



## The Season of Advent

The word **Ad-vent** means "coming" or "arrival." The focus of the entire season is the celebration of the birth of Jesus the Christ in his First Advent, and the anticipation of the return of Christ the King in his Second Advent. Thus, Advent is far more than simply mark-

ing a 2,000 year old event in history. It is celebrating a truth about God, the revelation of God in Christ whereby all of creation might be reconciled to God. That is a process in which we now participate, and the consummation of which we anticipate. Scripture reading

for Advent will reflect this emphasis on the Second Advent, including themes of accountability for faithfulness at His coming, judgment on sin, and the hope of eternal life.

In this double focus on past and future, Advent also symbolizes the spiritual journey of

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- *Christmas Tree Recycling*
- *Lessons & Carols*
- *EChO Christmas Gift List*
- *A Haunting in Evergreen video*

## The Season of Advent, continued

individuals and a congregation, as they affirm that Christ has come, that He is present in the world today, and that He will come again in power. That acknowledgment provides a basis for Kingdom ethics, for holy living arising from a profound sense that we live "between the times" and are called to be faithful stewards of what is entrusted to us as God's people. So, as the church celebrates God's inbreaking into history in the Incarnation, and anticipates a future consummation to that history for which "all creation is groaning awaiting its redemption," it also confesses its own responsibility as a people commissioned to "love the Lord your God with all your heart" and to "love your neighbor as yourself."

Advent is one of the few Christian festivals that can be observed in the home as well as at church. In its association with Christmas, Advent is a natural time to involve children in activities at home that directly connect with worship at church. In the home an Advent wreath is often placed on the dining table and the candles lighted at meals, with Scripture readings preceding the lighting of the candles, especially on Sunday. A new candle is lighted each Sunday during the four weeks, and then the same candles are lighted each meal during the week. In this context, it provides the opportunity for family devotion and prayer together, and helps teach the Faith to children, especially if they are involved in reading the daily Scriptures.

Read the rest of the article at:

<http://www.cresourcei.org/cyadvent.html>



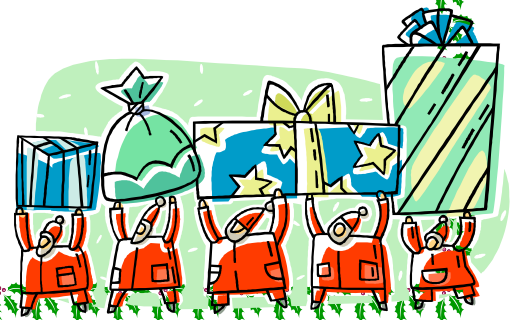
# Check This Out!!!

JOIN THE THEOLOGICAL INQUIRY CLASS LED BY FR. MARK USING FREDERICK BUECHNER'S BOOK "WISHFUL THINKING: A THEOLOGICAL ABC". THE CLASS IS HELD IN STEWART LOUNGE (IN ST. MARK'S) BETWEEN SUNDAY SERVICES FROM 9:00 TO 10:00.



*Lectio Divina will be held on December 2nd at 9 am*

Please see the ECHO Christmas Gift Ideas list on pages 11-13. There will be a box labeled "ECHO" in the back of the church for you to place your unwrapped gifts for delivery to ECHO by Liz Jones.



