



# **Greenwood Forest**

Baptist Church





# Greenwood Forest Baptist Church

December 24, 2020

CHRISTMAS

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*For the Candlelight Christmas Eve (8pm), you will want to bring elements for communion (bread and wine) and a candle to light during Silent Night.*

Welcome to Greenwood Forest!

We are so glad you've chosen to join us this week. Greenwood Forest Baptist Church is an inclusive community of faith, which means we welcome, affirm, and include all God's people in their diversity of genders, sexual orientations, races, ethnicities, ages, abilities, and backgrounds. We are each beloved by God and we are happy to welcome you to our church exactly as you are.

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# Hark! The Herald Angels Sing



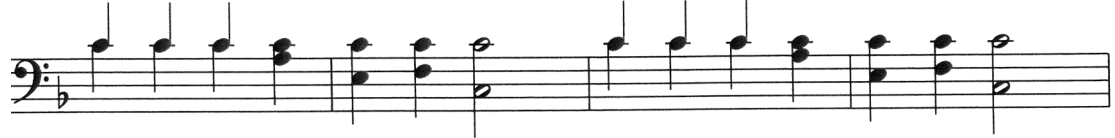
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<b>Reflection on the Stable and the Animals</b>		Luke Perrin
<b>Reflection on the Angel and Joseph</b>		Rev. Wesley Spears-Newsome
<b>Reflection on Mary</b>		Rev. Efrid
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<b>Reflection on the Christ Child</b>		Rev. Dr. Stacks
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<b>Reflection on the Magi</b>		Rev. Spears-Newsome
<b>Closing Prayer</b>		Rev. Efrid
<b>Closing Hymn</b>		Silent Night, Holy Night
	(see page 6)	
<b>Benediction</b>		Rev. Efrid
<b>Postlude</b>	Lullay, Thou Little Tiny Child	arr. Davis

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# Go Tell it on the Mountain

Go, tell it on the moun - tain, o-ver the hills and ev - ery-where;

Go, tell it on the moun - tain that Je - sus Christ is born!

1. While shep-herds kept their watch-ing o'er si - lent flocks by night,  
2. The shep-herds feared and trem-bled when lo! a - bove the earth  
3. Down in a low - ly man - ger the hum - ble Christ was born,

be - hold through-out the heav-ens there shone a ho - ly light.  
rang out the an - gel cho - rus that hailed our Sav - ior's birth.  
and God sent us sal - va - tion that bless - ed Christ-mas morn.

