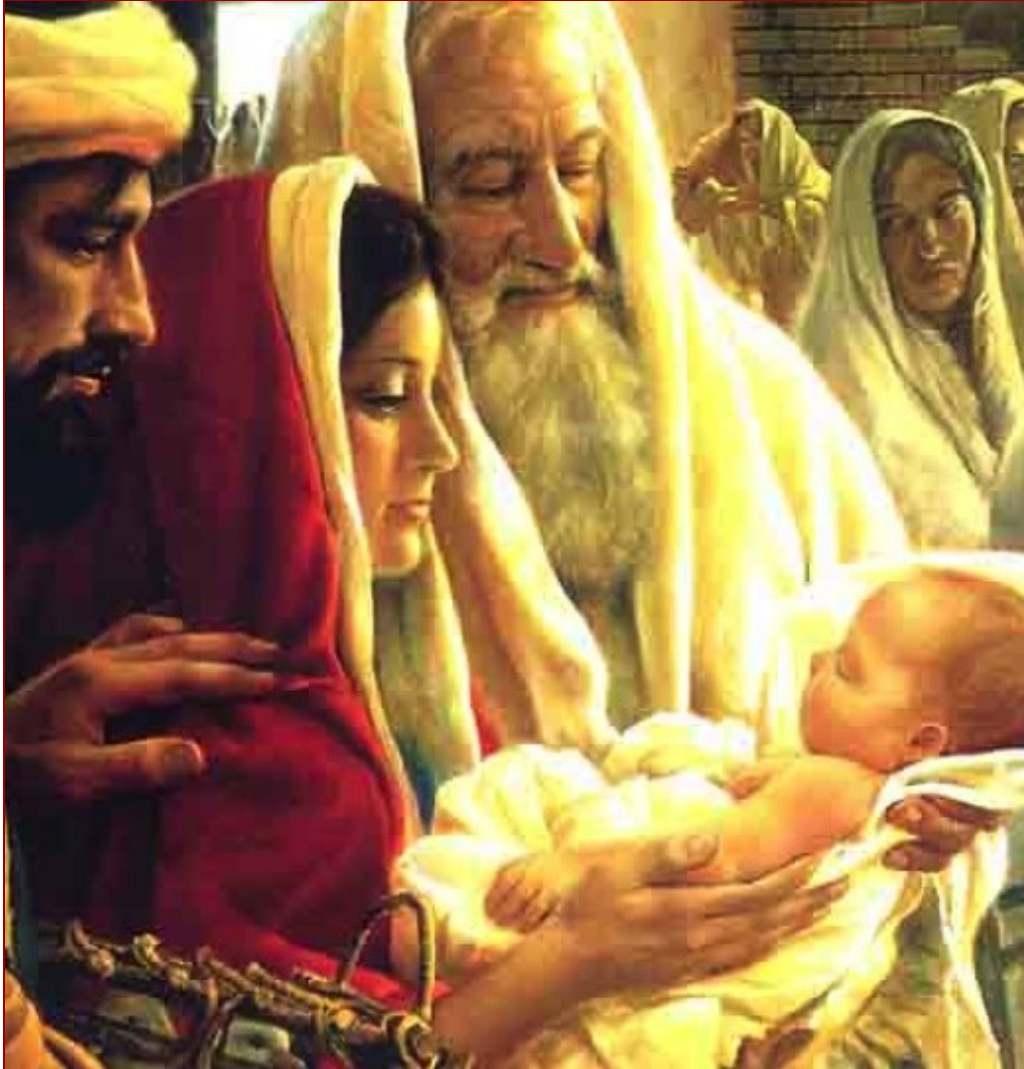


First Sunday
after
Christmas Day

December
27
2020

4pm

The Presentation of the Lord



Luke 2:22-40

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MEMORIAL UNITED METHODIST CHURCH

Poolesville, MD



Thank you for coming together in worship this morning. As we gather, take time to relax and prepare your heart to listen for God through today's time of prayer, song, and scripture study. As you participate with heart and/or voice, the words will be displayed on your screen for your convenience.

UMH=United Methodist Hymnal.; TFWS=The Faith We Sing.