## Church of the Transfiguration Staff and Vestry

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### 2012 Vestry

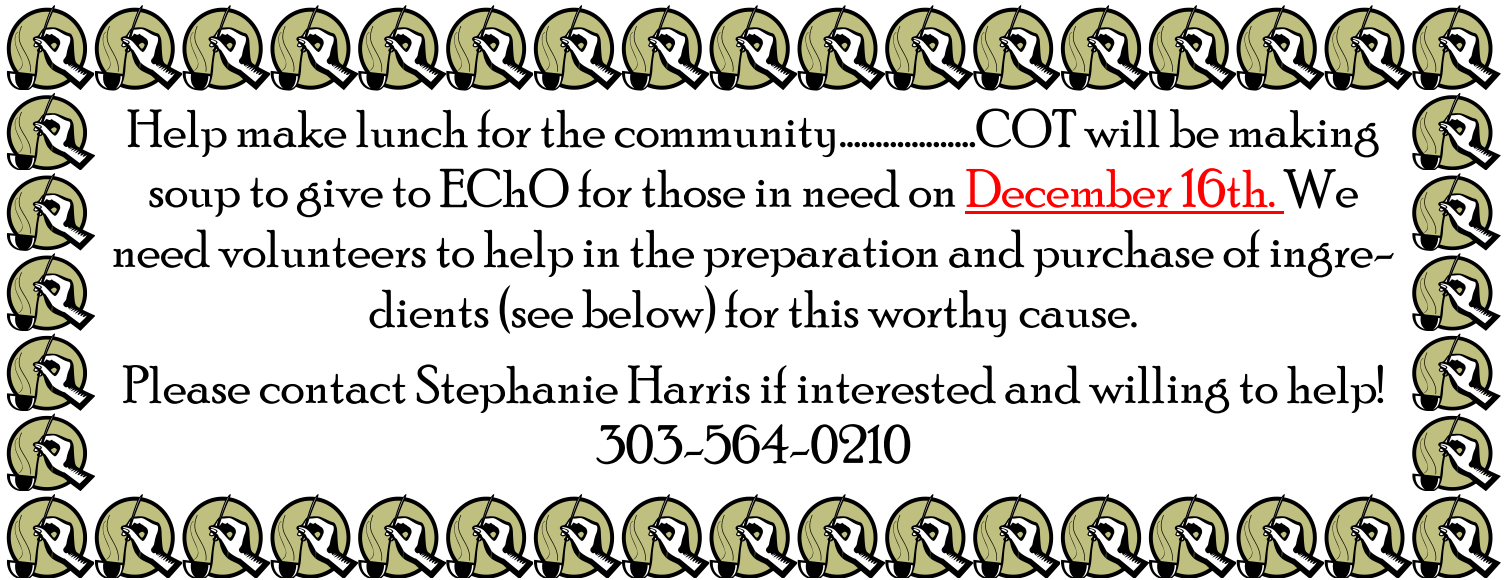
Co- Senior Wardens: David Black & Randy Reznik  
 Junior Warden—Emil Gadeken  
 Michael Coriden  
 Mary Hatfield  
 Stephanie Harris  
 Treasurer—Steven Peters  
 Vestry Clerk—Sara Gadeken

# SOUP'S ON, EChO Stone Soup



## Soup Ministry

Homemade soups in the freezer are available for parishioners and friends that are sick, shut-in or need some TLC. Feel free to give soup to someone you see at church that is hurting, or take soup to someone you are going to visit. The soups are in the freezer on the east wall of the kitchen.



Help make lunch for the community.....COT will be making soup to give to EChO for those in need on December 16th. We need volunteers to help in the preparation and purchase of ingredients (see below) for this worthy cause.

Please contact Stephanie Harris if interested and willing to help!  
303-564-0210

## CHRISTMAS SOUP

In large pot or Dutch oven, heat to boiling: 4 cups water, 4 chicken bouillon cubes; add rest of ingredients and cook until rice is done.

- 1 (16 oz.) can red kidney beans (undrained)
- 1 (8 oz.) can tomato sauce
- 3 tbsp.. chili sauce
- 1 c. diced turkey ham
- 1 c. white rice
- 1 c. diced celery
- 1/2 c. diced green peppers
- 1 bunch chopped green onions
- 1 tbsp. parsley
- 4 chicken bouillon cubes



**WE WILL NEED TO MULTIPLY THIS RECIPE BY 8 (I THINK!!!) TO GET ABOUT 4 GALLONS OF SOUP FOR ECHO. PLEASE LET STEPHANIE KNOW WHAT YOU CAN BRING!!**

In large pot or Dutch oven, heat to boiling: 4 cups water, 4 chicken bouillon cubes; add rest of ingredients and cook until rice is done.

