



TAC Times – November 2020



Time Change

Please note: At 2:00 a.m. on **Sunday, November 1st**, Daylight Saving Time ends and we **'fall back' one hour**. Enjoy an extra hour of sleep before heading to church!

All Saints' Day

Sunday, November 1st is All Saints' Day, a principal feast day to **honor all the saints, known and unknown**.

Christians in the Middle Ages wanted to set aside a day to acknowledge those who have gone before us, to root us into our spiritual family.

Because All Saints' Day actually falls on a Sunday this year, we will be able to remember, especially during our

worship, those from our TAC family who have died in the faith this year, as well as any others on our hearts from any time. "We are in fellowship with those who have gone before us since we are all in Christ. And we also celebrate our hope for reunion on All Saints Day. All who die in Christ are alive in him, and we will be resurrected together. So we aren't just pining for the past, we are looking forward to a grand reunion."

(anglicancompass.com)

The **Collect** for this day is: "Almighty God, you have knit together your elect in one communion and fellowship in the mystical Body of your Son: Give us grace so to follow your blessed saints in all virtuous and godly living, that we may come to those ineffable joys that you have prepared for those who truly love you; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who with you and the Holy Spirit lives and reigns, one God, in glory everlasting."

Amen.



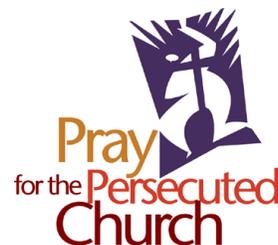
Collect for an Election



Almighty God, to whom we must account for all our powers and privileges: Guide and direct, we humbly pray, the minds of all those who are called to elect fit persons to serve in our federal government. Grant that in the exercise of our choice we may promote your glory and the welfare of this nation. This we ask for the sake of our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ. **Amen.**

The International Day of Prayer for the Persecuted Church

This **annual day of special prayer** falls on the **first Sunday of November**. As we will be commemorating All Saints' Day on the 1st, we will focus especially on the persecuted church on **Sunday, November 8th**, continuing to join Christians around the world in prayer for our Christian brothers and sisters who boldly witness for Christ at any cost. This year, we will have a **guest speaker during our Christian Education time**. Jen C. has been serving the Lord in an Islamic community in East Africa for the past 7 years. She is passionate about seeing the name of Jesus lifted high among all nations while also following His model of incarnational ministry. She will be sharing stories of experiencing God's faithfulness in the midst of her own suffering and persecution and the ways God used those trials to create deep and loving friendships with the Muslim men and women in her community.



Remembrance Day Memorial Ceremony

Also, on **Sunday, November 8th at 3:00 p.m.**, Fr. Bob will represent our church as he has for several years at this memorial ceremony at the Oakland Cemetery in Terrell. Sponsored by the No. 1 British Flying Training School Museum and celebrating cooperation between the United States and Great Britain during World War



II, this event honors the 20 cadets who died during their training at the training school. With bagpipes, prayers, remembrances, and fly-overs, guests pay tribute to the fallen. Thousands of British cadets learned to fly at six civilian training schools across the southern United States. The first and largest of the schools was in Terrell, Texas. More than 2,200 Royal Air Force and United States Army Air Corps cadets earned their wings over North Texas between 1941 and 1945. This event is open to the public.



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Veterans' Day

Wednesday, November 11th is Veterans' Day, when we honor the service of all U.S. military veterans. "O Judge of the nations, we thank you with grateful hearts for the men and women of our country who in the day of decision ventured much for the liberties we now enjoy. Grant that we may not rest until all the people of this land share the benefits of true freedom and gladly accept its disciplines. This we ask in the Name of Jesus Christ our Lord." **Amen.**



Thanksgiving Meal Support for "We Are Rockwall"



Ginny Ryan passes on the following information for what is happening through We Are Rockwall this year: "This year the Thanksgiving Meal will look a little different but our goal remains the same. Here is what we have been able to put together to be able to continue to meet the needs of our community -

1. Event will be a drive thru
2. Event will take place in the parking lot of Lake Pointe Church
3. Hosted on Saturday, November 21st
4. Lunch will be Hot dog and a bag of chip
5. Blessing bag for each car load

Texas Baptist Men have agreed to cook and will secure a food permit. They will provide the cooks and prep team. Lake Pointe Church will provide 200 blessing bags and the parking lot. This will be on the east side of the building with the awning just in case it rains.

