

On the Way to Bethlehem

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Advent 2024 Reading Plan
Dec. 1, 2024-Jan. 4, 2025

The weeks before Christmas can feel chaotic, yet Advent is a time of waiting for the birth of our Savior, Jesus Christ. This season, we explore key locations in Jesus' birth story, discovering ourselves along the way. Pack your bags; let the journey begin.

The reading plan theme is based on the book "On the Way to Bethlehem" by Rob Fuquay. Books are available for \$10/ea at the Welcome Desk located between the Worship Center and Sanctuary. Ebook option is available at Amazon.com.

Week of December 1	A Place of Longing- Rome <i>We start in Rome, where Caesar orders a census at the time of Jesus' birth. As those who were ruled by Rome, we too long for more.</i>					
Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday	
○ Luke 2:1-3	○ Romans 8:18-27	○ Exodus 3:10-11, Judges 6:14-15, Jeremiah 1:5-6	○ Genesis 28:10-22	○ Romans 1:8-13; 15:23-25	○ Psalms 42 & 43	

Week of December 8	A Place of Waiting - Jerusalem <i>Jerusalem, particularly the Temple, offers a chance to wait with Zechariah and Elizabeth along our journey. Waiting is a spiritual practice that enables us to receive rather than take. So, we wait.</i>					
Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday	
○ Luke 1:1-17	○ Luke 1:18-25	○ Luke 1:5, 1 Chronicles 24:1-19	○ 2 Samuel 5:4-10; 24:18-25	○ Zechariah 4:1-10, Ezra 3:8-13	○ Psalm 130, Revelation 22:12-21	

Week of December 15	A Place of Simplicity - Nazareth <i>Our next stop is Nazareth. Within the simplicity of Nazareth, we find the story of our God coming to be with us through Jesus Christ and the significance in where we are and who we are.</i>					
Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday	
○ Luke 1:26-38	○ Luke 1:39-45	○ Luke 1:46-56	○ John 1:43-51	○ Isaiah 11:1-9	○ Psalm 131	

Week of December 22	A Place of Humility - Bethlehem <i>We find ourselves in Bethlehem, Jesus' humble birthplace. We journey to Bethlehem to acknowledge Jesus' lineage from King David and the significance of our Savior's humble beginnings, witnessed by everyday folks.</i>					
Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday	
○ Ruth 1:1, 16-22; 2:8-12; 4:13-22	○ Luke 2:1-20	○ John 1:1-18	○ Luke 2:21-40, Leviticus 12:6-8	○ Micah 5:2-5	○ Philippians 2:5-11	
Week of December 29	A Place of Return - Persia <i>Persia is our last stop as the Magi return home by a different way. We wonder how they were changed by their encounter with the young Jesus as well as us.</i>					
Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday	
○ Matthew 2:2-12	○ Luke 1:57-80	○ Matthew 1:18-25, Luke 3:21-23	○ John 1:19-34	○ Luke 4:14-22	○ Psalm 96	

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