

St. Paul's

United Church of Christ
Evansville, Indiana

Fourth Sunday of Advent December 20, 2020

WELCOME

Rev. Mary Hurley

PRELUDE

On Jordan's Bank the Baptist's Cry
(William Henry Monk)

Bill Barrett

CALL TO WORSHIP (Congregation's response in **bold** print)

Come apart to this place of rest and renewal; Let your spirits rejoice in the presence of God.

We will sing of God's steadfast lover for all people. We will proclaim God's faithfulness to all generations.

God looks with favor on the humble and lowly. God's covenant does not focus on rank or position.

God strengthens those who are weak. The proud are scattered in the thoughts of their hearts.

Blessed are those who walk in God's light. Blessed are all who say 'yes' to God's call.

Let the heavens proclaim the wonders of God. Let all the earth rejoice in Christ's coming.

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SCRIPTURE LESSON

Luke 1: 26-38
Luke 1: 46b-55

SERMON

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"Mary, What's a Nice Girl Like You Doing in a Situation Like This?"

CLOSING PRAYER

BENEDICTION

POSTLUDE

Lift Up Your Heads, Ye Mighty Gates! Bill Barrett
(*Truro* from *Psalmodia Evangelica*)

Celebrating Worship on this Fourth Sunday of Advent:

Rev. Mary Hurley
Pastor

Katie Maurer
Director of Music Ministries

Bill Barrett
Substitute Organist