We Are Rockwall will need to provide the following:

- hot dogs and chips
- to go boxes (we have some leftover from last year)
- fund to donate to TBM for gas and propane
- napkins, ketchup, relish, mustard packets
- volunteers to give food and blessing bags

We are estimating feeding 500 people at this time. It is going to be a great event as we continue to meet the needs of our community.

Thank you!"

Please contact Ginny Ryan directly if you want to participate, and she will direct you to the right contacts.

Christ the King Sunday



Sunday, November 22nd is the final Sunday of the ecclesiastical year, the Sunday before the First Sunday of Advent. The **feast day of Christ the King** was instituted in 1925 by Pope Pius XI who instructed: "If to Christ our Lord is given all power in heaven and on earth; if all men, purchased by his precious blood, are by a new right subjected to his dominion; if this power embraces all men, it must be clear that not one of our faculties is exempt

from his empire. He must reign in our minds, which should assent with perfect submission and firm belief to revealed truths and to the doctrines of Christ. He must reign in our wills, which should obey the laws and precepts of God. He must reign in our hearts, which should spurn natural desires and love God above all things, and cleave to him alone. He must reign in our bodies and in our members, which should serve as instruments for the interior sanctification of our souls, or to use the words of the Apostle Paul, as instruments of justice unto God."

Thanksgiving Day – November 26, 2020



Collect for the day: "Most merciful Father, we humbly thank you for all your gifts so freely bestowed upon us: for life and health and safety, for strength to work and leisure to rest, for all that is beautiful in creation and in human life; but above all we thank you for our spiritual mercies in Christ Jesus our Lord; who with you and the Holy Spirit lives and reigns, one God, for ever and ever". **Amen.**

Please note that the **church office** will be **closed from 5:00 p.m. on Tuesday, November 24th until 9:00 a.m. on Monday, November 30th.**

First Sunday in Advent/The Advent Season



The liturgical calendar year of the church begins with the season of Advent. This **season of Advent begins on Sunday, November 29th**. The word "Advent" means "coming" or "arrival", and the focus of the season is the celebration of the birth of Jesus the Christ in his First Advent, as well as the anticipation of the return of Christ the King in his Second Advent. In this double focus on past and future, Advent symbolizes the spiritual journey of 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. This provides a

basis 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, confessing our own responsibility to "love the Lord your God with all your heart" and to "love your neighbor as yourself."

Creative Ideas for Advent

Here are five creative ways to celebrate Advent with your loved ones this year:

1. Use an Advent Wreath

For hundreds of years, Christians have celebrated Advent with an evergreen wreath and candles. During the first week of Advent, families light one candle, and each week they light another. These candles remind us of the light of Christ coming into the world.



2. Get crafty

Many families choose to make a "Jesse tree" during Advent. This tree takes its name from Jesse, the father of King David of the Old Testament, who is often

looked upon as the first person in the genealogy of Jesus. The Jesse tree can be a small, traditional Christmas tree, a large evergreen bough, or even a drawing of a tree hung on your wall. On each day of Advent, you add one ornament to the tree that reflects a part of the Christmas story.

3. Be generous

In the book *Treasuring Christ in Our Traditions*, Noel Piper writes about the tradition of a "shepherd's pouch," in which her family collects money through December to give to a person or organization they have chosen. Give a goat or a flock of chicks to a family who can use them for food and to start a small business selling milk or eggs. Send a water filtration system that will help protect a community from preventable diseases. Collect canned goods to donate to your local food bank or clothing to give to a women's shelter.

