

The Fourth Sunday of Advent

December 24, 2023

Luke 1: 26 - 38

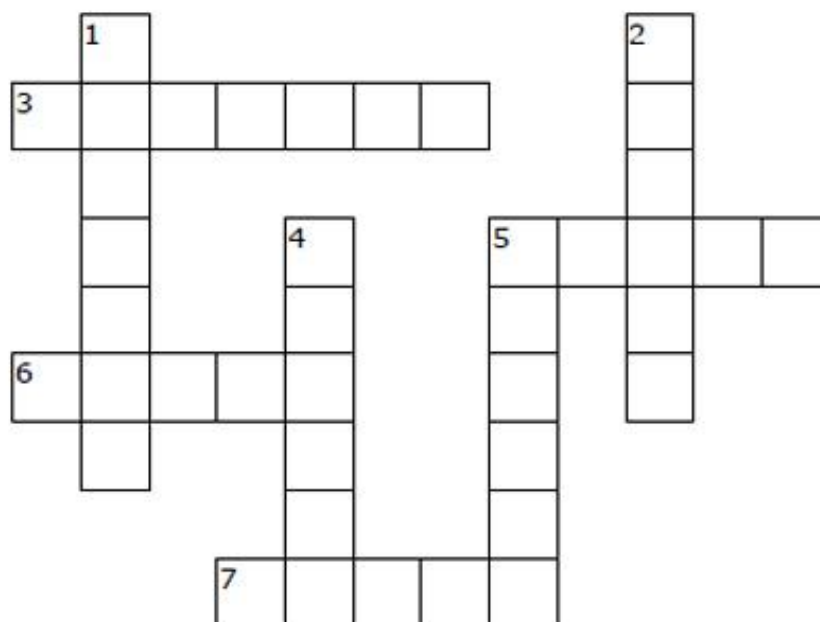


"Behold, you will conceive in your womb and bear a son, and you shall name him Jesus."

An Angel Visits Mary

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Puzzle is based on Luke 1:26-38



ACROSS

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5. A heavenly being; a messenger for God
6. The son who was born to Mary
7. A very young person especially between infancy and youth

DOWN

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2. A young unmarried woman; a maiden
4. The man to whom Mary was engaged to marry
5. To be filled with fear

JOSEPH
GABRIEL

MARRIED
CHILD

AFRAID
ANGEL

VIRGIN
JESUS

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X I Y K V V V Z S H N U B K J
P D N W U E J N F O R M O O B
C J K G L L I O W N N O R S D
H B E E D G X E S N R O N Z B
I C G S R O F V B E M W D E I
H N L I U P M I I B P A V Q B
A Q V B I S H L R M W H R L A
Z Z J P J P L X T C D Q W Y G
D F H H D P F P H N A C I K A
A D A F R A I D W N V X K N B
E B W Q K U P O V X I J X Y R
Q G P L T C T L R X D L F H I
E L I Z A B E T H Q B O C Y E
Y K C N P O S T D N F E E O L

ELIZABETH
SON
MARY

JESUS
KINGDOM
TOWN

JOSEPH
DAVID
ANGEL

BORN
GABRIEL
THRONE

AFRAID
BIRTH
VIRGIN

A Visit from an Angel

But the angel said to her, "Do not be afraid, Mary, you have found favor with God. You will be with child and give birth to a son, and you are to give him the name Jesus. Luke 1:30-31

Choose the word that best matches the definition.

Answers can be found in Luke 1:26-38 (NIV)



- ___ 1. The name of the angel who appeared to Mary
A. Gabriel B. Elizabeth C. Joseph D. Michael
- ___ 2. To be filled with fear
A. married B. happy C. afraid D. virgin
- ___ 3. Relative of Mary who was the mother of John the Baptist
A. Sara B. Josephine C. Gabriela D. Elizabeth
- ___ 4. A heavenly being; a messenger for God
A. star B. elf C. angel D. king
- ___ 5. To be joined together as husband and wife
A. engaged B. married C. virgin D. afraid
- ___ 6. The man to whom Mary was engaged to be marry
A. David B. Joseph C. Gabriel D. Jacob
- ___ 7. A very young person especially between infancy and youth
A. teenager B. child C. man D. woman
- ___ 8. A nation or territory ruled by a king or queen
A. kingdom B. city C. village D. county
- ___ 9. A pure or unmarried woman; a maiden
A. angel B. virgin C. holy D. child
- ___ 10. The son who was born to Mary
A. Gabriel B. Jacob C. Joseph D. Jesus



A Visit from an Angel

Decode the message by finding each substitute letter.

