



## Contemporary Service

9:30 am

## Questions for Discussion

Welcome and Call to Worship

Lighting the Candle of Peace

Praise and Prayer

**My Soul Magnifies the Lord**

**Goodness of God**

**Prayer of Confession**

**You Are My Peace**

Passing the Peace

Honoring Jim Peterson

### Announcements

(Offerings are received weekly via mail and online giving at <https://villagechurchnorthbrook.org/give/> . Those attending live worship can leave their donations in the offering plates at the back of the sanctuary.)

### Scripture Reading

**Luke 1:26-38**

Leader: This is the Word of the Lord

All: Thanks be to God

Sermon

**Hope is Magnified for All**

*Hope for a Weary World*

Closing Song

**Reckless Love**

Prayers of the People and the Lord's Prayer

Blessing

**Read: Luke 1:26-38**

### Digging Deeper:

1. What do we know about Mary at the beginning of this passage? (see v. 26-27)
2. What was Mary's response to Gabriel's greeting? Why do you think she replied in this way?
3. In what way had Mary found favor with God? (v.30-33) In what ways would this have been Good News to her?
4. What was Mary's greatest concern about this news? (v. 34) And how did Gabriel explain it to her? (v.35)
5. What was Gabriel's final message and how did Elizabeth's situation help him make his point? (v.36-37)
6. How did Mary finally submit to God? (v. 38)

### Application

1. Do you ever feel unworthy or out of favor with God? What factors in your life contribute to this feeling?
2. How did Mary fit into God's greater plan of salvation? How does God invite us to join him in his plan of salvation?
3. Is there something in your life God is calling you to do that seems impossible? How does this passage encourage you?

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