

OUR PURPOSE



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

DAILY SCRIPTURE READINGS

Fri., Dec 24 - **LUKE 1:26-37** *Christmas Eve*
Sat., Dec 25 - **LUKE 2:4-7** *Christmas Day*
Sun., Dec 26 - **PROVERBS 23:22-25** *Never Alone*
Mon., Dec 27 - **JOHN 2:1-12** *Signs*
Tue., Dec 28 - **MATTHEW 11:28-30** *Resting in God's Will*
Wed., Dec 29 - **LUKE 6:37-49** *Change the World*
Thu., Dec 30 - **PSALM 30:1-12** *Overcoming Sadness*

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

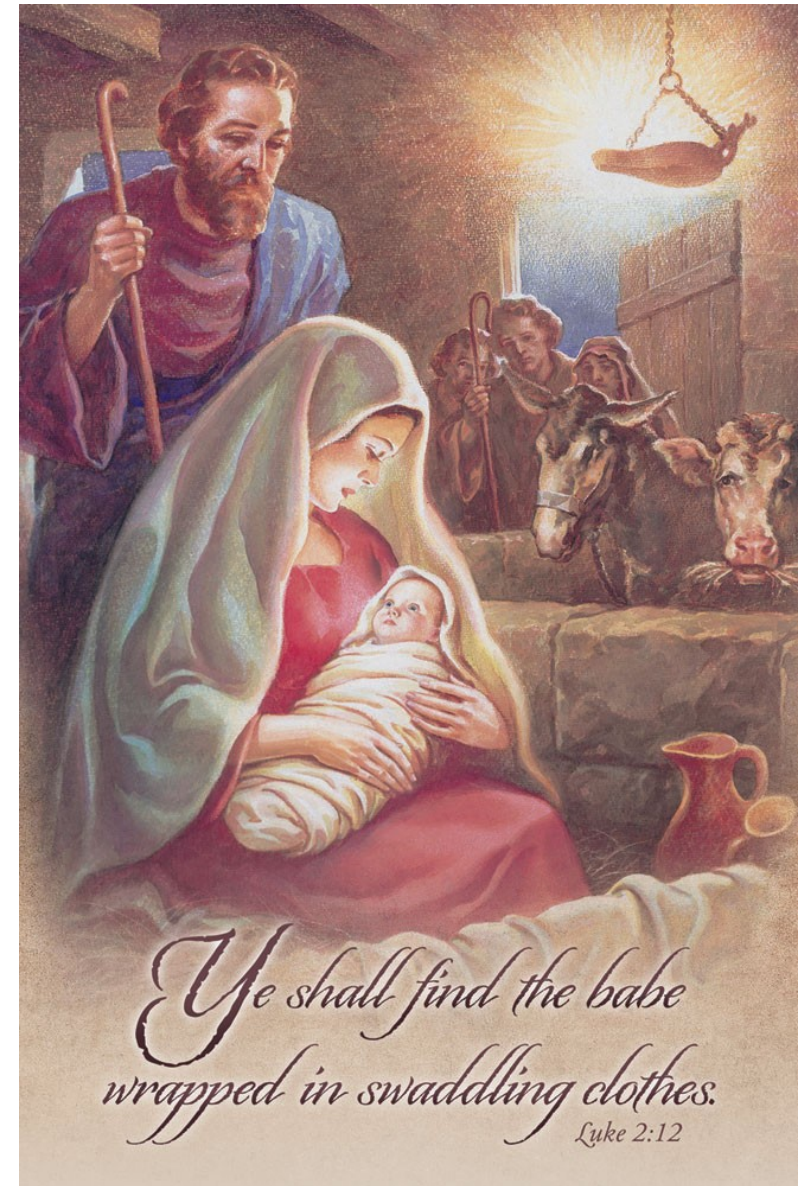
WORSHIP CMTE CHAIR - Priscilla Lyon

VISUAL ARTS - Dianna McGrew, Janet Spiker

CHURCH COORDINATOR-Shirley Prasada-Rao

Christmas Eve Worship Service

December 24, 2021 at 6pm



Poolesville Memorial United Methodist Church
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301-349-2010 / office@pmumc.org
www.PMUMC.org



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 - PIANO DUET WITH LINDA CUSTER & JANET HARTZ

Silent Night

by Joel Raney

Worship Service

Isabel S., Acolyte

WELCOME Introductions and Prayer

PRELUDE - FLUTE SOLO BY BETH PARKER

Angels We Have Heard on High

by John F. Wilson

CHORAL INTROIT - CHANCEL & BELL CHOIRS WITH TRUMPET BY WALTER MOSKWA

Come and Adore Him

by Lloyd Larson

*** CALL TO WORSHIP**

Chloe Dowell

LEADER: Augustus and Quirinius—ancient names that seem odd to today's ears...

