Series: Let's Look Forward

Sermon: The Way Forward

Passage: Various

Illustration:

Need: As we look forward to the return of Jesus and the season of Advent, we are again reminded of our mission of proclaiming Jesus' death.

I. Longing

- We long for the return of Jesus.
- John 14:2-3

II. Hope

- Our hope in Christ is confidence in His promise and reliance upon His Spirit.
- John 14:16-19

III. Preparation

- We prepare for His return by our obedience to His commands, producing fruit.
- John 14:12, 15, 21; 15:4-5, 12-13

IV. Joy

- We embrace joy through present suffering because eternal joy is to follow.
- John 15:9-11; 16:20-24; Heb. 12:1-3

V. Let's Look Forward to the season of Advent 2019

- Nov. 24 Peace (Violence)
- Dec. 1 Security (Politics)
- * Dec. 8 Kidz TOAST Christmas Program *
- Dec. 15 Wholeness (LGBTQ+, Addiction, Mental Illness)
- Dec. 22 Belonging (Immigration, Racism)