

CONNECT QUESTIONS

- 1) Thinking about this week, what is something you are thankful for or something you would like prayer for?
- 2) Read the passage and reflect on the sermon from Sunday. Have you ever experienced God showing up in the midst of your ordinary routines?
- 3) Zechariah and Elizabeth were faithful to God, but they had been waiting years and years to have children. How have you wrestled through seasons of waiting or unanswered prayer?
- 4) Can you relate to Zechariah? Why do we sometimes doubt the hope God wants to give us? How does doubt limit or restrict us?
- 5) Read Luke 1:57-66. How can hope set us free? How should hope in Christ affect our daily lives?
- 6) How can you more intentionally pay attention to signs of hope in your ordinary routines this week?
- 7) Is there anything you have lost hope for? Close by praying for God's hope to break into each other's lives.

Memory Passage

"Yet I still dare to hope when I remember this: The faithful love of the Lord never ends! His mercies never cease." — *Lamentations 3:21-22 (NLT)*

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▪ November 30, 2025 ▪

10:00 AM

Call to Worship

Pastor Felisha

Songs of Praise

"Manger Throne"

"Come Thou Long Expected Jesus"

"O Come, O Come, Emmanuel"

Advent Reading

Thompson Family

Announcements

Pastor Felisha

Sermon

Pastor Travis

▪ *Hope in Ordinary Days* ▪

Song of Praise

"Turn Your Eyes Upon Jesus"

Benediction

Luke 1:5-18 (NIV)

⁵ In the time of Herod king of Judea there was a priest named Zechariah, who belonged to the priestly division of Abijah; his wife Elizabeth was also a descendant of Aaron.

⁶ Both of them were righteous in the sight of God, observing all the Lord's commands and decrees blamelessly. ⁷ But they were childless because Elizabeth was not able to conceive, and they were both very old.

⁸ Once when Zechariah's division was on duty and he was serving as priest before God, ⁹ he was chosen by lot, according to the custom of the priesthood, to go into the temple of the Lord and burn incense. ¹⁰ And when the time for the burning of incense came, all the assembled worshipers were praying outside.

11 Then an angel of the Lord appeared to him, standing at the right side of the altar of incense. 12 When Zechariah saw him, he was startled and was gripped with fear. 13 But the angel said to him: “Do not be afraid, Zechariah; your prayer has been heard. Your wife Elizabeth will bear you a son, and you are to call him John. 14 He will be a joy and delight to you, and many will rejoice because of his birth, 15 for he will be great in the sight of the Lord. He is never to take wine or other fermented drink, and he will be filled with the Holy Spirit even before he is born. 16 He will bring back many of the people of Israel to the Lord their God. 17 And he will go on before the Lord, in the spirit and power of Elijah, to turn the hearts of the parents to their children and the disobedient to the wisdom of the righteous—to make ready a people prepared for the Lord.”

¹⁸ Zechariah asked the angel, “How can I be sure of this? I am an old man and my wife is well along in years.”

Notes:

Hope in Ordinary Days