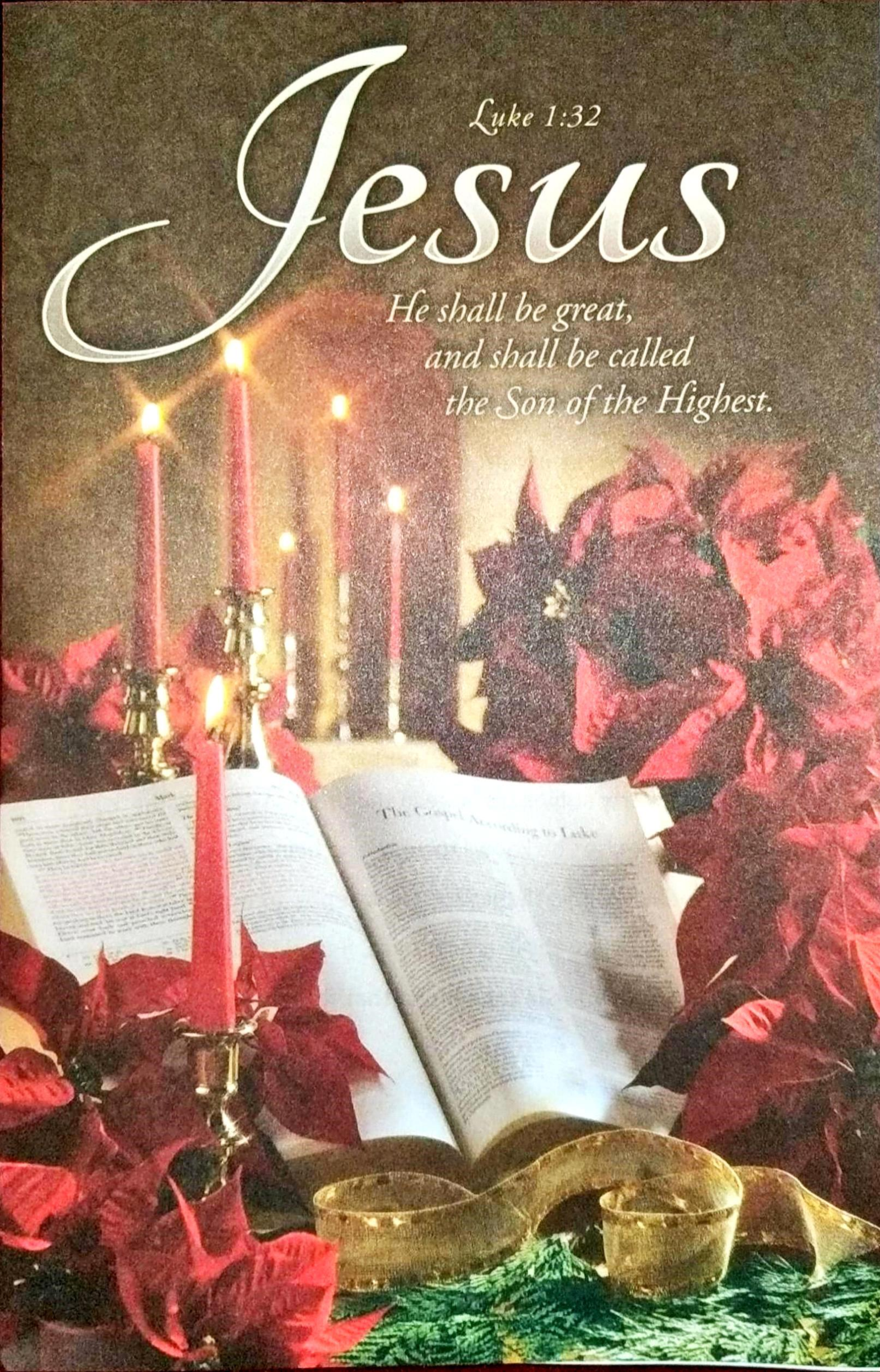


Luke 1:32

Jesus

*He shall be great,
and shall be called
the Son of the Highest.*



MARS HILL UNITED METHODIST CHURCH
DECEMBER 23, 2018

PRELUDE PIANIST
*BRINGING IN THE LIGHT ACOLYTE
ANNOUNCEMENTS CLINT
*CALL TO WORSHIP AWAY IN A MANGER (UMH) 217
*OPENING PRAYER: (CONGREGATION READ BOLD PRINT) CADENCE
**ETERNAL GOD, IN YOUR PROVIDENCE YOU MADE ALL AGES A
PREPARATION FOR THE KINGDOM OF YOUR SON. MAKE READY OUR
HEARTS FOR THE BRIGHTNESS OF YOUR GLORY AND THE FULLNESS OF
YOUR BLESSING IN JESUS CHRIST OUR LORD. AMEN.**
*AFFIRMATION OF FAITH APOSTLES CREED HERB
*HYMN OF PRAISE FIRST NOEL (UMH) 245

ADVENT CANDLE READING (READ BOLD PRINT)

**Reader: Today we remember Joseph, worn-out traveler and worried
husband, doing what was necessary for the sake of his family, the
burden of poverty stifling his hope in the promise of God. There was
no room for him, yet he knows to whom he belongs.**

**People: Today we give thanks for the Josephs among us, migrating
far from home when there is no choice, fiercely devoted to the ones
they love, unwavering in their belief that there is room for all in the
kingdom of God.**

*GREETING OF THE FAMILY OF GOD

RECEIVING OF OUR TITHES AND GIFTS

CHILDREN'S SERVICE

HYMN OF CONCERN WHAT CHILD IS THIS (UMH) 219
SHARING OF JOYS AND CONCERNS
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