Christmas Eve Services

5 pm—with children's  
homily

8 pm—Chorale  
Eucharist Celebration



November 26, 2012

- *Approved proposed renovations to offices—  
new carpet, new paint, new welcoming feel!*



***ALL PARISHIONERS ARE WELCOME TO SIT IN ON THE OPEN  
SESSIONS OF THE VESTRY MEETINGS.***

# The Transfiguration Book Club

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There will not be a book club meeting for December

We look forward to meeting again in the New Year!!!

If you have question or concerns, email  
Shelley Black—Shelley\_Black@att.biz  
Kit Snyder—snyderkit@hotmail.com



Need some Christmas gift ideas?  
Check out Stephanie's Mary Kay page  
for some ideas for you and your  
loved ones!

[www.marykay.com/sharris92803](http://www.marykay.com/sharris92803)



**Special Thanks to JP Total for the beautiful Christmas lights  
on the Belltower!**

**Get your Christmas Tree there—open from 9am-10pm**



Thank You's

**THANK YOU TO SHELLEY BLACK  
AND ALL THOSE WHO HELPED  
WITH THE JAZZ CONCERT ON  
NOVEMBER 10<sup>TH</sup>.**



**ALL THOSE WHO CAME  
THOROUGHLY ENJOYED THE BAND AS THEY  
PLAYED BIG BAND/SWING MUSIC AS WELL AS  
PLAYING MUSIC AS A TRIBUTE TO OUR  
VETERANS.**

Check out the videos about the Haunting in Evergreen!

[https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=ah-bhBOx\\_Ec](https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=ah-bhBOx_Ec)

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=Mrj0HzsPq6o&feature=relmfu>

Or you can search You Tube under "A Haunting in Evergreen" or "Haunted House"

Again, thanks to all who were able to help with this event—especially the Avery Family!!!!

## Announcements

### **Recycle Your Christmas Tree!**

**Recycle your Christmas tree for FREE at the EDS Waste Transfer Station—exactly 2 miles south of downtown Evergreen on Hwy. 73—between 8am and 4pm on Saturday, Jan. 5<sup>th</sup> or Jan. 12<sup>th</sup>. Lam Tree Service will chip the trees and offer the mulch for FREE later in the month.**

**Sponsored by EAS+Y, Evergreen's Alliance for Sustainability, 303-670-6385, [www.EvergreenEASY.org](http://www.EvergreenEASY.org)**

### **DOWNTOWN HOLIDAY WALK**

**FRIDAY, DECEMBER 7 : 5-9 PM**

**5—TREE LIGHTING AT LAKE HOUSE**

**5:30—DOWNTOWN ROADS CLOSE (STOPLIGHT TO MEADOW DRIVE)**

**6—SANTA'S REINDEER AT EAST END OF BOARDWALK**

**6:45—PHOTOS WITH SANTA AND MRS. CLAUS AT THE ICE HOUSES (MUDDY BUCK) \$10**



### Prayers



#### **Anointing and Healing Prayers**

Anointing and healing prayers are offered by Father Mark and the Daughters of the King during the 10:15 service on the last Sunday of each month. All are welcome to come to the front of the church after communion for this special offering. This month the prayers will be on December 30th.

#### **Morning Prayer Service**

sponsored by the Daughters of the King and in fellowship with EDSE is offered on **THURSDAY** mornings at 8:30 AM in the church. The Daughters and Friends of the Episcopal Day School extend an invitation to all to attend this wonderful service. Please feel free to walk the Labyrinth after.

#### **Evening Prayer Service**

also sponsored by the Daughters of the King is offered on the second and fourth Mondays of each month at 5:30 pm in the Chapel of St. Mary and St. Joseph. The next Evening Prayer services will be December 11th and 25th.



