

...we wait...

Advent 2018



Much of our lives happen while we wait. This Advent, we bring intention to this time of waiting by dwelling in Scripture, lifting our voices in song, recalling the foundations of our faith and looking with hope towards the coming of Christ.

Advent/Christmas Sunday Worship Schedule

Worship with Holy Communion at **8:30 & 11 A.M.**

December 2: How We Wait

Psalm 102:12-22 and Daniel 4

Remembering the story of Nebuchadnezzar, we draw on Scripture to explore the generations who have come before us have waited with hope for the future to unfold. What traditions and resources help us look with hope towards the coming of Christ today? (We'll also share a family-friendly devotion in worship this day to use throughout the season!)

December 9 (Music Sunday): Why We Wait

Luke 1:46-55 and 1 Samuel 1:26-2:10

We hear the songs of praise bursting forth from Mary and Hannah, who remind us that God will bring justice and mercy to God's people. We offer our own songs of hope with heart and voice!

December 16 (Children's Christmas Program at 11 A.M. only): For Whom We Wait

Psalm 78:1-7 and Luke 1:1-4, 26-38

We consider all the ways and means through which we hear anew the story of our hope and salvation, including through the children's re-telling the story of Jesus' birth as part of worship this morning.

December 23: With Whom We Wait

Psalm 100 and Luke 1:39-45

We do not wait alone. As Mary was drawn to Elizabeth, we are called into a community of people who wait with joyful expectation for God's promises to be fulfilled.

December 30 (Lessons and Carols): The Wait is Over!

One service only at 9:30 A.M.

Through Scripture and song, we celebrate that the wait is over! Jesus is born among us!

Other Special Events & Services*

Sunday, **November 25: Advent Activities for All Ages** at 9:45 A.M.

Sunday, **December 2: Tree Lighting** at 6:00 P.M.

Tuesday, **December 18: BLC Women's Advent by Candlelight** at 7:00 P.M.

Friday, **December 21: Longest Night Service** at 7:00 P.M.

Sunday, **December 23: Caroling** at 3:00 P.M. (meet at BLC)

**Check out the Quarterly Mailer or weekly star for more details!*

December 24: Christmas Eve Services

Family Worship with Candlelighting at 5:30 P.M.

Family Worship with Holy Communion and Candlelighting at 7:30 P.M.

Candlelight Worship with Holy Communion at 11:00 P.M.