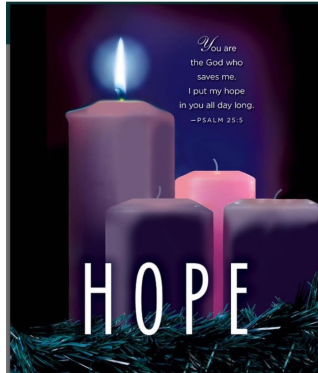


## This Week in Sunday School - The Annunciation and Advent Week 1 11.29.20

Ponder and enjoy! Grace and Peace!



Happy Sunday, Friends,

I hope you had a wonderful Thanksgiving. It turned out to be an unexpectedly gorgeous day.

Today is the first Sunday in Advent and on this day we light our first candle in the Advent Wreath. That candle signifies **Hope**. Our Sunday school lessons for the next few weeks are going to focus on Advent and Christmas bible stories. Our first one tells about Mary's encounter with the angel Gabriel and the surprising news she receives.

Attached are some coloring pages and a nativity scene you can print out and make at home. Enjoy!

Finally Friends, I'm a little sad today because typically I would be running around like crazy with a great team setting up for the Advent Festival which would take place tonight. I really love the Advent Festival and it brings me so much joy and I am missing it. But like today's candle signifies "**Hope**", I am going to be **HOPEful** that next year we are going to celebrate Advent **TOGETHER**. I cannot wait for that!

So, like Advent is the season of waiting and anticipation, we'll patiently wait until we can get together again. It's definitely something worth waiting for.

I hope you know how much you are loved and missed! We can't wait to be back at church together soon.

PS - It's not too late to order Advent Activity Kits! Please order here: [Advent Kit Order Form](#)

Take Care,  
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