

OUR PURPOSE



*Loving God
Welcoming All
Serving Neighbors
Together through
Jesus Christ*

DAILY SCRIPTURE READINGS

Sun., Dec 19 - **MATTHEW 5:14-16** *4th Sunday of Advent*
Mon., Dec 20 - **PSALM 139:7-18** *Wonderfully Made*
Tue., Dec 21 - **EPHESIANS 3:14-21** *Rooted in Love*
Wed., Dec 22 - **ISAIAH 41:1-10** *Different Kind of Miracle*
Thu., Dec 23 - **EPHESIANS 4:25-32** *Making Space*
Fri., Dec 24 - **LUKE 1:26-37** *Christmas Eve*
Sat., Dec 25 - **LUKE 2:4-7** *Christmas Day*
Visit www.upperroom.com for more information.

OFFICE INFORMATION

COORDINATOR HOURS

Monday-Friday, 9am-Noon

PASTORAL APPOINTMENTS

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

PHONE MESSAGES

Messages sent to designated email accounts.

EMERGENCIES

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

CHURCH GIVING

AVERAGE WEEKLY GIVING *(last 8 weeks)*

\$5,811.38

WEEKLY GOAL - \$5,770.00

WAYS TO GIVE:

- **PLACE** in Offering Plate when entering/exiting Worship Service
- **MAIL** to Memorial's PO Box 358
- **DROP** in Memorial's secured mailbox next to entrance
- **ELECTRONICALLY** via PMUMC.org

CHURCH PERSONNEL & CONTRIBUTORS TO WORSHIP

PASTOR - Rev. Timothy A. Dowell

MUSIC DIRECTOR - Janet Hartz

ORGANIST - Linda Custer

BELL CHOIR DIRECTOR - Becky Smalley

HEAD USHER - Dr. Robert Spiker

ALTAR GUILD/COMMUNION STEWARD - Janet Spiker

WORSHIP ASSISTANT - Sandy Parnell-Dowell

ACOLYTE COORDINATOR - Roy Melton

HEAD ACOLYTES - Charlotte S., Rachel S.

ACOLYTES - Chloe D., Grace P., Addie S., Evie S., Isabel S., Keefer B., Sam L., Tristan Y.

AUDIO/VIDEO - Tim Melton, Kevin Schramm

CHANCEL CHOIR - Sandi Baggett, Eleanor Bateman, Chloe Dowell, Tim Dowell, Chris Giarratano, Link Hoewing, Steve Krasner, Priscilla Lyon, David Melton, Tim Melton, Walter Moskwa, Marty Pauley, Roger Powers, Betty Jean Selby, Becky Smalley, Rachel Smalley, Erin Smeller

WORSHIP CMTE CHAIR - Priscilla Lyon

VISUAL ARTS - Dianna McGrew, Janet Spiker

CHURCH COORDINATOR-Shirley Prasada-Rao



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Fourth Sunday of Advent **Sunday Worship Service** *December 19, 2021 at 10:30 am*





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.

* = Please stand in your heart or posture. **UMH** = United Methodist Hymnal. **TFWS** = The Faith We Sing.
Regular bold print = recite out loud

PRE-SERVICE *What Child Is This?* by Gerald Dick
Joseph Dearest, Joseph Mine by Darwin Wolford

Worship Service

Chloe D., Acolyte

WELCOME Introductions and Prayer

PRELUDE - PIANO DUET
The First Noel

by Joel Raney

CHORAL INTROIT - CHANCEL CHOIR
God in This Child

by Bryan Sharpe

* CALL TO WORSHIP

Jan Deloria

LEADER: Come, joy, lighten our spirits.

PEOPLE: **Come, hope, lift us from despair.**

LEADER: Come, peace, ease our frantic worry.

PEOPLE: **Come, love shine in all we do.**

LEADER: Come, Jesus, be born in us.

PEOPLE: **Come, Lord, set us free.**

LEADER: Come, God,

PEOPLE: **Rule in our hearts and teach us to sing with joy!**

* OPENING PRAYER

Jan Deloria

Lord: As we encounter Mary and hear of the wondrous news that she received, remind us that, like Mary, each one of us is a bearer of your Good News. We are called to proclaim hope, peace, joy, and love in your name. Open our hearts and our spirits today to receive with great joy the love that you have for us. We ask this in Jesus' Name. AMEN.