PEOPLE: **characters in an ancient story that we long to hear.**

LEADER: Nazareth and Bethlehem—distant towns we know little about...

PEOPLE: **places our hearts long for, because of the One who traveled there.**

LEADER: We gather together to hear once more, a story so ancient and yet so current, so distant and yet so near.

PEOPLE: **We come to hear the story of God coming to us.**

ANTHEM - CHANCEL CHOIR WITH VOCAL SOLO BY RACHEL SMALLEY

My Heart Rejoices

arr by Zebulon Highben

*** OPENING PRAYER**

Grace Parker

Holy God, in days of old you sent your angels to tell shepherds the good news: "To you is born this day a Savior, the Messiah, the Lord." Help us hear with the shepherds this good news, that we too may glorify and praise you for all that we have seen and heard. Amen.

*** OPENING HYMN**

The First Noel

UMH 245

ADVENT READING AND LIGHTING OF ADVENT CANDLE

Welcome Home

Priscilla and Fred Lyon

ANTHEM - BELL CHOIR

Carol of the Bells

by Lee J Afdahl

SECOND READING - LUKE 2:15-20

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

Sam Lewis

MESSAGE

The Black Holes

*** HYMN**

Joy to the World

UMH 246

PRAYERS/ANNOUNCEMENTS

Please share your prayer concerns and joys.

The Lord's Prayer

UMH 895

*** CLOSING HYMN**

Silent Night

UMH 239

*** BENEDICTION**

POSTLUDE

Hark! The Herald Angels Sing

by Mendelssohn/McDonald

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
TODAY and on
Sundays during Worship

SCHEDULE	DECEMBER 26	JANUARY 2	JANUARY 9
LITURGIST	Sandi Baggett Ray Hoewing	Brenda Boulter Ralph Hitchens	Nicole Lewis Scott McGrew
ACOLYTE	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.mcgrew@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.



THANK YOU

We were blessed to help three local families with a Christmas meal and gifts! Each of them were very grateful for your caring and generosity

PRAYER REQUESTS



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



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.



Jesus puts...



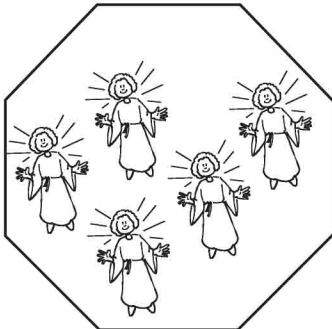
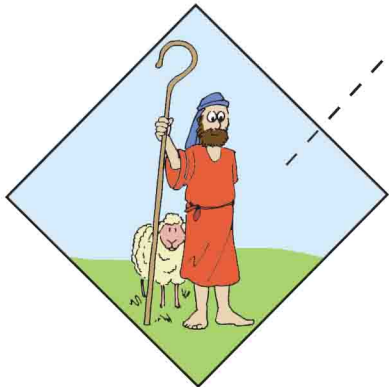
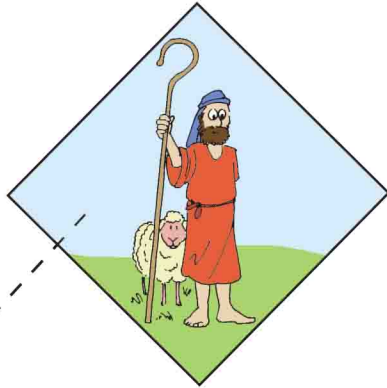
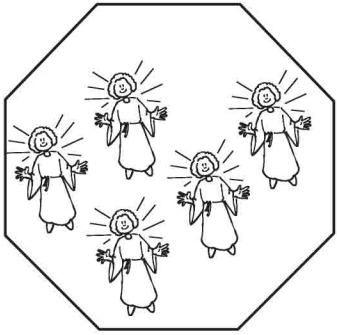
the jingle
 in my bells,
 the candy
 in my cane,
 and the holly
 in my jolly!

