



# The Orb

Weekly Announcements of

## Church of the Advent of Christ the King

*An inclusive parish of the Episcopal Church in the Anglo-Catholic tradition*

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### THE TWENTY-FIRST SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST (Proper25)

**Welcome to all our visitors & newcomers.**

Please sign our guest book and join us after Mass for refreshments in Lathrop Hall and Hardcastle Garden. If you are new, please make yourself known to the clergy and the greeters.

### Ordo ~

#### Sunday, 29 October

The Twenty-first Sunday After Pentecost (Proper 25)

*[Commem. ~ James Hannington & Companions]*

Low Mass, 8:30am (Episcopal Sanctuary) & 9am

Confessions, 10:30am (Fr Alexander Martin)

High Mass, 11am

#### Monday, 30 October

Weekday after Pentecost

Evening Prayer, 6pm &

Monthly Parish Requiem, 6:30pm

#### Tuesday, 31 October

All Hallows' Eve, Vigil of All Saints

Evensong, 6pm & Low Mass, 6:30pm

#### Wednesday, 1 November

ALL SAINTS' DAY

Low Mass, 8:00am

Evening Prayer, 6pm; High Mass, 6:30pm

#### Thursday, 2 November

ALL SOULS' DAY

Vespers of the Dead, 6pm &

High Mass of Requiem, 6:30pm

#### Friday, 3 November

*Abstinence observed*

Richard Hooker, *Priest*, +1660

Evening Prayer, 6pm & Low Mass, 6:30pm

#### Saturday, 4 November

Weekday after Pentecost

Latin Chant Mass, 5pm

*From one year ago this week...*

*Don't Wait for Lightning to Strike ~ Fr Paul Allick*

Texan Casey Wagner is an off-road race enthusiast. In 2013 the Associated Press reported that Casey was struck by lightning...twice. During a recent race a storm arose. Wagner took shelter under a tree. He was struck by lightning. He fell to his knees and saw sparks. As he tried to regain himself he was struck again. A nurse just happened to be in the crowd. She took care of him until the medics arrived. After being treated at the hospital Wagner was told to expect tingling in his body for a few weeks. Wagner is convinced that God kept him alive. He said he plans on going to church more often. I believe Casey Wagner. God does break into our lives. Miracles happen; lives are changed. Who knows, maybe God sent the lightening to get his attention? The very incarnation of God in Christ is God breaking into our lives. Christ's very presence on this earth was a serious intervention by God. And his presence remains with us as a serious intervention into our lives. He is present to us in the sacraments, the scriptures, our prayers and in each other. All of Holy Scripture is about God intervening in people's lives. And he always seems to pick the most unlikely people to do the most unexpected things.

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**Daylight Savings alert: Before bedding down Saturday night, November 4, set your clocks back one hour as Daylight Savings ends at 2am on All Saints' Sunday, November 5.**

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**This Sunday's Readings:** Leviticus 19:1-2, 15-18; Psalm 1; 1 Thessalonians 2:1-8; Matthew 22:34-46

**Next Sunday's Readings:** Revelation 7:9-17; Psalm 149; 1 John 3:1-3; Matthew 5:1-12

**Sunday Confessions:** November 5, 10:30am:  
(Fr John Porter)

## 500 Years On~Paul Ellison

Today is the closest Sunday to October 31, the 500th anniversary of the Reformation. Traditionally, on this day, Augustinian monk Fr. Martin Luther (1483-1546), professor of Moral Theology at the University of Wittenberg, nailed his Ninety-Five Theses to the door of the Schlosskirche (Castle Church) there, marking the beginning of the Reformation. While change came a little more slowly for Anglicans (think Henry VIII/Queen Anne Boleyn, Archbishop Thomas Cranmer and Edward VI), October 31, 1517 is undoubtedly a pivotal day in our history too. Four of the music choices reflect this anniversary. For our last hymn, we will sing "Ein' feste Burg is Unser Gott" (A mighty fortress is our God), a paraphrase of Psalm 46, "Deus noster refugium." Both the words and music are by Luther. The use of this hymn in reformed church became widespread, and it has been translated into many languages, a fact entirely fitting since one of the reasons for Luther's writing it in the first place is that it was to be sung in German and not Latin. Perhaps the ultimate irony, however, is that a hymn so strongly identified with the Reformation now appears in Catholic hymnals! The prelude, by Danish Lutheran composer Dieterich Buxtehude (c. 1637-1707) is based on this choral melody, which can be heard in an elaborated version in the right hand line. The postlude, by German composer Max Reger (1873-1916)—an excommunicated Catholic—also uses this melody. It can clearly be heard in unelaborated form in the organ pedals. The anthem, by German composer Hans Leo Hassler (1564-1612) also uses Luther's text. Hassler does not use Luther's melody, though, and sets this familiar text in his own original style, in a similar manner to the way he set many Latin texts.

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### Celebrating Anniversaries This Week:

30 Oct...Michael Stroup (baptism)  
30 Oct...Shelley Fernandez (birthday)  
31 Oct...Mark Eriksson (birthday)  
1 Nov...Chip Heath (baptism)

*Note: If you think we don't have your anniversary information (birth, baptism, marriage, confirmation, reception or ordination), or if corrections need to be made, please send all information to [news@advent-sf.org](mailto:news@advent-sf.org) or provide written information to one of the clergy. Thank you.*

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**Please submit news items to [news@advent-sf.org](mailto:news@advent-sf.org) by noon on Wednesday for inclusion in the following Sunday's edition of *The Orb*. With thanks!**

**Donations of food and drink are needed for the reception following the High Mass for the Feast of All Saints, November 1. Thank you in advance for your contributions.**

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**Thanksgiving is coming soon, and that means the parish potluck. If you intend to attend, please add your name to the notice in Lathrop Hall. A sign-up sheet for contributions to our feast will be provided in early November.**

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**Thursday, 2 November, for All Souls' Day**, you are invited to bring names of the departed you wish to remember to place on the catafalque. These will be read at the Commendation. **Please do not call the office with names or ask the clergy to add them.** Paper and pencils will be available at Mass for you to write them down, should you forget to bring them with you. **Please print legibly!!**

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**Please note:** The San Francisco Night Ministry will be holding its Board Retreat here at Church of the Advent on Saturday, November 11, 10am-4pm, in Lathrop Hall. Please plan accordingly.

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**Please note that beginning on the Feast of All Saints** we will be switching to Eucharistic Prayer B found on page 367 of the *Book of Common Prayer*. We will also begin using the second post communion prayer found on page 366.

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**Grateful for the examples of the saints and all faithful departed:**

“Almighty God, you have knit together your elect in one communion and fellowship in the mystical body of your Son Christ our Lord: 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.*”

~*Holy Women, Holy Men*, page 663