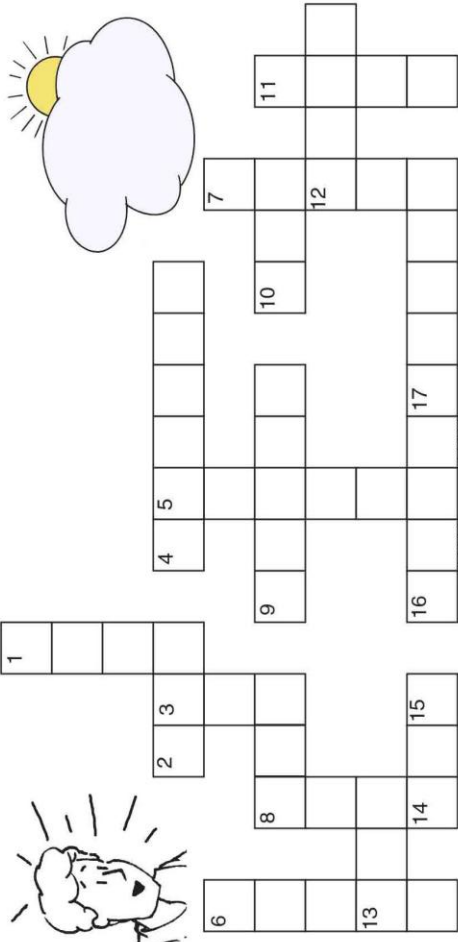
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UNA CYDAQ LCZR UO NAP, "RO YOU BA CIPCZR,
VCPM, MOF NCXA IOFYR ICXOP EZUN DOR. MOF
EZQQ BA EZUN TNZQR CYR DZXA BZPUN UO C
LOY, CYR MOF CPA UO DZXA NZV UNA YCVA SALFL.
NA EZQQ BA DPACU CYR EZQQ BA TCQQAR UNA
LOY OI UNA VOLU NZDN." – QFHA 1:30-32

The angel spoke with Mary.

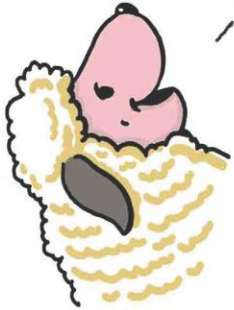
Fit the words in the puzzle. (HINT: Start with the longest word.)
Transfer the words to the lines. Read the angel's words.

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| BE | HIS | HAVE | AFRAID |
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| HIM | GIVE | CHILD | GREETINGS |
| ARE | NAME | JESUS | |



- 18) _____ 12) _____, "16A) _____, 19) _____
- 21) _____ 10) _____ 24) _____ 5) _____! 2) _____
- 22) _____ is 8D) _____ 19) _____." 15) _____ 8A) _____ 16D) _____
- 17) _____ at 3) _____ 26A) _____. He 12) _____, "23) _____ 13) _____ 28) _____ 4) _____, 15) _____,
- 19) _____ 25) _____ 6) _____ 9) _____ 8D) _____ 27) _____. 19) _____ 26D) _____ 28) _____ 8D) _____
- 20) _____ and 19) _____ 10) _____ to 11) _____ 14) _____ the 1) _____ 7) _____."





What a wonderful miracle!
But how could this happen?
The angel soon explained.



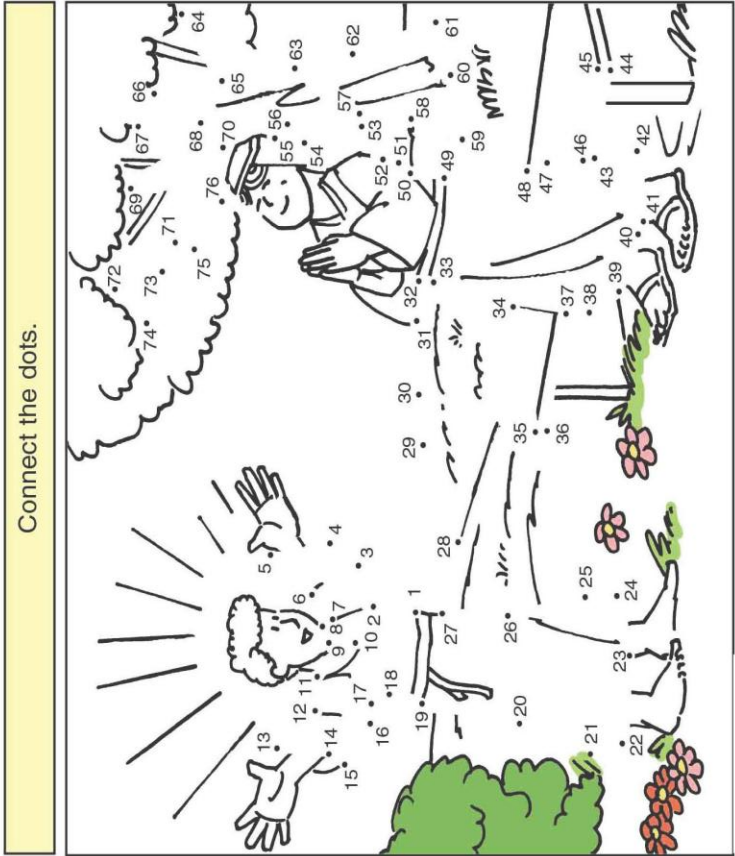
Change the letters as indicated to find the angel's words.

