

OUR PURPOSE



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

DAILY DEVOTIONALS

Mon., Dec 30 - **MATTHEW 8:23-27** *Peace in the Storm*
 Tue., Dec 31 - **PSALM 106:1-5** *A Grateful New Year*
 Wed., Jan 1 - **ROMANS 12:1-2** *A New Beginning*
 Thu., Jan 2 - **PSALM 103:1-8** *Honest Anger*
 Fri., Jan 3 - **ISAIAH 30:15-18** *In Everything*
 Sat., Jan 4 - **MATTHEW 3:1-12** *Making Room*
 Sun., Jan 5 - **LUKE 16:1-15** *A Faithful Steward*

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OFFICE INFORMATION

GENERAL QUESTIONS & PASTORAL APPOINTMENTS

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

PHONE MESSAGES

Voicemails are sent electronically to designated email accounts.

EMERGENCIES

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

CHURCH GIVING

AVERAGE WEEKLY GIVING *(last 8 weeks)*
\$11,297.49

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 main entrance on side of building
- **ELECTRONICALLY** via PMUMC.org

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BELL CHOIR DIRECTOR - Becky Smalley

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WELCOME



Poolesville Memorial United Methodist Church

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First Sunday after Christmas Day—December 29, 2024
Sunday Worship Service—10:30 am



“Festival of Nine Lessons and Carols”



A special welcome to our guests today! Your visit is a blessing and we are glad you are here! 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.

* = Please stand in your heart or posture.

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

GREETERS—Janet Spiker/Terry Ferril

PRE-SERVICE MUSIC

Mary, Did You Know?

Linda Custer
by Lowry/Greene/Schrader

ACOLYTE—Sam L.

FESTIVAL OF NINE LESSONS AND CAROLS

WELCOME—Introductions and Prayer

Rev. Timothy Dowell

PRELUDE MUSIC—PIANO DUET

God Rest Ye Merry, Gentlemen

Janet Hartz/Linda Custer
arr by Joel Raney

***PROCESSIONAL HYMN**—*Once in Royal David's City*

UMH 250

***THE BIDDING PRAYER**

Rev. Timothy Dowell

***THE LORD'S PRAYER**

Rev. Timothy Dowell

***OPENING HYMN**—*Angels We Have Heard on High*

UMH 238

***BLESSING**

Rev. Timothy Dowell

ANTHEM—CHANCEL CHOIR

Christmas Peace Canon

Janet Hartz/Linda Custer
by Jean Anne Shafferman

FIRST LESSON—*Genesis 3:8-15, 17-19*

Ralph Hitchens

—God announces in the Garden of Eden, Adam and Eve's punishment for their rebellion, and that the seed of woman shall bruise the serpent's head.

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

CAROL—*Come Thou Long Expected Jesus*

UMH 196, verses 1-2

SECOND LESSON—*Genesis 22:15-18*

Kirsten Lewis

—God promises to Abraham that by his descendants, all the nations of the earth shall obtain blessing.

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

CAROL—*O Come, O Come, Emmanuel*

UMH 211, verses 1, 2, 4, 7

THIRD LESSON—*Isaiah 9:2, 6-7*

David Melton

—The prophet announces the birth of a king to a people in darkness.

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

CAROL—*Lo How a Rose E'er Blooming*

UMH 216, verses 1, 2

FOURTH LESSON—*Micah 5:2-5a*

Ralph Hitchens

—The King is coming and will usher in a reign of justice for the poor and peace for all of God's creation.

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

CAROL—*O Little Town of Bethlehem*

UMH 230, all verses

FIFTH LESSON—*Luke 1:26-35, 38*

Kirsten Lewis

—The angel Gabriel announces to the virgin Mary that she will give birth to God's promised Son whose kingdom shall never end.

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

CAROL—*To A Maid Engaged to Joseph*

UMH 215, all verses

SIXTH LESSON—*Luke 2:1-7*

David Melton

—Against a backdrop of emperors and taxes, Jesus is born.

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

CAROL—*He Is Born*

UMH 228, all verses

SEVENTH LESSON—*Luke 2:8-16*

Ralph Hitchens

—The shepherds go to see the Savior of the world, lying in a manger.

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

CAROL—*Infant Holy, Infant Lowly*

UMH 229, all verses

EIGHTH LESSON—*Matthew 2:1-11*

Kirsten Lewis

—The wise men follow a star to find the child Jesus, the King of the Jews.

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

CAROL—*We Three Kings*

UMH 254, verses 1, 5

NINTH LESSON—*John 1:1-14*

David Melton

—John unfolds the great mystery of the Incarnation.

