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November 29, 2026 – First Sunday in Advent
Service of Holy Communion

Pastor: Rev. Liz Bell
Assisting Minister: Carola Unsworth
Ministers: Every member
Ushers: Paul T & Dan L
Council President: Karen Oko
Musician: Kathryn Elford
Video/Live Stream: Anton Chell
Worship Host: Margie Nunweiler

Welcome

Light for the Journey
'O Little Town of Bethlehem' (ELW 279) vs 1
'We're On Our Way'

Prayer of the Day

Sharing the Peace

Gathering Song "*All Earth Is Hopeful"* (ELW 266, WOV 629) vs 1,3,4

Children's Time

First Reading Romans 8:18-25

18 I consider that the sufferings of this present time are not worth comparing with the
glory about to be revealed to us. 19 For the creation waits with eager longing for the
revealing of the children of God, 20 for the creation was subjected to futility, not of its
own will, but by the will of the one who subjected it, in hope 21 that the creation itself
will be set free from its enslavement to decay and will obtain the freedom of the glory
of the children of God. 22 We know that the whole creation has been groaning together
as it suffers together the pains of labor, 23 and not only the creation, but we ourselves,
who have the first fruits of the Spirit, groan inwardly while we wait for adoption, the
redemption of our bodies. 24 For in hope we were saved. Now hope that is seen is not
hope, for who hopes for what one already sees? 25 But if we hope for what we do not
see, we wait for it with patience.

Google Earth Animation Video

Gospel Luke 2:1-3

1 In those days a decree went out from Caesar Augustus that all the world should be
registered. 2 This was the first registration and was taken while Quirinius was governor
of Syria. 3 All went to their own towns to be registered.

Sermon

Prayers of Intercession '*Lead Me, Guide Me'* (ELW 768) chorus only
In our prayers: Gertie B, Susan K, Cody M, Brendan S, Pr. Erin T, Shirley E, Pr. Rod A, Darlene & Randy F, Anna E, Pathma D, Lasantha J, Margaret O, Dwight M, Marla W, Julian S, Jackie & Niel S, Howard G, and those we hold dear in our hearts.

Offertory (Doxology) Tune: "Away in a Manger"

Communion Invitation

Great Thanksgiving

Holy Holy – 'Joyful, Joyful, We Adore You" (ELW 836)

Thanksgiving at the Table

Invitation to Communion

Communion Songs
'*Come, Thou Long-Expected Jesus'* (ELW 254)
'*Prepare the Royal Highway'* (ELW 264)
'*People, Look East'* (ELW 248)

Blessing

Community Life

We Set Off

Benediction

Sending Song

'O Little Town of Bethlehem' (ELW 279) vs 4
'We're On Our Way'

Dismissal

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TRAVELLING ADVENT 2026

Wednesdays

7:00 pm

coffee & treats follow

Nov 25 – Lord of Life
2710 - 79 Street, Edm

December 2 – Ansgar
9554 - 108A Avenue, Edm

December 9 – Holy Spirit
11223 - 51 Avenue, Edm

December 16 – Trinity
10014 - 81 Avenue, Edm

Bonus Traveling Advent: Sun, Nov 29
5 pm Evening potluck Dinner Church service with LCM-E (Lutheran Campus Ministry - Edm)
at St. George Anglican Church
11733 - 87 Avenue, Edm