



**JESUS' LAMBS AT PEACE PRESCHOOL
CHRISTMAS PROGRAM**

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**PEACE LUTHERAN CHURCH
NORTH MANKATO, MN**

PRESCHOOL CHRISTMAS PROGRAM

PROCESSIONAL HYMN

O Come, Little Children

1. O come, little children, O come, one and all,
To Bethlehem haste, to the manger so small,
God's Son for a gift has been sent you this night
To be your Redeemer, your Joy and Delight.
2. He's born in a stable for you and for me,
Draw near by the bright gleaming starlight to see,
In swaddling clothes lying, so meek and so mild,
And purer than angels, the heavenly Child.
3. See Mary and Joseph with love-beaming eyes
Are gazing upon the rude bed where he lies,
The shepherds are kneeling, with hearts full of love,
While angels sing loud hallelujahs above.
4. Kneel down and adore him with shepherds today,
Lift up little hands now, and praise him as they;
Rejoice that a Savior from sin you can boast,
And join in the song of the heavenly host.

INVOCATION

In the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit.

Amen.

PASTOR SINGS

Little Children Can You Tell

*Little children can you tell?
Do you know the story well?
Every girl and every boy
Why the angels sing for joy?
On this Christmas morning?*

CHILDREN SING

*Yes, we know the story well,
Listen now and hear us tell,
Every girl and every boy
Why the angels sing for joy
On this Christmas morning.*

PASTOR

The prophet Isaiah foretold the birth of Jesus long, long ago and described the majesty of the Savior that was to come.

CHILDREN SAY

For unto us a child is born, unto us a son is given: and the government shall be upon his shoulder: and his name shall be called Wonderful Counsellor, The mighty God, The everlasting Father, The Prince of Peace. (Isaiah 9:6 KJV)

CHILDREN SING

In a Little Stable | H.W. Gockel & E.W. Schroeter

*In a little stable, far across the sea.
Was a little baby, just like you and me.
Not a bed or cradle, not a pillow deep,
But a lowly manger, was His place to sleep.
Shepherds stood around Him, angels watched with care
For that Babe was Jesus, lying, smiling there.
Oh, I love this Jesus, who was little then.
For He surely loves me, little though I am.*

PASTOR

We hear the Christmas story as found in the Holy Bible from Luke 2.

¹And it came to pass in those days, that there went out a decree from Caesar Augustus that all the world should be taxed. ²(And this taxing was first made when Cyrenius was governor of Syria.) ³And all went to be taxed, every one into his own city. ⁴And Joseph also went up from Galilee, out of the city of Nazareth, into Judaea, unto the city of David, which is called Bethlehem; (because he was of the house and lineage of David:) ⁵To be taxed with Mary his espoused wife, being great with child. ⁶And so it was, that, while they were there, the days were accomplished that she should be delivered. ⁷And she brought forth her firstborn son, and wrapped him in swaddling clothes, and laid him in a manger; because there was no room for them in the inn.

CHILDREN SING

Long Time Ago in Bethlehem | Jester Hairston

*Long time ago in Bethlehem, so the Holy Bible say,
Mary's boy child Jesus Christ, was born on Christmas day

Hark now hear the angels sing, new king is born today
And man shall live forevermore, because of Christmas Day.

Now Joseph and his wife, Mary, Came to Bethlehem that night
They found no place to bear the child Not a single room was in sight.*

*By and by they found a little nook In a stable all forlorn
And in a manger cold and dark Mary's boy child was born.*

*Hark now hear the angels sing, new king is born today
And man shall live forevermore, because of Christmas Day.*

*Now shepherds watched their flocks by night They saw an angel in the sky.
They heard a choir from heaven sing Their music came from on high.*

*Trumpets sound and angels sing, Listen to what they say.
That we will live for evermore, because of Christmas Day!*

PASTOR

⁸And there were in the same country shepherds abiding in the field, keeping watch over their flock by night. ⁹And, lo, the angel of the Lord came upon them, and the glory of the Lord shone round about them: and they were sore afraid. ¹⁰And the angel said unto them, Fear not: for, behold, I bring you good tidings of great joy, which shall be to all people. ¹¹For unto you is born this day in the city of David a Saviour, which is Christ the Lord. ¹²And this shall be a sign unto you; Ye shall find the babe wrapped in swaddling clothes, lying in a manger.

CHILDREN SING

Hark! The Herald Angels Sing | ELH 125

*Hark! The herald angels sing, "Glory to the newborn King!
Peace on earth, and mercy mild, God and sinners reconciled!"
Joyful, all ye nations rise, join the triumph in the skies;
With th'angelic host proclaim, "Christ is born in Bethlehem!"
Hark! The herald angels sing, "Glory to the newborn King!"*

PASTOR

¹³And suddenly there was with the angel a multitude of the heavenly host praising God, and saying,

CHILDREN SAY

¹⁴"Glory to God in the highest, and on earth peace, good will toward men."