# Lessons and Carols

December 9th

Please bring appetizers/finger food to share

4 pm



**Greening of the  
Church after  
the 10:15  
service**



**on  
Sunday,  
December 2nd!!!**

# FOOD BANK



## Evergreen Christian Outreach

### Needs List-December 2012

- |                     |                    |        |
|---------------------|--------------------|--------|
| Small Peanut Butter | Toothpaste         | Cider  |
| Hearty Soups        | Boxed Pasta        | Butter |
| Mac & Cheese        | Toilet Paper       | Pies   |
| Spaghetti Sauce     | Cold Cereal        | Gravy  |
| Tuna                | Canned fruit       |        |
| Laundry Detergent   | Tooth Brushes Dish |        |
| Liquid Soap         | Helper Meals       |        |
| Canned Vegetables   | Bar Soap           |        |
| Hams                | Green Beans        |        |
| Stuffing Mix        | Instant Potatoes   |        |



### Other Items for St. Raphael's House\*

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|----------------|--------------------------------|
| Coffee Makers  | Telephones                     |
| Pots & Pans    | Mens Jeans                     |
| Spoons & Forks | King & Queen Bedding           |
| Sleeping Bags  | Blenders, Toasters, Microwaves |
| Tarps          | Blankets                       |
| Winter Clothes | Hats, Gloves, Scarves          |

**Note:** *No after hours donations accepted due to fire and safety requirements. Thank you for your cooperation and your donations.*

**Volunteers Always Needed!**

Call: 303-670-1796

Open Mondays 10-6

Open Tuesday, Wednesday & Thursday 10-4



# EVERGREEN CHRISTIAN OUTREACH

## 2012 CHRISTMAS GIFT NEEDS LIST:

. Please, share this list with others who can help.

**\*PLEASE NOTE:** If you can help make Christmas brighter for those less fortunate, please help us by bringing *UNWRAPPED* gifts to St. Raphael's House, no later than December 13th 2012, during regular business hours.

For questions or directions, please call St. Raphael's House @ 303-670-7123.

St. Nick's will be held at St. Raphael's House this year from Dec. 17th, through Dec. 20th @ 27710 Hwy 74 across the creek from the JP Total tree

loti Donation Hrs: Mon. 10am - 6pm., Tues., Wed., Thurs. 10am - 4pm

### **Suggested Gift Ideas List:**

(\* = highly desired gifts)


**Teen Boys:** \* \$30 I-Pods, portable I-Pod speakers, \*radios/\*CD players, \*skateboards & helmets, snow-boogie boards, remote control helicopters/ ufo' s/ cars/ trucks/ atv's, fishing gear, camping gear, \* DVD's (see list), hiking boots, snow boots, athletic shoes (like Vans, Nike etc.), cologne, \*Axe brand personal care kits, small tool kits, tool boxes, \*beanie hood ear-phones, travel pro emergency car kits, auto accessories, art supplies, storage trunks, magic kits, electric razors, hats, watches, musical instruments, lava lamps

**Gift Cards:** "I-Tunes, Starbuck's, \*Aeropostle, \*Ambercrombie, \*American Eagle, KOHl'S, Walmart, Target, \*Valcom, Pacsun, etc ...

**Stocking Stuffers for Teen Boys:** Hats, gloves & scarves, Crazy Aaron's.

Putty, lanyards, keychain lights, belts, wallets, rubix cubes, pocket games, 'C' harmonicas, magic 8 balls, multi-vitamins, pocket knives, mini radios, ear-buds (mini earphones), personal care items (like deodorant, small cologne, chapstick, aftershave, razors, etc ... )

**Gift Cards:** Marmalade, \*Starbuck's, \*Kohl's, \*Oaire's, Walmart, Target, \*Valcom, \*1-Tunes, Cost Plus World Market, Pier One Imports, \*Ambercrombie, \*American Eagle, Barnes & Noble, Bath & Body Works



**Teen Girls:** \*\$30 I-Pods, portable I-Pod speakers, \*The Hunger Games Trilogy book set, \*jewelry, twilight game, personal care items, \*perfume, \*Bath & Body Works gift sets, make-up kits, \*elaborate nail art kits, salon care kits, curling or flat hair irons, hair dryers, \*bedroom decor (funky rugs, statues, or pictures, beaded curtains, lava lamps, statue lamps, etc.) ·\*DVD's (see list), Ugh style snow boots,

