

# Advent 2025:



## FROM GENERATION TO GENERATION...

Sunday, December 21, 2025, 10:30 AM

### What's Happening in Worship?

Welcome

Hymn 314, vs. 5 *Longing for Light, We Wait in Darkness*

Lighting the Love Candle

We give thanks for the light of Christ,  
**shining in the lives of all God's children.**  
Through the story of Mary and Joseph,  
**and the shepherds and Magi,**  
we tell of Jesus, the child of Bethlehem,  
**who came to save us, and is coming again.**  
With the choirs of angels, we sing:  
**"Glory to God," and "Peace on Earth!"**  
Let us walk in the light of the Lord!

Hymn 105, vs 1, 4, 5 *People Look East*

Confession, Pardon, and Passing God's Peace

**God of Love,**  
**you are coming in power to bring all nations, peoples,**  
**and cultures under your rule.**  
**We confess that we live casual lives, ignoring your**  
**awesome power and perfect purity. We have not taken**  
**your commands seriously nor followed your Way of**  
**living.**

**Forgive us, God of Glory.**  
**Grant us grace to glorify you in all that we are and all**  
**that we do. And cover us with your love when Christ**  
**comes to judge the world. Amen.**

Response 119, *Hark! The Herald Angels Sing*

Anthem *Angel's Carol*—John Rutter—Second Singers

Sermon—Generation to Generation: What Does  
Praise Sound Like?—Luke 1:39-79—Rev. Dr. Jeffrey W.  
Gibelius

Hymn 109 *Blest Be the God of Israel*

Offering

Response (tune: Joyful, Joyful we Adore thee)

Hallelujah! Paise the Father,  
Giver of eternal light!  
Glory to the Son of Mary,  
born to us this holy night,  
Sing to God our songs of praises,  
Hallelujah, Let us sing!  
Raise to God our joyful chorus,  
"Glory to the Newborn King!"

Prayers and The Lord's Prayer

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 debts, as we forgive our debtors; and lead us not  
into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For thine is the  
kingdom and the power and the glory, forever.

Hymn *Peace Carol*,—Larson

Let God's peace reign in your heart for evermore!  
Let His peace shine forth through you.  
God's peace! Wondrous peace!  
"Peace on earth," the angels sing.  
"Glory to God on earth this holy day!  
Glory! Peace one and all."

Blessing

## In Our Prayers

### GRIEVING:

Ginny Sweely and Family (husband, Harry)

### SECOND FAMILY:

Linda Rose (cancer treatment and stroke)  
Jim Richards (cancer treatment)  
Lance Percival (planning cancer treatment)  
Bill Spruill (surgery recovery)  
Lori Loudon  
Jean Spears (knee replacement)  
Darlene Moyer (heart issues)

### FRIENDS OF OUR SECOND FAMILY:

Diane Rowles (Karen Maust's sister, hospice)  
Bob Baker (Jim Wolford's brother-in-law)  
Tanya Mijocevic (daughter of Marge Mijocevic, health concerns)  
The Aziz Family (their well-being)  
Ken DeGroot Jr. (Ken DeGroot's son, Debbie Masland's brother, cardiac issues)  
Ginny Ehr

### MILITARY OR GOVERNMENT PERSONNEL SERVING:

Andrew Wylie & family (U.S. State Dept., Stockholm, Sweden)  
LCDR. John Wylie & family (Navy, U.S. European Command, Stuttgart, Germany)  
Easton Harlacher (Waco Texas, Air Force)  
Lindsay Inouye (midshipman at the United States Merchant Marine Academy, Brian Smith's granddaughter)  
SSgt Annette Hartman (USAF, San Antonio, TX)  
SrA Adam Hartman (USAF, Osan AB, South Korea)  
Chase Henry (National Guard)  
MAJ Nick Strobel (Charleston AFB, South Carolina)  
SSG Sebastian Strobel (Ft. Sam, Houston, Texas)

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