



**October 12, 2023**

**Guest Musicians – Justin Woodruff and Randy Amborn**

*Annunciation and Magnificat from Holden Evening Prayer*

**Social Time**

**Thanks to those who provided Treats**

**Music – Led by Randy Amborn**

- ELW 687 *Just a Closer Walk*
- ELW 860 *I'm So Glad Jesus Lifted Me*

**Prayer Requests, Update Prayer List, Opening Prayer**

**A Promised Word**

Scripture: Luke 1:26-38 – Gloria Pettis

Mary, Joseph's Betrothed – Ellen Zimmerman

**Discussion**

1. How do you think Mary felt about giving birth to the Messiah?
2. If you had been Mary what would have been the hardest part of this message to accept?
3. Why do you think the angel Gabriel told Mary about Elizabeth's condition?
4. What did you learn about Jesus from the angel's announcement?
5. If an angel told you that you were going to have a child, how would you react?
6. If an angel today were to reveal God's plan for your life, what would you do?
7. When have you felt fearful yet trusting in God? How did God meet you in that situation?
8. In what areas of your life do you need to believe that "nothing is impossible with God"?

**Bible Study Business**

Volunteer readers in coming weeks

**Birthdays**

**Closing Prayer – Lord's Prayer**

### **THE ANNUNCIATION Leader (Justin Woodruff)**

An angel went from God to a town called Nazareth to a woman whose name was Mary. The angel said to her, "Rejoice, O highly favored, for God is with you. You shall bear a child, and his name shall be Jesus, the Chosen One of God most high." And Mary said, "I am a servant of my God, I live to do your will."

### **THE MAGNIFICAT (All sing)**

- 1. My soul proclaims your greatness, O God, and my spirit rejoices in you,  
You have looked with love on your servant here, and blessed me all my life through.  
Great and mighty are you, O Holy One, strong is your kindness evermore.  
How you favor the weak and lowly one, humbling the proud of heart.**
- 2. You have cast the mighty down from their thrones, and uplifted the humble of heart,  
you have filled the hungry with wonderful things, and left the wealthy no part.  
Great and mighty are you, O Faithful One, strong is your justice, strong your love,  
As you promised to Sarah and Abraham, kindness forevermore.**
- 3. My soul proclaims your greatness, O God, and my spirit rejoices in you,  
You have looked with love on your servant here, and blessed me all my life through.**