UPCOMING HAPPENINGS

FRI - DEC 24 <i>Christmas Eve</i>	6 - 7 pm	Christmas Eve Worship - <i>Sanctuary & YouTube</i> (Nursery Available)
SAT - DEC 25		<i>Merry</i> 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 - CANCELED Child & Youth Hybrid Sunday School - CANCELED Worship Service - Sanctuary & YouTube (Nursery Available)
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 (Nursery Available)
MON - JAN 3	4:30 - 6 pm 7 - 8:30 pm	Girl Scout Troop #32009 - <i>Fellowship Hall</i> Bell Choir Rehearsal - <i>Spurrier Hall</i>
TUE - JAN 4	7 - 8 pm	Men's Group - Room 6 & Zoom
WED - JAN 5	7 - 8 pm	Chancel Choir Rehearsal - Room 8
THU - JAN 6 <i>Epiphany</i>	7 - 8 pm	Review/Preview with Pastor Tim - Zoom
FRI - JAN 7	4:30 - 5:30 pm	Girl Scout Troop #32066 - <i>Fellowship Hall</i>
SAT - JAN 8	1 - 4 pm 3 - 5:30 pm	The Friendly Thrift Shop Ministry - On Site Sugarloaf Mountain Region Club AACA - Room 6
SUN - JAN 9 <i>Baptism of the Lord</i>	9:15 - 10:15 am 9:30 - 10:15 am 10:30 - 11:30 am 11:30 am - 2 pm 3 - 5 pm	Adult Sunday School - Room 6 & Zoom Child & Youth Hybrid Sunday School - Zoom & FH Worship Service - Sanctuary & YouTube (Nursery Available) De-Hanging of the Greens - Church Building Outreach for Thrift Shop Meeting—Room 6

The shepherds praised God for all the things they had heard and seen!

Match the pictures.



Children's Worship Bulletin™



Ages 3+

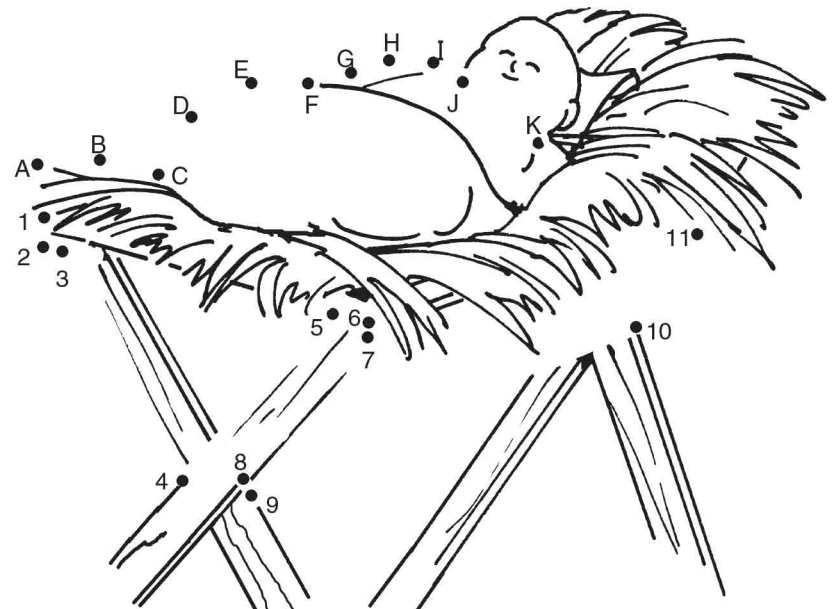
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Jesus Is Born!

Joseph and Mary went to Bethlehem to register for the census. While they were there, Jesus was born.

Connect the dots.

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Shepherds in the fields were watching their flocks at night. An angel came, and they were scared! But the angel had good news: "A Savior is born!" Then many more angels appeared, praising God.

Circle the smallest angel in the sky.

