

“The Gospel According to Luke: Let It Be to Me According to Your Word”
Luke 1:26-38

“For we ourselves were once foolish, disobedient, led astray, slaves to various passions and pleasures, passing our days in malice and envy, hated by others and hating one another. But when the goodness and loving kindness of God our Savior appeared, He saved us, not because of works done by us in righteousness, but according to His own mercy, by the washing of regeneration and renewal of the Holy Spirit.” (Titus 3:3-4)

“In the beginning was the Word, and the Word was with God, and the Word was God....And the Word became flesh and dwelt among us, and we have seen His glory, glory as of the only Son from the Father, full of grace and truth.” (John 1:1,14)

“And each has received a gift, use it to serve one another, as good stewards of God’s varied grace....whoever serves, as one who serves by the strength that God supplies — in order that in everything God may be glorified through Jesus Christ. To Him belong glory and dominion forever and ever. Amen.” (1 Peter 4:10-11)

- Graceful Favor: (1:26-30)
 - The Betrothal: *The Betrothal was a binding legal agreement that was arranged by the parents of the Bride and Groom. During this time the Groom would prepare a home for the Bride, usually about a year in preparation. Then the marriage would be consummated. There would also be a 7 day wedding feast to celebrate this union.*
 - The Lineage: *The Messiah was to come through the physical lineage of David (2 Samuel 7:12,16) based on the promises of God, and also from the lineage of Abraham (Genesis 12:3,7) and Adam (Genesis 3:15). Jesus’ legal right to the throne of David was through His adoption and His physical descent was through Mary. (Matthew 1:1-16; Luke 3:23-38)*
- Gracious Savior: (1:31-34)
 - In this proclamation by Gabriel we see the fullness of the work of Jesus Christ!
 - 1) In the name Jesus (Yahweh Saves) we see Christ’s saving work, spiritually and physically.
 - 2) In the statement, “He will be great and will be called the Son of the Most High”, we see His Deity.
 - 3) We also see His reign spiritually and physically, addressing His throne spiritually and someday physically, reconciling us spiritually, physically, and also the whole of Creation. (Colossians 1:15-23; Romans 8:19-24; 2 Peter 3:10-13).
 - The Virgin Birth: Why is it essential?
 - 1) It was predicted in the Scriptures (Isaiah 7:14; Genesis 3:15).
 - 2) It is the only way He could be God and Man (John 1:1,14).
 - 3) It shows that man’s effort has no contribution to our salvation.
 - 4) It shows God’s supernatural power.
- Graceful Service: (1:35-38)
 - Two important aspects of faithfully serving God:
 - 1) Realize serving Christ is by His power, not ours.
 - 2) Knowing and believing God’s Word.

Worship: Psalm 18 — Citizens
It Is Well — Various Artists

Bless the Lord O My Soul (Psalm 103) — Sovereign Grace Music
Closing Song: His Mercy is More — Matt Boswell

Service Times: Sundays: Sunday School 4/Church 5:30; Tuesdays: (In-Home) Bible Study: Women 6:30/Men 6:30 & 7; Thursdays: Prayer 6:20/Church 7

Account Balance: \$30,972.54 April Balance: \$32,007.72	Weekly Budget: \$3,290
Total Giving: May 7	\$4,945.00
Total Giving: May 14	\$1,653.20
Total Giving: May 21	\$2,480.00
Total Giving: May 28	\$2,308.60

Announcements:

★**BAPTISM SERVICE:** Our next Baptism Service is NEXT Sunday, June 11th. If you are interested in being baptized or have any questions about baptism, please see Pastor Jeremey or one of the other Elders.

★**FELLOWSHIP DINNER:** We are having a Fellowship Dinner TONIGHT immediately following the worship service. There is a sign-up sheet on the table in the entryway, please sign-up to bring something to the dinner. EVERYONE is invited to stay to enjoy the dinner and fellowship with us.

★**DONATIONS:** Throughout the month of June we are collecting monetary donations for the Lambs, one of the missionary families that we support as a church body. The Lamb Family has been serving in Papua New Guinea with Wycliffe Bible Translators since 2019. They are working with translation teams to develop culturally appropriate media in the everyday language of the people. There are approximately 840 languages in Papua New Guinea, and only 13 of those languages have complete Bibles. For more information about the Lambs, their life, and work in Papua New Guinea please see the board on the back table. There is a container on the back table for your monetary donations. You can also give on Venmo, please make sure to note that your donation is for the Lambs.