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THE PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH OF SAINT DAVID

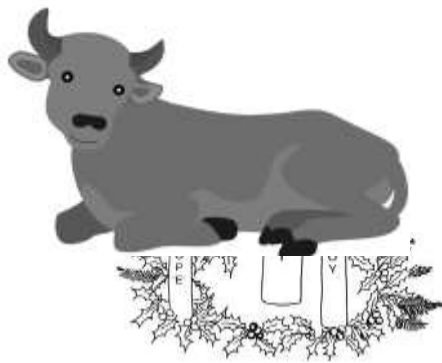
Christmas Eve, 2016, 4 pm

FAMILY SERVICE



MEET ME AT THE MANGER

Welcome



Introduction: You never know who you'll meet at the Manger!

Lighting the Christ candle –

Carol Sing –

Carol: Oh come all ye faithful **159**

Carol: Silent Night **154**

Luke 2: 1-20

William Nickerson

Luke 2: 1-7



In those days a decree went out from Emperor Augustus that all the world should be registered. This was the first registration and was taken while Quirinius was governor of Syria. All went to their own towns to be registered. Joseph also went from the town of Nazareth in Galilee to Judea, to the city of David called Bethlehem, because he was descended from the house and family of David. He went to be registered with Mary, to whom he was engaged and who was expecting a child. While they were there, the time came for her to deliver her child. And she gave birth to her firstborn son and wrapped him in bands of cloth, and laid him in a manger, because there was no place for them in the inn.

Sunday School Drama: Part 1

Carol: O Little Town (1-3) **164**

Luke 2: 8-14:

In that region there were shepherds living in the fields, keeping watch over their flock by night. Then an angel of the Lord stood before them, and the glory of the Lord shone around them, and they were terrified. But the angel



said to them, 'Do not be afraid; for see - I am bringing you good news of great joy for all the people: to you is born this day in the city of David a Saviour, who is the Messiah, the Lord. This will be a sign for you: you will find a child wrapped in bands of cloth and lying in a manger.' And suddenly there was with the angel a multitude of the heavenly host, praising God and saying, 'Glory to God in the highest heaven, and on earth peace among those whom he favours!'

Sunday School Drama: part 2

Carol: While Shepherds watched (1-3,6) **138**

Luke 2: 15-20

When the angels had left them and gone into heaven, the shepherds said to one another, 'Let us go now to Bethlehem and see this thing that has taken place, which the Lord has made known to us.' So they went with haste and found Mary and Joseph, and the child lying in the manger. When they saw this, they made known what had been told them about this child; and all who heard it were amazed at what the shepherds told them. But Mary treasured all these words and pondered them in her heart. The shepherds returned, glorifying and praising God for all they had heard and seen, as it had been told them.



Carol (actions by Sunday School)
Jesus our brother kind and good **150**
Verse 6 is followed by Isaiah 11: 6-9

The Wolf and the Lamb

The wolf shall live with the lamb,
the leopard shall lie down with the kid,



the calf and the lion and the fatling together,
and a little child shall lead them.

⁷The cow and the bear shall graze,
their young shall lie down together;
and the lion shall eat straw like the ox.

⁸The nursing child shall play over the hole of the asp,
and the weaned child shall put its hand on the adder's den. ⁹They will not hurt or destroy on all my holy mountain; for the earth will be full of the knowledge of the Lord as the waters cover the sea.

Our Christmas Offering: We hope you enjoy this Christmas family service and find meaning in the message of the manger. This is a generous congregation. Help us reach our goal of \$128,500 by December 31,2016!

Our Christmas Prayer John Wamboldt

Carol: What child is this **161**

Carol: Away in a manger **149**

Carol: Joy to the World (1,2,4) **153**

Gather around the Christmas Tree and share gifts
A final song...

Our greeter this afternoon is Val Macdonald.

Thank you to all who have participated in this family service this afternoon especially the Sunday School under the direction of Dr. Susan Lappin. A blessed Christmas to one and all!