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Advent - Week 4 "Peace"

"Waiting on the Threshold" Luke 1: 26-38 NKJV

26 Now in the sixth month the angel Gabriel was sent by God to a city of Galilee named Nazareth, 27 to a virgin betrothed to a man whose name was Joseph, of the house of David. The virgin's name was Mary. 28 And having come in, the angel said to her, "Rejoice, highly favored one, the Lord is with you; blessed are you among women!" 29 But when she saw him, she was troubled at his saying, and considered what manner of greeting this was. 30 Then the angel said to her, "Do not be afraid, Mary, for you have found favor with God. 31 And behold, you will conceive in your womb and bring forth a Son, and shall call His name Jesus. 32 He will be great, and will be called the Son of the Highest; and the Lord God will give Him the throne of His father David. 33 And He will reign over the house of Jacob forever, and of His kingdom there will be no end." 34 Then Mary said to the angel, "How can this be, since I do not know a man?" 35 And the angel answered and said to her, "The Holy Spirit will come upon you, and the power of the Highest will overshadow you; therefore, also, that Holy One who is to be born will be called the Son of God. 36 Now indeed, Elizabeth your relative has also conceived a son in her old age; and this is now the sixth month for her who was called barren. 37 For with God nothing will be impossible." 38 Then Mary said, "Behold the maidservant of the Lord! Let it be to me according to your word." And the angel departed from her.





Sunday Worship Service

December 20th, 2020



Order of Worship

Gathering Song "Go, Tell it on the Mountain"
 Welcome & Announcements Bruce Keener
 Invocation
 Lighting of the Advent Candle - Peace David Zittrauer's Family
 Affirmation of Faith, The Nicene Creed

Call to Worship

Opening Hymn "Hark! the Herald Angels Sing"

Prayers and Praise

Pastoral Prayer Pastor Paul D. Broussard
 The Lord's Prayer
 Dismissal for Children's Church
 Prayer Response "It Came upon the Midnight Clear"
 Presentation of the Scripture Luke 1: 46-55 Victoria Hendrix
 Response to the Scriptures "O Come, O Come, Emmanuel"
 Worship Team

Proclamation

Message "Waiting on the Threshold" Pastor Paul D. Broussard
 Decision Time "Prince of Heaven" Worship Team
 Benediction Pastor Paul D. Broussard

Prayer Requests

Billy Boyles
 Woody Brewster
 Chuck Brown
 Michael Coffey
 Amy Cress
 Irma Davis
 Lula Dixon
 Kem & Linda Dugger
 Harry & Reba Edwards
 Ethan Ferguson
 Loy Graham
 Peggy Haupt
 Delanie Hickman
 Tony Hickman
 LouDean & Betty Hinely
 Diane Hodges
 Cindy Howard
 Linda Jaworski
 TJ Kessler
 Paul Lafferty
 Kay Lisicia
 Barbara Mast
 Ed Mast
 Kevin McDaniel
 Andrew Miles
 Carl Mingledorf
 Carol Morgan
 Clayton Morgan
 Scott Morgan
 Thressa Morgan
 Caroline Morton
 Shirley Palmer
 Robbie Pierce
 Brian Scott
 Laura Sherman
 Connie Shuman
 Abby Smith
 Janet Smith
 Patty Wise Smith
 Irene Stanford
 Laurie Stregles
 Greg Stephens
 Virginia Strickland
 Joyce Wadsworth
 Susan Waller
 Alma Zettler
 Dwight Zipperer

Looking Back at our Faithfulness

Sunday, Dec. 13th, 2020

Tithes & Offering	\$3,065.00
<i>Poinsettias</i>	\$12.00

Prayer for the fourth Sunday of Advent: Peace

John 14:27-29 (Words of Jesus) Peace I leave with you, My peace I give to you; not as the world gives do I give to you. Let not your heart be troubled, neither let it be afraid. You have heard Me say to you, 'I am going away and coming back to you.' If you loved Me, you would rejoice because I said, 'I am going to the Father,' for My Father is greater than I.

Father in heaven, holy is Your name. On this fourth Sunday in Advent we think of "peace". As we look around, we see no "peace" except in the face of a sleeping baby. He brought peace with Him into the world; He left His peace with those who believe in Him. As His followers we know that only He is able to bring peace to those who sit in darkness and despair; only He can guide us in the true path of peace. Help us to have the strength and courage to share this peace, the Prince of Peace, with those we meet during this season of Advent. We pray in His name, amen.

Diane Wilhelm, Prayer Ministry Coordinator

Leading people to become devoted followers of Christ

