

**December 22, 2024**

■ **Announcements / Mission Moment**

■ **Call to Worship**

■ **“Angels, from the Realms of Glory”**.....Hymn 131

Angels from the realms of glory Wing your flight o'er all the earth  
Ye who sang creation's story Now proclaim Messiah's birth

**Come and worship, Come and worship Worship Christ, the  
newborn King**

Shepherds, in the field abiding Watching o'er your flocks by night  
God with man is now residing Yonder shines the infant Light

Sages, leave your contemplations Brighter visions beam afar  
Seek the great Desire of nations Ye have seen His natal star

Saints before the altar bending Watching long in hope and fear  
Suddenly the Lord, descending In His temple shall appear

All creation, join in praising God the Father, Spirit, Son;  
Evermore your voices raising To th'e ternal Three in One;

■ **Scripture Reading** - Luke 2:8-21

■ **Offering / Prayer**

■ **“O Come, All Ye Faithful”**.....Hymn 145

O come, all ye faithful, joyful and triumphant, O come ye, O come ye  
to Bethlehem! Come and behold Him, born the King of angels!

**O come, let us adore Him, O come, let us adore Him,**

**O come, let us adore Him, Christ the Lord!**

Sing choirs of angels, sing in exultation, O sing, all ye bright hosts of  
heav'n above! Glory to God, all glory in the highest!

Yea, Lord, we greet Thee, born this happy morning, Jesus, to Thee  
be all glory giv'n; Word of the Father, now in flesh appearing!

■ **Confession / Lord's Supper - Advent Confession of Sin**

Covenant God, you heard your people  
yearning for a Savior.

Thank you for sending your Son so long ago.

We now remember your promise

that Christ will come again,

that death and suffering will end

and every tear will be wiped away.

Come, Lord Jesus, come.

As you fulfilled Israel's hopes long ago,

so we long for all these promises

to be fulfilled.

Amen.

■ **“Great is Thy Faithfulness”** CCLI #801260

Great is Thy faithfulness, O God my Father There is no shadow of  
turning with Thee Thou changest not, Thy compassions, they fail not  
As Thou has been, Thou forever wilt be

**Great is Thy faithfulness, Great is Thy faithfulness Morning by  
morning new mercies I see All I have needed Thy hand hath  
provided Great is Thy faithfulness, Lord, unto me**

Summer and winter, and springtime and harvest Sun moon, and  
stars in their courses above Join with all nature in manifold witness  
To thy great faithfulness, mercy and love

Pardon for sin and a peace that endureth, Thine own dear presence  
to cheer and to guide; Strength for today, and bright hope for tomorrow  
Blessings all mine, with ten thousand beside

■ **“All Hail the Power of Jesus' Name”**

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All hail the pow'r of Jesus' name! Let angels prostrate fall; Bring forth  
the royal diadem, And crown Him Lord of all; Bring forth the royal  
diadem, And crown Him Lord of all!

Ye chosen seed of Israel's race, Ye ransomed from the fall, Hail Him  
who saves you by His grace, And crown Him Lord of all; Hail Him who  
saves you by His grace, And crown Him Lord of all!

Let ev'ry kindred, ev'ry tribe, On this terrestrial ball, To Him all  
majesty ascribe, And crown Him Lord of all; To Him all majesty ascribe,  
And crown Him Lord of all!

O that with yonder sacred throng We at His feet may fall! We'll join  
the everlasting song, And crown Him Lord of all; We'll join the  
everlasting song, And crown Him Lord of all!

■ **Message:** *“Zechariah's Prophetic Song” – Pastor Scott*  
*Luke 1:67-79*

■ **Closing Song**

■ **Benediction**

### How To Join Rockport Baptist Church

We as a church are committed to the biblical teaching that church membership is for believers in Christ who voluntarily band together under the leadership of the Holy Spirit for worship, fellowship and service. We therefore require the following:

- (1) A credible profession of faith in Christ for salvation  
(Romans 10:9-10)
- (2) Obedience to Christ through water baptism  
(Matthew 28:18-20)
- (3) A willing commitment to the basic beliefs and practices of this church as evidenced in our Confession of Faith and Church Covenant (available upon request)

Those who are interested in seeking membership are asked to make this known to Pastor Scott and/or an Elder who will provide a copy of our Petition for Membership and explain the process.



