

Hello! I pray this letter finds you well and encouraged despite the chaotic time in which we live. So much of life is so different, isn't it? As we look forward to Christmas, even our celebrations may be affected. Families are less likely to travel. There will be fewer gatherings of friends.

Here at FDC, we plan to have our *traditional Christmas Eve service at 7:00pm*. We have sufficient seating, socially distanced, to accommodate a sizeable group. In keeping with our current practice, we will ask you to wear a mask, too. The service will be webcast if you'd prefer to worship with us that way.

The Advent theme this year is *Rediscover Christmas, Good News in Troubling Times.*Topics for my messages those 4 Sundays will focus on

- -our *Hope* even in uncertainties,
- -our *Peace* in the struggles,
- -our Joy in spite of discouragement, and
- -our *Love* despite many differences!

You are invited to be in worship on Sundays at 10 am in-person or virtually from our website www.faithDiscovery.com/webcast

Enclosed is a booklet for daily Advent reflection.

Each day's thought is shaped by a Christmas Carol - some well-known, some obscure. If we have your email in our records, you will receive an email each day in Advent, with a link to the carol on YouTube™ so that you can be inspired, and focus

on the Lord who came to us as Immanuel and who will come to us as the King of Glory!

(You can register your email by sending a note to Office@FaithDiscovery.com)

I want to express my gratitude for your ongoing support of the ministries of FDC throughout this year. At this writing we have operated without a deficit since March, a credit to your faithfulness in Christian stewardship. Our Food Pantry, The Vault for teens, Awana and Youth on Sunday afternoon, corporate worship each Sunday, as well as daily ministry through *CoffeeBreakWithTheWord.com* are all ongoing. We've enclosed an envelope if you'd like to give a special Christmas gift. You can also go to www.FaithDiscovery.com/give

May the Lord bless you with the Joy of Jesus as you celebrate this Season.

"Today in the town of David a Savior has been born to you; he is Christ the Lord. This will be a sign to you: You will find a baby wrapped in cloths and lying in a manger." Suddenly a great company of the heavenly host appeared with the angel, praising God and saying, "Glory to God in the highest, and on earth peace to men on whom his favor rests." Luke 2:11-14, NIV

Merry Christmas and Happy New Year!

Pastor Jerry

