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Christian Symbols



This Latin word for peace is frequently seen in Christmas art and decorations,

reminding us that Jesus came as the Prince of Peace (Isaiah 9:6). After announcing the Savior's birth to the shepherds, the angels sang, "Glory to God in the highest, and on earth peace ..." (Luke 2:14, NKJV).

Holly was first used by pagans to decorate for the festival of Saturnalia. When Christians began celebrating Christmas in honor of Christ, they adapted that decorating practice to reflect Jesus' life and death. Holly's pointed leaves symbolize the crown of thorns and its red berries symbolize Christ's blood shed on the cross. Because holly thrives and its berries retain their brilliance even in harsh winter conditions, non-Christians saw it as a symbol of eternity — which is fitting for Christians as well.

To You is Born the Savior the Lord Christ

ncore Post: Shepherds were hard-working every-day people. To some extent, they even looked down on a bit. If you were a king, you wouldn't send a herald to them. And yet, that was exactly what God did. He sent his Angel — his messenger, — with an εὐαγγέλιον (evangelion — Gospel) to — of all people — shepherds.

Royal proclamations of Good News announced the victory over enemies, the birth of a royal heir, the beginning of the reign of a new king. Often the messenger is also a *Legatus* — an ambassador — with the authority of the ruler to set forth a big celebration. He could free captives, cancel debts, suspend taxes, sponsor games and the like. This Gospel is unlike any other. "Good news of great joy for all the people," the angel announced the birth of God's own son in David's hometown of Bethlehem. He is the Lord Christ — who would save his people from their sins.

The Christmas gospel is very good news indeed. God the Father, our Savior, reveals his kindness and love of people in it. He sent Jesus, our Savior, to save us because of his mercy, not because of the good deeds



we have done. Jesus poured out the Holy Spirit, our Savior, on us, who washed away our sins in Holy Baptism and regenerated our hearts. We are justified by the grace of the Holy Trinity, so that we may be made heirs of eternal life, being justified by his grace.

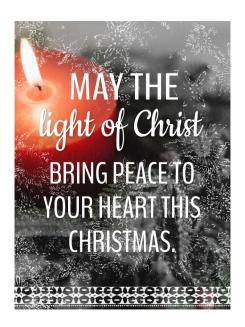
So, great joy comes to us at Christmas. Not only the song of a legion of angels, eager shepherds to rush to see the Savior and the mother who treasured it all in her heart. God has broken into our world and changed things forever. We have an inexpressible joy, for we know God keeps his promises.

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Church Office Schedule

Church office hours Tuesday, Wednesday, Thursday from 8 a.m. to noon. Phone number 573-836-8141.
Secretary Pudge Springer

And so it is our hope is certain. Many blessings are awaiting us in Heaven, where Jesus is preparing a place for us. We have seen a great light and nothing can ever take that from us.

Written by Rev. Robert E. Smith, Pastor Emeritus Fort Wayne, Indiana



The Theme: "It's About Time!" Service Time: 6 p.m.

- Wed., December 3: "Wait Till Your Father Comes Home!"
- Wed., December 10: "It's Time to Wake Up!"
- Wed., December 17: "Something Is About to Happen!"

Soup Suppers

Before each Advent service, the LWML will host a soup supper beginning at 4:30 until 5:30 p.m. with a free will offering.

- December 3 Chili: hosts Dawn, Susan, Carol C.
- December 10 Vegetable Beef: hosts Jayne Marie, Rhonda
- December 17 All beef hot dogs, Mac and Cheese: hosts Candi

Come at anytime to enjoy a hot bowl of homemade soup or hot dogs and Mac and Cheese before the Advent service. Hope to see you there!



Join us December 24

at 6 p.m. for our

Christmas Eve Service

as we celebrate the

birth of Jesus!

Christmas Eve message: "A Different Sort of News!"