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#### Pastors/Elders

Scott Lee  
Kyle Davis  
Warren Kesselring

#### Worship Leaders

Stuart McMillian  
Luke McAllister

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#### Deacons

Don Arbogast	Scott Larson
Kurt Boehm	Herman Meyer
Greg Chastain	Alex Starkey
Josh Dittmann	Mark Stoner
Ray Gawlik	Brad Tompkins

***This Week's Fighter Verse: Feed Your Soul by Memorizing Scripture! Each week's 'Fighter Verse' is meant to help you "fight the good fight" of faith. Memorize it and use it for the good of your soul! .***

**Luke 1:68-69 (ESV)**

<sup>68</sup> "Blessed be the Lord God of Israel,  
for he has visited and redeemed his people  
<sup>69</sup> and has raised up a horn of salvation for us  
in the house of his servant David,

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## **2024 Christmas Missions Offering Options**

**\* HeartCry Missionary Society \***

**\* Lottie Moon Missions Offering \***

**\* Psalm 67 Missions Network \***

**\* Missionaries serving in Central Asia \***

**\* Missionary Volunteer Michael Hawkins to Japan \***

Please designate the amount and destination for your gift for missions, along with your regular Rockport offering.

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### **WOMEN'S WORKSHOP 2025**

Friday, January 17 | 4:30 - 9 PM

Saturday, January 18 | 8:30 AM - 2 PM

### **Fresh Joy in the Lord**

Encouragement from Paul's letter to the Philippianians



OR VISIT:

<https://rockportbaptist.org/discipleship/womens-discipleship/>

## **Zechariah's Prophetic Song (Luke 1:67-79)**

I. Zechariah Praises God for Keeping His Ancient \_\_\_\_\_  
of Salvation vv67-75

(1) God has taken \_\_\_\_\_ to save us as He promised vv68-69

a) He has \_\_\_\_\_ us

b) He has \_\_\_\_\_ us Ex 2:23-24

c) He has \_\_\_\_\_ a horn of salvation Ps 132:17

(2) God is praised for keeping \_\_\_\_\_ through the  
Prophets vv70-73

a) He is a God who \_\_\_\_\_ 2 Pet 1:21

b) He is a God who \_\_\_\_\_ us from our Enemies 1 Pet 5:8

c) He is a God of \_\_\_\_\_ Promises

Heb 6:17-18; Gen 22:16-18

(3) God has saved us into a Life of fellowship and \_\_\_\_\_ vv74-75

II. Zechariah is Amazed that God will Use his Son \_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_ vv76-77

• He will be THE \_\_\_\_\_ Isa 40:3-5; Lk 7:26-28

• His message Mk 1:15

III. Zechariah's Joyful Declaration of God's \_\_\_\_\_ Mercy in  
Salvation vv77-79

(1) A Salvation anchored in the deep \_\_\_\_\_ of God  
Jn 6:27; 10:28-29

(2) The Promised Light from Heaven dawns bringing \_\_\_\_\_ v78

• He is the dawning of the \_\_\_\_\_

(Mal 4:2; Ps 89:15; 1 Jn 1:7)

• He is the \_\_\_\_\_ Jer 23:5

• He is the \_\_\_\_\_ that dispels the darkness Ps 107:10-14

## THIS WEEK AT ROCKPORT

### **Sunday, December 22, 2024**

Sunday Morning Bible Study	9:30 AM
Sunday Morning Worship	10:40 AM

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**Today's Greeters** - Dave Winkeler & Anja Woelm