4. Go historical

Christmas is not the only day to celebrate! With children, it's particularly fun to celebrate the feasts of St. Nicholas (December 6) and St. Lucia (December 13).

5. Get creative

Do an Advent calendar, but don't do it in the usual way. Create a paper chain Advent calendar where each link of the chain has a fun winter activity or an act of kindness. Or try a free printable Advent calendar with a Scripture reading or a name of Jesus (like "good shepherd" or "light of the world") for each day. Or maybe even invest in an Advent calendar Nativity scene that will let your kids add one character or element each day until the baby Jesus arrives.

However you choose to practice Advent this year, let the message of hope bring comfort to your soul in a busy season: *Rejoice! God is with us.*

Meaning of the Advent Wreath

One of the ways mentioned above that we can prepare our hearts for the Coming of Christ is the circular, evergreen advent wreath which is placed in the chancel area during the season of Advent. This wreath provides symbolism for the eternity and endless mercy of God Himself, as well as the new and everlasting life brought through Jesus the Christ. There are 5 candles - 4 outer ones (3 purple or blue and 1 pink) and 1 white one in the center - which remind us that the light of God came into the world through the birth of His son. The candles move us gradually through the 4 weeks of waiting, which represent the four centuries of waiting between the prophet Malachi and the birth of Christ. The central Christ candle, lit Christmas Eve, symbolizes the Incarnation that is the heart of the season, giving light to the world.

Message from the Advisors, 10-18-2020



Dear TAC Family –

A new chapter is beginning for us. We are pleased to inform you that the Reverend Dr. Christopher Richardson has accepted the call to be our new rector! The Bishop has approved, and Fr. Chris and his family are hoping to be with us before the end of this year. They are very excited about the move and have already begun packing

and getting their home ready to put on the market. Please keep them lifted up in prayer as they begin the process of selling their home in San Marcos and buying another here in Rockwall, that all goes smoothly and quickly. God is indeed good!

Blessings –

Your Advisor Team – Rick Maneval, Tom Ryan and Sharon Figueroa, Senior Advisor

Austin Street Center Ministry News

by Sharon Parker

When all had enough to eat, Jesus said to his disciples, “Gather the pieces that are left over. Let nothing be wasted.” So they gathered them and filled twelve baskets with the pieces of the five barley loaves left over by those who had eaten. After the people saw the miraculous sign that Jesus did, they began to say, “Surely this is the Prophet who is to come into the world.” John 21:17 (NIV)



Jesus knew it was important for his disciples to learn to help and care for the homeless and hungry. He gives us this example so that we can help Him feed his people. This is what we do 4 times a year when we make sandwiches and all the goodies for Austin Street to be passed out to the people. However, since Covid-19 started we have only been able to take down food and leave it with the helpers there, so the clients will have something to eat. They receive lasagna, chicken alfredo, bread, milk (donated by Tom Thumb) and at times, cookies. This is what we are doing now. We look forward to the time when we can get back into our routine.

If you want to bake cookies for our next visit, please call Susan Maupin at 214-912-5651 and let her know so that you can get them to her. If you have a monetary donation, you can make it and designate it for ASC as part of your regular giving so the church can keep accurate records and your gift can be documented. Thank you, thank you for your help in Feeding Jesus' Sheep!

