

# ADVENT

## *Praise the God of Mercy*

*Luke 1:39-56   Jay Farwell   November 28, 2021*

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### QUICK REVIEW

Thinking about this week's teaching, was there a particular point, verse or comment that caught your attention, challenged you, or raised a question?

### DIGGING DEEPER

In Luke 1:5-24, we see that Zechariah, a righteous man, stumbled in unbelief. What do you think causes believers to struggle with unbelief like he did?

Can you describe a time when you struggled to believe a promise of God or a part of God's Word? Why did you struggle?

Although Mary was confused and troubled, she responded in faith. How do these two truths held together encourage you as you face troubles?

How has God been magnified, or grown bigger, to you through the hardships you have walked in?

How can this season of advent help you to praise God right now even if you are walking through hardships?



## HAPPENING THIS WEEK

**Family Advent Days:** Our family advent starts today, which means Christmas is on its way! We have materials and resources and activities for families to do together all month long. Find the table in the Commons to get your booklet. This is not just for families with kids! Celebrating the birth of Jesus is a party for all age groups!

## IN COMING DAYS

**Firewood Cutting Day:** Mark your calendars! We will have another day of chopping, splitting, and delivering firewood this coming Saturday, December 4th. This is a great ministry! Easy to do, and full of the kindness of God. Join us behind the Youth Home at 9am.

**Prayer Night:** Since the month of December tends to be verrrry busy, we're giving you a heads-up. We will be having a Prayer Night (complete with dinner) on Sunday, December 12th. Come eat at 5pm and then stay to pray at 6pm.

**Family Christmas Celebration:** Mark your calendars for this, as well! We're planning a PARTY! This will be a celebration for the whole family, and will include a children's choir. Sunday, December 19th, from 6-8pm.

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**Are you new here?** Don't let all the strange faces scare you away. Go to our Welcome Kiosk where we've got someone waiting to meet you. We can tell you a little more about us, and we've even got a gift for you!

**Connection Challenge:** This week as we've reflected on gratitude, we're taking a cue from the famous Mr. Rogers (who was also a minister, by the way!). Take a few minutes this week to appreciate someone, or more than one someone, who has loved you to the place you are now.

**Looking for a way to serve?** Our Storehouse Ministry needs help showing the love of Jesus to our neighbors in their times of need. Interested? Contact Penny Edyvean at [pedyvean102@gmail.com](mailto:pedyvean102@gmail.com) or Tamara Buttery at [tbuttery6@gmail.com](mailto:tbuttery6@gmail.com).

**Workers of the Month:** Please pray for Matt & Jonna and their kids as they serve in Central Asia.

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