



November 30, 2018

Celebrate Advent 2018

Please join us for our “Taste of Christmas” presentations on Saturday at 7:00PM or Sunday at 4:00PM. The presentation by our adult choir will also include puppet teams and a special candle lighting celebration of our Savior’s birth. Refreshments will be served for fellowship following our presentations. Invite others to join you in attending.

This Sunday we begin our Advent 2018 Celebration. *The goal of our Advent Celebration is to see Jesus restored to the center of our Christmas celebration.* Because Christmas is supposed to be about Jesus, the Forever-Reigning King (Is. 9:6-7), we invite you to celebrate His Advent (*arrival*) with us. In each service we will light the Advent candle, read scripture and build our celebration around one aspect that His Advent means to us. We will do this each week and conclude with our celebration on Christmas Eve at our 6pm service.

Our goal is to Celebrate His Arrival!! His Advent! This is the season to turn our heads and tune our hearts to worship our Savior whose birth turned this world upside-down. The Angels announced His Advent! Our Hope is announced! The Promise is fulfilled.

Consider His advent, (another word for Arrival) from “*inside the stable*” rather than from “*inside the mall*”. ☺ Instead of being dominated by *consumerism and commercialization*, let us worship HIM fully, spend less, and give more for His Glory.

“For the angel said to them ‘do not be afraid’; for I bring to you good news of great joy that will be for all the people. For Today in the town of David, a Savior has been born to you. He is Christ the Lord!” Luke 2:10

The Angels announced His arrival for which God’s people had been hoping, the fulfilling of the promise of God,

“For unto us a child is born! To us a son is given. And the government will be on His shoulders!” Isaiah 9:6-7

Notice they did not invite us to bow before a baby but to worship the King at His arrival!
Come! Let us celebrate HIM! Spend less on ourselves. Give more to others. Give for His Glory.
And as we do, our prayer this advent season is that we might break forth into eternal HOPE!

“May the God of HOPE fill you with all joy and peace as you trust in Him so that you may overflow with HOPE by the power of the Holy Spirit” Romans 15:13“

I invite you to make plans to celebrate with us. I pray you are filled with HOPE during this season and that our celebration will encourage YOU to find true joy and peace as we worship the Light of the World. It is truly the Season ... to be filled with **HOPE**.

Hopefully,

Pastor Garry

*“We are a **faith fellowship** of believers on our journey **together** with our Lord... meeting needs, mending hearts.”*