

**November 27, 2022**  
**First Sunday of Advent**

**Watchword for the Week** – Come, let us walk in the light of the Lord!  
Isaiah 2:5

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**Welcome** to our service of worship on this wonderful Lord's Day! Today is the first Sunday in Advent - a four-week season of the church year devoted to preparing for the celebration of Jesus' birth. Here at Friedberg we begin Advent with a special worship service called a lovefeast.

**About Moravian Lovefeasts:** Early Christians met and broke bread together to signify their fellowship, love and unity in the Lord Jesus Christ. In 1727, the Moravian Church revived this practice, and it has established the custom of celebrating the great church festivals by partaking together of a simple meal known as a lovefeast. The first lovefeasts of the Moravian Church in North America were held at Savannah, Georgia, during the years 1735 to 1740. The first lovefeast in North Carolina was held on the evening of the arrival of the first Moravian colonists in Bethabara on November 17, 1753.

**If you have never been to a lovefeast** the following explanation may be helpful. Following the singing of the *Hosanna Chorus*, the pastor will announce the hymn *Come Thou Long-Expected Jesus*. While everyone sings, dieners (servers) will come out with baskets of lightly sweetened Moravian lovefeast buns. They will pass the baskets down each pew allowing each person to take one of the buns. After all have been served, the dieners will exit the sanctuary and return with trays of Moravian coffee, sweetened with sugar and milk. Cups will be passed down each pew until all have been served. After the dieners leave the sanctuary, the pastor will stand and invite everyone to pray together the Moravian blessing. Then, while the choir sings, we will partake of the coffee and buns. Afterwards the dieners will return to collect the cups. The service then continues at the pastor's direction.

**If you are visiting with us today** we are especially glad you are here. Please take a moment to add your name, address and phone number to the blue Friendship Register as it is passed down the pew. We consider you an honored guest and hope that you will return and worship with us in the weeks to come. If you are looking for a church home, we would love to talk with you about joining the Friedberg church family.

**Please silence all cell phones before worship.**

**The Order of Worship**

All of the hymns for congregational singing are printed on the Advent Lovefeast Ode inserted within this bulletin. Additional information you may find helpful is printed below.

**Prelude** *Make Room* Arr. Wise

**Lighting of the Advent Wreath**

**Hymn** *How Shall I Meet My Savior?* Ode  
(Afterward, children may go to Children's Church)

**Joys and Concerns**

**Pastoral Prayer**

**Lovefeast Music** *Noel* McDonald  
*The First Noel* Arr. Prim

**Giving to God Our Tithes and Offering**

Prayer  
Offertory *O Little Town of Bethlehem* Arr. Larson  
The Senior Bell Choir  
Doxology *Praise God, from Whom All Blessings Flow* (Blue) # 817

**Sermon** "The King Is Coming"  
(The following scriptures will be read during the sermon:  
Isaiah 2:2-4, Isaiah 9:6-7, Matthew 24:36-44 and Romans 13:8-14.)

**Hymn** *Lord Jesus Christ, All Praise to Thee* Ode

**Benediction**

**Choral Amen**

**Postlude** *O Come, O Come, Emmanuel* Mason

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**The Advent Wreath** is placed in the sanctuary in honor of Travis and Evva Hanes and Emily Essick.

**The Poinsettias** in the sanctuary, narthex and Family Life Center are given by the Women's Fellowship.

**The candles in the windows** in the sanctuary are donated by Annie Rowe and her family in memory of Ralph Rowe.

**The Friedberg Family would like to thank** Homer and Bonnie Sides for the many years they provided live Christmas trees for the Advent Season at Friedberg and Kathy Shore Nursery for the wreaths that we used to adorn the doors of Friedberg. We are also grateful to Jerry Tolley and his many helpers that made the trips to the mountain to bring back the trees and the wreaths and for the time they donated in helping put up the tree in past years.

**The 2023 Moravian Daily Texts are here.** If you have preordered a large or regular print edition, they are available for pick up in the church office. There are a few extra books that will be available on a first come basis.