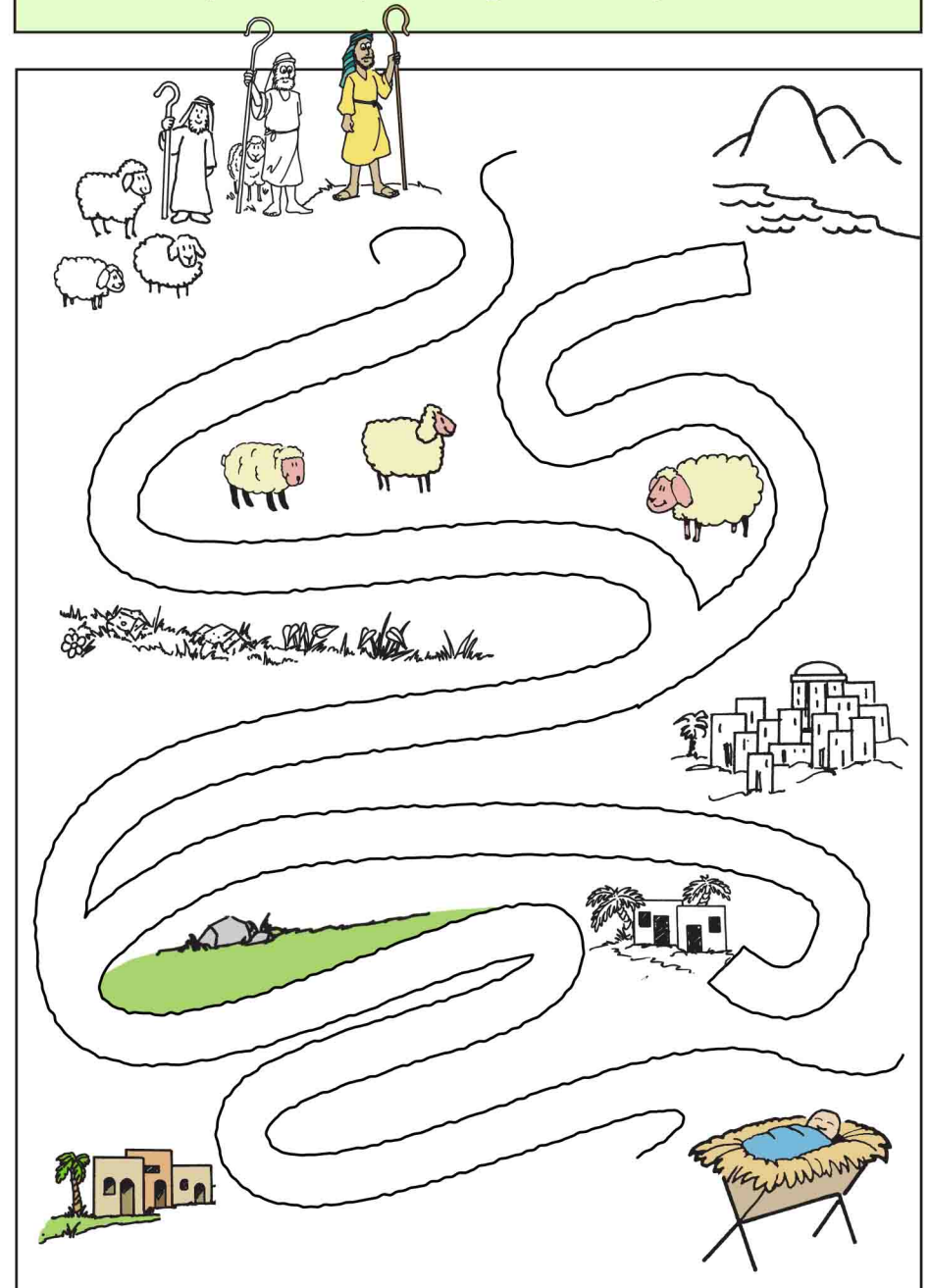


Trace the word.

S A V I O R

The shepherds hurried to Bethlehem to find the newborn Savior.

Help the shepherds get to Baby Jesus.

