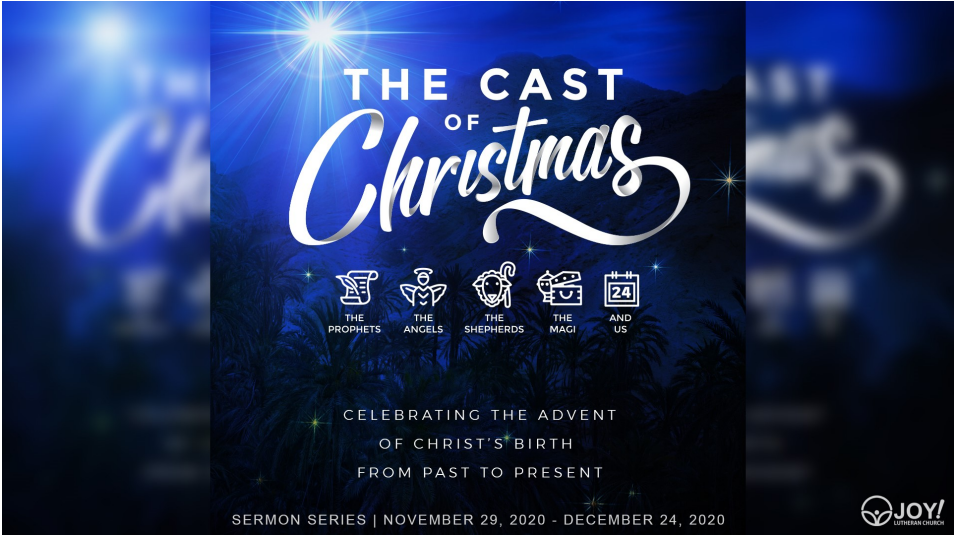


welcome to Joy! Lutheran Church

November 29 —December 5 2020

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Reaching our neighbors with Christ's love so all lives are changed.



Join us for worship next Sunday, Dec. 6th for the 2nd week of our sermon series called “The Cast of Christmas”. This 4 week Advent series will take us deeper into the Christmas story as we learn more about the characters in the story and the lessons they teach us. This 2nd week will focus on the angels proclaiming peace.



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ORDER OF SERVICE

NOVEMBER 29, 2020

PRELUDE

WELCOME

O Come O Come Emmanuel

Come Thou Long Expected Jesus

PRAYER

LIGHTING OF THE ADVENT WREATH

SHARING OF THE PEACE

ANNOUNCEMENTS

CHILDREN'S MESSAGE

Lisa Pilkington

SCRIPTURE READING

MESSAGE

Mark Borgetti, Lead Pastor

Advent Hymn—Joyful Noise Choir

COMMUNION

LORD'S PRAYER

Song of Hope

BENEDICTION

THE CAST OF CHRISTMAS - WEEK 1

PROPHETS: PREPARATION & EXPECTATION

Big Idea: Christmas is a time of waiting and expectation. Life is filled with so much more preparation and waiting than doing, because in some ways preparation IS the doing. In fact, preparation is often the point. The Prophets of the Old Testament looked and longed for the Messiah's coming. The people of Israel had hope that God would fulfill His promise. As the prophets waited for Jesus's arrival with hope and expectation, Advent is the perfect time for us too, to wait with hope and prepare our hearts for Jesus' coming.

Application & Reflection:

1. When is a time in your life you remember waiting for an answer or an event to happen?
2. How can we prepare our hearts for Christmas as we wait in expectation?
3. What are your hopes for this Advent and Christmas season?

Prayer: Faithful God, we give You thanks for this time of Advent to prepare for Jesus's birth. Help us prepare our hearts to receive the blessings Jesus brings and find true meaning in this season. Guide us to wait with expectation and grateful hearts as we point others to You. Amen.



NOBODY SITS ALONE

Year to Date - 10/31/20 *	YTD Actual	YTD Budget	Ahead/(Behind) Budget
Total Offerings **	\$ 226,939	\$ 241,694	\$ (14,755)
Total Expenses	\$ 238,917	\$ 258,234	\$ (19,316)
Offering Less Expense =	\$ (11,978)	\$ (16,540)	\$ 4,561
Mortgage Balance	\$1,670,343		
Thrivent Choice Receipts		\$8	
smile.amazon.com receipts		\$207	

*Fiscal Year 7/1/20—6/30/21

**Total Income includes all receipts of gifts, facility usage, program fees, etc.

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