

Tell Out My Soul – An Advent Calendar

November 29 – December 24

“Tell Out My Soul” is people telling stories about how God met them in different situations in their lives. The questions/story prompts are inspired by the Advent Sunday lectionary readings. Stories will be approx. 300 words long. Each story will have a photograph of the person.

The stories are formatted into a daily email and sent to subscribers throughout the diocese. Individuals and/or small groups can journey with these stories by journaling their own responses to the questions below or sharing responses in a talking circle online.

Advent 1

Mark 13:37 And what I say to you I say to all: Keep awake.

Question: Tell about a time when you received a “wake-up” call in your life. What was your response? What happened as a result? When and where did you meet God in that experience?

Advent 2

2 Peter 3:15a Regard the patience of the Lord as salvation.

Question: Tell about a time when you experienced patience or a fruitful waiting time in your life. Was someone patient with you or did you offer a patience that surprised you? What does that experience of patience tell you about the character of God?

Advent 3

Isaiah 61:1 He has sent me to bring good news to the oppressed, to bind up the brokenhearted, to proclaim liberty to the captives, and release to the prisoners.

Question: Tell about a time when you have been part of (one) of these kinds of actions: bringing or receiving good news, binding for a broken heart, proclaiming liberty, or offering release? Where do you think God was in that experience? How has it changed you?

Advent 4

Luke 1:46b-55 My soul magnifies the Lord, and my spirit rejoices in God my Saviour.

Question: Tell about a time when you felt small or insignificant and something happened and you grew and experienced joy? How did that change happen? How did your relationship with God change? How did your view of God and yourself get larger?