November 2020						
Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
1 All Saints' Day 8:30 am Worship 10:00 am Christian Ed. 11:00 am Worship B – Julie Rhymes	2 10:30 am Women's Bible Study	3 Election Day	4	5	6	7 7:30 am Men's Bible Fellowship A – Larry & Elaine Abbott A – Ed & Stella Prochaska
8 Persecuted Church 8:30 am Worship 10:00 am Christian Ed. 11:00 am Worship	9 10:30 am Women's Bible Study B – Seth Carr and Sara Maneval	10	11	12	13 B – Barbara Shaver	14 7:30 am Men's Bible Fellowship 10:00 am Saturday Sisters
15 8:30 am Worship 10:00 am Christian Ed. 11:00 am Worship	16 10:30 am Women's Bible Study	17	18	19	20	21 7:30 am Men's Bible Fellowship 10:00 am Order of St. Luke (Reservations please)
22 Christ the King 8:30 am Worship 10:00 am Christian Ed. 11:00 am Worship	23 10:30 am Women's Bible Study B – Jennifer Horan	24 B – Avery Lovorn	25 Office Closed	26 Happy Thanksgiving B – Carrie Jones A – Rick & Sara Maneval Office Closed	27 B – Hal Hines	28 7:30 am Men's Bible Fellowship 10:00 am Saturday Sisters B – Jack Hesseltine
29 Advent 1 8:30 am Worship 10:00 am Christian Ed. 11:00 am Worship B – Rick Maneval	30 10:30 am Women's Bible Study					

November 1, 2020

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1st Rdg. **Ecclesiasticus 44:1-14**
Psalm **149**
NT **Revelation 7:9-17**
Gospel **Matthew 5:1-12**

LAY SERVERS

8:30 am **Mary Kadane**
 Christy Hopkins
11:00 am **Mark Carr**
 Melody Carr

ACOLYTES

8:30 am **Pete Howk**
11:00 am **Pete Howk**

PRAYER MINISTRY

8:30 am **Sue Griffin & TBA**
11:00 am **Mickey & Val Atkins**

November 8, 2020

PROPER S

OT **Amos 5:18-24**
Psalm **70**
NT **1 Thessalonians 4:13-18**
Gospel **Matthew 25:1-13**

LAY SERVERS

8:30 am **Hellen Otieno**
 Betty Spillman
11:00 am **Ed Prochaska**
 Sharon Barnett

ACOLYTES

8:30 am **Brandon Wallace**
11:00 am **Brandon Wallace**

PRAYER MINISTRY

8:30 am **Sharon Parker & Mary Kadane**
11:00 am **John & Barbara Shaver**

November 15, 2020

PROPERS

OT **Zephaniah 1:7, 12-18**
Psalm **90**
NT **1 Thessalonians 5:1-10**
Gospel **Matthew 25:14-30**

LAY SERVERS

8:30 am **Don Lennert**
 Linda Tomlinson
11:00 am **Mike Jones**
 Richard Ritz

ACOLYTES

8:30 am **Don Lennert**
11:00 am **Don Lennert**

PRAYER MINISTRY

8:30 am **Sharon Parker & Mona Dolly**
11:00 am **Linda Celaya & Sharon Barnett**

November 22, 2020

PROPERS

OT **Ezekiel 34:11-20**
Psalm **95**
NT **1 Corinthians 15:20-28**
Gospel **Matthew 25:31-46**

LAY SERVERS

8:30 am **Brandon Wallace**
 Hal Hines
11:00 am **Bill Thorogood**
 Sara Maneval

ACOLYTES

8:30 am **June Hines**
11:00 am **June Hines**

PRAYER MINISTRY

8:30 am **Deb Pendergrass & Elaine Abbott**
11:00 am **Larry & Susan Maupin**

November 29, 2020

PROPER

OT **Isaiah 64:1-9a**
Psalm **80**
NT **1 Corinthians 1:1-9**
Gospel **Mark 13:24-37**

LAY SERVERS

8:30 am **Jim Messler**
 Mary Frank
11:00 am **Sharon Figueroa**
 Don Newman

ACOLYTES

8:30 am **Pete Howk**
11:00 am **Pete Howk**

PRAYER MINISTRY

8:30 am **Sharon Parker & Sue Griffin**
11:00 am **Mickey & Val Atkins**

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