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

CAROL—*O Come, All Ye Faithful*

UMH 234

***COLLECT**

Rev. Timothy Dowell

***CLOSING HYMN**—*The First Noel*

UMH 245

***BENEDICTION**

Rev. Timothy Dowell

POSTLUDE MUSIC

A Festal Fanfare

Linda Custer

by J.S. Bach/V.D. Thompson

Choral Anthem Lyrics, **Christmas Peace Canon** by Jean Anne Shafferman

At Christmas time the angels sing
A song filled with love for the tiny king,
A song of peace and harmony,
A song of peace for you and me.


Dona nobis pacem, pacem,
Dona nobis pacem.
Dona nobis pacem pacem,
Dona nobis pacem.
(Dona nobis pacem)

At Christmas time the angels sing
A song filled with love for the tiny king,
A song of peace and harmony,
A song of peace for you and me.

Silent night! Holy night!
All is calm, all is bright.
Round yon virgin mother and child!
Holy infant, so tender and mild,
Sleep in heavenly peace,
Sleep in heavenly peace.

UPDATE -The Trustees have been advised that donations have been committed to cover 40 percent of the cost of the lighting and ceiling tile projects which will be commencing January 7th. Any donation will be appreciated if you are able to assist.
Thank you.



MORE HANDS=MORE FUN 
Thank you to the many hands that helped “Hang the Greens” in November. It would be great to have that many or more for taking everything down which will include packing away the nativity scene. We will be “De-Hanging the Greens” next Sunday, January 5th after church. Not only more people make it more fun—it quicker and easier!

Join a Small Group...

- **Adult Sunday School**- Fred at cfredlyon@gmail.com
- **Youth Sunday School**- Dianna at mdmcgrews@aol.com
- **Review/Preview with Pastor Tim**- PastorTim@pmumc.org
- **Men’s Group**- Ray at RLHoewing@gmail.com
- **Youth Connection**- Betty at bking21710@gmail.com
- **Grief Group**- Betty at bking21710@gmail.com




*Called to start a new group?
Contact Pastor Tim*

 **Next Week’s Scriptures**

Isaiah 60:1-6 • Psalm 72:1-7, 10-14
Ephesians 3:1-12 • Matthew 2:1-12

Nursery Rm 5

 10:15 to
11:45 am



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 **Prayer Requests?**


Email
prayers@pmumc.org

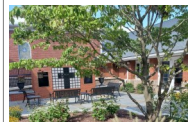


Sunday School - 9:15 to 10:15am

3 yrs-K, Rm 3; 1st-4th, Rm 4
5th-12th, Rm 2; Adults, Rm 6 & Zoom

Need Ride to

church? Email
Scott.McGrew@aol.com 



Columbarium & Memorial Garden For information on our permanent resting place for cremains, visit www.PMUMC.org or speak with: Eleanor Bateman at 301-461-7898, Steve McCraith at 301.788-5987 or Jan Schmidt at 301-807-9449

UPCOMING HAPPENINGS

SUN - DEC 29 <i>1st Sunday after Christmas</i>	9:15 - 10:15 am 9:15 - 10:15 am 10:15 - 11:45 am 10:30 - 11:30 am	Sunday School– PreK-12 th Rms 2-4 ; Adult Rm 6/Zoom Chancel Choir Rehearsal- Room 8/Sanctuary Nursery- Room 5 Worship Service- Sanctuary/YouTube
MON - DEC 30	7 - 8:30 pm 7 - 8:30 pm	Bell Choir Rehearsal– Canceled Grief Group– Canceled
TUE –DEC 31	10:30 - 11:30 am	Tai Chi—Poolesville Seniors– CANCELED
WED - JAN 1 <i>New Year’s Day</i>	Happy New Year	
THU - JAN 2	7 - 8 pm 7 - 8 pm	Review/Preview with Pastor Tim– Online via Zoom Zumba Class– Fellowship Hall
SAT - JAN 4	1 - 4 pm	The Friendly Thrift Shop– On Location
SUN - JAN 5 <i>Epiphany Sunday</i>	9:15 - 10:15 am 9:15 - 10:15 am 10:15 - 11:45 am 10:30 - 11:30 am	Sunday School– PreK-12 th Rms 2-4 ; Adult Rm 6/Zoom Chancel Choir Rehearsal- Room 8/Sanctuary Nursery- Room 5 Worship Service with Communion- Sanctuary/YouTube
MON - JAN 6	7 - 8:30 pm 7 - 8:30 pm	Bell Choir Rehearsal– Canceled Grief Group– Room 6
TUE - JAN 7	All Day thru 1/18/25 10:30 - 11:30 am 7 - 8 pm	Ceiling and Floor Tile Project– Kitchen & Hallways Tai Chi—Poolesville Seniors– Fellowship Hall Men’s Group Meeting– Room 6
WED - JAN 8	All Day thru 1/18/25 5:45 - 7 pm 7:30 - 9 pm	Ceiling and Floor Tile Project– Kitchen & Hallways Girl Scout Troop #32066 Meeting– Room 1 Chancel Choir Rehearsal – Room 8
THU - JAN 9	All Day thru 1/18/25 7 - 8 pm 7 - 8 pm 7 - 8:30 pm	Ceiling and Floor Tile Project– Kitchen & Hallways Review/Preview with Pastor Tim– Online via Zoom Zumba Class– Fellowship Hall IOOF #97 Meeting– Room 6
FRI - JAN 10	All Day thru 1/18/25	Ceiling and Floor Tile Project– Kitchen & Hallways
SAT - JAN 11	All Day thru 1/18/25 11am - 2pm 1 - 4 pm	Ceiling and Floor Tile Project– Kitchen & Hallways Private Party– Fellowship Hall The Friendly Thrift Shop– On Location
SUN - JAN 12 <i>Baptism of the Lord</i>	All Day thru 1/18/25 9:15 - 10:15 am 9:15 - 10:15 am 10:15 - 11:45 am 10:30 - 11:30 am	Ceiling and Floor Tile Project– Kitchen & Hallways Sun- day School– PreK-12 th Rms 2-4 ; Adult Rm 6/Zoom Chancel Choir Rehearsal- Room 8/Sanctuary Nursery- Room 5 Worship Service- Sanctuary/YouTube