The church Trunk and Treat was a success this year! Thank you to everyone who participated in decorating and handing out candy. The event brought lots of smiles to the children and families who attended. The Hedbergs provided an engaging game that added extra excitement to the event. Around 75 children joined us, and it was such a joy to connect and see families enjoy time together. We held a special giveaway for a girls' and a boys' bike (provided by a donated Thrivent card from Sheryl Bald). We are already looking to planning and improving next year's Trunk and Treat to make it better! Photo submitted by Diane Borgmann.











December Devotion

Tough Times Need a Great Savior



And the angel said to them, "Fear not, for behold, I bring you good news of great joy that will be for all the people." Luke 2:10

They lived in a world with no understanding of germs, bacteria or sanitation.

That is why when the Black Death came to Goldberg, Silesia, before Christmas of 1353, the people were petrified. They had heard how in many places the plague had killed one out of every four people. Some cities were filled with the dead. Historians who survived the illness recorded, "All lived in awful fear someone might breath upon them or touch them." No one went out. No one knew who was dead or alive ... or *if* anyone was alive.

Fear of contamination in Goldberg continued until Christmas Eve.

On that night, a man ventured out of his house. He thought he was the only survivor in the entire city. Every house he passed was filled with memories of those he had loved or with whom he had done business.

Knowing it was Christmas Eve, he put aside his loneliness and fears and raised his voice to sing a Christmas hymn. As his song of praise rang into the night's stillness, another voice — a voice from behind a door — echoed his own.

A woman joined him in the street. Their songs brought forth strange echoes, and 25 survivors — all that were left of the town — came and sang of the love of God shown to them in Jesus, the Savior of the world, the Savior who could eternally rescue His faithful, even when doctors were powerless.

It has been many years since the world has seen a disease that killed as completely and effectively as did the Black Death.

Even so, this sinful planet still remains filled with spiritual disease, disease which, if left untreated, is always and eternally fatal. Prejudice, hatred, injustice, dishonesty, greed, lust, idolatry infect human hearts with the damning disease of our transgression.

Like the residents of Goldberg, we cannot find a cure or preventative. We cannot hide ourselves from the infection.

This is why we need Jesus. Centuries ago the Savior came to earth, so His life might be spent winning a cure. As Scripture says, "The blood of Jesus Christ, God's Son, cleanses us from all sin" (see 1 John 1:7)

The Christmas angel announced the birth of Immanuel, who was good news of great joy for *all* people.

That proclamation shares a Savior whose life would rebuild the broken bridge from sinful humanity to heaven. His sacrifice of love would transform sinners into saints, even as it has offered deliverance to those who were damned.

This is why we remember and give thanks for Jesus, whose blood is the only cure from the plague of sin.

THE PRAYER: Dear Lord, I give thanks that because of my risen Savior I am never alone. Because of His sacrifice I am surrounded with Your love. Now may I, by the Holy Spirit's direction and power, share Your salvation with others. In Jesus' Name. Amen.

In Christ I remain His servant and yours, Pastor Ken Klaus, Dec. 23, 2012

Did You Know?...







golden rings recalled the Torah or Law, the first five books of the Old Testament





ladies dancing are the nine fruits of the Holy Spirit – Love, Joy, Peace, Patience, Kindness, Goodness, Faithfulness, Gentleness, and Self-Control





























Teaching, Exhortation, Contribu-

pipers piping stand for the eleven faithful disciples

French hens stand for faith, hope and love



tion, Leadership, and Mercy











calling birds are the four gospels of Matthew, Mark, Luke and John



maids a milking are the eight beatitudes



drummers drumming symbolizes the twelve points of belief in the Apostles' Creed







So, there is your history for today.



LWML Meeting November 10

2025 Officers: Co-Presidents Cindy Niebur and Dawn Hedberg Treasurer Susan Kral, Secretary Jayne Marie Trick

with a reading taken from the 2019 Quarterly by Co-President Dawn Hedberg. Roll call word for the month of November was "thankfulness". Ten members were in attendance. Members recited the LWML Pledge. Bible study was titled "Always Thankful", taken in part from a 2019 LWML Bible study.



