

Carol and Jeff share a glimpse of 2 tree ornaments

Advent continues as we stand in the light of the third candle – the candle of joy.

As Advent continues, we, at our house, continue to enjoy the season by reflecting upon the various decorations upon our Christmas tree.

Today, we'd like to share with you two more of the decorations on our tree.

I have chosen a decoration that depicts an inukshuk. Inukshuk's are usually constructed out of slabs of stone. They are a traditional way of marking a route, used by numerous folk in the Arctic regions of Canada, Greenland and Alaska. They are shaped like a person to symbolize hope and friendship. When you see one it tells you, 'This is the way to go.'

I have chosen a straw ornament of three magi. The magi are 'overwhelmed with joy' when they find the baby Jesus. These magi sing to me of joy with their bright colours.

The Matthew story of the birth of Jesus has an inukshuk in the shape of a star – a sign saying to the magi, this is the way you should go to find the hope of the world, the love and friendship of God in the birth of the child Jesus.

Who knew? – inukshuks and magi and stars and all kinds of decorations join together to proclaim good news!

Thanks be to God.

