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Dear Nightwatch friends,

Ask any child. The weeks leading to Christmas can be an eternity. Alternating moments of anticipatory joy and cries of, "Why is it taking so long?!" The sweet Chocolate Advent calendar was certainly inspired by the struggle!

In this season of waiting, what are we waiting for? That question is both a sincere open-ended reflection and a rallying cry to live in love right now.

We visited with "Joey" and "Rich" as the line moved along for the Nightwatch evening meal. An isolated man stood behind us, growing more agitated every time he saw the smallest gap in the line ahead. He pleaded to keep the line moving... "We need to get out of this cold rain!" Those of us in discussion didn't mind the weather... but in his loneliness, our brother grew increasingly anxious. We have opportunity to make friends with those around us who suffer in the "line of life." What are we waiting for?

We also met "Jessie," a young lady on North Aurora Avenue. She is dealing with homelessness, trauma, and abusive relationships. As she waits for a brighter day, she shares hope from her favorite scripture, "The Lord is near. Have no anxiety at all, but in everything, by prayer and petition, with thanksgiving, make your request known to God. Then the peace of God that surpasses all understanding will guard your hearts and minds in Christ Jesus." (Phil. 4: 6-7) As we listen and assess her needs, she reminds us that relationship with God, on the way, frees us from anxiety. This enables us to live in peace with each other in every moment. What are we waiting for?



John the Baptist answered the question, "What should we do (while we await our Savior)?" Share excess clothing and food with those in need, bring ethics and integrity to your profession, and be satisfied even if you suffer hardships. (see Luke 3: 10-18). **It's the kind of living that makes Nightwatch work. Thank you for not waiting to help those in need.**

Advent and Christmas are times to remember and celebrate the birth of the Son of God who came to set us free from all darkness. We are thankful that we can live in a way that reflects God's love and allows it to grow.

Thank you for considering Nightwatch in your year-end giving.

We wish you a Blessed Advent and a Merry Christmas.

Deacon Frank DiGirolamo
Executive Director

Merry Christmas!
from all of us
@ Nightwatch!

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Our usual newsletter will continue next month.

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Tributes

Church of the Ascension
Volunteers
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& Willm Martens-Habbena
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Merry Christmas and a Blessed New Year

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