. The "Reverse" Advent Calendar is attached. Each day, a different suggested pantry item is collected and placed in a box or bag pending delivery back to the church for sorting and distribution. All items should be brought to the church on or before Sunday, December 22nd. Collection bins are in the coat room. Thank you for your generosity and support of this community project.

Christmas Eve Services: We will celebrate the Nativity of Our Lord at two services on Christmas Eve, Tuesday, December 24th.

Candlelight Service with Holy Communion at 3:30 p.m.

Candlelight Service with Holy Communion at 6:30 p.m.

Invite your family and friends to share in these special services. All are welcome.

Offering Envelopes for 2025: Offering envelopes for 2025 will be available to pick up at church beginning Sunday, December 29th. Some members' envelope number may be changed so please do not use these envelopes until the first Sunday in 2025.

Backpack Pals Program: Arndt's Church continues to collect applesauce packs for the Backpack Pals program—either the 4-cup or 6-cup packages, unsweetened preferred. There is a bin in the narthex for donations. We thank you for your continued support of this community project.

Church Calendar on Arndt's Website: For up-to-date information on dates and times of services and activities at the church, check out the "Calendar" tab on the Arndt's website, www.arndtslutheranchurch.org.

Gift Card Reminder: Gift Card orders placed on or before December 8th will be distributed to you at church this Sunday, December 15th. You can always order gift cards online or use a printed order form. Thank you for supporting this ongoing fundraiser for our church. Questions? Contact Denis Burns at 610-216-9539.

Arndt's Weekly Calendar

Tuesday, Dec. 17, 2024:

Open Arms Senior Connection, 10:00 a.m. – 3:00 p.m.

Tuesday, Dec. 17, 2024:

Boy Scout Meeting, 7:00 p.m. – 9:30 p.m.

Wednesday, Dec. 18, 2024:

Midweek Advent Soup Supper at 6:00 p.m. followed by
Midweek Advent Worship at 7:00 p.m., at St. Andrew's
Lutheran Church, Freemansburg Avenue, Palmer
Township

Thursday, Dec. 19, 2024:

Open Arms Senior Connection, 10:00 a.m. – 3:00 p.m.

Thursday, Dec. 19, 2024:

Bible Study on Zoom, 7:00 p.m. Zoom information below:

Jean Huber is inviting you to a scheduled Zoom meeting.

Topic: Bible study

Time: Nov 21, 2024 7:00 p.m. and
Every week on Thursday, (110 occurrence(s))

Join Zoom Meeting by Computer:

<https://us06web.zoom.us/j/87611770947?pwd=M2D177lQZiWngwfoybP3vJaaodLpEZ.1>

Meeting ID: 876 1177 0947. Passcode: 965156

Join Zoom Meeting by Telephone:

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Sunday, Dec. 22, 2024:

Children's Sunday School, ages 3 through grade 6,
9:00 a.m.

Sunday, Dec. 22, 2024:

Holy Communion Service – Fourth Sunday in Advent -
10:30 a.m. Sunday School Christmas Program

Sunday, Dec. 22, 2024:

Last day for Advent Food Drive – Please bring your food
donations to the church today.

Sunday, Dec. 29, 2024:

Service of Lessons and Carols at 9:30 a.m. Please note
special time for this service.



ARNDT'S ADVENT FOOD DRIVE 2024

Once again, we will collect for the ProJeCt Easton Food Pantry located at St. John's Lutheran Church in Easton. This is the 5th year for our Advent Food Drive. Thanks to the generosity of the families and friends of Arndt's Lutheran Church, last year we donated 907 items weighing 1,060 lbs. for a total value of \$2,035.

ProJeCt Easton's Food Pantry has been a community cornerstone for more than 30 years. The goal of the food pantry is to reduce food insecurity and increase food knowledge by providing high quality nutrient food to low-income, at-risk adults, children, and seniors. Participants may choose the food they can use. Trained volunteers and the Food Pantry Coordinator work with clients to help them choose food that is right for their families.