**Gift Cards:** Marmalade, \*Starbuck's, \*Kohl's, \*Oaire's, Walmart, Target, \*Valcom, \*1-Tunes, Cost Plus World Market, Pier One Imports, \*Ambercrombie, \*American Eagle, Barnes & Noble, Bath & Body Works

Stocking Stuffers for Teen Girls: Jewelry, hats, gloves, scarves, small perfumes/body spray, lotion, small personal care kits, lip gloss, twilight playing cards, multi-vitamins, room spray, crystal prisms, trinkets, etc ...

**"DVD's/ Videos for Boys & Girls Ages 3-18:** (These are new releases. Some show dates of release if after Nov. 1st) \*The Hunger Games: May the Odds be in Your Favor, \*Diary of a Wimpy Kid: Dog Days (or other), \*Justin Bieber: Never Say Never (or other), \*Secret of the Wings, \*The Avengers, \*Brave (Nov. 13), \*Madagascar 3, Dark Shadows, \*The Odd Life of Timothy Green (Dec.4), \*Hotel Transylvania (Dec.), \*Ice Age 4-Continental Drift (Dec 11), \*Para Norman (Nov 27), \*Arthur Christmas (Nov 6), \*The Dark Knight Rises (Batman) (Dec 4), \*The Amazing Spider-Man (Nov. 9), \*Transformers Prime Season 1 or 2, \*Batman - The Dark Knight Returns Part 1 (Nov. 6), \*The Penguins of Madagascar - Operation: Antarctica

**Boys Ages 3-12;** \*\$30 f-Pods, \*md/lg lego sets, \*md/lg Angry Birds Items, \*DVD's (see list), \*scooters, \* skateboards & helmets, \*big wheels, keyboards, \*/Cars" toys, \*Spiderman/Batman toys, \*pirate play sets, farm play sets, \*Little People play sets, pillow pets, snow boots, sleds, games, play dough sets, \*red wagons, \*idd furniture, art supplies, \*cars/trucks/atv's, etc ...

**Girls Ages 3-12:** \*Tricycles, \*DVD's (see list), \*scooters, \*big wheels, \*Bratz dolls & accessories, \*Littlest Pet Shop toys, \*dolls, \*doll houses, \*mermaid & fairy dolls, \*Fur-Real Friends, Fijit Friends, \*Hello Kitty, Pillow Pets, winter pj's, \*jewelry making kits, craft kits, art supplies, dress-up supplies, \*make-up kits, Build-a-Bear, play dough sets, \*kid furniture, \*keyboards, \*little people play sets, snow boots, sleds

**Stocking Stuffers for Boys & Girls Ages 3-12:** Hats, gloves & scarves, silly putty, flutes, coloring book with crayons, Ty beanie babies, mini sized books (2\_3"), small activity booklets, finger puppets, bubbles, jewelry, ear-buds (mini earphones), small action or cartoon figures (Smurfs, Bakugons, Angry Birds, Strawberry Shortcake, etc ... ), lock & key diaries, small lego sets, small games, etc ...

**Babies Ages 0-2:** \*Fisher Price learning toys, \*Little People learning toys, baby walker scooters, \*md/lg electronic learning toys, plush baby stuffed animals, winter wear, etc ...

**Stocking Stuffers for Babies:** plush or squeaky baby toys (rattles, books), teething rings, baby blankets, socks, booties, small electronic learning toys

""Children's & Adults new socks & underwear are needed @ St. Raphael's .

••Any misc~ gifts will be also be greatly appreciated & will be given to adults @ St. Raphael's to help with their holiday gift shopping, now - Dec. 20.