**If you ordered a wreath from our Youth,** they will be available for pickup in front of the Family Life Center **today.**

**You are invited to a night of music** by the Advent Hopewell Band tonight at 7:00 p.m. in the Family Life Center. You don't want to miss the music and the fellowship!

**After a 2-year hiatus, The Senior Choir** will be going to the Cherry Street Prison for a Christmas Lovefeast on December 8<sup>th</sup>. The choir is collecting personal need items for the men. The items needed are BARS OF SOAP, TOOTHBRUSHES, TOOTHPASTE (ANY SIZE), SHAMPOO, and STICK DEODARANT FOR MEN. We will collect these items until December 7<sup>th</sup>.

**The 2023 Flower Calendar** for sanctuary flowers is posted on the bulletin board behind the church office at the stairs (near the Sunnyside collection box). Please sign up if you would like to provide flowers in the sanctuary for our worship service.

**Christmas Post Office** - The boxes will be available again this year (in alphabetical order) in the hallway between the Parlor and Willing Workers Bible classroom. Your Christmas cards may be placed in these boxes for pickup by the church members.

**The December Folio** is available for pickup from the ushers after worship today.

**All parents** who have a child in Children's Church will be required to physically come down to the Children's Center on the first floor of the Family Life Center and sign their child out before they are released at the end of worship.

#### Sunday November 27 (First Sunday in Advent/Lovefeast)

9:45 a.m. Sunday School  
11:00 a.m. Worship in Sanctuary/Livestream  
12:15 p.m. *Morning Star* practice in sanctuary  
7:00 p.m. Hopewell Advent Band Concert-FLC

#### Monday, November 28

6:30 p.m. Girl Scouts  
7:00 p.m. Boy Scouts

#### Tuesday, November 29

10:00 a.m. Bible Study (*Get Out of Your Head*) in Youth Room  
7:00 p.m. Mission Co. Meeting

#### Wednesday, November 30

6:30 p.m. Children's Program Practice  
7:30 p.m. Choir Rehearsal

#### Thursday, December 1

9:00 a.m. Men's Bible Study-Discovery Classroom  
7:00 p.m. Men's Basketball

#### Sunday, December 4

9:15 a.m. Band Prelude  
9:20 a.m. Prayers Partners in Parlor  
9:45 a.m. Sunday School  
11:00 a.m. Worship in Sanctuary/Livestream  
12:15 p.m. *Morning Star* practice in sanctuary  
12:15 p.m. Senior High Youth Shopping  
4:30 p.m. C.R.O.S.S. Kids  
5:00 p.m. Middle School Youth Present Wrapping

## **FRIEDBERG MORAVIAN CHURCH PRAYER CONCERNS**

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### **MEMBERS**

Martha Berrier	Evva Hanes	Audrey Mize
Carolyn Bowen	Julia Hedgecock	Reba Payne
Valerie Burchette	Joanne Hill	Kolton Pennell
Amy Canter	J.T. Hopkins	Mary Lou Pitts
Phil Carter	Andy Jackson	Martha Plyler
Franklin Clark	Alvin Johnson	Joy Reich
Shane Culler	Robbie Joyce	Merle Scott
Emily Essick	Vicki Jo Kimel	Greg Shouse
LeAnne Essick	Bobby Knouse	Bill Sides
Jerry Evans	Peggy Lawson	Betty Sink
Don Faust	Yvonne Lemons	Becky Sizemore
Hazel Fishel	Rebecca Mickey	Bob & Judy Smith
Janie Foltz		

### **Family and Friends Prayer Concerns Submitted Since Last Sunday:**

Family of Larry Fadley and Family of Joe Rogers

### **MEMBERS AND RELATIVES IN MILITARY**

Dylan Bundy	Jennifer Greenwood	Colton Scott
Dylan Coleman	Dakota Holtzclaw	Ryan Spach
Carly Collette	Alex Kennedy	Brandon Thompson
Ben Greeson	Patrick Mickey	Aidan Wheeler
Andy Greenwood	Daniel Randleman	

