

# The Annunciation to The Blessed Virgin Mary

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## Prayer of the Day

We beseech you, O Lord  
pour your grace into our hearts,  
that, as we have known the incarnation  
of your Son Jesus Christ by the message of an angel,  
so by his cross and passion we may be brought  
to the glory of his resurrection;  
who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit,  
one God, now and for ever. **Amen**

## A reading from the Prophet Isaiah,

*Chapter 7 beginning at Verse 10*

<sup>10</sup>Again the Lord spoke to Ahaz, saying, <sup>11</sup>Ask a sign of the Lord your God; let it be deep as Sheol or high as heaven. <sup>12</sup>But Ahaz said, I will not ask, and I will not put the Lord to the test. <sup>13</sup>Then Isaiah said: "Hear then, O house of David! Is it too little for you to weary mortals, that you weary my God also? <sup>14</sup>Therefore the Lord himself will give you a sign. Look, the young woman is with child and shall bear a son, and shall name him Immanuel.

[NRSV Isaiah 7:10-14]

Hear the word of the Lord, ***thanks be to God***

## Psalm 40:6-13

- <sup>6</sup> O Lord my God, great are the wonderful things  
which you have done,  
and your thoughts which are towards us:  
there is none to be compared with you;
- <sup>7</sup> Were I to declare them and speak of them:  
they are more than I am able to express.
- <sup>8</sup> Sacrifice and offering you do not desire:  
but my ears you have marked for obedience;
- <sup>9</sup> Burnt-offering and sin-offering you have not required:  
then said I, Lo, I come.
- <sup>10</sup> In the scroll of the book it is written of me,  
that I should do your will:  
O my God, I long to do it, your law delights my heart.

<sup>11</sup> I have declared your righteousness  
in the great congregation:

I have not restrained my lips, O Lord,  
and that you know.

<sup>12</sup> I have not hidden your righteousness in my heart:

I have spoken of your faithfulness and of your salvation.

<sup>13</sup> I have not kept back your loving-kindness and your truth:  
from the great congregation.

### **A reading from the Letter to the Hebrews,**

*Chapter 10 beginning at Verse 4*

<sup>4</sup>For it is impossible for the blood of bulls and goats to take away sins.  
<sup>5</sup>Consequently, when Christ came into the world, he said, "Sacrifices and offerings you have not desired, but a body you have prepared for me; <sup>6</sup>in burnt offerings and sin offerings you have taken no pleasure. <sup>7</sup>Then I said, 'See, God, I have come to do your will, O God' (in the scroll of the book it is written of me)." <sup>8</sup>When he said above, "You have neither desired nor taken pleasure in sacrifices and offerings and burnt offerings and sin offerings" (these are offered according to the law), <sup>9</sup>then he added, "See, I have come to do your will." He abolishes the first in order to establish the second. <sup>10</sup>And it is by God's will that we have been sanctified through the offering of the body of Jesus Christ once for all.

[NRSV Hebrews 10:4-10]

Hear the word of the Lord, ***thanks be to God.***

### **The Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to Luke,**

*Chapter 1 beginning at Verse 26*

***Glory to you Lord Jesus Christ.***

<sup>26</sup>In the sixth month the angel Gabriel was sent by God to a town in Galilee called Nazareth, <sup>27</sup>to a virgin engaged to a man whose name was Joseph, of the house of David. The virgin's name was Mary. <sup>28</sup>And he came to her and said, "Greetings, favored one! The Lord is with you." <sup>29</sup>But she was much perplexed by his words and pondered what sort of greeting this might be. <sup>30</sup>The angel said to her, "Do not be afraid, Mary, for you have found favor with God. <sup>31</sup>And now, you will conceive in your womb and bear a son, and you will name him Jesus. <sup>32</sup>He will be great, and will be called the Son of the Most High, and the Lord God will give to him the throne of his ancestor David. <sup>33</sup>He will reign over the house of Jacob forever, and of his kingdom there will be no end." <sup>34</sup>Mary said to the angel, "How can this be, since I am a virgin?" <sup>35</sup>The angel said to her, "The Holy Spirit will come upon you, and the power of the Most High will overshadow you; therefore the child to be born will be holy; he will be called Son of God. <sup>36</sup>And now, your relative Elizabeth in her old age has also conceived a son; and this is the sixth month for

her who was said to be barren. <sup>37</sup>For nothing will be impossible with God." <sup>38</sup>Then Mary said, "Here am I, the servant of the Lord; let it be with me according to your word." Then the angel departed from her.

[NRSV Luke 1:26-38]

This is the Gospel of the Lord, ***praise to you Lord Jesus Christ.***

Sentence

**Here I am, the servant of the Lord; let it be with me according to your word.**