All ladies of Peace are invited to attend the annual Christmas party on Saturday, December 13 beginning at 11:30 a.m. in the dining hall. Please bring your favorite salad or dessert and a \$10 wraped gift. This year's theme is "Everything Christmas." Thank you to Paula for organizing this event every year.

A Quick Note: A reminder was made by Dawn to keep the back door locked when we conduct our meetings. A short discussion was held on the emergency exits.

The secretary's October meeting minutes were examined, and a few high points were mentioned. Treasurer Susan Kral read and discussed the October Treasurer's Report.

Presidents Report:

- A report was presented by Co-President Dawn on the 2025 LWML Fall Rally held at Trinity in Clinton, with the theme of "Grow - Gather – Go". A wonderful presentation was made by the Executive Director Emily Stocking of Zoe's Home, and a generous love offering was gathered for them. Peace had three members in attendance.
- A reminder that the LWML Spring Rally will be hosted by Peace, St. Paul Stover and Faith Warsaw on April 28, 2026. Members agreed to not charge for the lunch.
- There is a Leadership Development Workshop at Lee Summit on November 15.

 Members turned in their dues and payment for the Quarterlies to Treasurer Susan.

Correspondence: We received two lovely "thank you" cards from Community for Christ, and Kids Cove Respite Home.

Mites Reading by Cathie
Mueller was "What Heaven is...."

Committees Reports:

- Pop Tabs: No report
- **Best Choice Labels:** No report
- Kitchen Committee: We thank Diane for her service as the Kitchen Committee Chairperson. New Kitchen Committee will be Candi, Cindy, Peggy, Carol, and Jayne Marie. A discussion was held on the best way to purchase supplies, and what supplies are needed. A short discussion was held on getting rid of the coffeemakers that don't work.
- Human Care: We discussed the continued mission of the Pregnancy Help Center in Camdenton, a food gathering in December, and "adopting" a seminary student. The old hymnals that are now stored

- in the LWML closet will be a craft project in the future!
- **Stamps Committee:** No report
- Photography Committee:
 Candi has been diligent in taking pictures of our events and forwarding them to the Sedalia District and our newsletter editor Sheryl.

Old Business:

- Peggy will head the visitor bag committee, and will be helped by Cindy, Candi and Jayne Marie. Cindy brought in new items to be placed in the bags.
- We agreed by member acclamation to send invitations for the LWML 2026 Spring Rally to Sheryl Bald and her church in Versailles and to Sara Anderegg and her church in Eldon.

Meeting Break: We played the "Paper Airplane" game and were surprised by the unusual talents and accomplishments of our members!

New Business:

- Hope Lutheran is requesting clothing up to size 5T, strollers, shoes, diapers and baby wipes. The contact person is Christina Williams, 573-286-6031.
- The nominations for the new officers for 2026 were as follows: Dawn as President, Cindy as Vice-President, Jayne Marie as Secretary and Susan as Treasurer.
- We will need two voting delegates and two alternates for the Missouri LWML District

- Convention held in Cape Girardeau in June of 2026.
- A date was set for the 2025 LWML Christmas party. It will be Saturday December 13th at 11:30 am, featuring a salad luncheon with dessert. Members were asked to bring a \$10 wrapped gift. Paula will create a signup sheet to be placed in the Narthex.
- Members volunteered to make and serve soup on the Advent dates of December 3rd, 10th and 17th. Soup will be served between 4:30 and 5:30. There will be no

charge, but a donation basket will be set up.

We closed our meeting with special prayers for those hurting or in need in our church family, and others, including those who serve and served in the armed forces.

After the Meeting: Dawn and Jayne Marie tested the coffee-makers in the kitchen to find out which ones work and didn't work properly.

Respectfully submitted Jayne Marie Trick, Secretary



Food Collection

Starting November 30 the LWML will be collecting non-perishable food items for the Community for Christ Food Pantry in Sunrise Beach. All members are invited to participate. Bring items to the Narthex and add to the display.

Mites Collection

In November we collected \$73.80 in pocket change for Mite. Thank you for your continued support of this ongoing project. You can bring your pocket change anytime. The box is located in the back of the church.

