### Daily Readings

"Make me to know your ways, O Lord; teach me your paths."

Psalm 25:4

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**Week 1:**

Many of us know what it is to wait for something: finishing school, a better job, a new family member or a vacation to name a few joyful events. Or to wait for something not as joyful: a cure for a disease, for pain or sorrow to go away, or even the waiting that comes with death. In this season of waiting I often think about how I can be supportive of others who are waiting and need someone to wait with them.

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### Faith on the Go

#### Share

Talk about your highs and lows for the day!

#### Talk

**Zechariah’s Prophecy - Luke 1:67-80**

**Day 1**

Luke 1:67

What do you think it means to be filled with the Holy Spirit? Have you ever felt that way? Zechariah is full of hope for the future—What brings you hope? What do you wonder about hope?

**Day 2**

Luke 1:72-73

What does it mean to make an oath or a covenant? Have you ever made an oath or promise? How did you keep it? What is God’s oath to us?

**Day 3**

Luke 1:76

John is a baby when his father Zechariah says these words. What words do you know or do you imagine were said to you when you were a baby? What is a prophet? When you were baptized the words of God’s promise were spoken to you and you were named as one that will tell the story of God, like a prophet—what does that mean to you?

**Day 4**

Luke 1:77

What is the story that John will tell the people? What is the story that you have to tell—think about a high or a low this week and talk about how you see God active in your life.

**Day 5**

Luke 1:78-79

Go in a dark room and shine a flashlight or candle. What does that light look like in complete dark? How is that like what God promises to us?

#### Pray

Come, Lord Jesus! Open our minds and hearts and souls as we wait for you to be born anew in our lives and in our family. Help us to experience your love in our family today. Amen

#### Bless

As you leave home in the mornings for work or school, make the sign of the cross on each other’s hands and say: ________, child of God, Jesus the light of the world is with you now and always.
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