**Today's Tellers** - Jennifer McMillian & Mysti Jackson

**Today's Nursery** - Victoria Bartels & Julian Pierce

Please Note: Nursery care during worship is for children up through age 2

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### **Prayerfully consider Rockport's Budget Needs**

Rockport Weekly Budget Goal.....	\$6,710.00
November Weekly Average.....	\$8,466.21

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### **ANNOUNCEMENTS:**

- **Christmas Eve Candlelight Service** – Tuesday, December 24<sup>th</sup> at 5pm
- **Women's Workshop 2025** – Friday, January 17<sup>th</sup> 4:30 to 9pm & Saturday, January 18<sup>th</sup> 8:30am to 2pm

## **A Word from Pastor Scott**

**Sunday, December 22, 2024**

*"She will bear a son, and you shall call his name Jesus, for He will save His people from their sins."- Matthew 1:21*

*"He will save His People from their sins!" That's the good news of Christmas we're here to celebrate this morning! Jesus came to save us, but from what? From our sins! From our God-denying, small-minded, earth-is-all-I-care-about meaningless, wasted lives where we flitter away 70 or 80 years for nothing more than money or sex or luxuries or houses and lands and vacations and beauty and fame or whatever else you might come up with in an attempt to satisfy that empty place at the center of your soul! "For what does it profit a man to gain the whole world, yet forfeit his own soul?" (Mark 8:36)*

*Or maybe we can say it this way: What does it profit you to live your whole life and yet never know God? You see, that's what Christ has come to do for us. Not only does He save us from God's wrath against our sin, He also brings us into fellowship with God. "Christ died for sins once for all, the righteous for the unrighteous, to bring you to God" says 1 Peter 3:18. You and I were made for God! We exist to know God (John 17:3) – to glorify and enjoy Him forever! So any life lived without God is, in the end, a wasted life! You can be rich and powerful – a millionaire celebrity – but without God it's all dust and ashes! But if you have Him – if you know Christ the way a man knows and trusts a dear and faithful friend – even an ash-heap can become a joy-filled mansion.*

*So do you know Him this morning? That's the greatest gift Christmas can bring; not just to know your sins are forgiven, but to have Christ Himself reigning as Savior and Lord over all that you are and all that you have! That's how He saves His people from their sin, by giving Himself to us!*

*Rejoicing in the Grace and Joy of Jesus we celebrate His Coming!*

*Pastor Scott Lee*

*(Don't forget our Christmas Eve Candlelight Service at 5 PM Tuesday Evening)*

# Kid's Listening Sheet (12/22/24)

Title: "Zechariah's \_\_\_\_\_"

Bible Passage: Luke 1: \_\_\_\_\_



Key Words: Circle each word every time you hear it.

Priest	Wife	Son	Song
Angel	Promise	Boy	Baby
Horn	House	David	Save
Enemy	Light	Feet	Sun

What are three important things you heard during the sermon?

1.

2.

3.

Draw two pictures that show what you heard today:

1.

2.

## The Benedictus (Luke 1:67–79)

M O U T H O U S E R V A N T  
E A I S S A Y I N G N L N T  
L T C P R O P H E T S Y A R  
B H G E M P R O M I S E D L  
U I G O S P I R I T A E F T  
M G G P F A T H E R L D I H  
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W D W H A N D Y C N O E M O  
F V I S I T F H O R N M E E  
M L S M S R E M E M B E R O  
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D A V I D F U C N H O L Y H

BLESSED	COVENANT	DAVID
ENEMIES	FATHER	FILLED
GIVE	HAND	HATE
HIGH	HOLY	HORN
HOUSE	ISRAEL	LORD
MERCY	MOUTH	OATH
PEOPLE	PROMISED	PROPHESIED
PROPHET	RAISED	REDEEMED
REMEMBER	SALVATION	SAVED
SAYING	SERVANT	SHOW
SPIRIT	SPOKE	VISIT