

Luke 1: 46-56 Mary's Song

YOUR OUTREACH COMMITTEE has set up a Giving Tree in the Narthex to benefit New Hope, one of the missions we support, which was featured in last month's Courier. Please take an ornament, purchase what's on it, and bring it back to the Christmas Tree. Thank you!

CHRISTMAS GREETINGS – Wish your church family a Merry Christmas by placing a Christmas card on the bulletin board at the Spring Street entrance. A box of blank cards will be available if needed.

THE RAMSEY WIND SYMPHONY, of which Lori Anders and Judy Hunter are a part, will perform a free concert in our sanctuary this afternoon at 3:00. They will perform works by Alfred Reed, Astor Piazzolla, Leroy Anderson, Philip Sparke and others.

ACCORDING TO THE BOOK OF CHURCH ORDER, consistories are required to publish the names of persons elected as elders and deacons preceding their installation in order that "any legitimate objections may be presented to the Board of Elders for its judgment." Those elected at our November congregational meeting and scheduled for installation on January 11th are listed below. Please speak to Les Cox or Zach Waldis if you have any questions.

**Class of 2027 – Deacons: Alison Campbell, Keith Michels,
Steve Tillack**

Exegesis (Background)

1. Mary is a humble _____.
2. God is the god of the _____.
3. Mary's song is about the _____ and Christmas.

Life Application

We must _____ in God's work with the poor.

God _____ the lowly and poor.

THE SECOND SUNDAY OF ADVENT
December 14, 2025
The Puppet Club



Leader: While we wait for the birth of Christ, we hear God's intentions for creation—hope, peace, joy and love.

People: **REJOICE ALWAYS, PRAY WITHOUT CEASING; GIVE THANKS IN ALL CIRCUMSTANCES; FOR THIS IS THE WILL OF GOD IN CHRIST JESUS FOR YOU.**

from 1 Thessalonians 5

Leader: Paul encourages us to rejoice always. How do we do that? Hold fast to what is good; abstain from every form of evil.

People: **IN THE MIDST OF SUFFERING, WE SAY, "THANKS FOR COMING TO US, LORD." THIS IS THE REASON THE CHRIST-CHILD COMES: TO HELP US LIVE.**

Light the pink candle.

Leader: We light the third Advent candle to remind us of the JOY that is ours in knowing the Lord.

ALL: **STIR UP OUR WILLS, O LORD, AND COME TO PREPARE OUR LIVES FOR THE BIRTH OF THE CHRIST-CHILD. EMPOWER US BY YOUR SPIRIT TO LIVE EACH DAY WITH YOUR JOY. AMEN.**

Welcome to the Community Church in Harrington Park!

We are glad you are here today. Here are a few things that might be helpful to you.

Large print hymnals are available, as well as hearing assistive devices. Please speak to an usher.

Restrooms are just outside the sanctuary in the main hallway opposite the office.

It would be a big help to us if you would either fill out one of the white pew cards in front of you and place it in the offering plate or sign the guest book on your way out.

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