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Order of Worship 4 December 2022 The Second Sunday of Advent

We Gather to Worship God

Welcome
Worship in Song
Call to Worship
Lighting of the Advent Wreath
Worship in Song

We Listen to the Word

Prayer
Sermon Series: Re-Gifted
Sermon: "Regifting Peace"

We Come to the Table

Prayer of Confession and Consecration
The Lord's Prayer
We Eat and Drink Together
We Celebrate the Eucharist in Song
Prayer

We Go to Live in the Reign of God

Community Life
Gossiping the Good Stuff
Doxology
Blessing and Sending

2023 CHURCH BOARD ELECTIONS

Today in Room 108

All church members age 15 and older are eligible to vote!











Re-Gifted "Regifting Peace" Pastor Kris Beckert

Have you ever had a picture in your head of how you wanted something to be, only to have it not turn out the way you wanted?

The Peace found in Advent:

I. Peace is the word most associated with

1. Zechariah's:
Luke 1:76-79. "And you, my child, will be called a prophet of the Most High; for you will go on before the Lord to prepare the way for him, ⁷⁷ to give his people the knowledge of salvation through the forgiveness of their sins, ⁷⁸ because of the tender mercy of our God, by which the rising sun will come to us from heaven ⁷⁹ to shine on those living in darkness and in the shadow of death, to guide our feet into the path of peace."
2. Isaiah's (700-600 BC):

Isaiah 9:6. For to us a child is born, to us a son is given, and the government will be on his shoulders. And he will be called Wonderful Counselor, Mighty God, Everlasting Father, Prince of Peace.

3. The angels':
Luke 2:14 "Glory to God in the highest heaven and on earth peace to those on whom his favor rests."
II. Jesus' picture of peace is
 Hebrew shalom, Greek eirene –
1. It starts not outside but
Philippians 4:4-7. Rejoice in the Lord always. will say it again: Rejoice! ⁵ Let your gentlenes be evident to all. The Lord is near. ⁶ Do not be anxious about anything, but in every situation, by prayer and petition, with thanksgiving, present your requests to God. ⁷ And the peace of God, which transcends all understanding, will guard your hearts and your minds in Christ Jesus.
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3. It is not "if/then" but
III. True peace comes by
Big Idea:
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Doggy Bag-Some questions to chew on:



- 1. On a scale of 1-10 (with 1 being totally at peace and 10 being stressed to the max), how would you rate your current outlook?
- 2. Are you at peace with God? Peace with yourself? Peace with others? Why or why not?
- 3. Why do you think peace is most associated with the coming of Christ?
- 4. If peace is not the absence of problems or having everything turn out perfectly but rather the promise and assurance of God's presence, how might this change things for you? How is this peace different than "if/then" peace?
- 5. What can you do this week to lean into and re-gift the peace offered by the presence of God? What do you need to let go?

If you'd like to talk personally and confidentially w/ Pastor Kris about following Christ, please email pastorkris@tablelifechurch.org or call 717-774-6444 to set up an appointment.

