

Luke 1³⁹⁻⁴⁵

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







#Reflection Points

Sign up to receive weekly events, happenings, and prayer lists each Thursday.

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Order of Worship

Prelude	"Carols of Christmas"	Pianist	
Welcome & Announcements		Liturgist	
heta Lighting the Advent Wreath		Cade Carter Family	
Opening Hymn	"O Come, All Ye Faithful"	UMH #234	
⁺Opening Prayer		Liturg	ist
⊕Lifting Joys & Concerns in Prayer		Pastor Rodgers	
Prayer Song	"As the Deer"	TFWS #2025	
Lifting Prayers		Pasto	^r Rodgers
Lord's Prayer		UMH	#895
Scripture Reading	Luke 1 ³⁹⁻⁴⁵	Liturgist	
Children's Message		Pasto	^r Rodgers
[⊕] Special Music	"Noel"	Chancel Choir	
Message		Rev. Martin Russell	
Offering, Doxology & Prayer		#94/Liturgist	
Closing Hymn	"O Come, O Come, Emmanuel" (vs 78	a1)	UMH #211
Closing Prayer & Benediction		Pastor Rodgers	
Postlude	"Go, Tell It on the Mountain"	Pianist	

Lighting the Advent Wreath

Reader One: When the people were looking for deliverance, the prophet Micah declared, "But you, O Bethlehem of Ephrathah...from you shall come forth for me one who is to rule in Israel, whose origin is from of old, from ancient day." (Micah 5:2). But what if Micah is also talking to us, proclaiming, "But you, O [*fill in name of church or community*], from you shall come forth for me..." What? What might God be calling forth from us?

Congregation: God invites us to receive the promise of God's salvation and the sustenance of God's mercy and grace, enabling us to live the promise as Godbearers to the world. As Christ was born in Bethlehem, so too we answer God's invitation to have Christ born among us today and every day.

Reader Two: We light this candle of love as a sign of our commitment to live as people of God's promise, a promise of salvation and flourishing for all people that springs forth from God's love for all creation.

WEEKLY COLBY UMC SUN @ 9:00 am SUN @ 9:00 am WED @ 10:15 am THURS @ 8:00 am THURS @ 12:30 PM THURS @ 9:00 am	ACTIVITIES SUNDAY SCHOOL FELLOWSHIP COFFEE HOUR HELPING PAWS MEN'S BREAKFAST (MOKAS) BIBLE STUDY QUILTING GROUP	PASTOR'S SCHEDULE Day OFF: MONDAY OFFICE HOURS: TUES-FRI: 9-12PM AFTERNOONS: PASTORAL VISITATION SATURDAY: REQUESTED VISITATION		
<u>Last Week</u> Attendance: 98 General Offering: \$9,191 Weekly need: \$6.670		<u>Capital Campaign Funds</u> Raised to date: \$300,000 Goal: \$300,000		
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Liturgist: Pianist/Organist: Special Music: Pastor Rodgers Pat Ziegelmeier Chancel Choir directed by Dr. Philip Shuman