Donations Requested

Hope Lutheran Chapel is requesting baby clothing up to size 5T, strollers, shoes, diapers and baby wipes for their Swaddling Clothes mission project. The contact person is Christina Williams, 573-286-6031.





King's Academy Christmas Cookie Fundraiser

If you don't have time to bake cookies for the Christmas season, consider purchasing a variety of homemade cookies and candy from King's Academy Cookie Walk/Sale on Friday, Dec. 12 beginning at 8 a.m.

If you have any questions, contact Karen Blickenstaff at 636-346-2128.

An Inescapable Date

We celebrate Christ's birth by referring to it in the date placed on all our coins, civil records and vital documents. It is inscribed upon metal and written on parchment and engraved on the cornerstones of great buildings. It is on every newspaper, every check, every deed, and it is universally acknowledged at the beginning of a new life.

Every human transaction is related to the birth of Christ. It cannot be avoided or evaded. God has seen to it that this event is more widely advertised than anything on earth that is or that ever has been.

Dr. Walter Wilson



Share: Law and Gospel

It may seem odd to share the Law of God with a person as part of evangelism. After all, evangelism means "bringing the good news," and the Law is certainly not good news for anyone. Yet there is definitely a place for it - but not for everyone. Context is the key.

Through listening, asking, and seeking, we can determine a person's attitude about sin. If someone is comfortable in sin, we need to speak the Law, since the Gospel is pointless to one who feels no need of the Savior. Special care should be taken to come across as caring and concerned rather than harsh and judgmental. To be effective, we need to recognize how a person connects and communicates - head, heart, or hands.

For example, if you realize that one has been living a sexually immoral lifestyle, you recognize that the Sixth Commandment speaks to that situation. Then, by asking and listening you can discover what attitude toward that sin the person has. If the person is accepting and comfortable with their sexual sin, your starting point is to share the God's Word of Law. That doesn't mean to recite the Sixth Commandment and its meaning. Instead, it calls for you to approach the subject based on how they connect and communicate.

With a "head" person you might start by discussing the morality of sexual sin and how it compares to God's designs.

For a "heart" person you could ask questions that point to how the sin impacts a sense of well-being and self-esteem.

For a "hands" person, you could approach the topic in terms of the harm that contemporary sexual values cause in our society.

However you approach it, remember that the desired outcome of sharing the Law is that the person would recognize their sin, desire God's forgiveness, and be open to hearing the Gospel. Of course, only the Holy Spirit can bring about that outcome.

Your role as a witness is to share God's Word - to plant and water - and trust the Lord to work through it. Like sharing the Law, sharing the Gospel should take into account how the other person connects and communicates.

by Pr. Mark Wood, director of LCMS Witness & Outreach Ministry



SCHEDULES

9:00 am Sunday Worship* Bible Class/Sun. School 10:30 am

Wednesday Evening Services:

 Ash Wednesday 	6:00 pm
 During Lent 	6:00 pm
During Advent	6:00 pm

Holy Week

Maundy Thursday*	6:00 pm
 Good Friday Service 	6:00 pm
Easter Sunday*	9:00 am

Thanksgiving Eve

Wednesday Evening	6:00 pm
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Christmas Eve

Evening Service	6:00 pm
*Holy Communion	

The Lord's Servants

• Elders—First Sunday of Each Month

Chairman: Jeff Hedberg, Jeff Emery, Larry Trick

• Council—2nd Tuesday of Each Month

6:30 pm

- ◆ President: Brock Kliewer (two yr term)
- ◆ Vice President: Noah Estes (fill vacancy for one yr)
- ◆ Secretary: Susan Kral (two yr term)
- ♦ Financial Secretary: Brett Niebur
- ◆ Treasurer: Peggy Callahan (two yr term)
- **Stewardship:** Dawn Hedberg
- Evangelism: Cindy Kaminski (finishing term)
- Education: Open
- Organists: Rev. Gary Brandt, Diana Schwab
- Trustees: Kyle Wright, Rodney Schulz, Pat Callahan Chuck Kral