Review/Preview with Pastor Tim

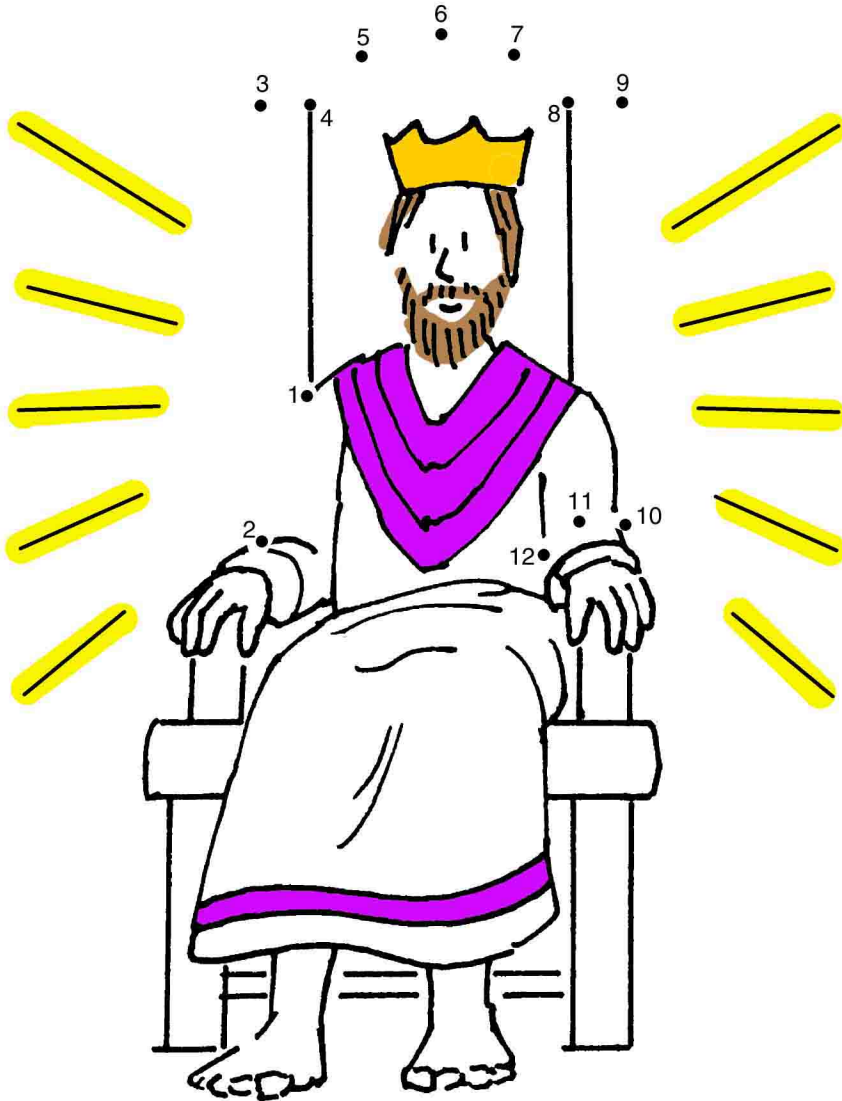
No prep needed! Study Sunday’s scriptures Thursdays @ 7pm on Zoom. For link, email: pastortim@pmumc.org.