* OPENING HYMN

O Come, All Ye Faithful

UMH 234

ADVENT READING AND LIGHTING OF ADVENT CANDLE
The Blessing of Home (Micah 5:2 and Luke 1:39-42)

Rachel, Evie, and Isabel
Smalley

ANTHEM - BELL CHOIR

Come, Thou Long-Expected Jesus

by Lee J Afdahl

SECOND READING - LUKE 1:39-45, (45-55)

This is the word of the Lord. **Thanks be to God.**

Eleanor Bateman

MESSAGE *The Irony of Blessing*

PRAYERS Please share your prayer concerns and joys.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

PRAYER *The Lord's Prayer*

UMH 895

* CLOSING HYMN

Hark! The Herald Angels Sing

UMH 240

* BENECTION

POSTLUDE - WALTER MOSKWA, TRUMPET

O Come, All Ye Faithful

by Brant Adams

ANNOUNCEMENTS



MASK MANDATE IS BACK - EFFECTIVE 11/20/2021

and until there are 7 consecutive days of low transmission

In accordance with Montgomery County Government, ALL individuals (no matter vaccination status) will be required to wear a mask in public indoor gatherings at Poolesville Memorial UMC.

We encourage everyone's participation while observing safety protocols.

Friendly Thrift Shop

Volunteer Needed We have been asked to provide 1 additional volunteer. You can choose the task, day, and time you can work. Please email Barbara Polak at rapbap00@yahoo.com or call the church office at 301-349-2010.



Nursery is Open!

For 6mo-4yr olds
Starting TODAY on
Sundays during Worship
and Christmas Eve

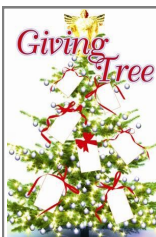
SCHEDULE	DECEMBER 24	DECEMBER 26	JANUARY 2	JANUARY 9
LITURGIST	Youth	Sandi Baggett Ray Hoewing	Brenda Boulter Ralph Hitchens	Nicole Lewis Scott McGrew
ACOLYTE	Isabel S.	Grace P.	Evie S.	Rachel S.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Memorial's Small Groups - some online only, some in-person, some hybrid.

To connect with a group, please email...

- **Worship Service** - visit www.PMUMC.org for instructions
- **Adult Sunday School** - email Fred at cfredlyon@gmail.com
- **Youth Sunday School** - email Betty at bking21710@gmail.com
- **Church Council** - email Scott McGrew at scott.mcgreg@aol.com
- **Trustees Meeting** - email Gary Hartz at gjalaska@verizon.net
- **Review/Preview with Pastor Tim** - email Pastor Tim at PastorTim@pmumc.org
- **Men's Group** - email Ray at RLHoewing@gmail.com
- **Youth Group** - email Pastor Tim at PastorTim@pmumc.org or Betty King at bking21710@gmail.com
- **Have a calling to start a new small group?** Contact Pastor Tim or call the church office.



Giving Tree
We are blessed to help three local families with a meal and gifts!
Please return all pledged items to the church by Monday, December 20th.
If you run into any issues, please call the office at 301-349-2010.



The power of prayer is mighty!
Please send request to Prayers@PMUMC.org.

Love music? **Want to be part of a choir?** Take the plunge!

CHANCEL REHEARSAL - Wednesdays, 7:30-9pm

BELL REHEARSAL - Mondays, 7-8:30pm **CHOIR**
Please contact Directors

Chancel - Janet Hartz - gjalaska@verizon.net or 301-349-5935
Bell - Becky Smalley - bsmalley913@gmail.com or 240-398-8394



Daily Devotionals are available outside on the bench and in the church entrance area.



Child/Youth Sunday School
9:30 - 10:15 am

We are in-person in the Fellowship Hall where those participating virtually join us! Contact Betty at bking21710@gmail.com.

Poinsettia Donation

John and Pat Thompson generously donated (with delivery help by Betty Jean Selby) 2 beautiful poinsettias. They were purchased from Thanksgiving Farm with all proceeds going to help victims of the devastation in Kentucky.



Christmas at PMUMC



Christmas Eve Worship
Friday, Dec 24th at 6pm
Nursery for 6mo-4yr olds

UPCOMING HAPPENINGS


SUN - DEC 19 <i>Fourth Sunday of Advent</i>	9:15 - 10:15 am 9:30 - 10:15 am 10:30 - 11:30 am 2 - 5 pm	Adult Sunday School - Room 6 & Zoom Child & Youth Hybrid Sunday School-Zoom & FH Worship Service - Sanctuary & YouTube <i>(Nursery Available)</i> Private Party - Fellowship Hall
MON - DEC 20	Noon 4:30 - 6 pm 7 - 8:30 pm	WUMCO Angel Tree Gifts Due - Church Office Girl Scout Troop #32009 - Fellowship Hall Bell Choir Rehearsal - Spurrier Hall
TUE - DEC 21	10am - 2 pm 7 - 8 pm	Annual Sprinkler Inspection - Entire Building Men's Group - In-Person & Zoom
WED - DEC 22	7 - 8 pm	Chancel Choir Rehearsal - Room 8
THU - DEC 23	4:30 - 5:30 pm 7 - 8 pm	Girl Scout Troop 32066 - Fellowship Hall Review/Preview with Pastor Tim - Zoom
FRI - DEC 24 <i>Christmas Eve</i>	6 - 7 pm	Christmas Eve Worship - Sanctuary & YouTube <i>(Nursery Available)</i>
SAT - DEC 25	MERRY CHRISTMAS!!!	
SUN - DEC 26 <i>First Sunday after Christmas</i>	9:15 - 10:15 am 9:30 - 10:15 am 10:30 - 11:30 am	Adult Sunday School - Room 6 & Zoom Child & Youth Hybrid Sunday School-CANCELED Worship Service - Sanctuary & YouTube <i>(Nursery Available)</i>
MON - DEC 27	7 - 8:30 pm	Bell Choir Rehearsal - CANCELED
WED - DEC 29	7 - 8 pm	Chancel Choir Rehearsal - CANCELED
THU - DEC 30	7 - 8 pm	Review/Preview with Pastor Tim - CANCELED
SAT - JAN 1	HAPPY NEW YEAR!!!	
SUN - JAN 2 <i>Second Sunday after Christmas</i>	9:15 - 10:15 am 9:30 - 10:15 am 10:30 - 11:30 am	Adult Sunday School - Room 6 & Zoom Child & Youth Hybrid Sunday School-Zoom & FH Worship Service - Sanctuary & YouTube <i>(Nursery Available)</i>

