

Wellspring

CONTEMPORARY WORSHIP

Shine



Bright



Luke 1:26-38

December 5, 2021
10:05 & 11:10

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It's beginning to look a lot like Christmas. Whether the holiday season has you feeling excited, nostalgic, stressed, sad, or broke, it is good to be with you as we *Shine Bright* this season!

Amid all that is happening in the world it can feel a bit dark. We know, however, that light shines in the darkness, and the darkness does not extinguish the light. Jesus is the light of the world and when we live for Christ, we shine bright! As the bright light from a lighthouse guides sailors across a dark sea we will look to Jesus to guide us through life, shining bright for God's glory. May the season of Christmas and the birth of Christ light up your life in new ways this year.

We are a place where everyone is welcome, accepted, and encouraged to discover the fullness of life in Jesus Christ. If you are new, please feel free to ask questions, be yourself, get connected, and let us know if there is anything we can do to make your experience most memorable.

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Sermon: Love
Scripture: Luke 1:26-38

Sermon Notes

1. In the Bible, read Luke 1:26-38.
2. This passage chronicles some amazing events. What words and phrases give you an idea of what this experience was like for Mary?
3. The angel referred to Mary as “favored” by God. Sit with the word “favored” for a moment. What would it be like to hear God call you “favored?”
4. What specific information does the angel Gabriel give to Mary about the son she would bear (vv.31-33, 35)?
5. Mary responds to the angel’s declaration by asking how the promise would be fulfilled (v. 34). Do you think Mary’s question was an expression of doubt? Why or why not?
6. What do you think would have been your response to a call from God for such a sacrifice on your part?
7. Are there places in your life that God is calling you to more? If so, what obstacles may be getting in the way? In what ways are you trusting God in these areas?
8. Spend time in prayer.



Stay up to date with Wellspring events, news, resources, and more. Scan the QR code with your smart phone and click on the link that appears on your phone screen. Provide your name and email and you’re all set. You may also visit us online at www.sharingtheheart.org/wellspring to sign up.

WHAT'S HAPPENING

CHRISTMAS HELP NEEDED

Many hands are needed during the Advent season: the Heifer table on Sunday morning, Caldwell Christmas party, and ushers, greeters, and Communion servers for our nine Christmas Eve services! Sign up at tinyurl.com/AdventVolunteer

BLUE CHRISTMAS SERVICE

Sunday, **Dec. 19, 3 pm** in the Sanctuary. Pastor Ed will lead this reflective worship service for those who find the holidays difficult. The service offers peace through prayer, reflection, a message of comfort, music, and candlelight.

A NIGHT IN BETHLEHEM TONIGHT!

3 pm - Children's Choir sings
4 pm - Hands-on adventure through Bethlehem with a Live Nativity
Everyone is welcome!

CHRISTMAS EVE SERVICES

Children's service: 1 pm in the Sanctuary
Sanctuary services: 3pm, 5pm, 7pm, 9pm, and 11pm
Wellspring services: 3pm, 5pm, and 7pm

HEALTH & SAFETY

We are still encouraging people to wear masks, maintain distance, and get vaccinated if possible. Online worship and classes are available if you feel ill and need to stay home.

NEW WIFI Network: FUMC Guest

NATIVITY NIGHTS, Dec 17-23

Experience a drive-by Nativity! Listen to the Christmas story as you drive to find the angel, shepherd, wisemen, and manger. You may bring gifts of diapers, wipes, & formula to the manger for Baby Booties Diaper Bank. See SharingtheHeart.org/Advent

FAMILY CAROLING

We are going Christmas caroling around the church on **Dec. 19, 5 pm**. Bring your strollers, wagons, friends, and family! For info, contact Kimmie at knelson@sharingtheheart.org
All are invited!

COMING UP

Annual Charge Conference Dec. 6 at 5:30 pm, via Zoom. Register at SharingtheHeart.org/annual-charge-conference

ONLINE RESOURCES

- Attendance
- Giving
- Prayer Request
- Newsletter
- Join the church



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GENEROSITY

DID YOU KNOW?

Today's Communion Rail Offering will go to support the General Missions Fund. Thank you for your support and faithfulness.

CONVENIENT WAYS TO GIVE



Online Giving
Text [Sharingtheheart to 73256](http://Sharingtheheartto73256)
Offering Boxes at Exits
Automatic Payments
Automatic Withdrawals

SharingTheHeart.org/Give

Please Sign In
We're glad you are here!

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ATTENDANCE CARD Please complete, tear off, and place in the box at the exit. Thank you!