Decorate our Lobby’s **Sock and Mitten Tree**—these much needed items that we collect will be donated to a homeless shelter.

Isaiah knew that this child would bring righteousness forever.

Connect the dots.
1 2 3 4 5 6 7 8 9 10 11 12



To Us a Child Is Born

Isaiah wrote of a special child who would be born as a savior.

Find the hidden letters in the picture.

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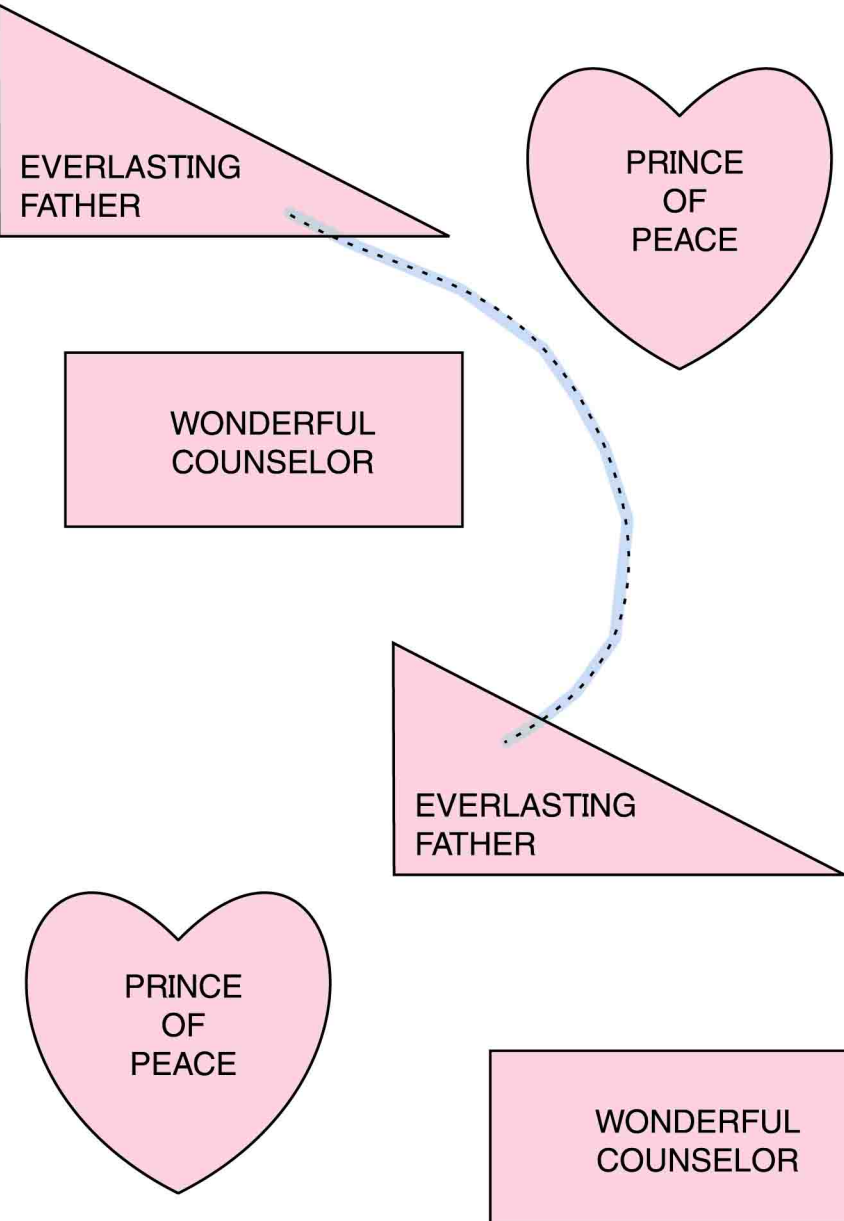
The child would be a great light
in a land of darkness.

Circle 6 differences in the 2nd picture.