The food pantry is servicing so many more families and there are certain items that are in HIGH NEED this year as indicated on our list.

This is a "reverse" Advent Calendar. Instead of opening a daily surprise on an Advent Calendar, you will collect a different pantry item at home, place it in a bag or box, and deliver your collection to church by the end of Advent. The flyer details the items needed this year.

If you have questions, please contact Gerry Burns at 610-349-8746.

Please bring your advent collection of items to
Arndt's Church
on or before
Sunday, December 22

Collection Bins are in the Coat Room

Your generosity is so appreciated!

**WE HOPE YOU WILL HELP US GIVE A
MERRY CHRISTMAS TO ALL!**



Food Collection

ADVENT FOOD DRIVE 2024

To benefit ProJeCt Easton Food Pantry

Each day during Advent, put an item in a box or bag at home

Final Drop-off at Arndt's Lutheran Church is Sunday, December 22

Anything on this list that you can provide will be most appreciated.

December 1	Pancake Mix – HIGH NEED
December 2	Ranch Salad Dressing – HIGH NEED
December 3	Body Wash – HIGH NEED
December 4	Shampoo – HIGH NEED
December 5	Deodorant – HIGH NEED
December 6	Dry Spaghetti or Pasta
December 7	Spaghetti Sauce - (NO GLASS JARS)
December 8	Mayonnaise – (NO GLASS JARS)
December 9	Cereal
December 10	Shelf Stable Milk
December 11	Peanut Butter – regular size jars
December 12	Canned Fruit
December 13	Macaroni & Cheese
December 14	Tuna-canned or pouch
December 15	Graham Crackers
December 16	Canned Vegetables
December 17	Jelly – Squeeze bottles
December 18	Catsup, Mustard (small squeeze bottles)
December 19	Pork & Beans or any canned beans
December 20	Chicken Noodle Soup
December 21	Rice
December 22	Disposable Diapers (sizes 4,5,6) and Baby Wipes Toilet Paper – HIGH NEED

****REUSABLE SHOPPING BAGS ARE ALWAYS NEEDED****





Arndt's Lutheran Church

Schedule of Advent and Christmas Services and Activities

Sunday, December 1, 2024	First Sunday in Advent – Holy Communion Service	10:30 a.m.
Wednesday, December 4, 2024	Midweek Advent Supper at Arndt's	6:00 p.m.
	Midweek Advent Service at Arndt's	7:00 p.m.
Sunday, December 8, 2024	Second Sunday in Advent – Holy Communion Service	10:30 a.m.
Monday, December 9, 2024	Women's Christmas Party (with \$5-\$10 gift exchange)	5:30 p.m.
Wednesday, December 11, 2024	Midweek Advent Supper at St. Paul's Third	6:00 p.m.
	Midweek Advent Service at St. Paul's Third	7:00 p.m.
Sunday, December 15, 2024	Third Sunday in Advent – Holy Communion Service	10:30 a.m.
	Annual Congregational Meeting (2025 Budget/Election of Council Members)	11:30 a.m.
Wednesday, December 18, 2024	Midweek Advent Supper at St. Andrew's	6:00 p.m.
	Midweek Advent Service at St. Andrew's	7:00 p.m.
Sunday, December 22, 2024	Deadline for Advent Food Drive donations to church	
Sunday, December 22, 2024	Fourth Sunday in Advent - Holy Communion Service	10:30 a.m.
Tuesday, December 24, 2024	Christmas Eve Services - Nativity of Our Lord	
	Candlelight Service with Holy Communion	3:30 p.m.
	Candlelight Service with Holy Communion	6:30 p.m.
Sunday, December 29, 2024	Service of Lessons and Carols. Note time change. No Sunday School.	9:30 a.m.

Sunday School and regular worship services resume on Sunday, January 5, 2025.