LWML—2nd Monday from March—Nov. 9:00 am

Co-Presidents: Dawn Hedberg and Cindy Niebur

Altar Guild: Dawn Hedberg Bible Studies As announced

• Elected Offices



December Larry Trick Dawn Hedberg

Minister Rev. Gary Brandt

Organists Rev. Gary Brandt, Diana Schwab

Ushers

1st Sunday Robert & Penny Hansen, Paul Bartels 2nd Sunday Earl Hartenstein, Jeff & Paula Emery 3rd Sunday Diane Borgmann, Rodney Schulz 4th Sunday Jeff & Dawn Hedberg, Russ Schulz 5th Sunday Robert Hansen, Earl Hartenstein,

Jeff Hedberg

Counters

1st Sunday Jeff & Dawn Hedberg 2nd Sunday Jeff & Paula Emery 3rd Sunday Brett & Cindy Niebur 4th Sunday Matt & Deb Mayes 5th Sunday Pudge McCloud



Council Minutes November 11, 2025

President Brock Kliewer called the meeting to order at 6:35 P.M. Pastor Brandt opened with prayer.

The following board members were present: **Pas**tor Gary Brandt, President Brock Kliewer, Treasurer Peg Callahan Financial Secretary Brett Niebur, Secretary Susan Kral, Trustee Chuck Kral, Evangelism Cindy Kaminski, Cemetery Diane Borgmann, and Church Members Paula Emery, Larry Trick, and Pat Callahan

Absent: Vice President Noah Estes, Elder Jeff Hedberg, **Stewardship** Dawn Hedberg

The minutes from the October 14, 2025 meeting were approved as printed.

Financial Secretary: Brett reported that giving is within \$200.00-\$300.00 of last year. The report was accepted and approved.

Treasurer's Report: Peg reported the following:

- All bills are paid.
- Because the vacuum that was being used is heavy and worn out, a new one was purchased.
- Because there was an unexplained charge made to Amazon on our debit and unit card, a new card was ordered. Fraudulent and unexplained charges are not covered on business and church cards. The debit card is to be used only for online accounts. Members who make purchases for the church need to bring in receipts and be reimbursed.
- The audit of the 2025 books was completed on November 11 by Peggy Callahan, Jeff Emery, and Paul Bartels. The audit will be placed in the January 2025 file folder.
- Peg's request to renew the three Certificates of Deposit was granted. Peg provided copies of all three.
- Our Rumba vacuum is no longer working. Repair parts would cost more than \$200.00.
 Council granted permission for a new one to be purchased.

The report was accepted and approved.

Board of Elders: Larry Trick reported the following:

- The elders met on November 2, 2025. The attendees were Pastor Brandt, Jeff Emery, Jeff Hedberg, and Larry Trick.
- Larry suggested making updates to the church Congregational Directory. Jeff Hedberg will discuss the changes needed with Pudge.
- Jeff Hedberg will speak with the instructor of the yoga group that uses our facility weekly. He will be asking for a monthly payment to help cover costs of utilities they use.
- Pastor Brandt stated that he needs to set a tentative retirement date so that the church can start the process of making a replacement call. Pastor is thinking of retiring sometime in 2027.

Larry's report was accepted and approved.

Trustees: Chuck reported the following:

- Pat Callahan installed a new water hydrant and pipe to run water to the cemetery.
- Kyle Wright assisted with the installation of a new water softener on October 31, 2025. We thank the anonymous donor who paid for the unit.
- Chuck and Rodney Schulz removed the salt from the old unit. Pat Callahan disposed of the old unit.

- Pat purchased a backpack weed sprayer, rebar for the parking lot, and a shop vacuum.
- The fire department checked our fire extinguishers.
- Pudge and Don Springer have been given keys to the garage.
- Pat picked up leaves in the circle.

The report was accepted and approved.