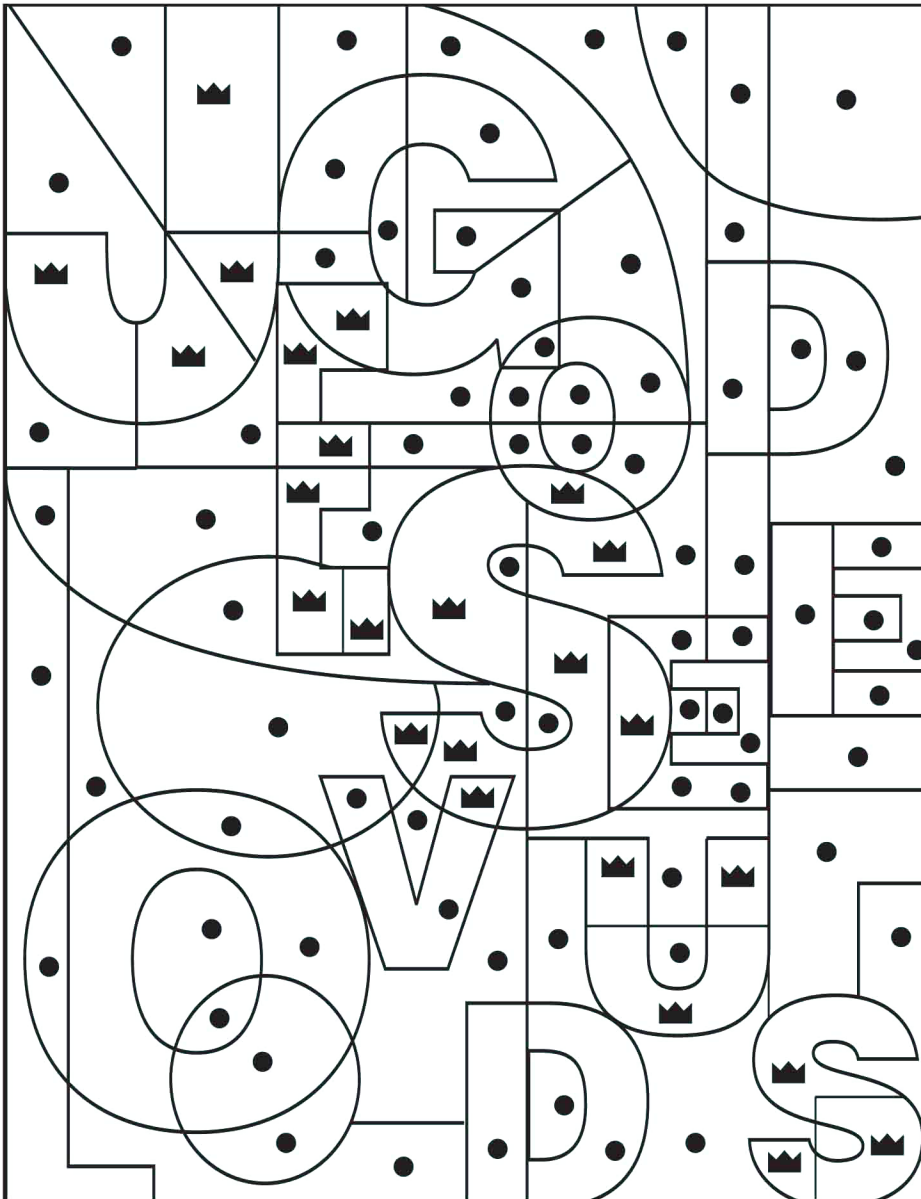
The child would grow,
and be called by many names.

Match the shapes.



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.