Worship Service December 27, 2020

MESSAGE - *The Law of the Lord*

SCRIPTURES: Galatians 4:4-7 and Luke 2:22-40

CALL TO WORSHIP

LEADER: Praise be to God who has given God's light to us.
PEOPLE: **Honor and praise to God for God's most precious gift.**
LEADER: The darkness that enveloped the people,
PEOPLE: **Has been pierced by the Light.**
LEADER: Let us rejoice in God's blessed goodness!
ALL: **Let us continually praise God with great joy and thanksgiving. AMEN**

OPENING PRAYER

God of Promise, be with us this day and always as we journey in faith; to meet and serve your Gift to the world. Give us courage and hope along our way, as your light will continue to glow brightly in our path, leading us to service and discipleship in Jesus' Name. AMEN.


MUSIC

PRE-SERVICE	<i>I Wonder as I Wander</i> <i>How Far is it to Bethlehem?</i>	by Hayes/Wagner by Douglas Wagner
PRELUDE	<i>Tidings of Joy!</i> (Piano/Organ duet)	by Lloyd Larson
HYMNS	<i>Once in Royal David's City</i> <i>There's a Song in the Air</i>	UMH 250 UMH 249
POSTLUDE	<i>Hark! The Herald Angels Sing</i>	by Mendelssohn/McDonald

CONTRIBUTORS

WORSHIP ASST: Sandy Parnell-Dowell
LITURGIST: Betty Jean Selby
ORGAN/PIANO: Linda Custer, Janet Hartz
VOCALISTS: Sandi Baggett, Laura Blauch, Link Hoewing, Wendy Huff
AUDIO/VIDIO: David Melton, Tim Melton, Kevin Schramm

UPCOMING HAPPENINGS

SUN - DEC 27 <i>First Sunday after Christmas</i>	9:15 - 10:15 am 9:30 - 10 am 10:30 - 11:30 am	Adult Sunday School - Zoom - CANCELED Youth Sunday School - Zoom - CANCELED Worship Service - In-Person & YouTube
MON-FRI DEC 28-JAN 1	Office Closed	
WED - DEC 30	2 - 3 pm	Saval Community Food Distribution - Parking Lot
THU - DEC 31	7 - 8 pm	Review/Preview with Pastor Tim - CANCELED
FRI - JAN 1 <i>New Year's Day</i>		
SUN - JAN 3 <i>Epiphany Sunday</i>	9:15 - 10:15 am 9:30 - 10 am 10:30 - 11:30 am 11:45 am - 1:45 pm	Adult Sunday School - Zoom Youth Sunday School - Zoom Worship Service - In-Person & YouTube UnHanging of the Greens
TUE - JAN 5	7 - 8:30 pm 8:30 - 9:30 pm	Men's Group - Zoom Re-Entering Well Task Force Meeting - Zoom
WED - JAN 6	2 - 3 pm	Saval Community Food Distribution - Parking Lot
THU - JAN 7	7 - 8 pm	Review/Preview with Pastor Tim - Zoom
SUN - JAN 10 <i>Baptism of the Lord</i>	9:15 - 10:15 am 9:30 - 10 am 10:30 - 11:30 am	Adult Sunday School - Zoom Youth Sunday School - Zoom Worship Service - In-Person & YouTube

UPCOMING READER SCHEDULE

DATE	DEC 27	JAN 3	JAN 10
LITURGIST	Betty Jean Selby	Pam Flick	Sandi Baggett
ACOLTYE			

DAILY SCRIPTURE READINGS

Sun., Dec 27 - **COLOSSIANS 4:2-6** *Opportunities Everywhere*
 Mon., Dec 28 - **1 SAMUEL 16:1-13** *Character First*
 Tue., Dec 29 - **EPHESIANS 2:1-10** *Mercy Pick*
 Wed., Dec 30 - **PSALM 134:1-3** *God's Beautiful Creation*
 Thu., Dec 31 - **JOSHUA 4:1-7** *Always*
 Fri., Jan 1 - **LUKE 9:1-6** *The Junk Drawer*
 Sat., Jan 2 - **ISAIAH 40:28-31** *Perseverance*

Visit www.upperroom.com for more information.

