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A Message From our Board President

Dear Friends of the Advent Historical Society:

We hope this finds you and your families well in this new year! With the coming of spring, the Advent Historical Society is gearing up for another busy season of *Music at the Advent* with three additional program offerings this year. In addition to our now-traditional Memorial Day hymn sing and July events, for our fall event, we are planning a special presentation in honor of the 175th anniversary of the Advent Church. We will be sending out a separate invitation mailing to all friends of the Society in early summer. Please refer to the reverse side of this newsletter for more information about this year's offerings. We look forward to welcoming you all and sharing in music and fellowship with you.

We are also pleased to participate again this year in Centre Gives. Centre Gives is a 36-hour online giving event sponsored by the Centre Foundation. It begins on May 8, 2024, at 8:00 AM ET, and concludes on May 9, 2024, at 8:00 PM ET. The purpose of this event is to support the work of nonprofit organizations in Centre County. Last year, thanks to the generosity of our friends and supporters, we were able to raise over \$6,000 to support the work of the Advent Historical Society!

Donate during Centre Gives!

On May 8 & 9, your gift made at CentreGives.org will go further thanks to a generous stretch pool and additional cash prizes!

May 8th & 9th | CentreGives.org | [#CentreGives](https://www.instagram.com/CentreGives)

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Although we welcome monetary support throughout the calendar year, during Centre Gives, every dollar you donate to the Advent Historical Society is extended through a pool of grants provided by the Centre Foundation and the Hamer Foundation. The more we raise during this giving event, the higher the percentage of that pool the Society will receive. Please mark your calendars and keep an eye out on our website and social media sites (Facebook and Instagram) for reminders. Thank you in advance for your generous support of the work we do!

During the event, visit <http://centregives.org/organizations/257> or donate via the Advent Historical Society's Facebook page or website. All major credit cards accepted. No cash or checks. Call-in pledges also accepted by phone at (814) 237-6229.

Barbara Franco
President

Music at the Advent: 2024 Events Schedule

Memorial Day at the Advent

featuring *The Family Band*

Following the Memorial Day observances at the Advent Cemetery (from 9 to 10 a.m.), all are invited to sing along as the Stauffer and Watson families provide a program of traditional music, including patriotic songs and hymns. The museum and gallery will be open, with refreshments of coffee, pies, and cookies provided by members and friends. If you would like to bring a baked good to share, please contact Dorothy Ogden at (814) 667-2093.

Monday, May 27, 2024, at 10:00 AM



The Grass is Blue: A Country Gospel Celebration

featuring *The Parlor Pickers*



For our second event, the Parlor Pickers present a program of bluegrass, gospel, and country music. Led by Robert Waite, this well-known Centre County group performs a variety of folk music styles. Join us after the program for summertime refreshments of watermelon, lemonade, and iced tea, and meet the performers.

Sunday, July 21, 2024, at 2:00 PM

175th Anniversary Celebration: "In Their Own Words"

One hundred and seventy five years ago, on September 2, 1849, the new Advent chapel at Marsh Creek was dedicated. Today, the Advent Historical Society preserves the church and documents its place in the history of the community that it has so long served. From 1845 to the end of the Civil War, letters from missionaries, ministers, and members appeared regularly in the *Advent Herald*, a newspaper published in Boston, Massachusetts. To honor the 175th anniversary of the church, the Advent Historical Society is proud to present "In Their Own Words," featuring selected readings from letters with musical selections of the period. Meet early Advent ministers and founding members and hear their stories describing life in Centre County and the establishment of the Advent Church. Following the performance, all guests are invited to join us for a celebration lunch.

To provide a lasting commemoration, we plan to publish a special anniversary booklet with opportunities to support the preservation of the church by honoring the memory of the many families and individuals who have been involved in the long history of the church.

Attendance at this event is by RSVP only. In a future mailing, please look for your invitation to participate and a response card to confirm your attendance to receive a complimentary luncheon ticket.

Saturday, Sept. 14, 2024, 11 AM to 3 PM

