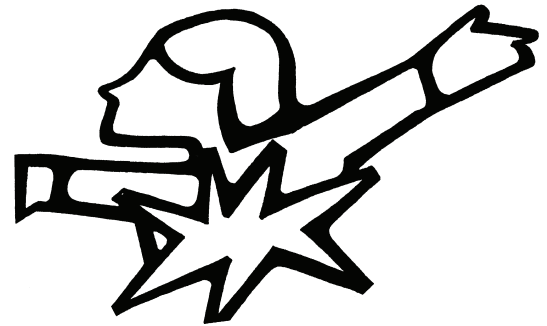


2nd SUNDAY OF ADVENT

WAKE UP & GET READY
Christ is Coming!

BE PREPARED



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Gracious God, you invite us in the second week of Advent to BE PREPARED. Allow us to take time to look within ourselves to see what we still need to change. Let us prepare our hearts for you this week by letting go of those things that we do not need and welcome a “harvest of righteousness” within us.

AMEN.

We are always preparing ourselves for many things. In the end, when all the preparations are over, there is a sense of relief and satisfaction that everything came together. In the season of Advent we are asked to prepare ourselves too. We are invited to look inside and see what changes need to be made. Do I live my life according to my own wants and needs or do I live my life as a disciple of Christ? Christ invites us this week to see how we can better reflect his example in our lives. We are not expected to be perfect, but continue to strive to change ourselves for the better.

Reflection ~ how can I better reflect Christ in my life? What preparations do I need to make for that to happen?

What possesses your life? Does God or the materialistic things of this world? Take an inventory of your life this week. What do you need to get rid of, keep, or bring into your life?

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