MEMORIAL'S PURPOSE



CHURCH GIVING

AVERAGE WEEKLY GIVING *(last 8 weeks)*
\$5,584

WEEKLY BUDGET GOALS
\$5,770

WAYS TO GIVE:

- **MAIL** to Memorial's PO Box 358
- **DROP** in Memorial's secured mailbox next to entrance
- **ELECTRONICALLY** via PMUMC.org

OFFICE INFORMATION

COORDINATOR HOURS

Monday-Friday, 9am-Noon

PASTORAL APPOINTMENTS

To schedule, please contact the office at 301-349-2010, office@pmumc.org, or visit www.pmumc.org

PHONE MESSAGES

Messages for Shirley and Pastor Tim are sent to their email accounts.

EMERGENCIES

For immediate pastoral care, please email Pastor Tim at PastorTim@PMUMC.org

CHURCH PERSONNEL

PASTOR - Rev. Timothy A. Dowell
CHURCH COORDINATOR-Shirley Prasada-Rao
DIRECTOR OF MUSIC - Janet Hartz
ORGANIST - Linda Custer
BELL CHOIR DIRECTOR - Becky Smalley
HEAD USHER - Dr. Robert Spiker
HEAD ACOLYTES
 Charlotte Selby, Rachel Smalley
ALTAR GUILD/COMMUNION STEWARD
 Janet Spiker
CUSTODIAN - Pecoe Fleming

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Advent and Christmas Display

an opportunity for reflection and meditation

Visit the Sanctuary In-Person

Sundays from 10-10:30 and 11:30-11:45 am

View Virtually on our YouTube channel

Sundays from 10-10:15 and 11:30-11:45am

*“though your sins are like scarlet,
they shall be like snow”*

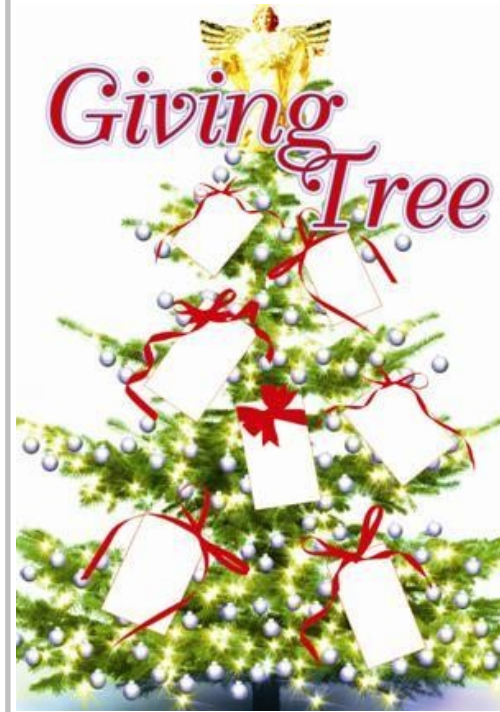
Isaiah 1:18

The red drape represents our sins
and the snowflakes forgiveness.

May each of us be blessed!



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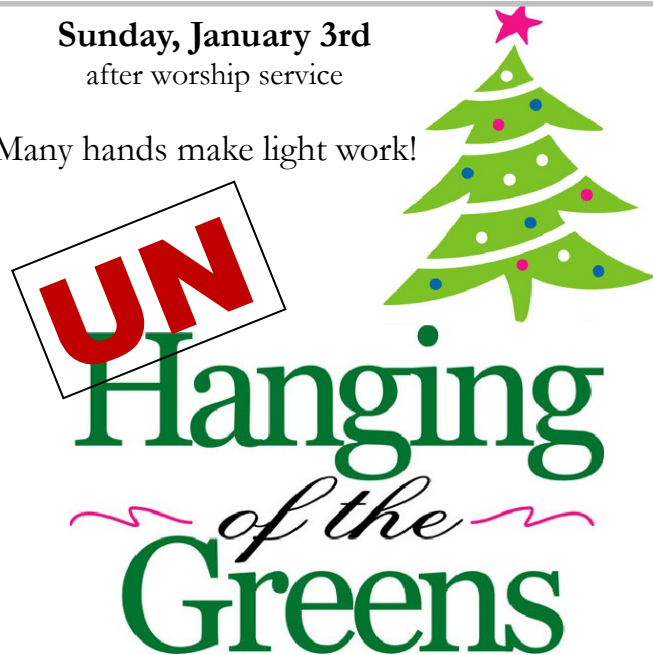


***THANK YOU** for helping
our three WUMCO families
celebrate Christmas this year!*

*Each family was overwhelmed
with your kindness and generosity
and they wish
everyone a blessed Christmas!*

Sunday, January 3rd
after worship service

Many hands make light work!



