

## The Advent of Peace

The Second Sunday of Advent  
The Candle of Peace

## People Want Peace

- Peace between nations
- Peace at work
- Peace between neighbours
- Peace between spouses
- Peace with children
- Peace between siblings

## Why Is Peace Elusive?

- Some believe peace is found in money
- We would have Peace if everyone did things my way!
- Communism Utopia would be achieved if everyone did things their way
- We are selfish
- We are driven by pride

## God's Solution is Christmas

- Isa.9:1-2a – The World was without Hope and in Darkness
- Isa.9:6,7 – So the Father promised to send the Prince of Peace
- He would come as a child
- There will be no end to the increase in peace

## What Does The Father Promise?

- John 14:27 - Peace I leave with you; my peace I give to you. Not as the world gives do I give to you. Let not your hearts be troubled, neither let them be afraid.
- Psalm 4:8 - I will lie down and sleep in peace, for You alone, O LORD, make me dwell in safety.
- Psalm 29:11 - The LORD gives strength to His people; the LORD blesses His people with peace.

## How Can I Receive it?

1. Recognize all this world has to offer has not given you the peace you desire
2. Focus on the promises, character and Hope in Christ, not on the news and the world's chaos
3. Put your trust in Him for everything
4. Simplify your life
5. Enjoy God's gift of Creation