



HOPE

Luke 1:26-38

*Hope is waiting in anticipation,
in expectation.*

*Advent is a season of hope as we
prepare & anticipate the birth of Jesus
bringing hope to the world & look to
the return of Jesus.*

The Annunciation

by Henry Ossawa Tanner



- Wrinkling of carpet
- Angel: 'Don't be afraid'
- Painting draws us into a moment – we wait for Mary's response
- 'I am the Lord's servant. May your word to me be fulfilled'

Our response

- 'I am your servant, your will be done'
- Be a community of hope: 'In fulfilling its purpose a Congregation shall: ...
(iii) sustain the members and adherents in **hope...**' (UCA)

*This Advent, pause for hope,
know hope & be known for
hope*

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