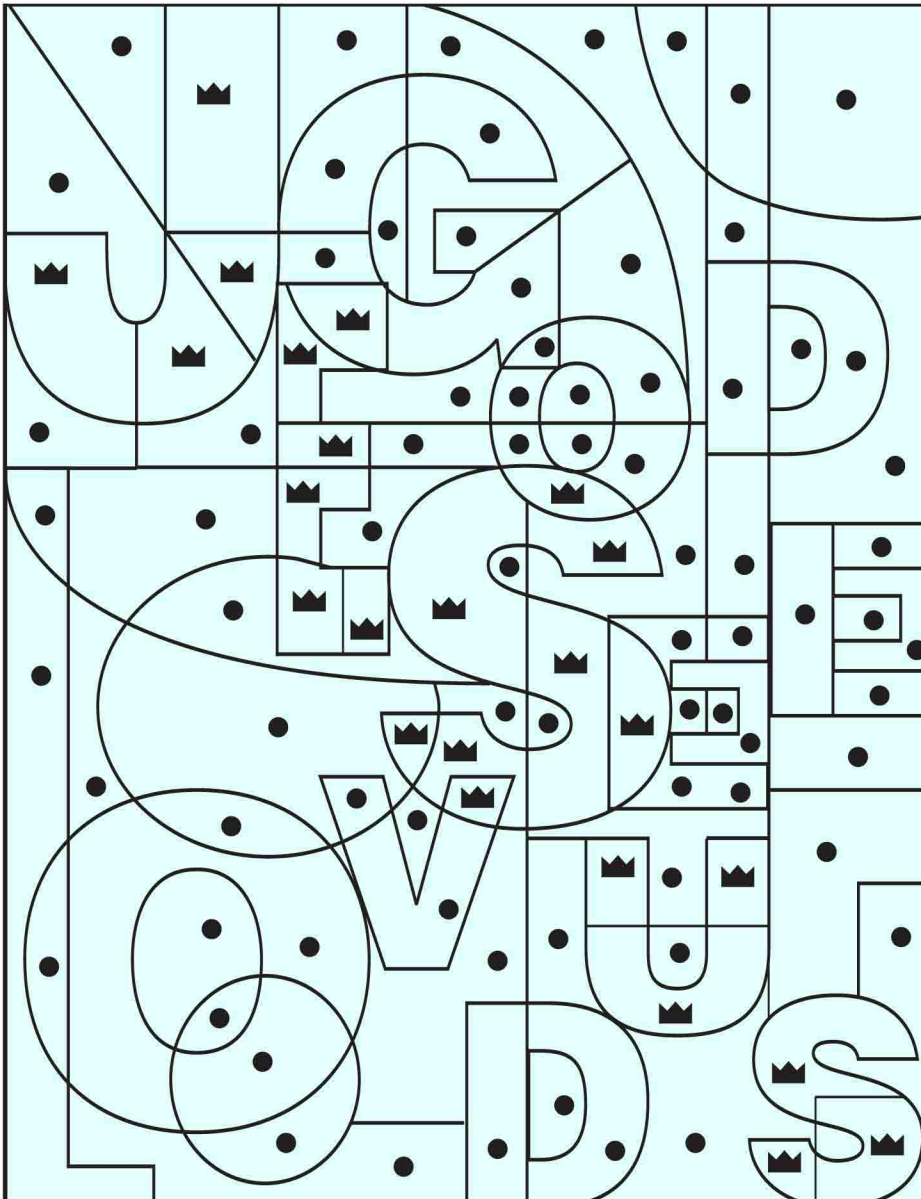


**There's no place like home
for the holidays—
Glad your home!**



This Ruler will be great.

What ruler came from Bethlehem?
Shade in the 's.



A Ruler Will Come from Bethlehem

God spoke to Micah.
A Ruler would come from Bethlehem.

