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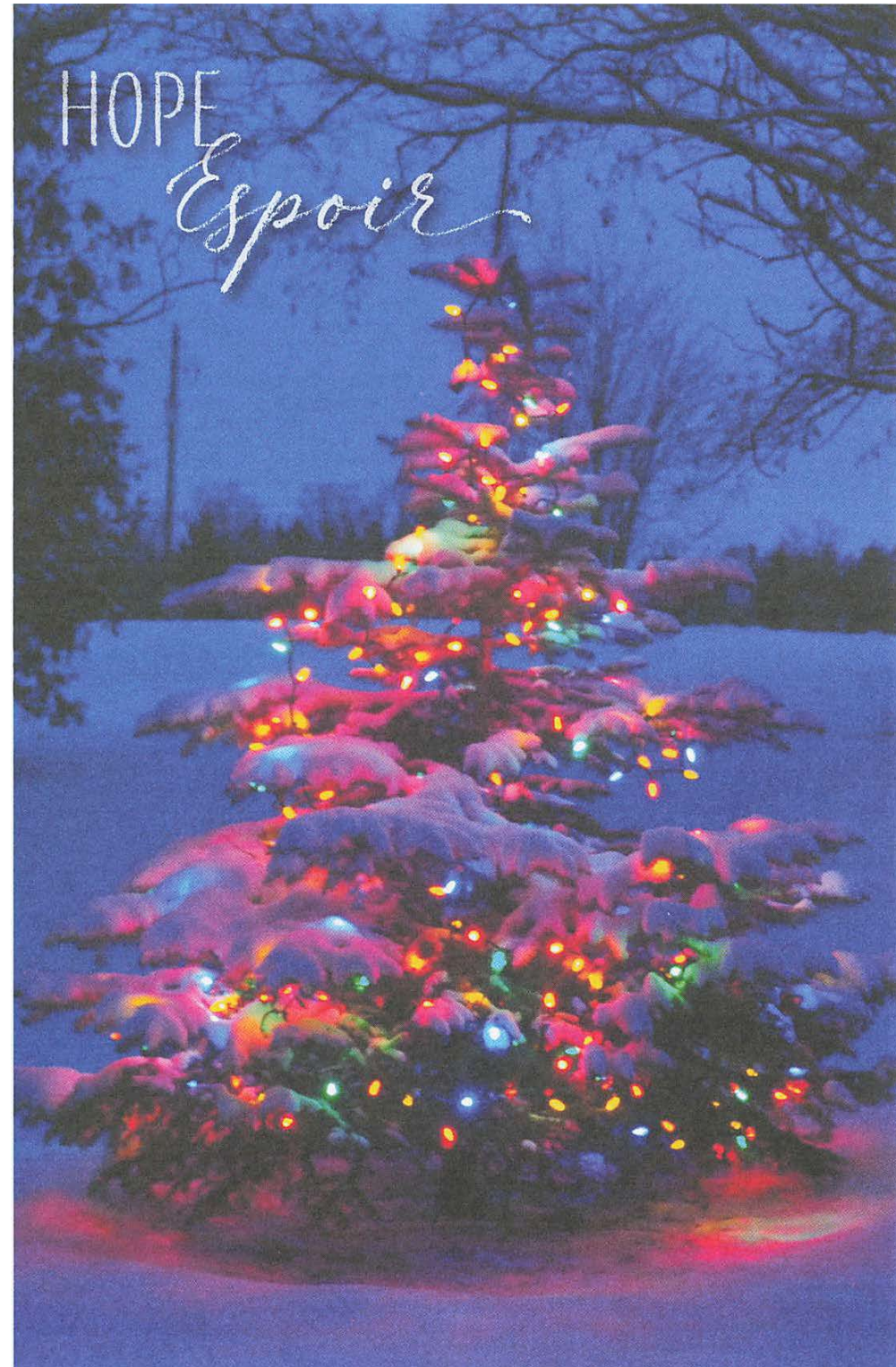
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KNOX UNITED CHURCH

ADVENT I - HOPE

December 1st, 2024 at 10:00 a.m.

♪↑ Rise to sing, as you are able

♪+ Remain seated to sing

Prelude: "Veni Emmanuel"

arr. John Behnke

Welcome and Candle Lighting

Call to Worship:

The days are surely coming, says the Lord,
when I will fulfill the promise, I made.

Let us trust in the promises of our faithful God.

We wait with hope, expecting light in our darkness.

Come, let us worship with hearts filled with hope.

♪↑ **Hymn:** "Come, Thou Long-Expected Jesus"

VU 2

Advent Candle Lighting:

Reader: Today we light the first candle of Advent, the candle of Hope. This flame reminds us, that God's promises never fail. As we light this candle, we kindle the flame of hope, trusting in God's faithfulness.

Light the first candle

All: God of hope, awaken our hearts to Your promises. Help us to live in expectation of Your presence. Amen.

♪+ **Hymn:** "Hope Is a Star" (*verse 1*)

VU 7

Prayer

♪+ **Hymn:** "All Earth Is Waiting"

VU 5

Scripture Reading: Jeremiah 33:14-16
Luke 21:25-36

Chants Encounter:

"Ave Verum Corpus"

Hail, true Body, born of the Virgin Mary....

Acsr. To Innocent IV, d. 1362

"Kyrie XI. (Orbis Factor)"

Lord have mercy....

"Te Laudamus"

We praise you, O Lord almighty.....

Sermon: Hope That Leads Us Forward

♪↑ **Communion Hymn:** "Here, O My Lord, I See You Face to Face" VU 459
(verses 1 to 3 only)

Dedication of Offering

Communion

Prayers of the People

♪+ **Lord's Prayer (*said together*)**

**Our Father, who art in heaven,
hallowed be thy name.**

Thy kingdom come,

Thy will be done

on earth as it is in heaven.

Give us this day our daily bread;

**and forgive us our trespasses,
as we forgive those**

who trespass against us;

**and lead us not into temptation,
but deliver us from evil.**

For thine is the kingdom,

**and the power, and the glory,
for ever and ever. Amen.**

Sharing the Bread and the Cup

Anthem: "Love's Pure Light" Words and Music: Joel Raney

♪↑ **Hymn:** "Lo, He Comes with Clouds Descending" VU 25

Commissioning and Benediction

♪↑ **Benediction Response:** "Hope Shines as the Solitary Star" MV 220

Hope shines as the solitary star,
faith is the inner light.
You and I together
mirror the Light of Lights,
and illumine the pathway home. *(repeat)*

Postlude: "Basse et Dessus de Trompette" Louis Nicolas Clerambault

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Land Acknowledgment:

We acknowledge we worship on the unceded territories of the
x_wm_əθk_wəy_əm__ (Musqueam), S_kw_x_wú7mesh (Squamish),
and Sel'il_witulh (Tseil-Waututh) Nations. We thank them for having cared
for this land and look forward to relating with them as covenant people
of God as we continue to care for this land together.

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December 1, 2024: Advent I Hope (Communion)

Title: Hope That Leads Us Forward

Scripture: Jeremiah 33:14-16; Luke 21:25-36

Synopsis: Advent begins with hope—a light that guides us even in uncertain times. In Jeremiah's promise of a righteous branch and Jesus' words about the signs of the times, we find that hope is not passive; it's the strength to move forward and trust in God's faithfulness. This week, we'll explore how to cultivate and hold onto hope that sustains us through every season.



KNOX UNITED CHURCH

Mission: "We exist to love God and love our neighbours" (Matthew 22: 36-40)

Vision: "We aspire to engage our neighbours through the arts, building a community without loneliness."