

PRAYER UPDATE

HOSPITALIZED & SURGERIES this past week

Fred Bourgeois - is back at Dominican with complications due to cancer. Pray for God's peace and comfort.

Linda Lawrence - had spinal surgery at UCSF on 11/29. Pray for an uncomplicated recovery.

Leigh - that she can experience complete relief from pain and develop a healthy immune system.

Ethan Pope (8 yrs old) - came home from the LPCH on Thanksgiving evening after 3 days of IV antibiotics. Pray he will develop an appetite for food and liquid and that he can avoid colds and the flu (which means avoiding birthday parties, holiday gatherings or events). Pray for his spirit.

HOME WITH THE LORD

Bob Thomas - went home to be with his Lord on November 4th at 90 yrs of age. He was once the Director of the Pajaro Rescue Mission and he and his wife Marian attended TLC for many years. Pray for his family as they grieve his loss.

Susan Hurley's dad, Gene Kasper - passed into the loving arms of Jesus on November 22nd. He and his wife Joan were married for 70 years! He will be dearly missed by his loved ones.

Gary Williams' brother, Jack - passed away on November 21st in the church that his grandfather built. Pray for his wife Ginny and for Gary as they plan his Celebration of Life.

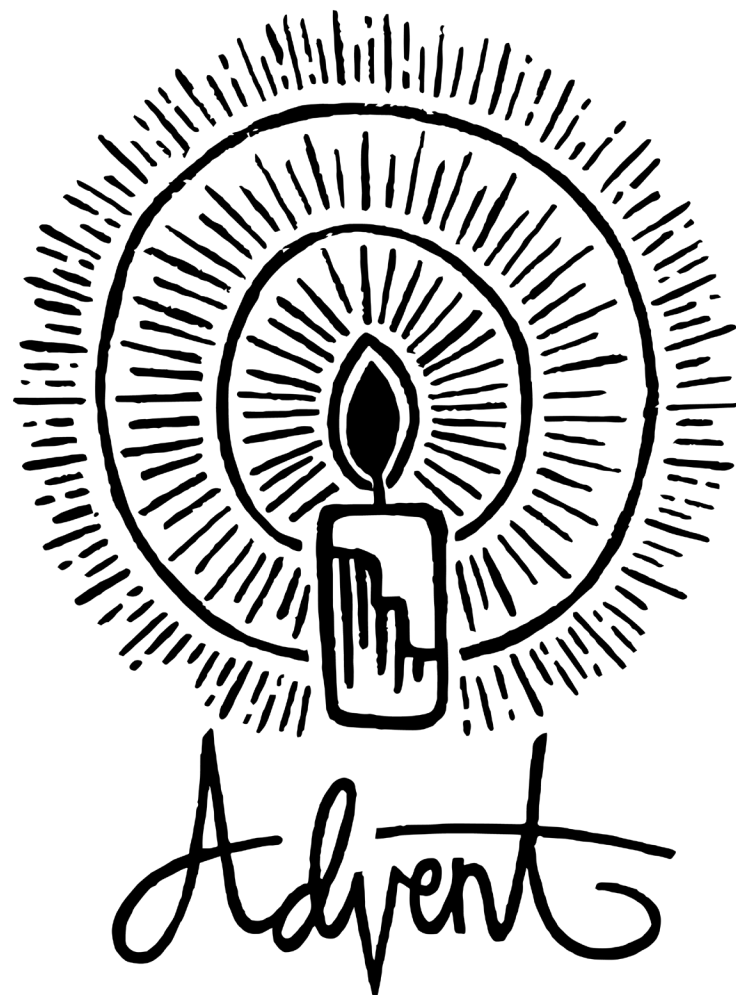
During this holiday season - please continue to pray for those who have lost loved ones in these recent months.

CHRISTMAS POINSETTIAS TO OUR SHUT-INS

If you would like to deliver a poinsettia to one of our shut-ins during the week of 12/5, please contact Carrie Clark **465-3368** or care@tlc.org.

If you would like to minister to a shut-in with a regular visit, or if you'd like us to visit your loved ones in the hospital please contact Carrie Clark 465-3368 | care@tlc.org

A complete prayer list is available at the Info Desk.



THE MYSTERY OF CHRISTMAS

DECEMBER 3 & 4 | MARK SPURLOCK



In the beginning was the Word, and the Word was with God, and the Word was God. He was with God in the beginning. Through him all things were made; without him nothing was made that has been made. John 1:1-3

Who or What is the Word (*Logos*)?

In the Old Testament: _____
(Genesis 1, 1 Kings 19:9, Jeremiah 1:4, Hosea 1:1, Psalm 33:6, Proverbs 8)

In Greek Philosophy: _____
(Heraclitus, Stoicism, Philo of Alexandria)

In John 1: _____

To sum up...

- **The Word was** _____ **with God.**
“In the beginning was the Word” John 1:1a
- **The Word was** _____ **with God.**
“the Word was with God” John 1:1b
- **The Word was** _____ **with God.**
“the Word was God” John 1:1c

And then...

The Word became flesh and made his dwelling among us. We have seen his glory, the glory of the one and only Son, who came from the Father, full of grace and truth. John 1:14

Which means...

The Mystery of Christmas is not only that _____
but that _____.

No one has ever seen God, but the one and only Son, who is himself God and is in closest relationship with the Father, has made him known. John 1:18

So now...

If you ever wonder if God’s heart is _____ **for you,**
remember how _____ **for you.**

DAILY DEVOTIONS

- To save on resources and paper, you can access all the daily Advent devotions, videos, and fun ideas for reaching out this Christmas season at **tlc.org/advent**. Advent books are available at the info desk as well!
- Text “tlc” to 34444 to receive free daily video devos based on this week’s meditations!

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