Find the hidden objects in the picture.

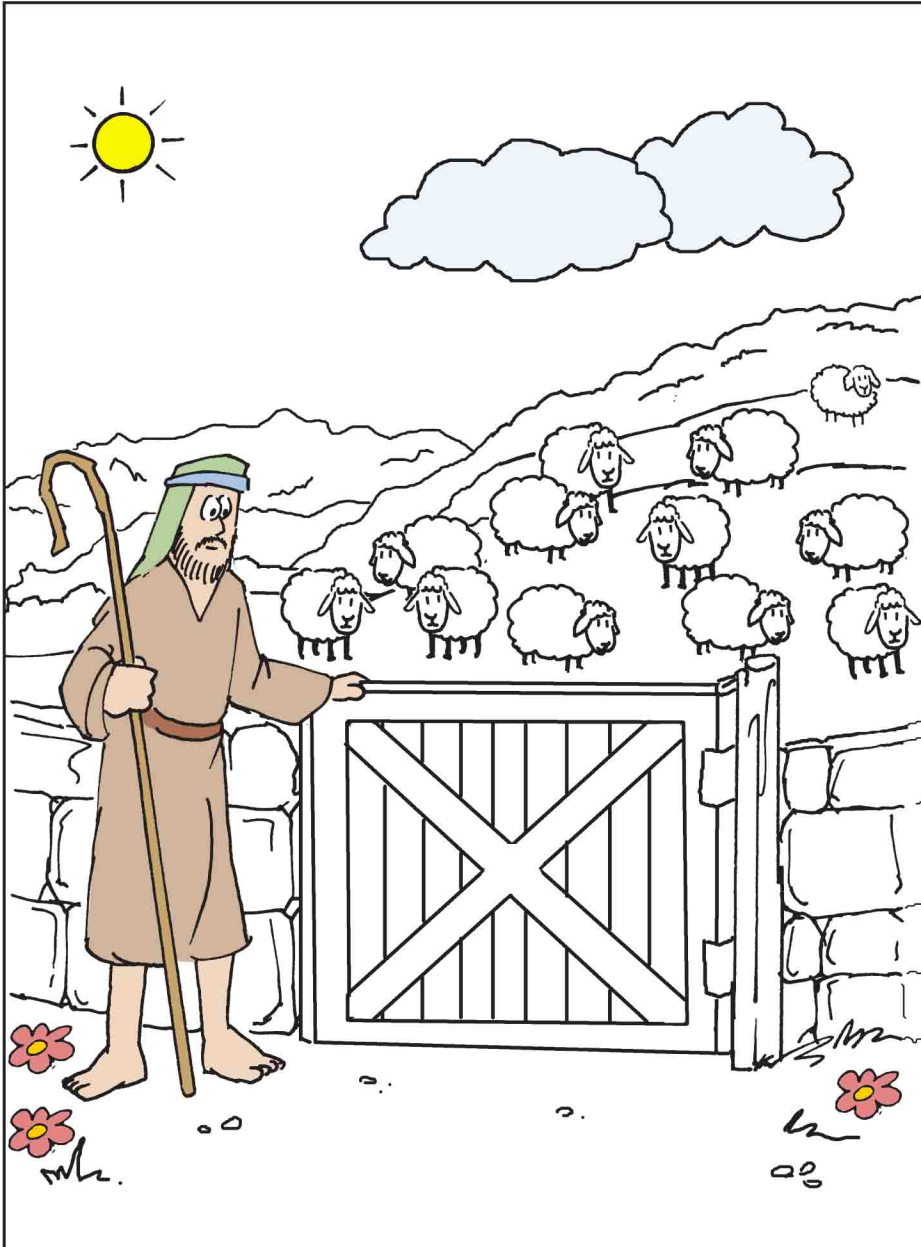


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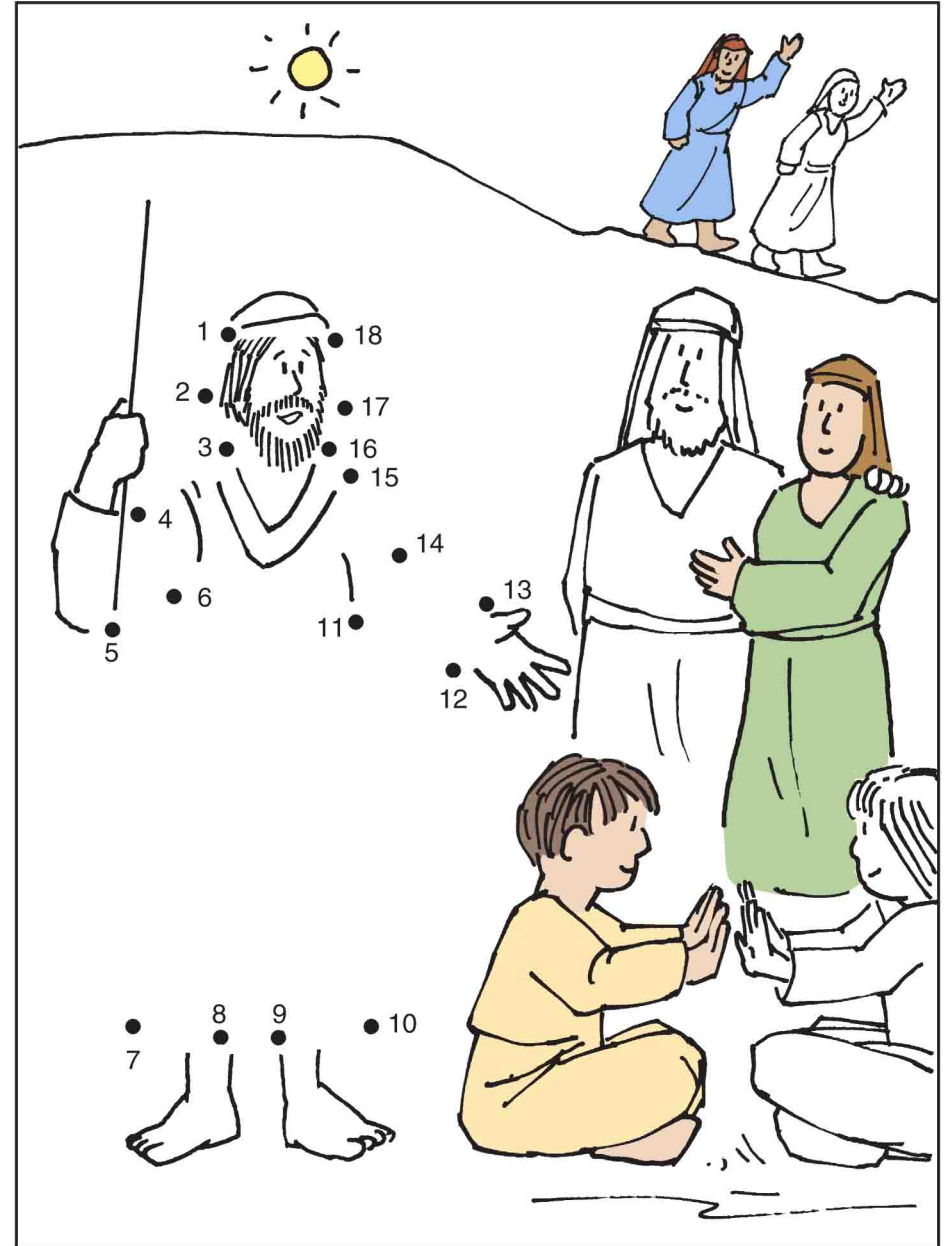
This Ruler to come would be like a shepherd to His flock.

Count the sheep. Circle the number. 11 or 12 ?



The Ruler will bring peace.

Connect the dots.
1 2 3 4 5 6 7 8 9 10 11 12 13 14 15 16 17 18



Later, both Elizabeth and Mary gave birth to sons.

Trace the names of their sons.



Elizabeth's baby was

John.

Mary's baby was

Jesus.



Mary Visits Elizabeth

Mary went to visit her cousin, Elizabeth.

Help Mary get to Elizabeth's house.

1 2 3 4 5 6 7 8 9 10

A maze game for children. At the top left, a woman in a purple robe (Mary) is walking towards a path of numbered boxes. The path consists of the following sequence of numbers: 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 5, 7, 3, 6, 7, 4, 7, 5, 8, 8, 9, 10, 4, 2. The path ends at a house with a pink door. The background features a landscape with mountains, a sun, a palm tree, and a woman in a blue robe sweeping the ground near another house.

As soon as Elizabeth saw Mary,
she was filled with the Holy Spirit.
What did Elizabeth call Mary?

Use the code to fill in the missing letters.

