***5****He went there to register with Mary, who was* ***pledged*** *to be married to him and was expecting a child.* ***6****While they were there, the time came for the baby to be born,****7****and she* ***gave birth*** *to her firstborn, a son. She wrapped him in* ***cloths*** *and placed him in a* ***manger****, because there was* ***no guest room*** *available for them.*  Luke 2:5-7

***8****And there were* ***shepherds*** *living out in the fields nearby, keeping watch over their flocks at night.****9****An angel of the Lord appeared to them, and the glory of the Lord shone around them, and they were terrified.* Luke 2:8-9

***10****But the angel said to them, “Do not be afraid. I bring you good news that will cause* ***great joy for all the people.******11****Today in the town of David a Savior has been born to you; he is the Messiah, the Lord.****12****This will be a sign to you: You will find a baby wrapped in cloths and lying in a manger.*

Luke 2:10-12

* **Advent: GOOD NEWS: Jesus Is Our Peace.**

***13****Suddenly a great company of the heavenly host appeared with the angel, praising God and* ***saying****,* ***14****“Glory to God in the highest heaven, and on earth* ***peace****to those on whom his favor rests.”* Luke 2:13-14

**KEY: Peace is not the absence of trouble but the Presence of Jesus.**

* **Advent: TONIGHT: Good News: Jesus Is LOVE.**

*For God so loved the world, that he gave his one and only Son, that whoever believes in him should not perish but have eternal life.* John 3:16

*God demonstrates his own love for us in this: While we were still sinners, Christ died for us.* Romans 5:8

*It is by grace you have been saved, through faith—and this is not from yourselves, it is the gift of God—not by works, so that no one can boast.*

 Ephesians 2:8-9

**GOOD NEWS: Jesus Is LOVE!**

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* **Advent: GOOD NEWS: Jesus is Our Hope.**

***26****In the sixth month of Elizabeth’s pregnancy, God sent the angel Gabriel*

*to Nazareth, a town in Galilee,****27****to a virgin pledged to be married to a man named* ***Joseph****, a descendant of David. The virgin’s name was* ***Mary****.****28****The angel went to her and said, “Greetings, you who are highly favored! The Lord is with you.”* ***29****Mary was greatly* ***troubled*** *at his words and wondered what kind of greeting this might be.* Luke 1:26-29

***30****But the angel said to her, “Do not be* ***afraid****, Mary; you have found* ***favor*** *with God.* ***31****You will* ***conceive*** *and give* ***birth*** *to a son, and you are to call him* ***Jesus****.****32****He will be great and will be called the Son of the Most High. The Lord God will give him the throne of his father David,****33****and he will reign over Jacob’s descendants forever; his kingdom will never end.”* Luke 1:32-33

***34****“How will this be,” Mary asked the angel, “since I am a* ***virgin****?”* ***35****The angel answered, “The Holy Spirit will come on you, and the power of the Most High will overshadow you. So the holy one to be born will be calledthe* ***Son of God****.* Luke 1:34-35

***36****Even Elizabeth your relative is going to have a child in her old age, and she who was said to be unable to conceive is in her sixth month.****37****For no word from God will ever fail.”* ***38****“I am the Lord’s servant,” Mary answered. “May your word to me be fulfilled.” Then the angel left her.*  Luke 1:36-38

* **Advent: GOOD NEWS: Jesus is Our Joy.**

*In those days Caesar Augustus issued a decree that a* ***census*** *should be taken of the entire Roman world.* ***2****(This was the first census that took place whileQuirinius was governor of Syria.)****3****And everyone went to their own town to register.* ***4****So Joseph also went up from the town of Nazareth in Galilee to Judea, to Bethlehem the town of David, because he belonged to the house and line of David.* Luke 2:1-4

Mark 5:9-10

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