



## Wonderland Week 3 Discussion & Reflection Guide

### Questions and Prompts

- **What stood out to you from Sunday's service?** How did you sense God at work in you through the songs, the story video, the message, and being together with others as part of the church? (The message's main points and scripture are listed below if it helps you think back.)
- **"Physical presence that communicates far more than words.** Do you remember a time when someone was with you in a way that meant a lot to you? Who was it and why do you remember it?
- "So the Word became human and made his home among us. He was full of unfailing love and faithfulness. And we have seen his glory, the glory of the Father's one and only Son." John 1:14. Print or **write out this verse** and put it somewhere you'll see often this week.
- Read this challenge from Chip:  
"If you really want to step into and wade in the TRUE WONDER of this season...  
You might get a towel and a basin...  
And **Wash** someone's feet...  
Maybe **Hug** a leper...  
**Welcome in** one standing on the outside...  
**Eat** a simple meal with someone loved by God...  
**Hold the hand** of someone in a hospital bed...  
**Make yourself fully present**—physically present—with someone who is lonely...  
...And longing to see God. And show them God.  
Show them what it looks like when God makes His dwelling among us."  
**What's ONE way you can be present to someone this week?**
- **Is there anything else from the message you want to explore more deeply this week?**

### Advent

Sometimes, the weeks leading up to Christmas are so full that we miss what is most important. Find a simple Advent calendar we created, as well as several other Advent suggestions at [wschurch.org/advent](http://wschurch.org/advent) and slow down during a busy season to be with God. (If you'd like a hard copy of the calendar, they are available at the Next Steps Area.)

## **Christmas at West Side**

For all of the info about Christmas services and opportunities, go to [wschurch.org/Christmas](http://wschurch.org/Christmas). You'll also find digital invites that make it easy to send a personal invitation to friends and family!

We hope you'll use this guide to take the teaching from Sunday's service and reflect on it with a few friends or with a group. If you have questions or want to talk more about how to take your next spiritual step, contact us at [info@wschurch.org](mailto:info@wschurch.org).

### **Message Main Points & Scripture**

- John 1:1-3 – “In the beginning was the Word, and the Word was with God, and the Word was God. He was with God in the beginning. Through him all things were made; without him nothing was made that has been made.”
- **God created everything through His Word.**
- **Words are the way we come to know each other.**
- **To know the creation is to know something about the Creator.**
- Romans 1:19-20 – “For since the creation of the world God’s invisible qualities—his eternal power and divine nature—have been clearly seen, being understood from what has been made, so that people are without excuse.”
- John 1:14 – “The Word became flesh and made his dwelling among us.”
- **God became a human being.**
- John 1:18 – “No one has ever seen God, but God the only begotten Son, the One at the very heart of the Father, has made Him known.”
- **Physical presence communicates far more than words.**
- **Words are not enough to make God known.**
- **No one has ever seen God, but God the Son has made Him known.**