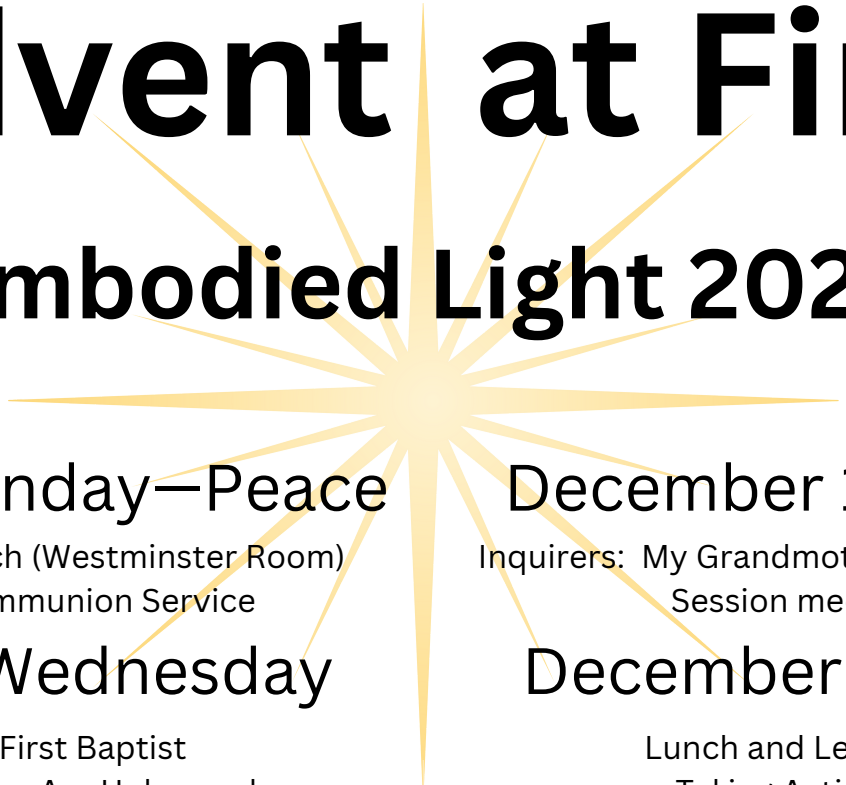


ADVENT 2023 AT FIRST PRESBYTERIAN

	SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
ADVENT I	<p>3</p> <p>As the day ends, imagine practicing the weekly prayers of the people: 1. Bow with prayer hands. 2. Offer a blessing. Raise hands to sky. Look around you. 3. Bring cupped hands to your heart. And be grateful.</p>	<p>4</p> <p>Genesis 1:1-2:1 What is your favorite piece of poetry?</p>	<p>5</p> <p>Hosea 11:1-9 What image helps you connect to God?</p>	<p>6</p> <p>John 1:1-14 What is one passage of scripture that you might need to write down and carry with you this week?</p>	<p>7</p> <p>Psalm 104:1-30 What does nature teach you about God?</p>	<p>8</p> <p>Colossians 1:15-20 What does it mean to be reconciled to God?</p>	<p>9</p> <p>Matthew 1:17 What would you ask an ancestor about faithfulness?</p>
ADVENT II	<p>10</p> <p>Today some will go Christmas Caroling as a group from First Presbyterian. Take a moment in your day, and sing a stanza of your favorite carol with abandon.</p>	<p>11</p> <p>Psalm 139:1-18 What aspect of being an incarnate being delights you?</p>	<p>12</p> <p>John 9:1-7 As you wash your hands, what does it look like to imagine that God's works might free you from shame?</p>	<p>13</p> <p>Mark 3:20-35 In what part of your life do you feel the most understood?</p>	<p>14</p> <p>Romans 8:14-27 What does kinship mean in your family?</p>	<p>15</p> <p>Psalm 8 What is your best, most beautiful feature?</p>	<p>16</p> <p>Luke 1:26-37, 46-56 What hymn would you sing to God?</p>
ADVENT III	<p>17</p> <p>Test sitting in a different pew, or space in your home, as you come to worship today. What do you sense in this new space?</p>	<p>18</p> <p>Luke 5:1-9 What parable of Jesus do you love the most?</p>	<p>19</p> <p>Matthew 4:1-11 What is the greatest temptation you have faced?</p>	<p>20</p> <p>Hebrews 13:1-6 When have you experienced hospitality?</p>	<p>21</p> <p>John 15:12-17 How has friendship contributed to your development as a person?</p>	<p>22</p> <p>Luke 12:22-33 What experiences most shape your view about wealth?</p>	<p>23</p> <p>Matthew 6:9-15 What feels harder — forgiving others or forgiving yourself?</p>
ADVENT IV	<p>24</p> <p>Close your eyes. Take three deep breaths. How do you see Light with your eyes closed? Imagine Christ's presence being born in you.</p>	<p>Christmas Eve Services: 11:00 AM Worship with Communion; 5:00 Candlelight Service The church office will be closed 12/25/2023 through 1/1/2024</p>					

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Embodied Light 2023



December 3, Sunday—Peace

Inquirers: State of the Church (Westminster Room)

11:00 Worship and Communion Service

December 6, Wednesday

Lunch and Learn: First Baptist

Encountering Those Who Are Unhoused

December 10, Sunday—Hope

Inquirers: God and the Not So Silent Night (Westminster Room)

Lunch and Caroling following worship
with Care and Outreach

December 13, Wednesday

Lunch and Learn: First Presbyterian
Experiences of Our Unhoused Neighbors

December 17, Sunday—Joy

Inquirers: My Grandmother's Hands (Westminster Room)

Session meets following worship

December 20, Wednesday

Lunch and Learn: Trinity Methodist

Taking Action for the Unhoused

December 24, Sunday—Love

10:15 Cocoa and Cookies (Westminster Room)

11:00 Worship and Communion Service

5:00 Lesson and Carols Candlelight Service

December 31, Sunday

11:00 Worship