☾ = S ▭ = L ♥ = B

✝ = O ☩ = D

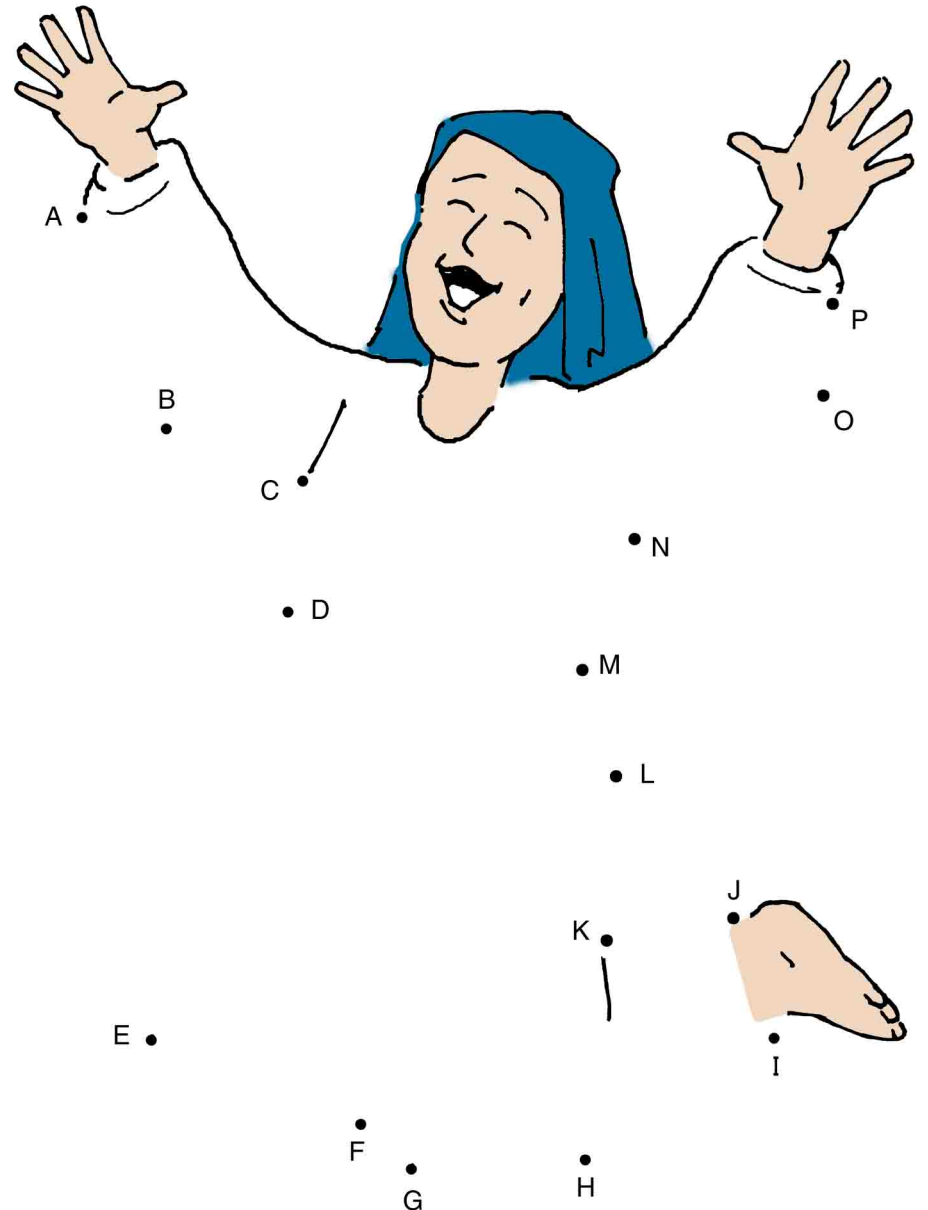
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♥ ▭ ☾ ☾ ☩

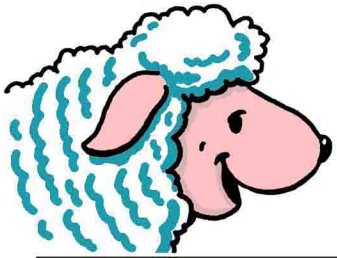


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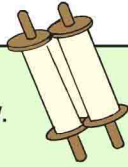
Mary sang a song of praise to God.

Connect the dots. A B C D E F G H I J K L M N O P





Finish the Scripture.



Write the word that means the opposite of the one given. Then fill in the blanks below.

heavy	<u>9</u> <u>20</u> <u>2</u>	lose	<u>18</u> <u>19</u>
war	<u>11</u> <u>12</u> <u>15</u>	girl	<u>3</u>
old	<u>5</u> <u>7</u> <u>1</u>	below	<u>14</u> <u>6</u>
bright	<u>4</u> <u>10</u>	tall	<u>16</u> <u>13</u>
		slow	<u>8</u> <u>17</u>

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Children's Worship Bulletin™

Ages 7+

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A Ruler Will Come from Bethlehem

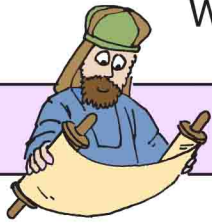
The Lord spoke about a Ruler who would come from Bethlehem. What did He say?

Use this code to find out.

