



ADVENT

# Advent

Latin word *adventus*

“arrival” or “coming”

**Hope** • *Today*

**Peace** • *12.6*

**Joy** • *12.13*

**Love** • *12.20*



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**CONSPIRACY**

Total Gifts Given over last 12 years

**\$4,361,995**

# Domestic Abuse Intervention Services (DAIS)

JustDane

Lighthouse Church

Maydm

Mt. Zion Baptist Church

Nehemiah: Center for Urban  
Leadership Development

Second Harvest Foodbank of  
Southern Wisconsin

Water Mission

<sup>8</sup> For it is by grace you have been saved, through faith—and this is not from yourselves, it is the gift of God—<sup>9</sup> not by works, so that no one can boast. <sup>10</sup> For we are God's handiwork, created in Christ Jesus to do good works, which God prepared in advance for us to do.

Ephesians 2:8-10 (NIV 2011)

<sup>16</sup> In the same way, let your light shine before others, that they may see your **good deeds** and glorify your Father in heaven.

**Matthew 5:16 (NIV 2011)**

Good Works



Good Will



Good News

<sup>28</sup> Do you not know?  
Have you not heard?  
The Lord is the everlasting God,  
the Creator of the ends of the earth.  
He will not grow tired or weary,  
and his understanding no one can fathom.

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and increases the power of the weak.

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**Isaiah 40:28–31 (NIV 2011)**

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- <sup>1</sup> A shoot will come up from the stump of Jesse;  
from his roots a Branch will bear fruit.
- <sup>2</sup> The Spirit of the Lord will rest on him—  
the Spirit of wisdom and of understanding,  
the Spirit of counsel and of might,  
the Spirit of the knowledge and fear of the Lord—
- <sup>3</sup> and he will delight in the fear of the Lord.  
He will not judge by what he sees with his eyes,  
or decide by what he hears with his ears;

**Isaiah 11:1-9 (NIV 2011)**

<sup>4</sup> but with righteousness he will judge the needy,  
with justice he will give decisions for the poor of the earth.  
He will strike the earth with the rod of his mouth;  
with the breath of his lips he will slay the wicked.

<sup>5</sup> Righteousness will be his belt  
and faithfulness the sash around his waist.

<sup>6</sup> The wolf will live with the lamb,  
the leopard will lie down with the goat,  
the calf and the lion and the yearling together;  
and a little child will lead them.

**Isaiah 11:1-9 (NIV 2011)**

<sup>7</sup> The cow will feed with the bear,  
their young will lie down together,  
and the lion will eat straw like the ox.

<sup>8</sup> The infant will play near the cobra's den,  
the young child will put its hand into the viper's nest.

<sup>9</sup> They will neither harm nor destroy  
on all my holy mountain,  
for the earth will be filled with the knowledge of the Lord  
as the waters cover the sea.

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*...in the Messiah's reign the fears associated with insecurity, danger, and evil will be removed, not only for the individual but for the world as well.*

**Commentary on Isaiah by John N. Oswalt**

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