

The first week of Advent must deal with the shock. Is it time? Already? Sure, the world has been giving Christmas hints for months now, but it still seems to surprise us every year. Perhaps it is because we don't start with the Christmas story. That might be a little more palatable. No, we start with the warning signs, with the forecast for cloudy skies ahead. We start with a prophetic call to look at the world we inhabit. How close are we to the kingdom we proclaim week after week? How close are we to this coming "on earth as it is in heaven" for which we pray regularly? Advent is about being honest.

visitors

We are glad you are here!

Find more information at the Welcome Center.

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Please follow along on the Sanctuary screen.

» Indicates standing when able

Prelude

Welcome

We connect with each other

» Entrance Hymn

We prepare to listen #204 Emmanuel, Emmanuel (sing twice)

Lighting of Advent Candle

#211 O Come, O Come Emmanuel (vs. 1)

» Call to Worship

God speaks to us

» Opening Prayer

We respond to God Prayer of Illumination

Music Ministry

Scripture

God speaks to us Jeremiah 33:14-16, Luke 21:25-33

The Word of the Lord

Thanks be to God!

Message

"Hope"

» Hymn

We respond to God's Word #2152 Change My Heart, O God (sing twice)

Pastoral Prayer

The Lord's Prayer

Closing Hymn

We respond to God #196 Come, Thou Long Expected Jesus

God's Blessing

We go forth to learn & share

Postlude

Our Father, who art in heaven, hallowed be thy name. Thy kingdom come, thy will be done on earth as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread. And forgive us our trespasses, as we forgive those who trespass against us. And lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory, forever. Amen.

## events & programs

altar flowers if you are interested in providing flowers for worship, sign up on the kiosk in front of the Welcome Center.

### Today

#### 9:00 & 11:00 Worship

#### Intergenerational Faith Formation Class (IFF)

10:00 a.m.

New Advent Study – The Heart That Grew Three Sizes – Finding Faith in the Story of the Grinch Fellowship Hall

#### Adult Education Class

10:00 a.m. "David" Community Room

#### 12 Days of Christmas Fundraiser

Bake Sale and Art/Craft Sale - After both services Sundays through Dec. 12. Proceeds go to help our general fund.

#### NO Confirmation tonight

### Coming up this week

#### 40 Plus Group

November 30, 10:00 a.m. Wesley Room All are welcome

#### Men's Study Group

December 2, 7:00 a.m. PJ Pipers, Cedarburg

#### Fireplace Fellowship

December 2, 6:00 p.m. Pizza & games

## People I met/am praying for

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## Notes

Scripture for today: *Jeremiah 33:14-16, Luke 21:25-33*

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All adults are invited to open fellowship with the 40 Plus Small Group this Tuesday, Nov. 30, at 10:00. This small group has been together for eight years born out of a series called "40 Days of Community." We would love to encourage others to explore small group ministry. Members will talk about why they have chosen to stick with this group for so long, how to establish a group, how often to meet, and where to find small group resources. We are planning to bring our favorite Christmas ornaments that have meaning for us – so feel free to bring yours! Coffee and treats provided.

about  
40 Plus Small Group

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