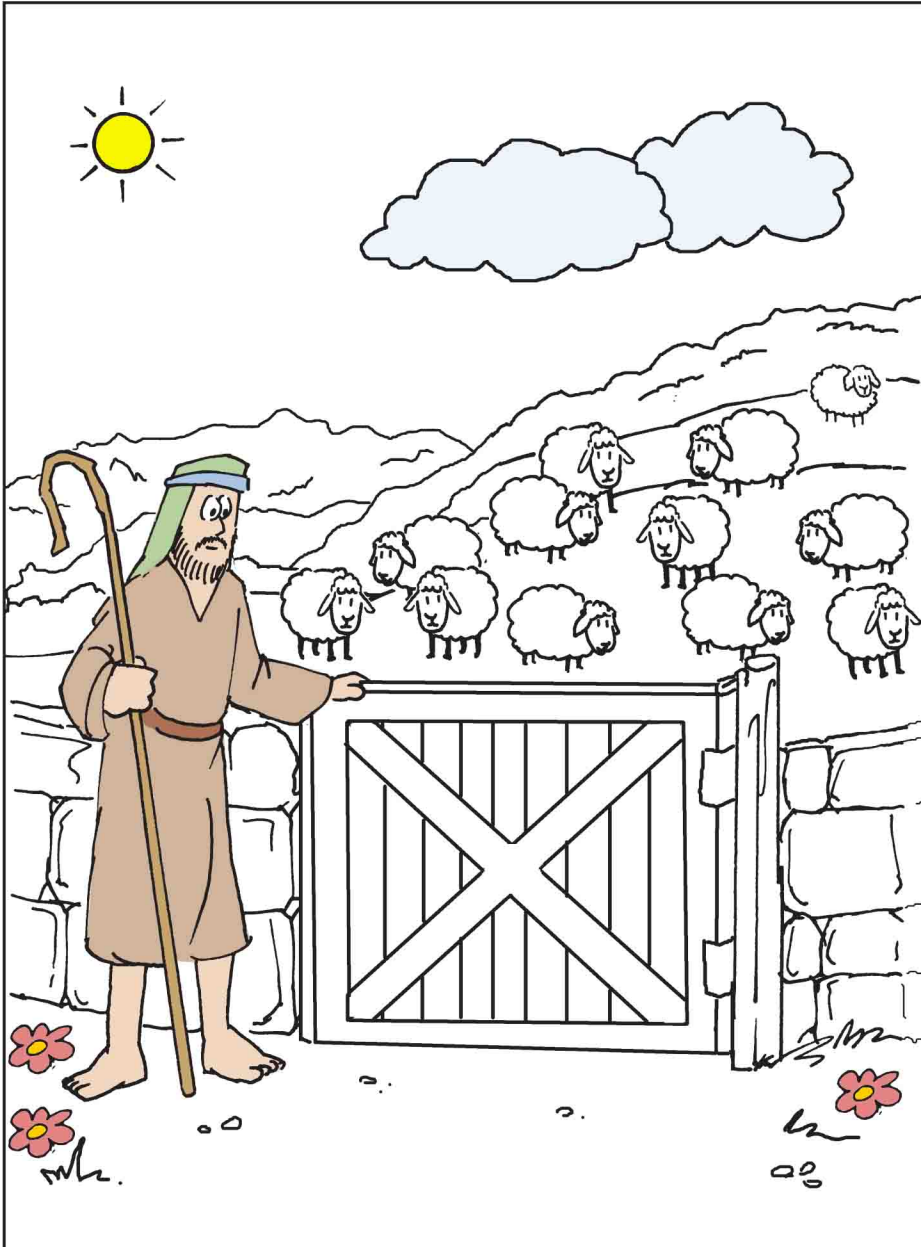


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This Ruler to come would be like a shepherd to His flock.

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



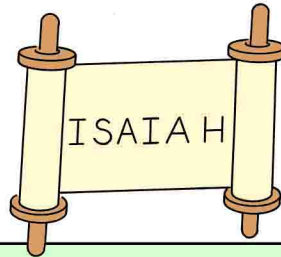
The Ruler will bring peace.

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





Find these words from the Scripture passage. Then read the verses, Isaiah 9:2-7, to find out how they fit in the story!



darkness	light	people	great	walking
nation	increased	joy	rejoice	yoke
child	born	son	given	government
shoulders	peace	kingdom	justice	righteousness
forever	seen	dawned	enlarged	
end	zeal			

The words are **↑ ↓ → ← ↗ ↘**.

R	K	I	N	G	D	O	M	D	L	I	H	C
E	I	N	C	R	E	A	S	E	D	A	W	Y
J	C	G	D	E	B	O	R	N	A	B	A	O
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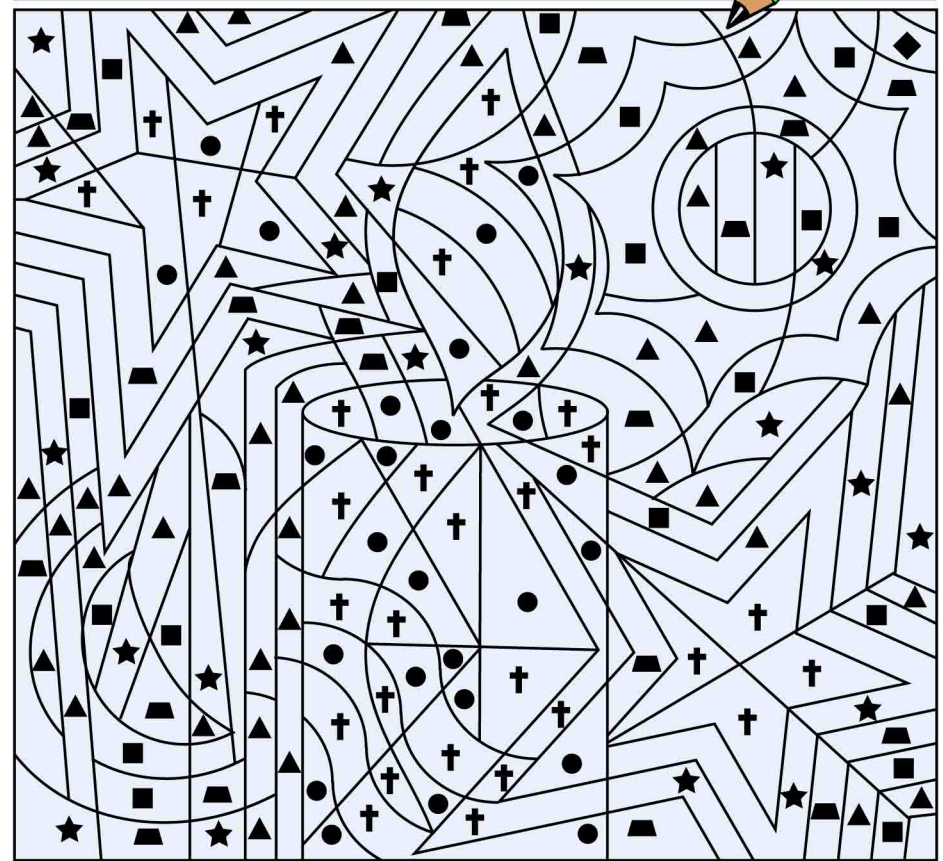
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To Us a Child Is Born

