



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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**Prelude, Welcome Announcements**

**Lighting of the Advent Candle**

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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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**Psalmody Luke 1:46b-55**  
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**Gospel**      **Luke 1:39-45 (46-55)**

**Sermon**

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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.

<sup>3</sup>Therefore 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.

<sup>4</sup>And 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;

<sup>5a</sup>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;

<sup>6</sup>in burnt offerings and sin offerings  
you have taken no pleasure.

<sup>7</sup>Then I said, ‘See, God, I have come to  
do your will, O God’

(in the scroll of the book it is  
written of me).”

<sup>8</sup>When 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), <sup>9</sup>then he added, “See, I have come  
to do your will.” He abolishes the first in  
order to establish the second. <sup>10</sup>And 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 coun-  
try, <sup>40</sup>where she entered the house of  
Zechariah and greeted Elizabeth. <sup>41</sup>When  
Elizabeth heard Mary’s greeting, the  
child leaped in her womb. And Elizabeth  
was filled with the Holy Spirit <sup>42</sup>and ex-  
claimed with a loud cry, “Blessed are you  
among women, and blessed is the fruit of  
your womb. <sup>43</sup>And why has this happened  
to me, that the mother of my Lord comes  
to me? <sup>44</sup>For as soon as I heard the sound  
of your greeting, the child in my womb  
leaped for joy. <sup>45</sup>And blessed is she who be-  
lieved that there would be a fulfillment of  
what was spoken to her by the Lord.”

[<sup>46</sup>And Mary said,

“My soul magnifies the Lord,

<sup>47</sup>and my spirit rejoices in God my  
Savior,

<sup>48</sup>for he has looked with favor on the  
lowliness of his servant.

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

<sup>49</sup>for the Mighty One has done great  
things for me,  
and holy is his name.

<sup>50</sup>His mercy is for those who fear him  
from generation to generation.

<sup>51</sup>He has shown strength with his arm;  
he has scattered the proud in the  
thoughts of their hearts.

<sup>52</sup>He has brought down the powerful  
from their thrones,  
and lifted up the lowly;

<sup>53</sup>he has filled the hungry with good  
things,

and sent the rich away empty.

<sup>54</sup>He has helped his servant Israel,  
in remembrance of his mercy,

<sup>55</sup>according to the promise he made to  
our ancestors,  
to Abraham and to his descendants  
forever.”]

**Next Sunday's Readings:** 1 Samuel 2:18-20, 26; Psalm 148; Colossians 3:12-17; Luke 2:41-52.

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