



## **"Angels Among Us" #DoNotBeAfraid -**

"Angels Among Us"\* is our worship theme for the holy seasons of Advent and Christmas. Although we have been invited to loan the church our Christmas angel decorations for the first three weeks in December to decorate the sanctuary, the concept of angels will go beyond the peaceful winged cherubs as often depicted. In scripture, angels are messengers of God. In our current culture of fear, their message of 'do not be afraid' is a message to hear, to embody, to celebrate. As we hear the stories of these winged messengers, we will contemplate what messages we can offer that will fly in the face of a culture of fear and bring

more hope, more peace, more joy and more love into our lives and into the world.

Each Sunday our children and youth will bring us a contemporary message of hope, peace, joy and love as scriptures are read and the Advent candle lit. We will also be using social media to carry our themes throughout the week.

**\*from worshipdesignstudio.com; Marcia McFee**



**#Advent** - During our season of Advent we are reminded what the gift of our Savior means to us. As followers of Christ, we are offered the presents of hope, peace, joy and love. Unlike other gifts we are given, we are called to share these gifts with one another spreading them to a world in need of spiritual food.

One way we are expressing this during our Advent season is through social media. Using Instagram and Facebook we want to share images that express hope, peace, joy and love. Share as many and as often as you like, the more the merrier!

When you are posting, use any or all of the following hashtags: **#wccmorehope**, **#wccmorepeace**, **#wccmorejoy** and **#wccmorelove**. Choose your hashtag based on what your image represents. Then, go to these hashtag pages or our Woodland Facebook page and get a spiritual pic-me-up during this Advent season!