

Welcome to First & Faith United Methodist Church

Sermon Notes - November 28, 2021

Advent Sunday

“Anticipating the Savior”

Isaiah 11:1-10 (NLT)

¹ Out of the stump of David’s family will grow a shoot—yes, a new Branch bearing fruit from the old root. ² And the Spirit of the Lord will rest on him—the Spirit of wisdom and understanding, the Spirit of counsel and might, the Spirit of knowledge and the fear of the Lord. ³ He will delight in obeying the Lord. He will not judge by appearance nor make a decision based on hearsay. ⁴ He will give justice to the poor and make fair decisions for the exploited. The earth will shake at the force of his word, and one breath from his mouth will destroy the wicked. ⁵ He will wear righteousness like a belt and truth like an undergarment. ⁶ In that day the wolf and the lamb will live together; the leopard will lie down with the baby goat. The calf and the yearling will be safe with the lion, and a little child will lead them all. ⁷ The cow will graze near the bear. The cub and the calf will lie down together. The lion will eat hay like a cow. ⁸ The baby will play safely near the hole of a cobra. Yes, a little child will put its hand in a nest of deadly snakes without harm.

⁹ Nothing will hurt or destroy in all my holy mountain, for as the waters fill the sea, so the earth will be filled with people who know the Lord. ¹⁰ In that day the heir to David’s throne will be a banner of salvation to all the world. The nations will rally to him, and the land where he lives will be a glorious place.

Life Application:

- 1) What does paradise look like to you?
- 2) How are you living in anticipation of Jesus’ return?
- 3) This Advent season consider the hope and expectation of why Jesus came.

Prayer:

Gracious God, during this Advent season, we are on a spiritual journey as we anticipate the coming of Christmas Day, a reminder of the birth of our Savior Jesus. Thank you for sending Jesus, the Savior of the world. May it give us strength for today and bright hope for tomorrow. Help us to love You with all of our heart, all of our soul, and all of our strength. In Jesus’ name we pray, Amen.