Send requests to
prayers@pmumc.org
PRAYER REQUESTS
We are here to pray for you!



Gather for Worship
Sundays at 10:30 am



Most of Memorial's Small Groups will remain online.

If you are part of a group of 5 or less you may opt to hold your meeting in the church building while maintaining all proper social distancing protocol. To connect with a group email...

- **Worship Service** - visit www.PMUMC.org for instructions
- **Adult Sunday School** - contact Fred Lyon at cfredlyon@gmail.com
- **Youth Sunday School/VBS** - contact Betty King at bking21710@gmail.com
- **Church Council Meeting** - contact Scott McGrew at scott.mcgrew@aol.com
- **Youth Group** - contact Pastor Tim at pastortim@pmumc.org or Betty King at bking21710@gmail.com
- **Trustees Meeting** - contact Gary Hartz at gjalaska@verizon.net
- **Review/Preview with Pastor Tim** - contact Pastor Tim at pastortim@pmumc.org
- **Men's Group** - contact Ray Hoewing at RLHoewing@gmail.com



**Lift up your
Hearts:**

*A weekly prayer for the
Baltimore-Washington
Conference
from the
Appointive Cabinet.*

Holy God of Light and Love,

Our time of Advent preparation is drawing down. We know that Isaiah prophesied, and John the Baptist prepared the way. We have sung, “O Come, O Come, Emmanuel.” We have prayed to become like Mary and Joseph, obedient and ready to embrace a child who will be our savior. We await a miracle: for the Word to become flesh and dwell among us.

Come, Lord Jesus, Come! Shine your light into our darkness. Pour your love into our weary and hardened hearts. Have mercy on us, until our hearts are strangely warmed, and we surrender to you, the Source of Life. This silent and holy night, we want to walk as children of light, we want to follow Jesus. In Christ’s name, we pray. Amen.



Enjoy the Worldwide Methodist Choir sing at
https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=RVsJsJk1zdw&feature=emb_rel_end

BWC Scholarship Application, Jan 1-Mar 24 All those who will be attending college in Fall 2021 are encouraged to apply by visiting
<https://www.bwcmc.org/administration/local-church-resources/scholarships/>

Virtual mission trip aids children: Join in the spirit of mission, Jan 12-14, on a journey to Zimbabwe, Kenya, and India to help children help themselves. Register for the ZOE Virtual Mission Trip, sponsored by the East Ohio Conference. The ZOE Zimbabwe Connection has been empowering orphans since 2005. Learn more and register for this free event by visiting:
<https://www.eventbrite.com/e/zoe-virtual-mission-trip-tickets-130285199539>



Online courses at Wesley:

We are all looking forward to the end of 2020... why not launch 2021 with taking an online class at Wesley Theological Seminary? For information whether it’s your first class ever, continuing a degree or certificate program, or taking a continuing education class call (202)885-8659 or go to <https://www.wesleyseminary.edu/admissions/try-a-class-2/>.

We are God's heirs.

Circle the 1 picture that is different.



Children's Worship Bulletin™



Ages 3+

December 27, 2020 • Galatians 4:4-7

Children of God

Jesus was born of a woman.
Jesus is God's Son.

Put the pictures in the correct order.