Evangelism: Cindy reported the following:

- Trunk and Treat was held on October 31, 2025. There were 11 trunks and two games set up. Approximately 75 children attended. Our worship schedule was printed. Twelve copies of the schedule were taken. The winners of the bicycles were contacted. The girl's bike went to a six-year -old; the boy's bike went to a twelve-year-old.
- <u>The Lake Sun</u> is now printing only one issue per week. It comes out on Wednesdays.
- Our Thanksgiving ad will cost \$88.20. Our Advent and Christmas Eve ads total cost is \$116.55
- Our sponsorship for our display at the Enchanted Village of Lights is paid.
- No church members have expressed an interest in participating in the Laurie Christmas parade.
- Cindy asked if we want to again place an ad in the Camdenton Chamber Annual Report. The council approved the expenditure of \$90.00.
- The council agreed to pay for a weekly listing of our church services in the Camdenton Chamber's weekly listing. The council agreed to continue the listing at an annual fee of \$491.40.
- Tonight's meeting is the last Cindy will attend.
 She thanks everyone for their support and guidance.

The report was accepted and approved.

Stewardship/LWML: There were no reports.

Member at Large: Vacant

Cemetery: Diane reported that Rodney Schulz planted tulips in an area that needed flowers. The report was accepted and approved.

Pastor's Report: Pastor Brandt reported the following:

- Pastor, Penny Hansen, and Candi Tostenrud sang with thirty others from our Jefferson City Circuit at the Reformation Service held at Trinity in Jefferson City on October 26. It was a very special service.
- Pastor coordinated the purchase and installation of a new water softener paid for by an anonymous donor. Thank you to Kyle Wright for overseeing the installation and learning how to operate it correctly.

- Cindy Kaminski did an excellent job of coordinating the Trunk and Treat. Pastor thanks all who participated. It was a real TREAT!
- Pastor is responsible for fourteen worship services during November and December. All of the November Sunday services and the five midweek services have been prepared. He will be working on the three Advent bulletins. Pastor is hopeful that midweek services will be well attended. The LWML ladies will prepare soup suppers to be served prior to the Advent Services.

The report was accepted and approved.

President's Reports:

Old Business:

• Our Constitution and Bylaws folder contains job descriptions of all council positions. Peg will make copies for everyone.

New Business:

- Because many council members will be out of town at the time of the scheduled December meeting, the meeting is cancelled.
- Brett will put copies of the proposed 2026 budget in council members' mailboxes. If any member has a concern or question regarding the budget, contact Brett.

The meeting was adjourned at 7:35 P.M. Pastor Brandt led the closing with The Lord's Prayer.

Respectfully submitted, Susan Kral, Secretary



Activities Pages Christmas Bible Quiz

- 1. What does Jesus' other name, "Emmanuel", mean? (Matthew 1:23)
 - A. Son of God
 - B. He who is God
 - C. God with us
 - D. Anointed One
- 2. When Joseph first discovered that Mary was pregnant, he: (Matthew 1:18-20)
 - A. Tore his robe
 - B. Rejoice
 - C. Beat her
 - D. No longer wished to marry her

3. Why did Joseph and Mary go to the city of David? (Luke 2:4-5)

- A. To seek the prophet Simeon
- B. To pay taxes
- C. To visit Joseph's parents
- D. To celebrate their wedding

4. In what city was Jesus born? (Luke 2:4-7)

- A. Cyprus
- B. Bethlehem
- C. Nazareth
- D. Galilee

5. Why were Mary and Joseph unable to stay in an inn? (Luke 2:7)

- A. All the inns were closed
- B. They didn't have enough money
- C. They innkeeper hated them
- D. There was no room for them

6. With what did Mary wrap newborn Jesus?

(Luke 2:7)

- A. Swaddling
- B. A blanket
- C. A scarf
- D. Joseph's cape

7. After Jesus was born, where did Mary lay Him? (Luke 2:7)

- A. She held him
- B. A pile of hay
- C. In a feeding trough
- D. On the ground

8. What was the shepherds' initial reaction to the angel who visited them? (Luke 2:9)

- A. They were upset
- B. They were afraid
- C. They were excited
- D. They were angry

9. What did the angel tell the shepherds?

(Luke 2:10-12)

