

## Path

During Advent, we have looked at the timing and conditions God prepared so the world could receive our Lord and Savior. We reflected on God's great purposes in salvation. We considered how these events were announced at that time and what it is that we now proclaim. We found wonder in the presence of Christ and what it means for us. Today we look at the path Jesus took and how He invites us to travel it with him.

### The Path of Jesus

Eternal Son of God => God's Plan/Decree => Creation =>

Incarnation =>

Ministry of the Kingdom =>

Arrest/Interrogation/Humiliation/Torture => Death =>

Resurrection => Ascension =>

Return => Judgment =>

Groom to the Church => Reign Forever

### The Path Summarized in Communion

*For as often as you eat this bread and drink the cup, you proclaim the Lord's death until he comes. (1 Corinthians 11:26)*

### The Path We Are Called to Walk

*Then Jesus told his disciples, "If anyone would come after me, let him deny himself and take up his cross and follow me. For whoever would save his life will lose it, but whoever loses his life for my sake will find it." (Matthew 16:24-25)*

*So Jesus said to the Jews who had believed him, "If you abide in my word, you are truly my disciples, and you will know the truth, and the truth will set you free." (John 8:31-32)*

*By this we know that we abide in him and he in us, because he has given us of his Spirit. (1 John 4:13)*

*Beloved, we are God's children now, and what we will be has not yet appeared; but we know that when he appears we shall be like him, because we shall see him as he is. And everyone who thus hopes in him purifies himself as he is pure. (1 John 3:2-3)*