1



2

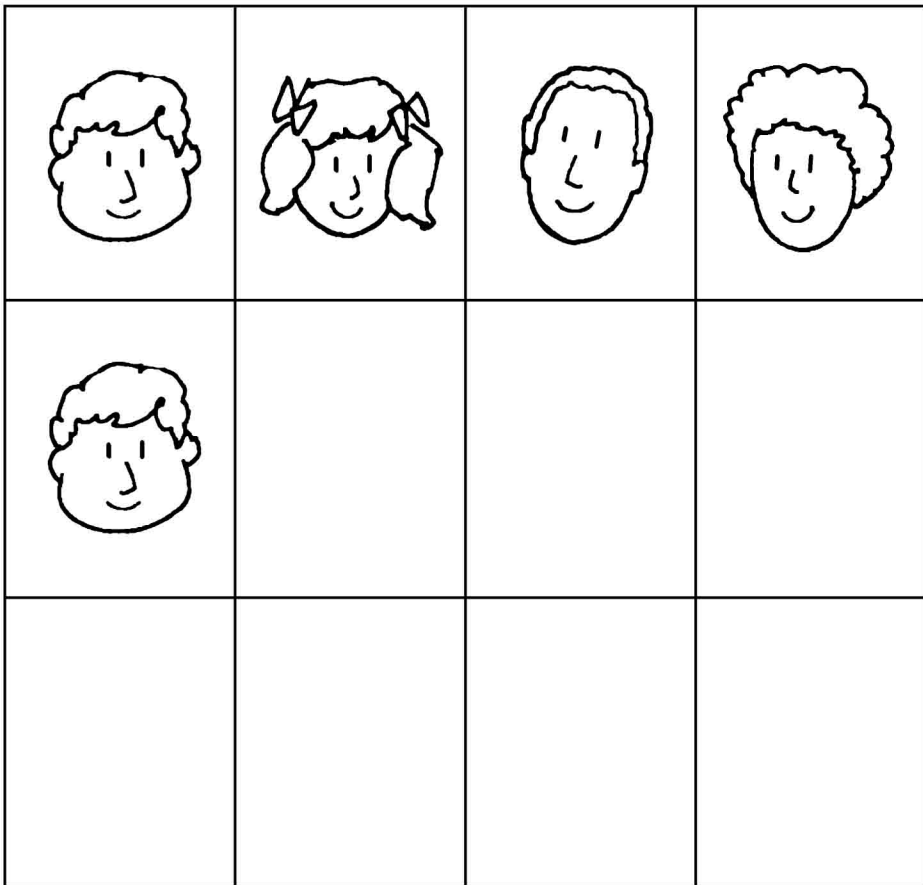
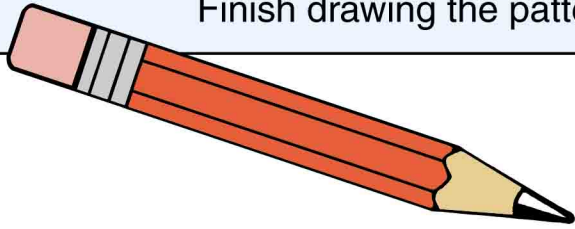


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We are adopted
sons and daughters of God.

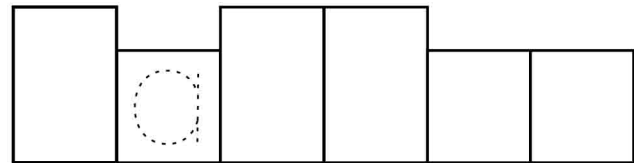
Finish drawing the pattern.



We can call God ...

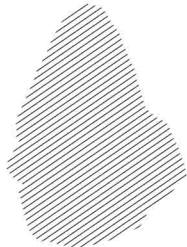
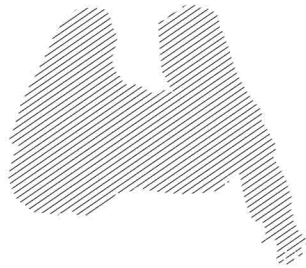
Use the boxed code to write the letters.

F a t h e r A b b a



Anna gave thanks to God when she saw baby Jesus.

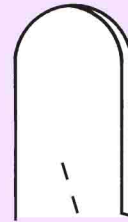
Match the shadows.



Jesus Presented in the Temple

Simeon was a faithful man. The Holy Spirit told him he would see the Messiah.

Add these items to the picture.



