

Corner Brook United Church

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Washrooms

Upstairs: through the door to the right of the stage

Downstairs: the exit between the two coat racks

We strive to be a **scent free** facility.

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December 7, 2025



ADVENT II

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Prelude

Introit

Welcome and Announcements

Silent Prayer

Call to Worship:

- 1: The Lord promises good to those who wait for him, to the soul of those who seek him.
- 2: So wait for the Lord. Be patient, strong and courageous – for the promise is not far off.

Hymn: *A Candle is Burning* VU 6 v.1,2

Lighting the Candles of Hope and Peace

Hymn: *Hope is a Star* VU 7 v.1,2

Prayer of Thanksgiving for God's Presence

Anthem: *Wait for the Lord* VU 22

Responsive Reading : (adapted from Isaiah 35)

L: In the days of the coming of the Lord the eyes of the blind will be opened, and the ears of the deaf will be cleared.

P: The lame will leap like the deer, and the tongues of the speechless will sing.

L: Water will spring up in the desert, and streams in the wilderness. The burning sand will become a pool, and the thirsty ground become fountains of water.

P: A highway will be there. It will be called The Holy Way. The unclean won't travel on it. It will be for those walking in the right direction

L: No lion will be there, and no predator will go up on it. Only the redeemed will walk on it.

P: The Lord's ransomed ones will return and enter Zion with singing. Happiness and joy will overwhelm them, while grief and sadness will flee away.

Hymn: *O Come, O Come Emmanuel* VU 1 v.1,5,6

Responsive Psalm: (from Psalm 122)

L: I rejoiced with those who said to me, "Let's go to the Lord's house!"

P: Now our feet are standing in your gates, O Jerusalem!

L: Jerusalem is built like a city joined together in unity.

P: That is where the Lord's people go up to give thanks there to the Lord's name.

Message: It's about the process as much as the destination

Hymn: *Come, Thou Long-Expected Jesus* VU 2

Offertory Hymn: *Praise God from...* VU 541

Offertory Prayer

Community Prayer / LORD's Prayer

Hymn: *Hark the Glad Sound* VU 29

Blessing:

Postlude

Memorial

Local: In loving memory of Darlene Dumphy by Terry & Fred Gullage

Announcements

Next Sunday Café is next Sunday, December 14th. This is the final one for 2025 – so it's also Birthday Sunday.

The Tree of Memories service was postponed last week and will now take place on Tuesday, December 9th (7pm at Remembrance Square. 7:30pm here.)

The next Outreach Luncheon is this Wednesday, December 10th at 11:30am. This is the last one for 2025. We will resume again in January.

There is a box in the back for donations of warm hats, mitts, socks and personal care items for the Outreach Christmas Bags for Wednesday, Dec 10th.

Please have your Christmas Eve memorials in by Monday, Dec 15th to ensure they make it into the bulletin. Don't forget you can always e-transfer your donation to cornerbrookunited24@gmail.com

The Men's Club Christmas Dinner will be on Wednesday, December 17th at 5:30pm, Spouses/guest are invited. The price is \$20 at the door. Please contact Bruce Penney at bpenney53@hotmail.com by Sunday, December 14th if you wish to attend.

A special thank-you to Charles Cameron, Ches Hollett, and Sandra & Calvin Pretty for your help with the Book/Yard Sale last Saturday. \$349.60 was raised. It all helps!

Camber Arts “**Songs for a Winter's Night**” Choral concert will take place here on Friday, December 12th at 7:30pm. Tickets are “Pay as you can” and can be purchased on the Camber Arts Website (camberarts.ca/events).

The Pilgrim's Road

There are a few 2026 Church calendars available at the office for \$10 each.

Senior's Worship Schedule (all are at 2pm)

Bayshore – Wednesday, Dec 10th

CBCHC (old hospital) – Thursday, Dec 11th

Mountainview – Monday, Dec 15th

Westmount – Wednesday, Dec 17th

WLTC – Thursday Dec 18th (1:15pm)



CBN News

This is a small section of the Pilgrim's Road, stretching over 600 metres from the Siloam Pool at the foot of Mount Zion, up through the ancient City of David, and on to the Temple Mount. Jesus almost certainly walked this road many times on his way to the Temple.

As with many things in Israel and Palestine, the archaeology is not without controversy. It was excavated beneath the Palestinian village of Silwan – in some cases directly under existing houses. Further, it was officially opened by PM Benjamin Netanyahu and US Secretary of State Marco Rubio in September 2025, which led to further claims of it being more of a political prop than a historic site.

Of course it was used as a political prop – as is virtually everything else in Jerusalem. But it's still an important part of the 3000 year history of the most fascinating city on earth.