

Advent 2018

Events and Gatherings



WEEKLY ADVENT E-MAIL RETREAT

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We have decided to offer once again a weekly online Advent Retreat. If you sign up to participate, you will receive the retreat once a week in your e-mail. At home, you will have the opportunity to spend time with 5-6 different activities. You can spend as much time as you want on each one. You can even skip one. You can do them all in one day, or

spread them out throughout the week. You will keep a journal during the week following prompts from the e-mail retreat. **To be part of this Weekly Advent E-mail Retreat send an e-mail to Fr. Teri at pastor@lightofchristecc.org and indicate that you want to participate in the e-mail retreat.** You should expect to receive your first Weekly Advent E-mail Retreat on Saturday December 1st. If you do not have e-mail, contact Fr. Teri and she will make a hard copy of the retreat for you. If you have any questions, talk to Fr. Teri. **Deadline to sign up for the retreat is Tuesday November 27th.** Blessings.

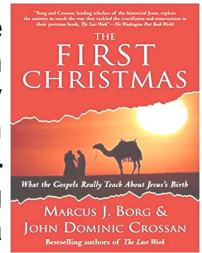
CHRISTMAS EVE CHOIR

All are welcome to join the LOC choir for the 8:45pm Mass (Carols at 8:15pm). **Please join us for rehearsals on Thursday, December 13th and Thursday, December 20th at 7:00pm.** Both practices will be held in the Sanctuary. Come join the fun! Contact Kathy Pirie at 303/250-2592 or email to kwirekat@comcast.net



AN ADVENT EXPLORATION

Are you curious about what the Gospels really teach about the birth of Jesus? If so, here's an opportunity for you to explore that question with others on **Sunday mornings - December 2, 9, and 16** - during Advent. All you have to do is get a copy of *THE FIRST CHRISTMAS*, by Marcus Borg & John Dominic Crossan. Read the Preface and Part I, show up at the LOC Office on Sunday, December 2, at 9:30 am ready to delve into these accounts of Jesus' birth thus enhancing the way we see and live our lives. We'd appreciate your signing up on the form located on the bulletin board in the narthex so we have an idea about how much coffee to make. If you have any questions contact Mary Franch @ 303-678-5453.



ADVENT FRIDAY MORNING PRAYER



We will have Advent Friday Morning Prayer offerings in December on the 7th, 14th, and 21st. We start at 6:30am in the Church Office and are done by 7am. We are focusing

on peace, and the Prayer of St. Francis. Everyone is welcome to join us for 1, 2, or all 3 weeks. It is a wonderful time of quiet reflection together and a sacred start to the day.

ADVENT PEACE CONVERSATIONS

The first conversation on peace is scheduled for Monday, December 3 at 7:00 pm in the Fireside Room. We will begin our



dialogue describing our experience of internal peace. Are we at peace or are there reasons why we live in stress or turmoil? Is our peace dependent on others? We will also turn to people whose examples of spiritual journeying in the midst of chaos or suffering might give us insights about the power of God during times of inner struggle. At the first session we'll learn about Etty Hillesum, a young Jewish woman who lived in Amsterdam during the Nazi Occupation. Although she was never raised in a church or synagogue, her letters & diaries describe her journey to finding God & internal peace under indescribable pain. Her story leaves one amazingly hopeful. Please join us for a quiet evening of reflection, prayer, & discussion. We recommend bringing your journal, if you like to jot your thoughts down on paper. All are welcome.