Service attended: 8:00 9:00 10:05 11:10 | Location: Sanctuary Wellspring First Time Guest Returning Guest Member

Name _____ Today's Date _____
Email _____ Phone _____
Phone _____ cell home cell home

Children Attending (names & ages) _____ City/St _____ Zip _____
Address _____
 Update my info Send weekly email newsletter | Preferred Contact: Email Phone | Adult age group: 18-24 25-34 35-44 45-54 55-64 65+
Welcome to our guests! How did you hear about us? _____ Guest/Relative of _____ Relationship _____ (over)

Your Name _____ Today's Date _____

Prayers requested for (name) _____

This person is: self friend relative other _____

Prayer need (include info as needed) _____

Pastors only | Add to published prayer list | Would you like a pastor to contact you? Yes No

I would like information about: Name _____

Nursery Faith, being a Christian

Children's Ministry Generosity / Stewardship

Youth Ministry Advent Reader

Adult groups Christmas Eve Greeter

Music Ministry Christmas Eve Usher

Becoming a member Christmas Eve Communion

Other _____ Server _____

(over)

STAY CONNECTED

For the latest news and events, subscribe to the weekly church newsletter, "The Echo," online at SharingTheHeart.org/Newsletter

SOCIAL MEDIA

Engage with us on social media for up to date information and deeper connections.



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PRAYER REQUESTS Please remember these names in your prayers

- † Tom Lewis and Family on the loss of his Wife, Mary Lewis
- † Don Stixrood and Family on the loss of his Wife, Pat Stixrood
- † Carolyn Ewing and Family on the loss of her Husband, Ray Ewing
- † Pam Paschall and Family on the loss of her Mother, Betsy Garner
- † Family of Judy and Jack Vaughn on the loss of her Father, Ralph Ginn
- April Lawson
- Barbara Heth
- Becky Whitley
- Bennie Scott
- Bob Alfors
- Braxton Pinero
- Carolyn Hardebeck
- Carrie Rogers
- Charlie Noack
- Cindy Halderman
- Danielle, Stephen Tyler & Children
- David Dierks
- Don Childs
- Doris J. Clark
- Dustin Bade and family
- Emmitt Mikusch
- Eunice Pflug
- Ford Family
- Fred Baker
- Fred Wilkins
- Guillermina Alverio
- Heather Finnie
- Henry Lee Collins
- Henry Myrick
- Jack and Gera Crampton
- Jennifer Niuman-Sawey
- Jennifer Zeavin
- Jill Richardson
- Jim Hodde
- Jo Bender
- Joe Colburn
- Judy Cox
- Lee Elam
- Mark Tettleton
- Mary Southwell
- Marti Kale
- Matt
- Michael Stenger
- Minerva Fernandez
- Peggy Rima
- Rick Splawn
- Rick Witmer
- Ruby Rene' Marts
- Samuel Lindley
- Seth McAdams
- Shauntina Batiste
- Sherry and Tom Kirwin
- Sonny Hackett
- Steven Harris
- Tina Cristino
- Thomas R. Storey
- Tyler Family
- Rev. David & Cindy Ceballos, Missionaries in Panama
- Friends in care facilities
- Everyone affected by the Coronavirus and Variants
- Families experiencing job loss
- Church families in transition
- Those experiencing homelessness
- Grace Children's Hospital in Haiti
- Melissa United Methodist Church
- Caldwell Elementary School
- Military service members including: Capt Scott Adler, Capt Libby Adler, Sofia Lerma Alarcon, Jose Almaguer, Marc Belo, CPL Matthew Broker, CT12 Abigail Burns, CPT Aaron Bush, CPL Bradley Bush, AFC Drew Causey, Rev. Dr. Capt Adam Cavalier, 2nd Lt Vincent Chavez, Capt Ryan Clark, PFC Paul Confalone, Sgt Martin Damian DeLeon, GY Sgt Jim Ellsworth, Kevin English, Patrick English, James Evans, Lt Col David Faulk, MSG Brian Franck, PFC Cody Furstenberg, Charlie Gilbert, LC CPL Robert Gray, ETN2 Cory Halberstadt , Pvt John Wesley Holder Jr., LT Mark Jbeily, Lt Col Jim Johnston, Ryan Kidd, Avery Montana Krast, Lt Ryan Lubin, Alec Mack, Capt John Martin, Lt Logan McQuerry, Maj. Richard Milam, Maj Chuck Miller, AFC Kevin G. Persons, Jr., MSGT, SFC Tyler Renshaw, 2nd Lt Austin Rine, SPC Blake Robertson, Bobby Sanders, SR4 Nick Schofield, Colby Seamster II, Chap MAJ Tim Shepherd, Jonathan Spiegel, CW2 Ryan Thurgood, Mark Townson, Specialist Zach Vernier

Please submit updates and new prayer requests to www.sharingtheheart.org/pray Thank you.