- A. All of this
- B. To not be afraid
- C. The location of the newborn Savior
- D. How to recognize the newborn Savior

10. Who visited Joseph and Mary, and Jesus on the night He was born? (Luke 2:15-16)

- A. Shepherds and wise men
- B. Shepherds, wise men, and all those dwelling in Bethlehem
- C. Shepherds
- D. Wise men

11. The wise men traveled ______to Jerusalem. (Matthew 2:1)

- A. Westward
- B. Northward
- C. Eastward
- D. Southward

12. How many wise men brought gifts to Jesus?

- A. None
- B. 3
- C. The Bible never says
- D. 2

13. Who diligently asked the wise men about baby

Jesus? (Matthew 2:7)

- A. King Pilate
- B. King Herod
- C. King Elias
- D. King David

14. Why did this man (question 13) want to learn more about Jesus' whereabouts?

(Matt. 2:16)

- A. He wanted to ask Jesus to be the heir to his throne
- B. He wanted to worship Jesus
- C. He wanted to kill Jesus
- D. He wanted Jesus to heal him

16. What gift did the wise men NOT give Jesus?

(Matthew 2:11)

- A. Myrrh
- B. Gold
- C. Frankincense
- D. Silver

17. What was Jesus' approximate age when the wise men presented Him with gifts?

(Matthew 2:16)

- A. 12 years old
- B. less than 2 years old
- C. 6 years old
- D. 10 years old

18. Why did Jesus' family flee Bethlehem?

(Matthew 2:12-13)

- A. They couldn't pay all of their taxes
- B. The king of Jerusalem wanted to kill Him
- C. The Gentiles hated Joseph
- D. God would destroy it

19. To where did Jesus' family flee from Bethlehem? (Matthew 2:12-145)

- A. Nazareth
- B. Samaria
- C. Egypt
- D. Greece

20. When they returned, where did Jesus and His family dwell? (Matthew 2:23)

- A. Samaria
- B. Egypt
- C. Greece
- D. Nazareth

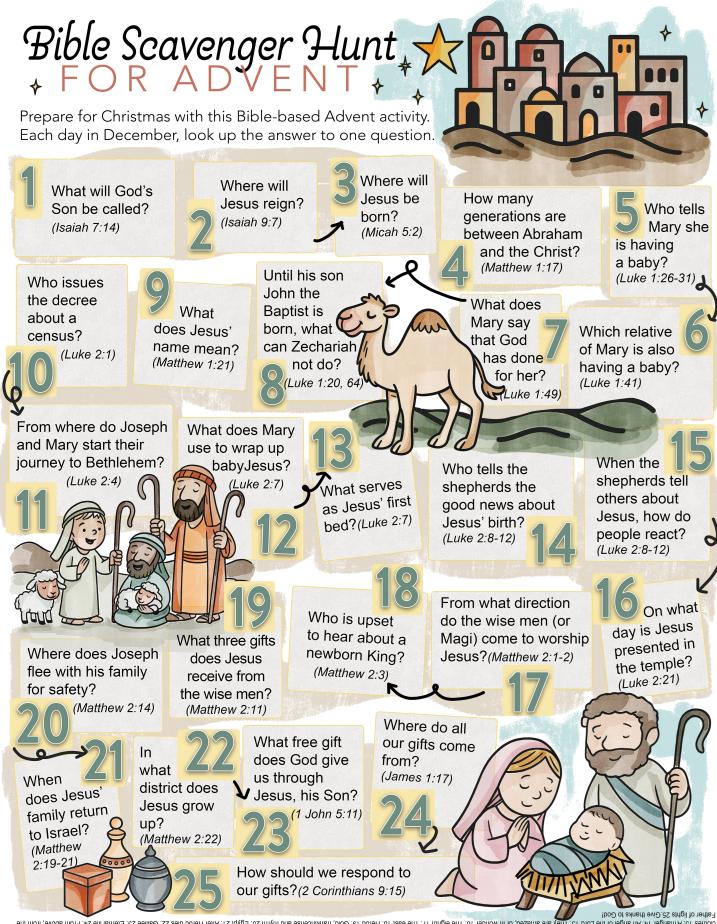
Answers: L. C; Z, D; 3, B; 4, B; 5, D; 6, A; 7, C; 8, B; 9, A; 10, C; 11, A; 12, C; 13, B; 14, B; 15, B; 16, D; 17, B; 18, B; 19, C; 20, D

