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Liturgical Date: Year B, Advent 4, December 20th, 2020

Presenter	Rev Tom Stuart
Focus Reading	Luke 1:26-38
Message	12 minutes 20 seconds "Your one wild and precious life!"

Discussion Starters

1. What thought or feeling came to you when listening to Tom's message?
2. What caused anxiety for you over the last 12 months?
3. What ways does/can your congregation encourage living the fullest in difficult times?
4. How can today's message bring hope to your next-door neighbour?

Other Lectionary readings for the day

2 Samuel 7:1-11, 16 Having already done much for David, the Lord still takes the initiative. David's family and influence will continue through his house, which will become part of God's plan to work through the chosen people.

Psalms 89:1-4, 19-26 The Psalm testifies to God's unconditional covenant to David. God will keep God's promise and not lie to David (v35), even if his sons commit offenses.

Romans 16:25-27 In a closing doxology, Paul interprets God's act in Christ as continuous with God's mystery that has slowly been revealed through the scripture. This revelation can strengthen the faith of the church

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All Age Message Maria Williams **Love's message: "Be not afraid"**

Approx. Length 5 minutes 0 seconds

Precis of AAM

The words, "Do not be afraid" are echoed in many places in the Bible. Each one of us is very loved by God and he will not abandon us. That is what he was telling Mary who found herself in a very difficult situation. God was performing a great wonder. With faith, courage and trust in God's love God is calling us to be willing to welcome strangers, respect those who are different, share what we have. The good news of this Christmas is that God has a great love for each of us.

Resources **Uniting in Worship (Blue Book) Psalm 89, page 309-310.**

Rev Tom Stuart

When participating in 'Seasons of Creation' in September I remembered the wonder of life experienced living in Parkes, Grenfell, Griffith, Menindee, Armidale, Nyngan, Gloucester, back in Parkes, and Charlestown. The different experiences of the environment each of those places afforded is a treasure to me.