



December 24, 2023, Advent IV: Zechariah's Song

Luke 1:5-13, 57-80

Use this resource at home to guide your household's daily devotions.



Pray: Light a candle and open your devotion time with a prayer.

God of all, you call us into one Body of Christ for the good of the world. Strengthen us through your word and meal, that we might support and sustain one another in all that you call us to do. In Jesus' name we pray. Amen.



Read: Read the key verse from Sunday's reading.

Then his father Zechariah was filled with the Holy Spirit and spoke this prophecy: "Blessed be the Lord God of Israel, for he has looked favorably on his people and redeemed them." Luke 1:67-68



Reflect: Reflect on the scripture summary.

God promises Elizabeth and Zechariah a child in their old age. But not just any child—one who would prepare the world for the coming of the messiah.



Connect: Connect in conversation with others in your household.

- What was a high point of your day? What was a low point?
- Do you know someone who has struggled to have children? What was it like when they were finally able to have a child?
- What is your reaction to unexpected good news? Disbelief? Laughter? Challenges? Do you allow yourself to trust in God's timing?
- For the littles: What do you think of babies? God has loved you since you were a tiny baby!



Bless: Close your devotion with a blessing.

May you feel the fullness of God's surprising blessings. Amen.



Do: By acting on what we learn, we make God's word come alive. Do the following activity this week.

This week, help families in need by donating supplies for babies to women's or homeless shelters: formula, baby clothes, diapers, etc.

Daily Readings	Narrative Lectionary Readings
Sunday	Luke 1:5-25, 57-80
Monday	Luke 1:57-80
Tuesday	Luke 2:1-14
Wednesday	Luke 2:8-20
Thursday	Luke 2:21-24
Friday	Luke 2:25-40
Saturday	Mark 1:1-8
Sunday	Mark 1:9-13