A = ○	R = ◇	F = ●	C = ◁	L = ⇐
N = □	H = ★	W = ■	E = ▷	U = ⇒
T = △	B = ▼	D = ◀	O = ◀	G = ↑
Y = ▽	I = ▲	M = ▶	S = ➔	V = ↓

“ △ ★ ◀ ⇒ ↑ ★ ▽ ◀ ⇒ ○ ◇ ▷ ➔ ▶ ○ ⇐ ⇐ ○ ▶ ◀ □ ↑ △ ★ ▷ ◁ ⇐ ○ □ ➔ ◀ ● ◆ ⇒ ◀ ○ ★ ◀ ⇒ △ ◀ ● ▽ ◀ ⇒ ■ ▲ ⇐ ⇐ ◁ ◀ ▶ ▷ ● ◀ ◇ ▶ ▷ ▷ ○ ◇ ⇒ ⇐ ▷ ◇ ◀ ↓ ▷ ◇ ▲ ➔ ◇ ○ ▷ ⇐ ■ ★ ◀ ➔ ▷ ◀ ◇ ▲ ↑ ▲ □ ➔ ○ ◇ ▷ ● ◇ ◀ ▶ ◀ ● ◀ ⇐ ◀ ● ◇ ◀ ▶ ○ □ ◁ ▲ ▷ □ △ △ ▲ ▶ ▷ ➔ ”

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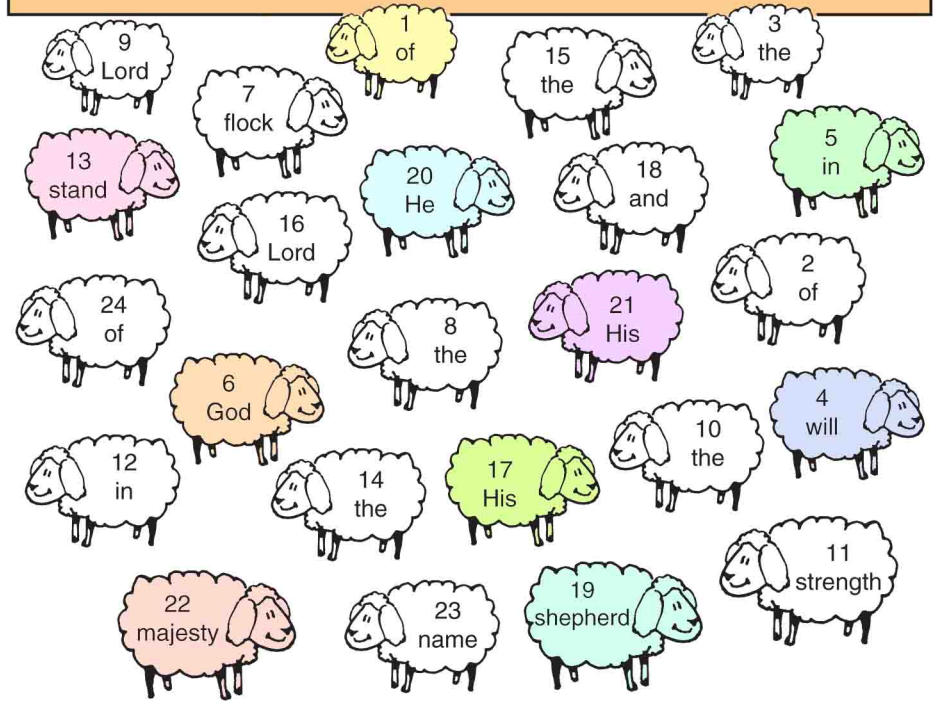
What else does the Scripture say?

Unscramble the missing words.

Therefore _____ lresaI _____ liwl
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Continue reading the Scripture ...

Match the numbers with the words to fill in the blanks.



“ _____ 20 _____ 4 _____ 13 _____ 18
 _____ 19 _____ 21 _____ 7 _____ 5
 _____ 8 _____ 11 _____ 2 _____ 10
 _____ 9 _____ 12 _____ 3 _____ 22
 _____ 24 _____ 15 _____ 23 _____ 1 _____ 14
 _____ 16 _____ 17 _____ 6 _____ !

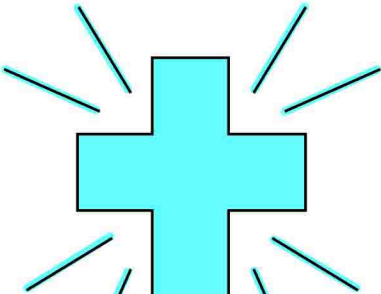


Mary continued to praise God saying, "From now on all generations will call me blessed, for the Mighty One has done great things for me – holy is His name."

Find your way through the maze to the cross.
Follow the letters that spell "HOLY IS HIS NAME" 3 times.
You may only move straight across, up and down.