Isaiah wrote: "The people walking in darkness have seen a great light ..."



Color the spaces that have a ● or †.



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Isaiah 9:6 tells us ...



Write a word to fit each definition.
Transfer the letters to the correct lines below.

There was "no room" here
for Mary and Joseph

1 2 3

It guided the wise men

4 5 6 7

Presents

8 9 10 11 12

Strong, good feeling in
your heart

13 14 15 16

The fellowship of believers;
what we often call the place
we worship

17 18 19 20 21 22

☆ Opposite of "girl"

23 24 25

Our heavenly Father

26 27 28



" 10 14 7 5 14 19 4 6
17 22 1 13 28 1 4 23 14 7 2
11 27 19 4 6 12 24 3
9 12 8 9 15 16 3 ..."



Jesus was, and is, called by many names.

Fill in some of the words missing to find some of the names.
Match the words with the shapes at the bottom.

Prince

Counselor

Everlasting

Peace

Father

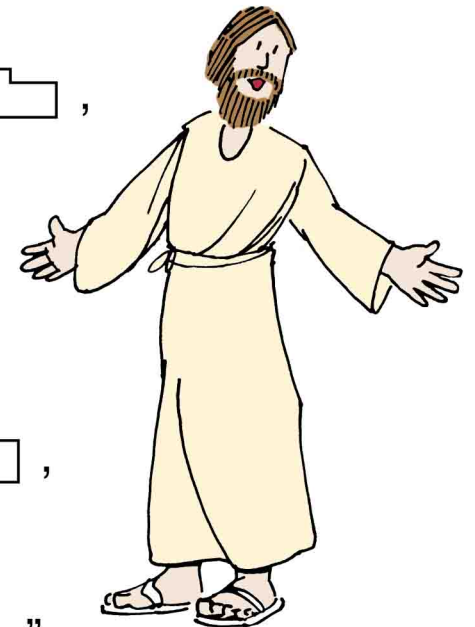
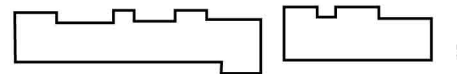
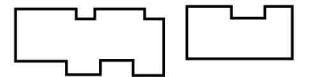
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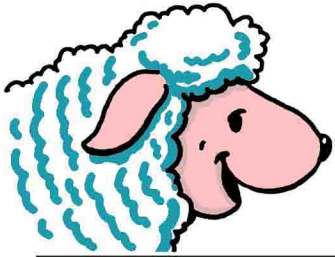
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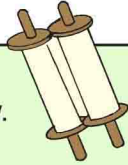