15. What guided the wise men to find Jesus?

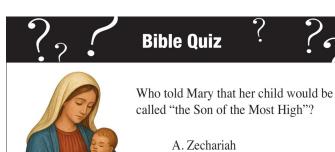
(Matthew 2:9)

- A. A dove
- B. A star
- C. An angel
- D. Their dreams





Anawers:1. Immanuel 2. On David's throne 3. Bethliehem 4. 42 5. The angel Gabriel 6. Elizabeth 7. Great things 8. Speak 9. He will save his people from their sins 10. Ceesar Augustus 11. Nazareth, in Gaillee 12. Cloths, or swaddling clothes 13. A manger 14. An angel of the Lord 15. They are amazed, or in wonder 16. The east 18. Herod 19. Gold, frankincense and myrth 20. Egypt 21. After Herod dise 23. Caillee 23. Eternal life 24. From above, from the



B. Gabriel

C. Simeon

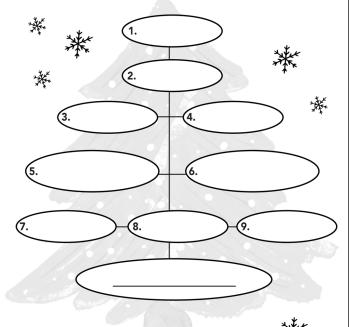
D. Joseph

Answer: B (See Luke 1:26-32.)

Puzzle!

Write the answer to each clue in the correct circle.

Then jot down the first letter of each answer and unscramble those letters to form a word about this season. Write that answer at the bottom of the tree.



CLUES

- 1. You trim this at Christmas.
- 2. One who governs
- 3. The first word of a popular carol, it means "Listen!"
- 4. You burn this to make the air sweet.
- 5. "For unto us is born this day a _____
- 6. She was betrothed to Joseph.7. Shepherds heard them sing.
- 8. A Christmas song
- 9. 'Tis the _____ to be jolly!



Answers: 1. tree, Z. ruler, 3. hark, 4. incense, 5. Savior, 6. Mary, 7. angels, 8. carol, 9. season; Christmas

Puzzle!

The Christmas Story

Unscramble each set of letters to form a word from the Christmas story. One letter in each set doesn't belong. Write each extra letter below, on the line above the correct number.

Then answer the question: What did we all receive at Christmas?

(1) TGLBEHHEME		
(2) NEAGLO		
(3) NRMEDAG		
(4) ODEKSNY		
(5) AMGYR		
(6) OHESJP		
(7) EFJSUS		
(8) ITEENMSW		
(9) SPHHDSREEO		
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Answers: Bethlehem (G), Angel (O), Manger (D), Donkey (S), Mary (G), Joseph (I), Jesus (F), Wise men (T), Shepherds (O), Camel (F), Star (L), Census (O), Sheep (V), Inn (E); God's gift of love

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DECEMBER

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
	1	2	Soup Supper 4:30 p.m. Advent Service 6 p.m.	4	5	6
Worship 9 am Bible Study 10:30 a.m. Elders Mtg. Mites Collection	8	9 Church Council will not meet	Soup Supper 4:30 p.m. Advent Service 6 p.m.	11	Christ the King Cookie Walk/ Sale	LWML Christmas Party 11:30 a.m.
Worship 9 am Bible Study 10:30 a.m.	Newsletter Deadline 9 a.m.	16	Soup Supper 4:30 p.m. Advent Service 6 p.m.	18	19	20
Worship 9 am Bible Study 10:30 a.m.	22	23	Christmas Eve Service 6 p.m.	25 CHRISTMAS!	26	27
Worship 9 am Bible Study 10:30 a.m.	29	30	New Year's Eve			



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