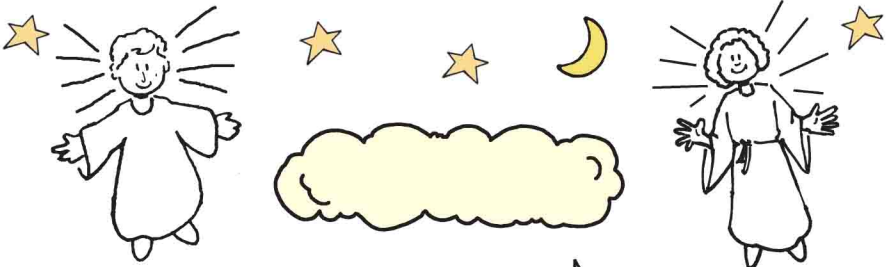




Suddenly, the sky was filled with angels, praising God and saying ...

Use this code to find out what the angels said.

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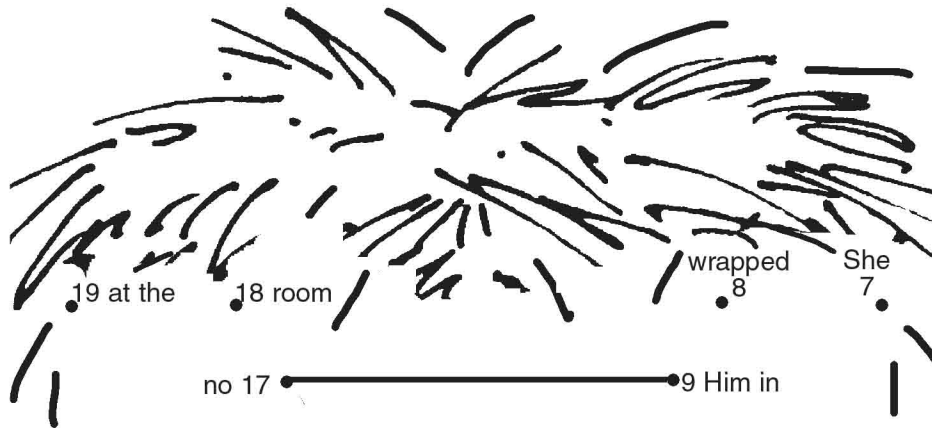
Jesus Is Born!

Caesar ordered that a census be taken. Everyone had to go to the city of their ancestors to be counted. So Joseph, along with Mary, who was expecting a child, went to the town of Bethlehem.

Help Joseph and Mary go from Nazareth to Bethlehem.

While Mary and Joseph were in Bethlehem,
something happened!

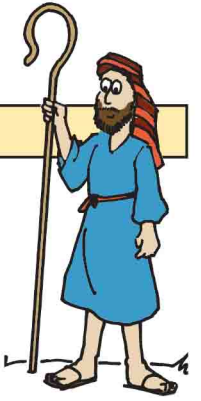
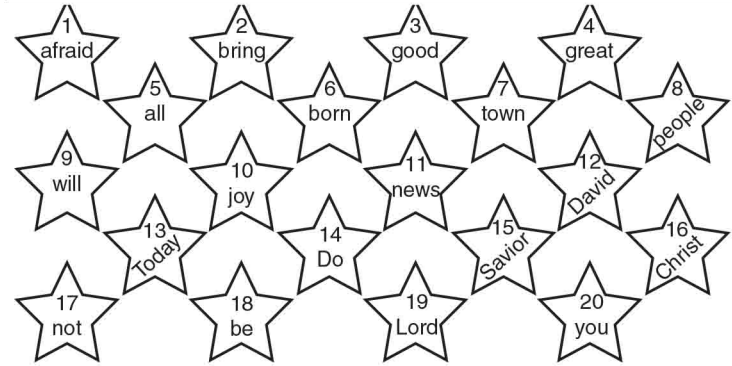
Connect the dots and read the story.



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3 birth
1 Mary 2 gave 4 to her 5 firstborn

Shepherds were living out in the fields,
keeping watch over their flocks at night.
An angel appeared to them and said ...

Write the words from the stars on the lines.



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2 20 3 11

_____ that _____ for
4 10 9 18

_____ in the _____
5 8 13 7

of _____ a _____ has been
12 15

_____ to _____; He is _____
6 20 16

the _____!”
19