PASTOR

¹⁵And it came to pass, as the angels were gone away from them into heaven, the shepherds said one to another, Let us now go even unto Bethlehem, and see this thing which is come to pass, which the Lord hath made known unto us. ¹⁶And they came with haste, and found Mary, and Joseph, and the babe lying in a manger. ¹⁷And when they had seen it, they made known abroad the saying which was told them concerning this child. ¹⁸And all they that heard it wondered at those things which were told them by the shepherds. ¹⁹But Mary kept

all these things, and pondered them in her heart. ²⁰And the shepherds returned, glorifying and praising God for all the things that they had heard and seen, as it was told unto them.

CHILDREN SING

While By My Sheep | Let All the People Praise You

*While by my sheep, I watched at night,
Glad tidings brought an angel bright.*

How great my joy, great my joy.

Joy, joy, joy. Joy, joy, joy.

Praise we the Lord in heaven on high!

Praise we the Lord in heaven on high!

There shall be born so he did say,

In Bethlehem, a child today.

How great my joy, great my joy.

Joy, joy, joy. Joy, joy, joy.

Praise we the Lord in heaven on high!

Praise we the Lord in heaven on high!

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CHILDREN SAY

For God so loved the world, that He gave His one and only Son, that whoever believes in Him, shall not perish, but have eternal life. John 3:16

PASTOR

Yes, God so loved us that He sent His Son Jesus to save us. We poor sinners need Jesus' holy life, loving death on the cross, and His powerful resurrection for the forgiveness of our sins. Whoever believes in Jesus has eternal life. Just as Jesus rose from the dead, we too will rise one day!

Now, what can you bring to show you love Jesus, our Savior?

CHILDREN SAY

I bring my eyes to read God's Word; I bring my ears to hear it.

I bring my body to the Lord, Where lives His Holy Spirit.

I bring my hands to do His will, My feet to walk His ways.

My tongue to tell of God's own love, My voice to sing His praise.

CHILDREN SING

Glory to God | George Kessel, 1924

Grade School Choir: Low in a humble manger Jesus, the Christ Child, lay,
Watched by the virgin mother, there on the fragrant hay,
Keeping her loving vigil, far from the worldly throngs,
When through the night came ringing, glorious angel songs.

Preschool/Alumni: *“Glory to God” the angels sing; Praises to Christ, the newborn King;
“Peace be on earth, good will to men”, Hear we the angels sing again!
“Glory to God” the angels sing, Praises to Christ, the newborn King;
“Peace be on earth, good will to men, good will to men.”*

Grade School Choir: Little the loving mother, dreamed of their meaning then,
How He should die on Calv’ry, die for the sins of men.
But down the weary ages, out from that manger bed
Streams all the light of heaven, soon o’er the world to spread.

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“Peace be on earth, good will to men”, Hear we the angels sing again!
“Glory to God” the angels sing, Praises to Christ, the newborn King;
“Peace be on earth, good will to men, good will to men.”*

Congregation, Preschool & Youth Refrain:

*“Glory to God” the angels sing; Praises to Christ, the newborn King;
“Peace be on earth, good will to men”, Hear we the angels sing again!
“Glory to God” the angels sing, Praises to Christ, the newborn King;
“Peace be on earth, good will to men, good will to men.”*

DEVOTION – LUKE 2:8-12

A SAVIOR WAS BORN FOR YOU.

⁸ There were in the same country shepherds staying out in the fields, keeping watch over their flock at night. ⁹ An angel of the Lord appeared to them, and the glory of the Lord shone around them, and they were terrified! ¹⁰ But the angel said to them, “Do not be afraid. For behold, I bring you good news of great joy, which will be for all people: ¹¹ Today in the town of David, a Savior was born for you. He is Christ the Lord. ¹² And this will be a sign for you: You will find a baby wrapped in swaddling cloths and lying in a manger.”

PRAYER

THE LORD’S PRAYER

Our Father, who art in heaven, Hallowed be Thy name, Thy kingdom come, Thy will be done on earth as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread; And forgive us our trespasses, as we forgive those who trespass against us; And lead us not into temptation,

But deliver us from evil. For Thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory, forever and ever. Amen.

THE BENEDICTION

The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ and the love of God and the communion of the Holy Spirit be with you all.

Amen.

HYMN

Silent Night | ELH 140

WE THANK THOSE WHO SERVE

Program	Jesus' Lambs at Peace Preschool Children Brooke Flatin Angel Glenn Wiechmann Joseph Ember Langhorst Mary Joslyn Moldstad Director Katie Hartwig Accompanist Ken Mellon Guitar Dani Merritt & Elisa Londgren Teacher's Aides
Organist	Katie Hartwig
Cover Artwork	Don Moldstad

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PLEASE JOIN US FOR OUR HOLIDAY SERVICES

Christmas Eve Divine Service with Candlelight at 4:00 & 6:00pm

Christmas Day Divine Service at 9:00am

New Year's Eve Divine Service with Holy Communion at 6:00pm

Regular Sunday services are at 8:15 & 10:30am
with Sunday School and Adult Bible Class at 9:25am

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