

Christmas - December 25, 2016



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Matthew 1: 1- 25; Luke 2: 1 – 14

Luke 2: 15 – 20; John 1: 1 - 18

God with Us



The Birth of Jesus

In those days, Caesar Augustus made a law. It required that a list be made of everyone in the whole Roman world. So Joseph went also. He went from the town of Nazareth in Galilee to Judea. That is where Bethlehem, the town of David, was. Joseph went there because he belonged to the family line of David. All went to their own towns to be listed. He went there with Mary to be listed. Mary was engaged to him. She was expecting a baby. While Joseph and Mary were there, the time came for the child to be born. She gave birth to her first baby. It was a boy. She wrapped him in large strips of cloth. Then she placed him in a manger. There was no room for them in the inn.

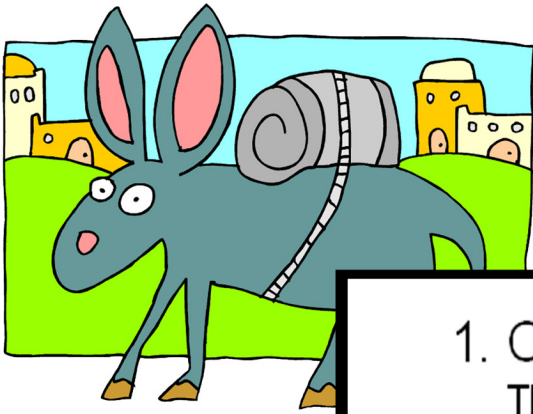
There were shepherds living out in the fields nearby. It was night, and they were looking after their sheep. An angel of the Lord appeared to them. And the glory of the Lord shone around them. They were terrified. But the angel said to them, "Do not be afraid. I bring you good news of great joy. It is for all the people. Today in the town of David a Savior has been born to you." He is Christ the Lord. Here is how you will know I am telling you the truth. You will find a baby wrapped in strips of cloth and lying in a manger." Suddenly a large group of angels from heaven also appeared. They were praising God. They said, "May glory be given to God in the highest heaven! And may peace be given to those he is pleased with on earth!" The angels left and went into heaven. Then the shepherds said to one another, "Let's go to Bethlehem. Let's see this thing that has happened, which the Lord has told us about." So they hurried off and found Mary and Joseph and the baby. The baby was lying in the manger.

After Jesus' birth, Wise Men from the east came to Jerusalem. They asked, "Where is the child who has been born to be king of the Jews? When we were in the east, we saw his star. Now we have come to worship him." The star they had seen when they were in the east went ahead of them. It finally stopped over the place where the child was. When they saw the star, they were filled with joy. The Wise Men went to the house. There they saw the child with his mother Mary. They bowed down and worshiped him. Then they opened their treasures. They gave him gold, incense and myrrh.

Name: _____

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THE ROAD TO BETHLEHEM



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1. CSSENU _____
The reason Mary & Joseph went to Bethlehem

2. DDIVA _____
Joseph belonged to the line of _____.

3. CSERAE _____
He called for a census

4. MRAY _____

5. DEOYNK _____
Mary rode on a _____.

6. JEOHSP _____

7. BHEMHTELE _____
Where Mary & Joseph went to be counted.

HINT:
READ LUKE 2:1-5

In those days Caesar Augustus issued a decree that a census should be taken of the entire Roman world. (This was the first census that took place while Quirinius was governor of Syria.) And everyone went to his own town to register: So Joseph also went up from the town of Nazareth in Galilee to Judea, to Bethlehem the town of David, because he belonged to the house and line of David. He went there to register with Mary, who was pledged to be married to him and was expecting a child

Birth of Christ

DOWN

- 1 Who were tending their flocks by night
- 2 Who announced the birth of Christ to the shepherds
- 3 The wise men bowed down to Jesus to _____ him
- 4 Jesus was born in this town
- 6 "The _____ of peace" - one of the titles of Jesus
- 8 mother of Jesus
- 9 Jesus was born in a _____
- 10 The shepherds were in the _____ when they saw an angel

ACROSS

- 1 The wise men followed a _____ that led them to Jesus
- 5 human father of Jesus
- 7 There was no _____ at the inn for Jesus
- 9 one of the gifts of the three wise men
- 11 Jesus could not stay at the _____ because it was full
- 12 and on earth _____, goodwill toward men (Luke 2:14)

12 Days of Christmas

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

Find only the underlined words in the puzzle.

On the <u>twelfth</u> day of <u>Christmas</u> ,	Seven <u>swans</u> a- <u>swimming</u> ,
My <u>true love sent</u> to me	<u>Six geese</u> a- <u>laying</u> ,
<u>Twelve drummers drumming</u> ,	<u>Five golden rings</u> ,
<u>Eleven pipers piping</u> ,	<u>Four calling birds</u> ,
<u>Ten lords</u> a- <u>leaping</u> ,	<u>Three French hens</u> ,
<u>Nine ladies dancing</u> ,	<u>Two turtle doves</u> ,
<u>Eight maids</u> a- <u>milking</u> ,	And a <u>partridge</u> in a <u>pear tree</u> !

