

Key Points

Know What:

- Today we are continuing our advent theme on Light. Advent is a time when we get ready for Christmas and remember that Jesus promised to return. So far we've looked out Isaiah 9 and Mary and Joseph. This week is the shepherds and the angels.
- Christmas and Advent are full of lights. From candles to fairy lights, people put lights everywhere to celebrate light at Christmas.
- Mary and Joseph went to Bethlehem to where Joseph was from. There was no room at the inn so Jesus was born in a stable where the animals were.
- Outside Bethlehem there were some shepherds. Angels appeared to them and told them about Jesus' birth. The shepherds rushed to find Jesus and went away telling everyone about him.

So What:

- Shepherds weren't important to most people but were special enough to God to be told about Jesus' birth.
- Light is stronger than dark. God promises to shine light into our lives.

Now What:

- Jesus is for everyone, let's be ready to meet with him.
- Is there anyone who you can tell about Jesus this Christmas?

Luke 2:8-20

⁸ That night, some shepherds were in the fields nearby watching their sheep. ⁹ Then an angel of the Lord stood before them. The glory of the Lord was shining around them, and they became very frightened. ¹⁰ The angel said to them, “Do not be afraid. I am bringing you good news that will be a great joy to all the people. ¹¹ Today your Saviour was born in the town of David. He is Christ, the Lord. ¹² This is how you will know him: You will find a baby wrapped in pieces of cloth and lying in a feeding box.”

¹³ Then a very large group of angels from heaven joined the first angel, praising God and saying:

¹⁴ “Give glory to God in heaven,
and on earth let there be peace among the people who please God.”

¹⁵ When the angels left them and went back to heaven, the shepherds said to each other, “Let’s go to Bethlehem. Let’s see this thing that has happened which the Lord has told us about.”

¹⁶ So the shepherds went quickly and found Mary and Joseph and the baby, who was lying in a feeding trough. ¹⁷ When they had seen him, they told what the angels had said about this child. ¹⁸ Everyone was amazed at what the shepherds said to them. ¹⁹ But Mary treasured these things and continued to think about them. ²⁰ Then the shepherds went back to their sheep, praising God and thanking him for everything they had seen and heard. It had been just as the angel had told them.

Welcome to
FOUNDATION CAFÉ SERVICE

Seeing the Light
Shepherds see the light

Advent Wreath



Allelu

Allelu, allelu, allelu alleluia
We'll praise the Lord!

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We'll praise the Lord!

We'll praise Lord! Alleluia

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We'll praise Lord!

Jesus' Family Tree



God

Joy to the World

Joy to the World , the Lord is come!
Let earth receive her King;
Let every heart prepare Him room,
And Heaven and nature sing,
And Heaven and nature sing,
And Heaven, and Heaven, and nature sing.

Joy to the World, the Savior reigns!
Let men their songs employ;
While fields and floods, rocks, hills and plains
Repeat the sounding joy,
Repeat the sounding joy,
Repeat, repeat, the sounding joy.

He rules the world with truth and grace,
And makes the nations prove
The glories of His righteousness,
And wonders of His love,
And wonders of His love,
And wonders, wonders, of His love.

My God is So Big

My God is so big,
so strong and so mighty
There's nothing that He cannot do
My God is so big,
so strong and so mighty
There's nothing that He cannot do

The rivers are His,
the mountains are His
The stars are His handiwork too
My God is so big,
so strong and so mighty
There's nothing that He cannot do

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The Shepherds



So what does the story mean?

- Where were you born? Was it a nice, safe place?
- Are shepherds important people? Why tell them about Jesus?
- Who can you tell about Jesus this Christmas?

Craft



Key Verse

I am bringing you good news that
will be a great joy to all the people.

Luke 2:10

O Come all ye Faithful

O Come All Ye Faithful
Joyful and triumphant,
O come ye, O come ye to Bethlehem.
Come and behold Him,
Born the King of Angels;

O come, let us adore Him,
O come, let us adore Him,
O come, let us adore Him,
Christ the Lord.

Sing choirs of angels
Sing in exultation
Sing all ye citizens
Of heaven above
Glory to God in the highest

O come, let us adore Him,
O come, let us adore Him,
O come, let us adore Him,
Christ the Lord.

The Lord's Prayer

Our Father in heaven,
Hallowed be your name.

Your Kingdom come,
Your will be done

On earth as in heaven.

Give us today our daily bread,

And forgive us our sins,
As we forgive those who sin against us.
Lead us not into temptation, but
deliver us from evil.
For the Kingdom, the power and
the glory are yours,
Now and forever,
Amen.

Let's Pray



This Little Light

This little light of mine,
I'm gonna let it shine.
This little light of mine,
I'm gonna let it shine,
This little light of mine,
I'm gonna let it shine,

Let it shine,
Let it shine,
Let it shine.

The Grace

May the grace of our Lord
Jesus Christ,
the love of God and the fellowship of the Holy
Spirit be with us all,
for evermore.

Amen

Notices

- Pick a book!
- Next week – Foundation & 9:31
Christingle Services!
- Ask if you want someone to pray with you.
- Talk to Luke about the Christmas Eve Nativity
if you want to take part!
- Children's Society Candle Boxes.