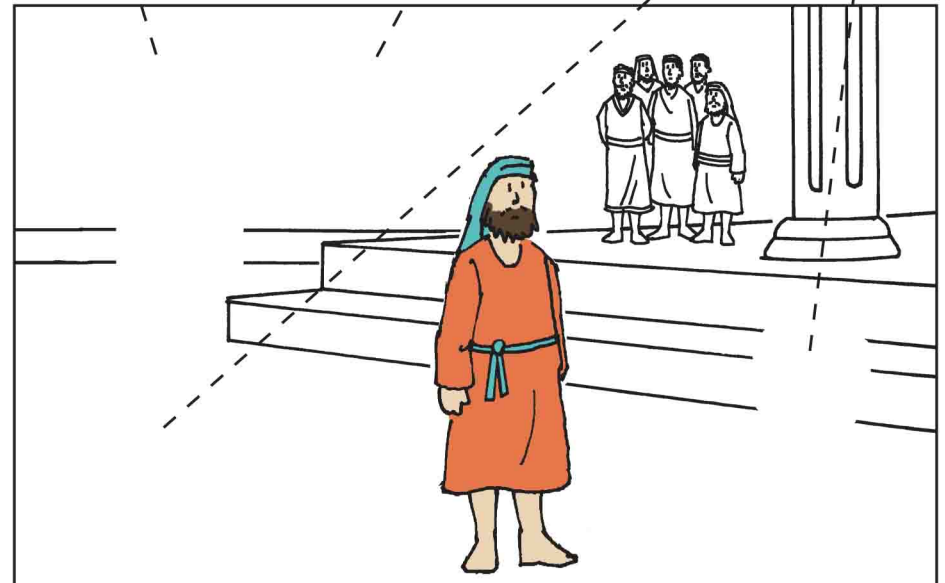
an archway



a window



2 vases



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Simeon held Jesus in his arms
and praised God.

Use the boxed letter code.

seen eyes

salvation

“Lord, as You have
promised ...

For my

have

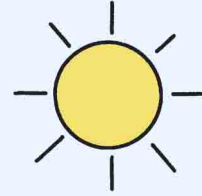
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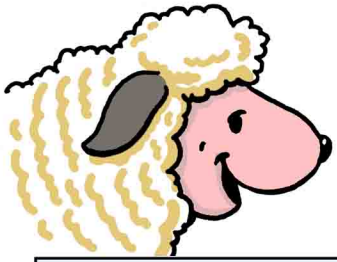
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Anna also hoped to see Jesus.
She waited day and night in the temple.

Finish the pattern.




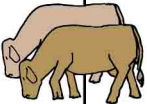


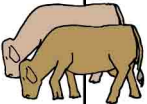
As God's children we have a very special position.


Complete the description of jobs that a household servant might have to do. Use the letters to find a wonderful truth.

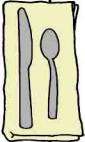
He or she might ...

 uy the roc ries,
 1 2 3

 plan the g rde ,
 4 5 6

 i k the ow ,
 7 8 9 10

 pol s the sil e ,
 11 12 13 14

 and ir n the la n r .
 15 16 17 18

18 15 16 5 14 3 6 15

8 15 6 2 3 14 10 8 5 13 3 10

1 16 4 2 15 17 10

9 12 11 8 17 14 3 6 5 6 17

12 3 12 5 10 7 5 17 3

18 15 16 12 3 11 14 10

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Children of God

When the time was just right, God did something special.

In each row, cross out the name of the animal that is pictured. Write the remaining letters in the blanks to find what God did.

	C	A	G	M	O	E	L	D
	S	F	E	R	O	N	T	G
	H	M	O	I	U	S	S	E
	S	S	O	N	N	A	K	E
	B	B	I	O	R	R	D	N
	M	O	O	N	K	E	Y	F
	G	I	R	A	A	F	F	E
	C	W	O	M	A	A	T	N



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GGBYX8

God sent Christ to set
people free who were under the law.

Replace the letter with the letter before
it in the alphabet to complete the sentence.

