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**Midweek Advent Service 2**

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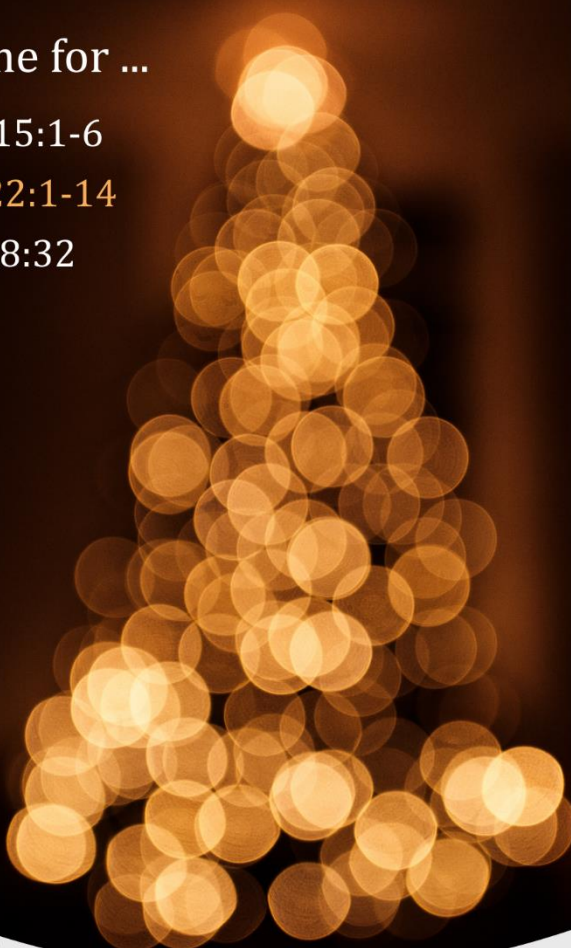
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**Advent: A Time for ...**

FAITH - Genesis 15:1-6

HOPE - Genesis 22:1-14

LOVE - Genesis 18:32



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**P** Be strong, and let your heart take courage, all you who wait for the LORD!

**G** **Glory be to the Father and to the Son and to the Holy Spirit; as it was in the beginning, is now, and will be forever. Amen.**

### Reading of the Advent History of Our Lord

*Luke 1:26-38*

#### **RESPONSE: TLH #85:13,15 "From Heaven Above to Earth I Come"**

13. Ah, dearest Jesus, holy Child, Make Thee a bed, soft, undefiled,  
Within my heart, that it may be A quiet chamber kept for Thee.
15. Glory to God in highest heaven, Who unto us His Son hath given!  
While angels sing with pious mirth A glad new year to all the earth.

### **CONFESSION OF FAITH**

#### *The Brief Statement: Of Redemption*

*The Brief Statement was written in 1932 to serve as a summary of our doctrinal positions on the basis of Scripture.*

We teach that in the fulness of time the eternal Son of God was made man, from the Virgin Mary through the operation of the Holy Ghost, assuming a human nature like ours, yet without sin, and receiving it to His divine person. Jesus Christ is therefore true God, begotten of the Father from eternity, and also true man, born of the Virgin Mary—true God and true man in one undivided and indivisible person. The purpose of this miraculous incarnation of the Son of God was that He might become the Mediator between God and men, both fulfilling the divine Law and suffering and dying in the place of mankind. In this manner God reconciled the whole sinful world unto Himself.

**Hymn: TLH #55**

**"Come, Thou Precious Ransom, Come"**

### **Advent: A Time for ... Hope**

**SERMON TEXT - Genesis 22:1-14** After these things God tested Abraham and said to him, "Abraham!" And he said, "Here I am." <sup>2</sup> He said, "Take your son, your only son Isaac, whom you love, and go to the land of Moriah, and offer him there as a burnt offering on one of the mountains of which I shall tell you." <sup>3</sup> So Abraham rose early in the morning, saddled his donkey, and took two of his young men with him,