Q to B	U to D	V to E	X to F
Y to G	Z to H	B to I	D to L
E to M	F to N	G to O	H to P
K to R	J to S	C to T	A to W

“ X G K
 F G C Z B F Y
 B E H G J J B Q D V
 B J
 A B C Z
 Y G U ”

The Birth of Jesus Foretold

God sent the angel Gabriel to Nazareth, a town in Galilee, to a young woman named Mary, who was engaged to Joseph.



Connect the dots.

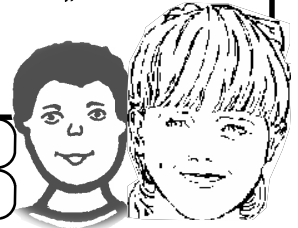


Speak, Lord

2 Samuel 7:1-5.8-12.14.16
Psalm 88
Romans 16:25-27
Luke 1:26-38

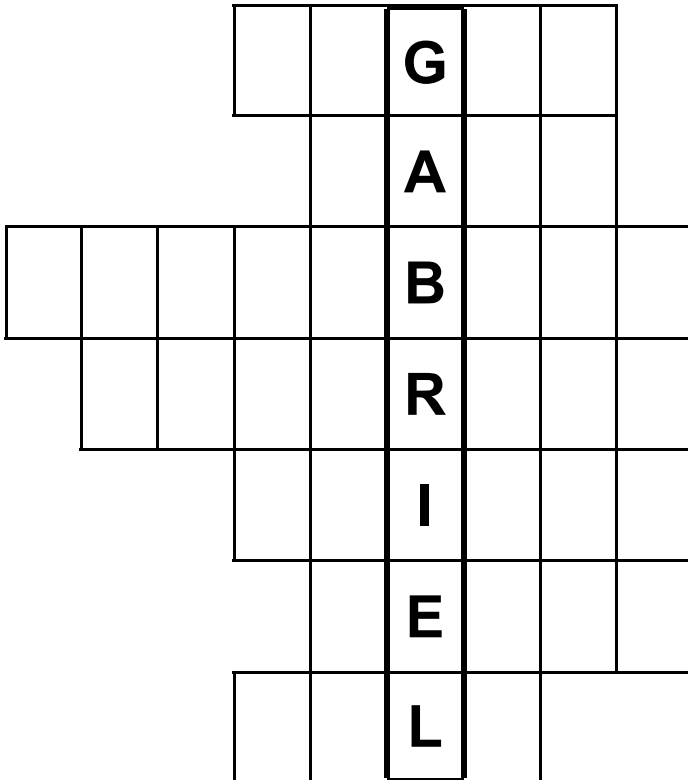
SUNDAY LITURGY FOR CHILDREN

Year B — 4th Sunday of Advent



A SPECIAL VISITOR ... GABRIEL

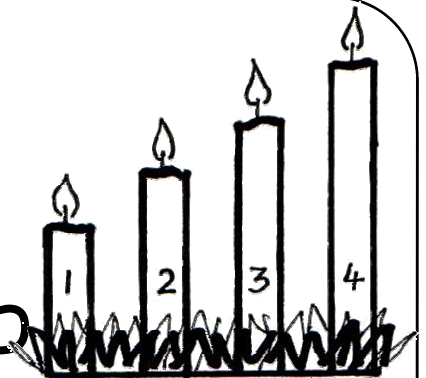
Complete the sentences and fill in the missing letters in the crossword:



- Gabriel was an _____.
- He appeared to _____.
- Mary's cousin was _____.
- Mary lived in _____.
- The Angel said: "The Holy _____ will come upon you!"
- Mary's baby was _____.
- Mary was ready to do God's _____.

TODAY IS THE _____

4th SUNDAY of ADVENT



Colour all the four candles of Advent today.