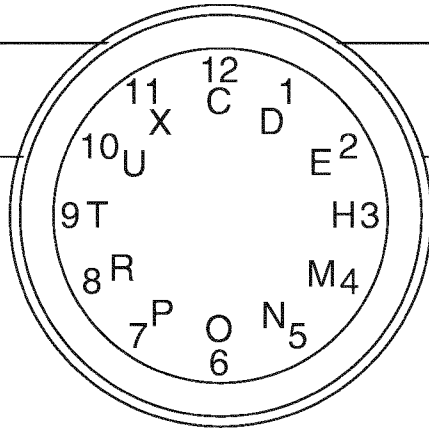
### **MISSIONARIES AND MINISTRIES RECEIVING FINANCIAL SUPPORT FROM FRIEDBERG**

ARMF (Armando Rusindo Mission Foundation)  
Safie Braima - Sierra Leone  
Charlie & Vicki Brent – CRU (Campus Crusade), Texas A & M University  
Michael and Brenda Brent – CRU (Campus Crusade), Croatia  
Keith Graham - Cookies for Christ  
Dusty and Christin Harrison – Intersarsity, Clemson University  
Hoof and Paw Therapeutic Riding and Activity Center  
Phil III & Eunice Raiford, Commission to Every Nation (CTEN) - Mexico  
Michael and Ceci Tesh, Ray of Hope Orphanage – Kenya  
Friends of Moravian Prison Ministry  
Joey Yokely – Fellowship of Christian Athletes



Jesus will be returning.  
What did He tell His disciples?

Use the clock code to find the verse below.

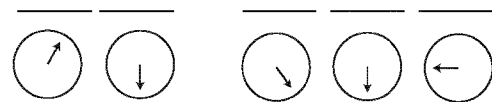


“So you also must  
be ready, because  
the Son of Man will

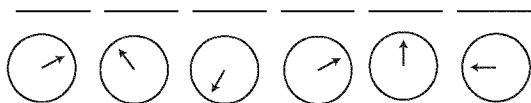
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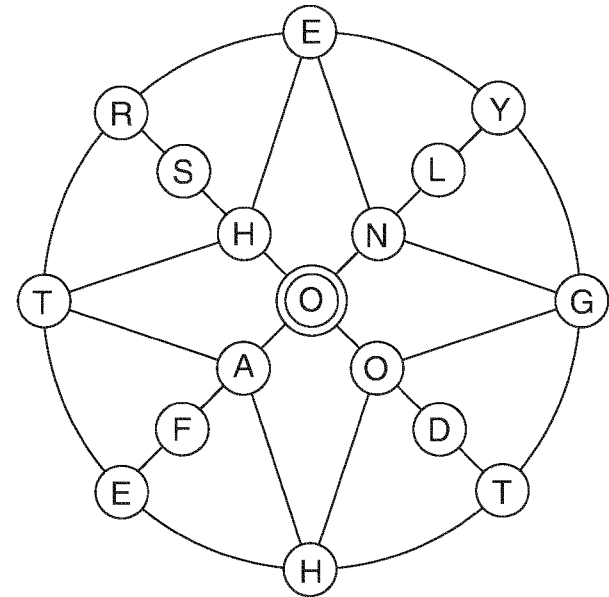
Ages 7+

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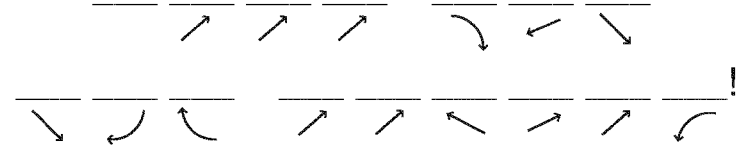
# Be Ready for Jesus

Who knows when the Son of Man (Jesus) will return?

Find the answer on the wheel below. Begin with the center letter O.  
Follow the lines to find the answer.



O





The Rev. Jim Newsome-Senior Pastor  
The Rev. Dan Nelson-Assoc. Pastor  
Karen Hill-Directory of Youth Ministry  
Heidi Everhart-Director of Children's Ministry  
Debbie Foltz-Music Director  
Jimmie Snyder-Band Director

In the days of Noah, the people knew nothing about what would happen until the flood came and took them all away. That is how it will be when Jesus returns.



