



Blessed are you
among women

LUKE 1:42

Hope Lutheran Church

December 19, 2021

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Fourth Sunday of Advent

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Prayer of the Day (in unison) Stir up your power, Lord Christ, and come. With your abundant grace and might, free us from the sin that binds us, that we may receive you in joy and serve you always, for you live and reign with the Father and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. Amen

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We are happy to have you worship with us today! Please sign our guest book in the entry if you are visiting. We invite all communing Christians to join us in Holy Communion.	

Friday, December 24th: 5:00 p.m. Christmas Eve Service

Saturday, December 25th: Christmas Day

Sunday, December 26th: 10:00 a.m. Worship

We remember Bruce Gerking, Leta Steinkuhler. Also Adam Helgren serving in Kuwait.

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FIRST READING: Micah 5:2-5a

But you, O Bethlehem of Ephrathah,
 who are one of the little clans of Judah,
from you shall come forth for me
 one who is to rule in Israel,
whose origin is from of old,
 from ancient days.
 ³Therefore he shall give them up until
 the time
 when she who is in labor has brought
 forth;
then the rest of his kindred shall return
 to the people of Israel.
 ⁴And he shall stand and feed his flock in
 the strength of the LORD,
 in the majesty of the name of the LORD
 his God.
And they shall live secure, for now he
 shall be great
 to the ends of the earth;
 ^{5a}and he shall be the one of peace.

Psalmody: Luke 1:46b-55

or Psalm 80:1-7

SECOND READING: Hebrews 10:5-10

Consequently, when Christ came into the world, he said,
 “Sacrifices and offerings you have not desired,
 but a body you have prepared for me;
 ⁶in burnt offerings and sin offerings
 you have taken no pleasure.
 ⁷Then I said, ‘See, God, I have come to
 do your will, O God’
 (in the scroll of the book it is
 written of me).”

⁸When he said above, “You have neither desired nor taken pleasure in sacrifices and offerings and burnt offerings and sin offerings” (these are offered according to the law), ⁹then he added, “See, I have come to do your will.” He abolishes the first in order to establish the second. ¹⁰And it is by God’s will that we have been sanctified through the offering of the body of Jesus Christ once for all.

GOSPEL: Luke 1:39-45 [46-55]

In those days Mary set out and went with haste to a Judean town in the hill country, ⁴⁰where she entered the house of Zechariah and greeted Elizabeth. ⁴¹When Elizabeth heard Mary’s greeting, the child leaped in her womb. And Elizabeth was filled with the Holy Spirit ⁴²and exclaimed with a loud cry, “Blessed are you among women, and blessed is the fruit of your womb. ⁴³And why has this happened to me, that the mother of my Lord comes to me? ⁴⁴For as soon as I heard the sound of your greeting, the child in my womb leaped for joy. ⁴⁵And blessed is she who believed that there would be a fulfillment of what was spoken to her by the Lord.”

⁴⁶And Mary said,

 “⁴⁷My soul magnifies the Lord,

⁴⁸and my spirit rejoices in God my Savior,

⁴⁹for he has looked with favor on the lowliness of his servant.

 Surely, from now on all generations
 will call me blessed;

⁵⁰for the Mighty One has done great things for me,
 and holy is his name.

⁵¹His mercy is for those who fear him
 from generation to generation.

⁵²He has shown strength with his arm;
 he has scattered the proud in the thoughts of their hearts.

⁵³He has brought down the powerful
 from their thrones,
 and lifted up the lowly;

⁵⁴he has filled the hungry with good things,
 and sent the rich away empty.

⁵⁵He has helped his servant Israel,
 in remembrance of his mercy,

 according to the promise he made to our ancestors,
 to Abraham and to his descendants forever.”]