START →

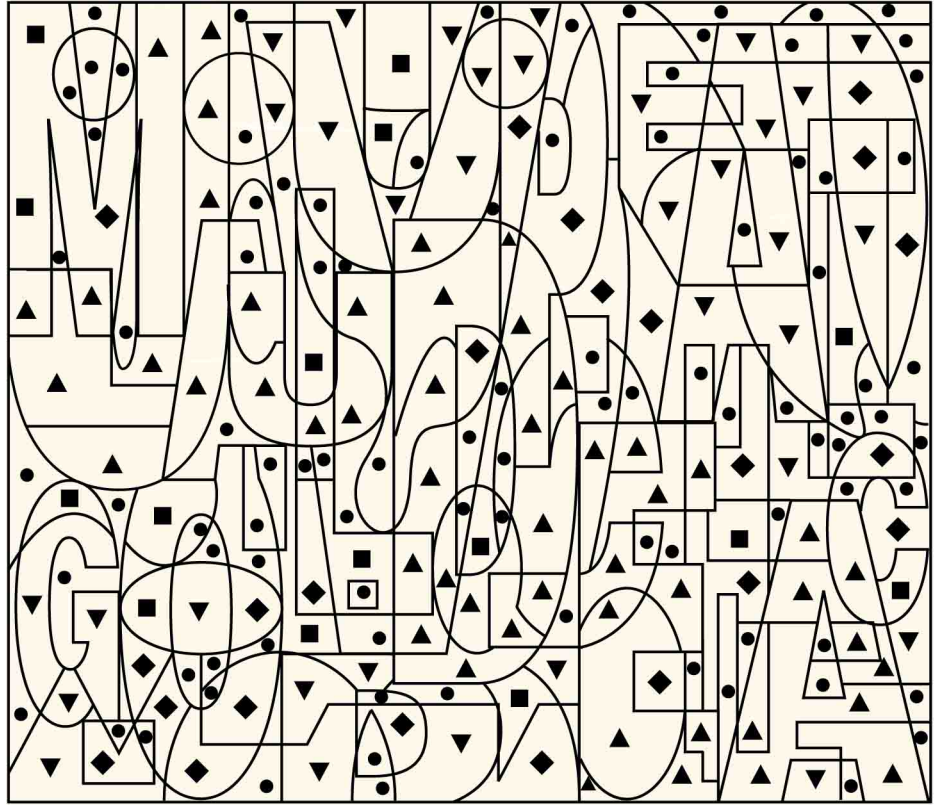
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O	O	M	O	S	L	N	A
L	L	S	I	H	I	S	M
S	I	E	O	Y	S	L	E
A	H	H	I	Y	L	O	H
H	N	I	S	H	I	S	N
I	Y	L	O	H	E	M	A
S	S	N	L				
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Mary Visits Elizabeth

Mary went to visit her cousin, Elizabeth.
Where was Elizabeth's home?

Color the spaces that have ▲'s.



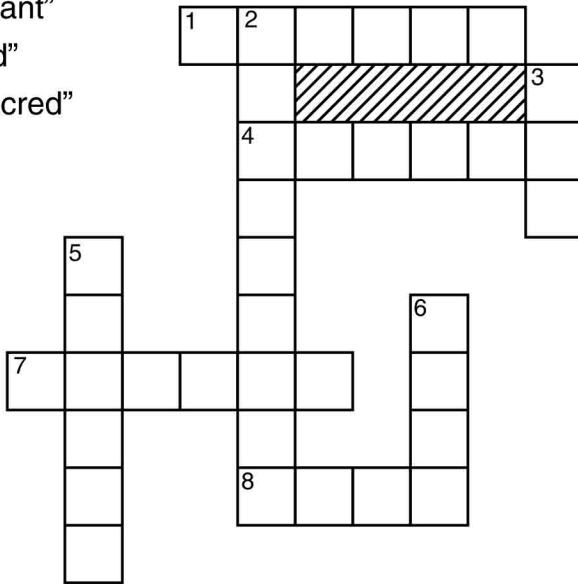
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What happened to Elizabeth when she heard Mary's Greeting?

Use the clues to fill in the crossword puzzle. Then transfer the words from the crossword puzzle to the numbered lines below.



1. Another word for "jumped"
2. Mary's Cousin
3. Opposite of "him"
4. Opposite of "outside"
5. Third person of the Trinity
6. Another word for "infant"
7. Opposite of "emptied"
8. Another word for "sacred"



The (6) _____ (1) _____

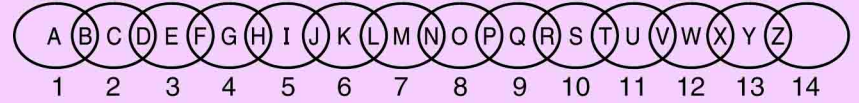
(4) _____ (3) _____, and

(2) _____ was (7) _____ with the

(8) _____ (5) _____.

Then Mary and Elizabeth praised God. What did Mary say?

Use the code to find out.



“ _____
7 13 10 8 11 6,7

4 6,7 8 9,10 5 3,4 5 3 10 10,11 4,5 3

6,7 8 9,10 2,3 1 7,8 2,3 7 13

10 8,9 5 9,10 5 10,11

9,10 3 5,6 8 5 2 3 10 5 7,8

4 8 2,3 7 13 10 1 11,12 5 8 9,10

3,4 8 9,10 4,5 3 4,5 1 10

1,2 3 3 7,8 7 5 7,8 2,3 3,4 11 6,7

8 3,4 10,11 4,5 3 4,5 11 7 1,2 6,7 3

10 10,11 1 10,11 3 8 3,4 4,5 5 10

10 3 9,10 11,12 1 7,8 10,11”