"And he will be called





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>

“ 2 16 15 5 18 20 9 9 ,

9 20 6 15 17 15 12 7 10 15 9 5 ,

8 13 10 2 16 15 19 16 20 17 ,

1 10 15 14 2 19 15 17 17 ,

18 20 9 9 10 15 14 12 16 2 13 ,

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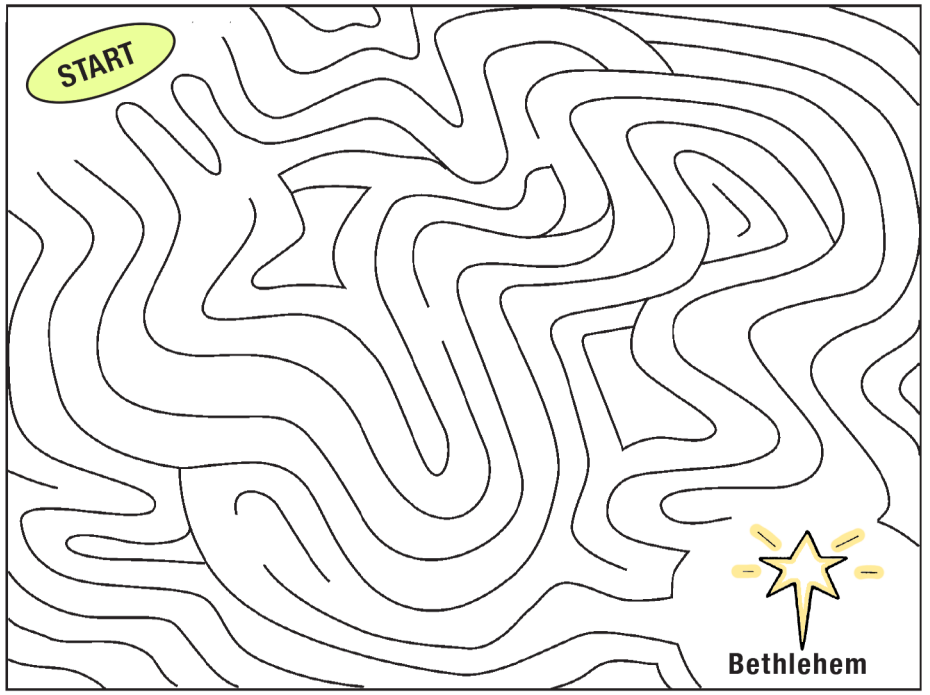
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A Ruler Will Come from Bethlehem

The Lord spoke about a Ruler who would come from Bethlehem:

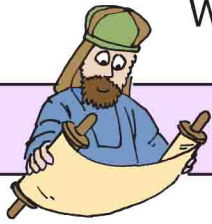
Find the path to Bethlehem.



“Though you are small among the clans of Judah, out of you will come for me a ruler over Israel, whose origins are from of old, from ancient times.”

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What else does the Scripture say?

Unscramble the missing words.

Therefore _____

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_____ abandoned _____

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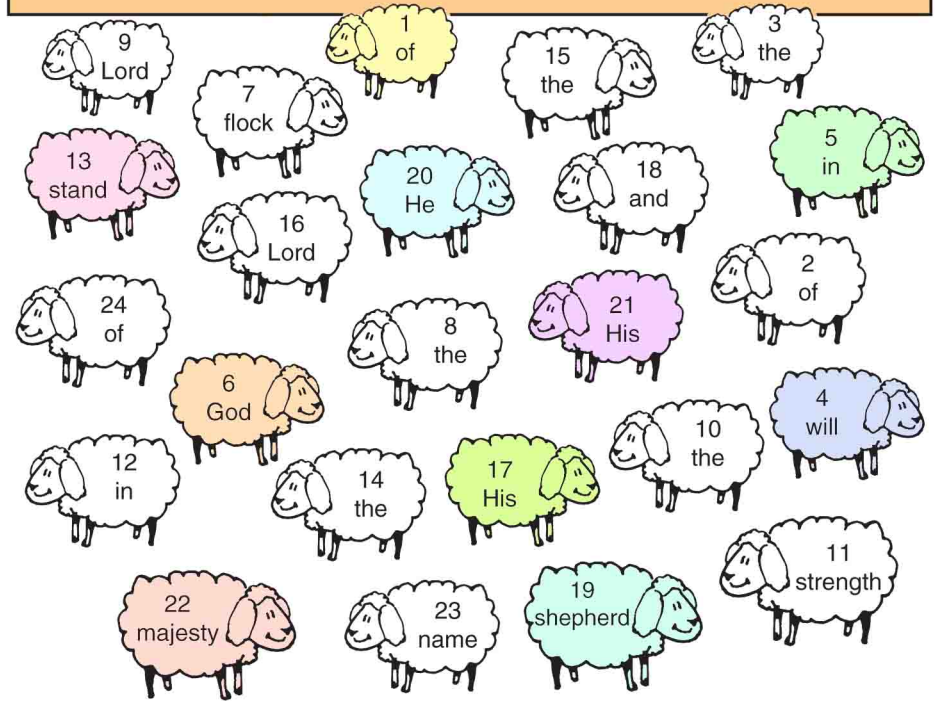
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Continue reading the Scripture ...

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 _____ !