# Welcome to Praise and Worship

Thank you for joining us! Today is the first Sunday of the church calendar year. It is also the first Sunday of Advent; a season when we look back on the promises God has fulfilled for us and also when we look forward to the promises of the future when He will come to take us to be with Him. Until then, we live as People Enriched At Christ's Expense, who trust in His grace and continue to prepare for His coming again. May God richly bless you today and through this season as we encourage one another to trust in Christ on our journey of faith.

# November 27, 2016 – First Sunday of Advent

"I love You, O LORD, my strength. The LORD is my rock, my fortress and my deliverer; my God is my rock, in Whom I take refuge. He is my shield and the horn of my salvation, my stronghold." Psalm 18:1,2

WELCOME AND CALL TO WORSHIP

RESPONSIVE HYMN NO. 436

The Solid Rock

LIGHTING OF ADVENT CANDLE

Romans 13:11-14 (pg. 1765)

Nathan, Bradley and Jerry Tilson

RESPONSIVE HYMN NO. 469 & 470

I Will Serve Thee & All for Jesus

WORSHIP WITH TITHES AND OFFERINGS

EXPRESSION OF WORSHIP

Ray & Sandy Lohr

PRAYER

**PULPIT HYMN NO. 459** 

Open Our Eyes

**MESSAGE** Matthew 24:37-44 (pg. 1539)

"Actively Waiting"

**RESPONSIVE HYMN NO. 281** 

Jesus Is Coming Again

**DOXOLOGY HYMN NO. 7:** "Praise God from whom all blessing flow; Praise Him, all creatures here below; Praise Him above ye heavenly host; Praise Father, Son and Holy Ghost. Amen"

"Our prayer: that whenever I open my mouth, words may be given me so that I will fearlessly make known the mystery of the gospel." Ephesians 6:19

#### Our Vision

"We see a group of people being actively impacted by Jesus Christ, resulting in their lives being changed and transformed. We see people falling in love with Jesus their Savior, who are purposefully sharing their faith, hope, and love with others. We see God bringing dynamic change to this generation and the next for His glory."

## **Prayer Changes Things**

- For President Elect Trump as he decides his cabinet and prepares his agenda for the coming year.
- For our leadership as they attend training this Thursday.
- For the Bible School Feasibility Committee.
- For someone to invite to Christmas service this year.

#### **Opportunities at Peace This Week**

Mon 11:30 am Women's Bible Study in the Fellowship Room.

Wed 6:30 pm Women's Bible Study

6:30 pm Refuge for 6th to 12th graders.

Sat 10-2:00 pm **Sunday School Christmas Program Practice**, lunch included. Also the following Saturday, 12/10.

6:00 pm Corporate Prayer for church, community, county, country, continent and beyond.

Sun 8:45 am Message for those who want to hear it early.

9:00 am Join us in prayer for the ministry and the day.

9:30 am Sunday School for all ages.

10:45 am Morning Worship Service with Communion.

12:45 pm Ladies and Girls Christmas Party. Bring a \$5 Christmas decoration if you'd like to participate in the exchange. Bring a plat of finger food.

## **Looking Ahead**

12/11 Sunday School Christmas Program. Please bring a plate of homemade cookies to share after the service.

\*THANKS to all who decorated last Sunday!

\*NOTE: Prayfully consider helping out the Deacon's fund. It is lower then it has been in two years and could use some help.

\*The prayer list is meant to be a guide for our praying for one another on a regular basis. Prayer couplings for this week: Group 1 pray for Group 2, 2 for 3, 3 for 4, 4 for 5, 5 for 6, 6 for 7, 7 for 8, 8 for 9, 9 for 10, 10 for 11, 11 for 1. This list can be found on the table next to the door going out of the sanctuary.

#### A special "hello" to our guests! For your information:

- There is a hearing system available. If you need assistance, ask a sound guy in the back booth.
- A nursery is available for children infant through 3 years old in the room at the back of our worship area.
- Children's Activity Bags are in the back of our worship area.
- If you'd like to see who we are and what we do, pick up the latest newsletter on the entry bulletin board.
- If you'd like to hear a message after any Sunday, go to this link: http://www.peacelbchurch.org/

#### Reminders

- Write your prayer request on a card provided. It will be taken during the worship of our tithes.
- Junior Church for 4 year olds to 5th grade: This Sunday Laura Tilson
  Next Sunday Beth Sjoding