

NEIGHBORHOOD GROUP DISCUSSION QUESTIONS

Date: December 15, 2024

Sermon Series: The Art of Christmas

Sermon Title: Making Room for the Christ Child

Scripture: Luke 2:1-7 Speaker: Dr. Ron Jones

- 1. Reflect on Peter Bruegel's painting *The Census at Bethlehem*. What do you see? How does it make you feel?
- 2. Read Luke 2:1-7. What is your first response Luke's description of this Christmas text? How does the painting and the biblical text help you experience the wonder of Christmas?
- 3. Define the providence of God? How is it reflected in Bruegel's painting and the biblical text under consideration?
- 4. What aspects of the Christmas story might we misunderstand culturally in Luke 2:1-7? Does that change the Christmas story for you? Why or why not?
- 5. What are some ways to "make room for Jesus" in your life?