

### Advent Candle – Week 3

The word “Advent” means “coming or arrival” and the celebration of Advent dates back hundreds of years. We celebrate Advent to remember the significance of the Christmas season as it pertains to the hope we have in Jesus Christ. Each part of the advent wreath has meaning.

The fourth candle is lit on the fourth Sunday of Advent with the first three. This candle is called the Angel’s candle and we light it to remind us of all the heavenly hosts that proclaimed Christ’s arrival with “Behold, I bring to you good tidings of great joy!” The Angel candle is also purple, reminding us that it was a king’s birth the angels were announcing.

### REACH Update

The drywall is all up and ready to be taped and mudded! We are one step closer to completing The Warehouse! Thank you to everyone who came out and helped us this week, you are greatly appreciated!

**Goal: \$70,000 · Received To Date: \$64,642.14**

### Families Moving Forward

Families Moving Forward Volunteers! Please bring **non-food** items to either Freshwater campus! There will be a box marked for drop off items. Food donations can be brought in on Dec. 27<sup>th</sup> and 28<sup>th</sup>.

### Free Coffee Drinks

For the month of December, Higher Grounds Coffee House (**Waconia** coffee bar), will provide FREE specialty coffee drinks when you attend a weekend service!

### Christmas Eve Services

#### **Waconia:**

- December 17<sup>th</sup> at 7:00 pm
- December 24<sup>th</sup> at 3:00pm & 4:00pm

#### **St. Boni:**

- December 24<sup>th</sup> at 3:00pm, 4:00pm, & 5:00pm