Add and subtract letters to find the words.  
Write them on the blanks below.

1.  - Y +  - SHE = \_\_\_\_\_

2.  - HLE +  - MA = \_\_\_\_\_

What does Jesus tell us to do?

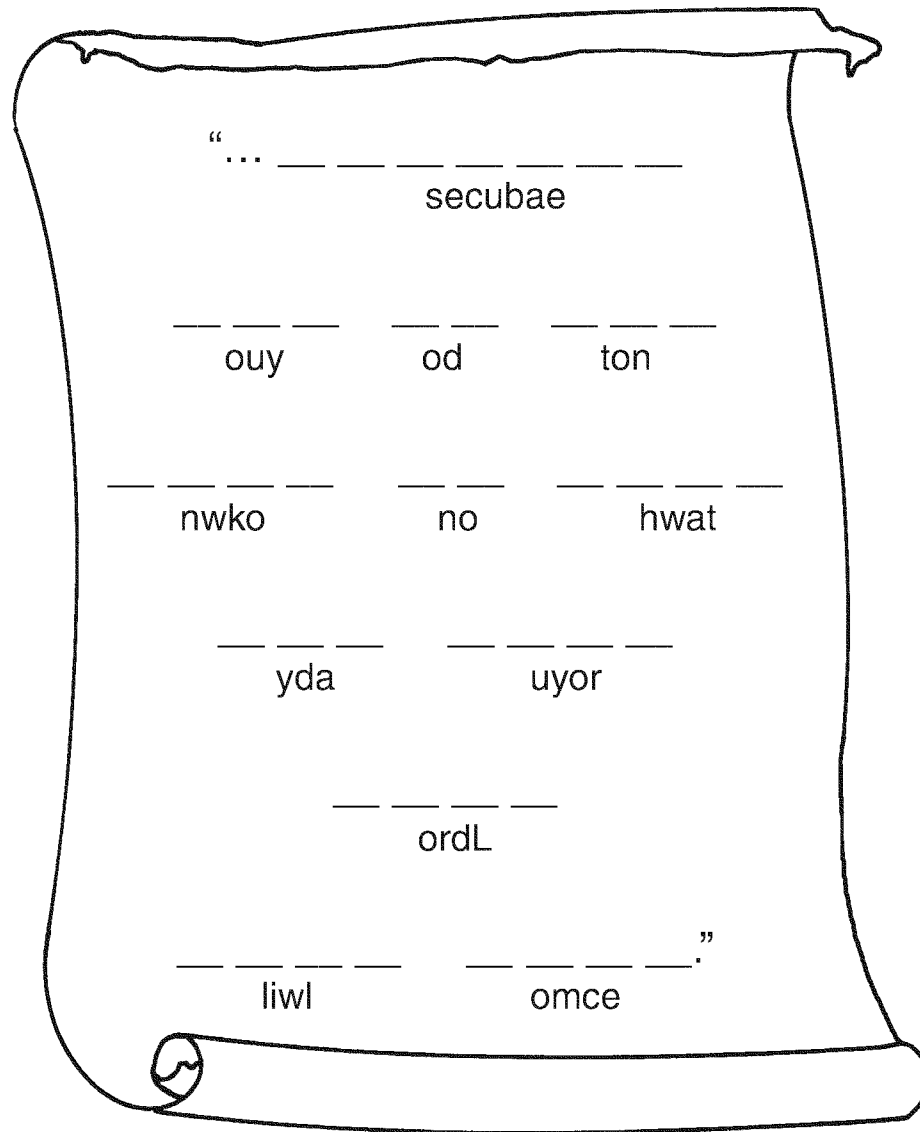
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Why does Jesus tell us to “keep watch”?

Unscramble the words to find a verse that has the answer.



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\_\_\_\_\_ nwko \_\_\_\_\_ no \_\_\_\_\_ hwat

\_\_\_\_\_ yda \_\_\_\_\_ uyor

\_\_\_\_\_ ordL

\_\_\_\_\_ liwl \_\_\_\_\_ omce ”