ABCDEFGHIJKLMNOPQRSTUVWXYZ

T U I B U X F

N J H I U

S F D F J W F U I F

G V M M S J H I U

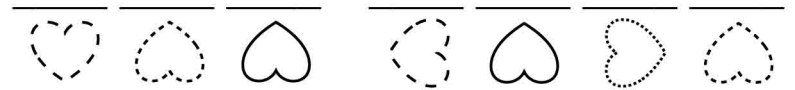
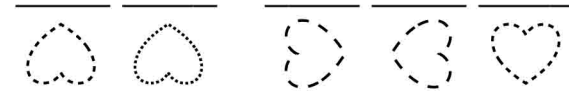
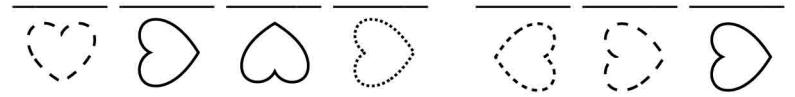
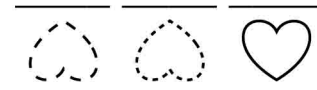
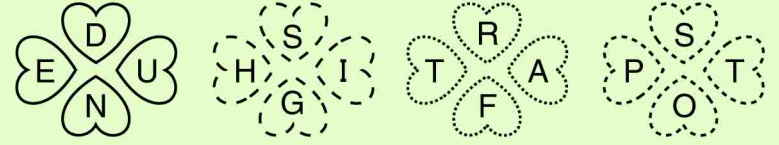
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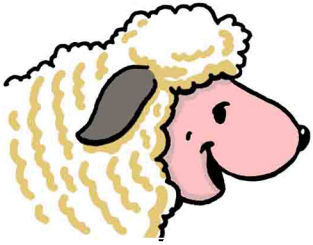


Because we are God's children,
He sent something into our hearts.



Use the heart code to find a message.





What happened when Mary, Joseph and the baby returned to Nazareth?

Write the word that means the opposite of the word given. Then use the code to fill in the blanks.

1) WINTER	_____	_____	_____	_____	_____
	3	4			6
2) STRONG	_____	_____	_____	_____	_____
		7		8	
3) BEGIN	_____	_____	_____	_____	_____
			2		10
4) TREASURE	_____	_____	_____	_____	_____
		1		9	
5) TERRIBLE	_____	_____	_____	_____	_____
		5			
6) TOP	_____	_____	_____	_____	_____
	11			15	13
7) STILLNESS	A	_____	_____	_____	N
		12	14		



1	2	3	4	3
	5	6	2	7
		8	9	10

11 2 12 8 13 2 3 14 6 15 9 5

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Jesus Presented in the Temple



After Jesus was born, Joseph and Mary took Him to the temple for the purification rites required by the Law of Moses.

Help Jesus, Mary and Joseph find their way through the maze. Read about the purification rites along the way.

START ↓

male	leader
Every	male
firstborn	
firstborn	be the
son	consecrated
believe	to
male	to
to	the
be	is
the	delivered
offer	to
	Lord.

END ↓

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A man named Simeon was waiting in the temple. The Holy Spirit had told him he would see the Lord's Messiah. What did Simeon say when he saw the baby Jesus.

Use this code to fill in the blanks.

A B C D E F G H I J K L M N O P Q R S T U V W X Y Z
1 2 3 4 5 6 7 8 9 10 11 12 13 14 15 16 17 18 19 20 21 22 23 24 25 26

“
 19 15 22 5 18 5 9 7 14
 12 15 18 4 1 19 25 15 21
 8 1 22 5 16 18 15 13 9 19 5 4
 25 15 21 14 15 23
 4 9 19 13 9 19 19 25 15 21 18
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 25 15 21 18 19 1 12 22 1 20 9 15 14
 23 8 9 3 8 25 15 21
 8 1 22 5 16 18 5 16 1 18 5 4
 9 14 20 8 5 19 9 7 8 20
 15 6 1 12 12 16 5 15 16 12 5”

There was also an old woman,

Anna, who was a prophet.

When she saw Jesus, she gave thanks to God and spoke about the child to all who were looking forward to the redemption of Jerusalem.



Find the underlined words in the puzzle below. They are ↑ ↓ ↖ ↗ ↘ ↙ ↠ ↡ .

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