A	B	C	D	E	G	H	I	J	L
▽	♥	I	☆	●	★	◆	○	✱	☆
N	O	P	R	S	T	V	W	Y	
■	✱	▷	⊙	▲	†	◇	□	*	

I bring you _____
 ★ ✱ ✱ ☆ ■ ● □ ▲

of great _____ that will be for
 ✱ ✱ ✱

_____. Today in the
 ▽ ☆ ☆ ▷ ● ✱ ▷ ☆ ●

town of David a _____ has
 ▲ ▽ ◆ ○ ✱ ⊙

been _____ to you; he is
 ♥ ✱ ⊙ ■

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Merry Christmas

Baby Jesus





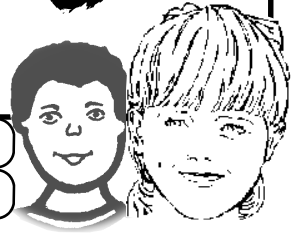
Speak, Lord

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Isaiah 9:1-7
Psalm 95
Titus 2:11-14
Luke 2:1-14

SUNDAY LITURGY FOR CHILDREN

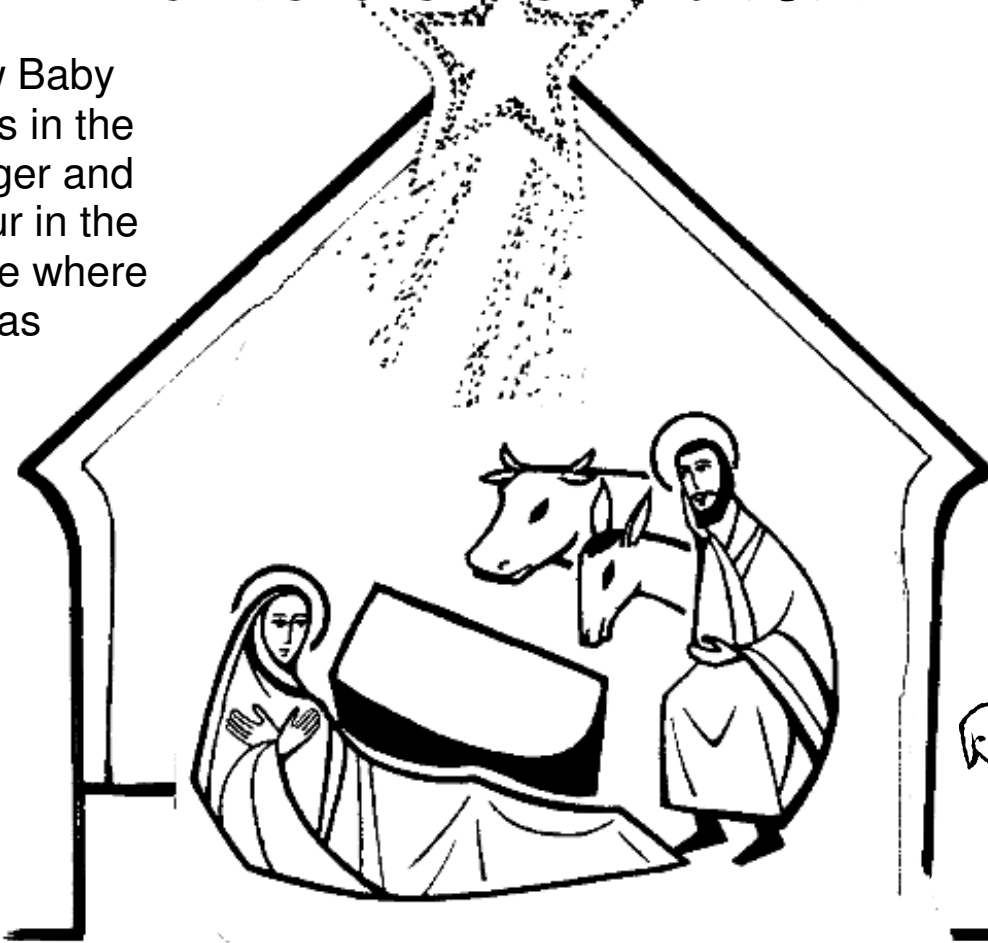
Year A — 25 December — Christmas Day



CHRISTMAS

JESUS IS BORN

Draw Baby Jesus in the manger and colour in the stable where he was born.



THE SHEPHERDS
WENT TO VISIT HIM
AND FOUND HIM IN A

MANGER