**WE SINCERELY THANK YOU FOR YOUR GENEROSITY & SUPPORT. WE COULDN'T DO IT WITHOUT YOU. MAY YOU BE ABUNDANTLY BLESSED THIS CHRISTMAS**

*Celebrate!!!*

# December Birthdays



Georgine McCarthy 12/4

Torrey Coriden 12/6

Susie Gordon-Lathrop 12/13

Addison Kerper 12/13

Tom Lukich 12/13

Cindy Cusack 12/19

Emma Thomas 12/24

Ream Thomas 12/24

Chris O'Laughlin 12/29



# December Anniversaries



Randy and Janet Reznik  
December 1st

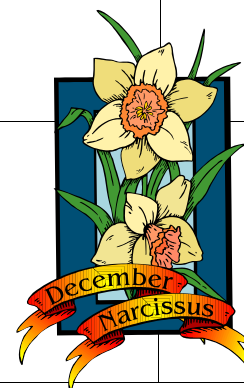
Bill and Susie Lathrop  
December 5th

Jerry and Joan Shrimpton  
December 30th



# December 2012

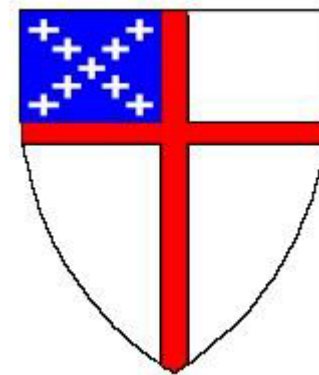
SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
			Church Douglas Hall St. Mark's	Meadow Chapel Stuart Lounge		1 8 am AA 9 am Lectio Divina 3-6 pm Recital
2 8 am Holy Eucharist 9 -10 Theological Inquiry 10:15 am Holy Eucharist, Sunday School Church Greening	3 9-3 EDSE 4-5:30 Drama Class	4 9-3 EDSE 9-11:30 ECHO 4-6 Property Committee	5 8:30-10 Life Group 9-3 EDSE 7:30 pm AA	6 8:30 am Morning Prayer 9-3 EDSE 7 pm Choir	7 Evergreen Holiday Walk	8 8 am AA
9 8 Holy Eucharist 9 -10 Theological Inquiry 10:15 am Holy Eucharist, Sunday School 4 Lessons & Carols	10 9-3 EDSE 5:30 pm Evening Prayer	11 9-3 EDSE 7-10 ECHO Board Meeting	12 8:30-10 Life Group 9-3 EDSE 7:30 pm AA	13 8:30 am Morning Prayer 9-3 EDSE 7 pm Choir	14	15 8 am AA 4-6 Recital
16 8 am Holy Eucharist 9 -10 Theological Inquiry 10:15 am Holy Eucharist, Sunday School	17 9-3 EDSE 5:30 Vestry	18 9-3 EDSE 5:30 pm Friendship Bridge	19 8:30-10 Life Group 9-3 EDSE 7:30 pm AA	20 8:30 am Morning Prayer 9-3 EDSE 7 pm Choir	21	22 8 am AA
23 8 am Holy Eucharist 9 -10 Theological Inquiry 10:15 am Holy Eucharist, Sunday School	24 5 pm Family Service 8 pm Chorale Service	25 No Church Services	26 8:30-10 Life Group 7:30 pm AA	27 8:30 am Morning Prayer 7 pm Choir	28 8-12 ECHO	29 8 am AA
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**THE CHURCH OF THE  
TRANSFIGURATION**

Primary Business Address  
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Address Line 3  
Address Line 4

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We're on the Web!  
[www.church-transfig.net](http://www.church-transfig.net)

## Newsletter Submissions

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Please contact Stephanie Harris with ideas, suggestions and monthly reports for the newsletter. Monthly reports to be submitted no later than the 22nd of each month.

sharris7@hotmail.com



**Have something to add to the newsletter?!?!  
Please contact Stephanie (see contact information to the left).**

**Upcoming ideas for pages: recipe exchange,  
community coupons, trivia and games**

**ALL IDEAS WELCOME AND  
ENCOURAGED!!!**