*Fine*

*D.C. al Fine*

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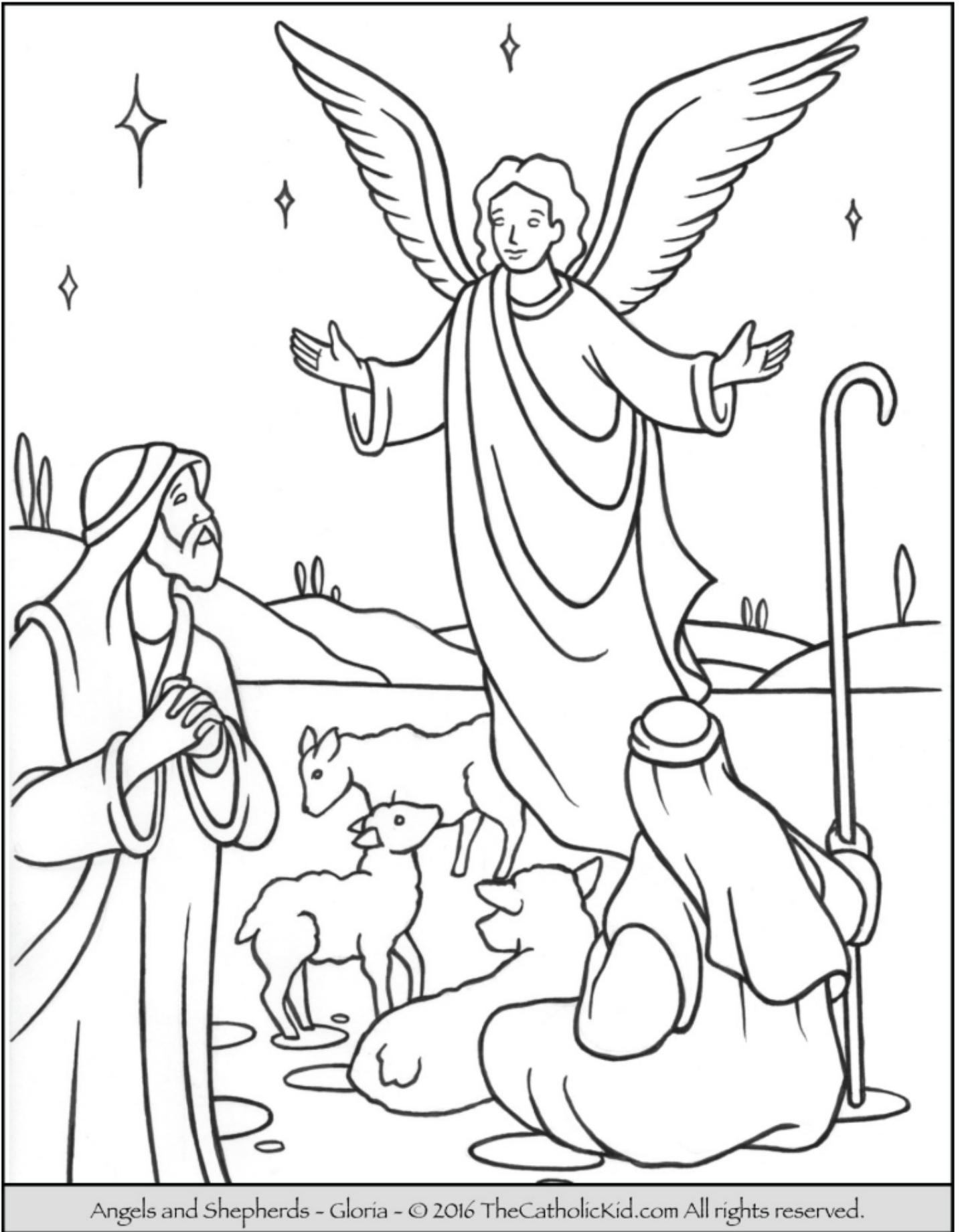
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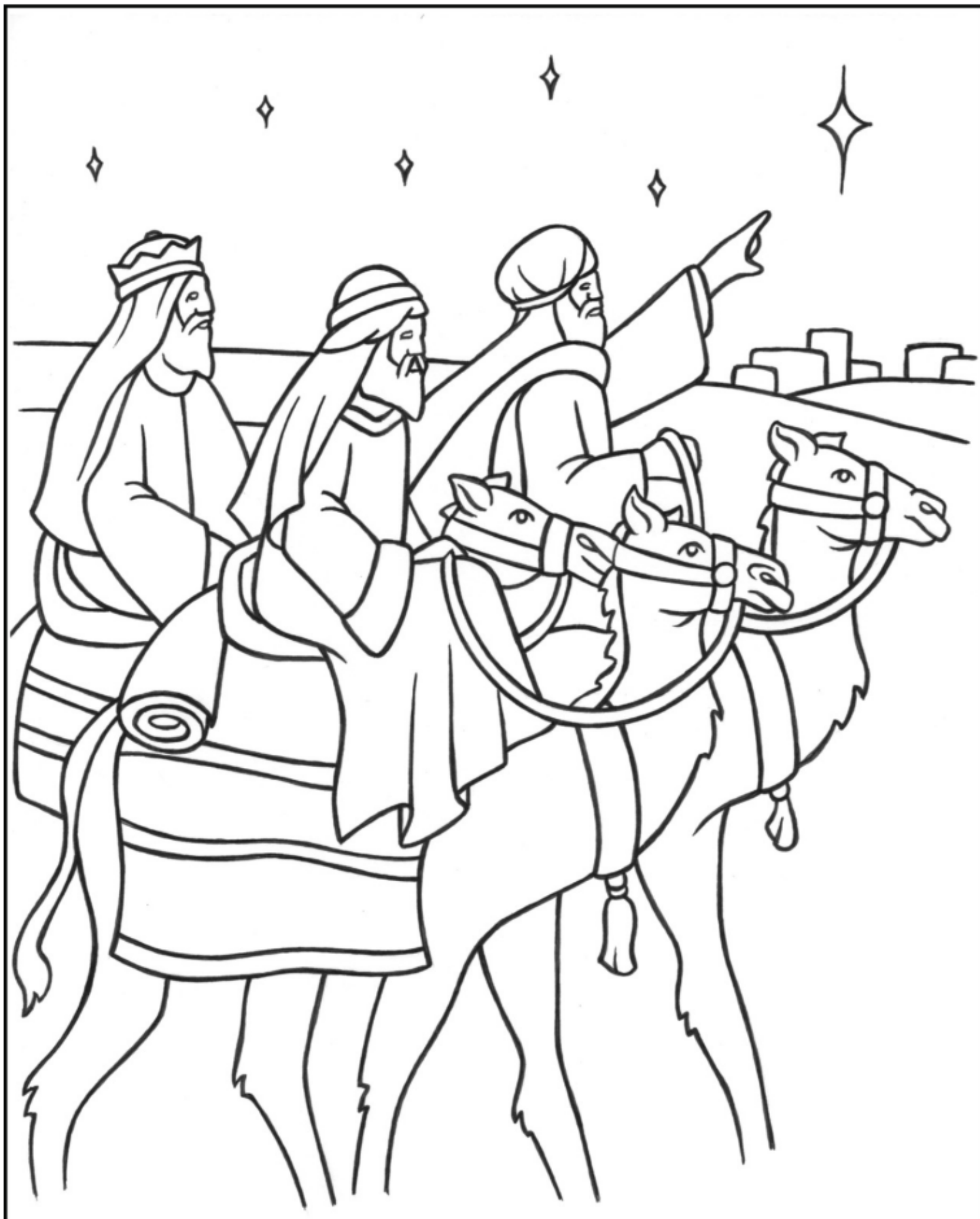








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Leader: Everlasting Father,

**People: Prince of Peace!**

Leader: His authority shall grow continually,

**People: And there shall be endless peace for the throne of David  
and his kingdom.**

Leader: He will establish and uphold it with justice and with righteousness

**People: From this time onward and forevermore.**

**Invocation**

Rev. Dr. Stacks

**Hymn**

O Holy Night

*(see page 15)*

**Offertory Prayer**

Leta Huntsinger

**Presentation of the Offering**

CRANHAM

*As our offering is presented back to God, we will sing the following doxology:*

What can I give him, poor as I am?  
If I were a shepherd, I would bring a lamb;  
If I were a wise man, I would do my part;  
Yet what I can I give him; give him my heart.

**Prayers of the People and the Lord's Prayer**

Rev. Wesley Spears-Newsome

*We affirm each prayer with the following response:*

Leader: Lord, in your mercy.

**People: Hear our prayer.**

*We conclude the Prayers of the People with 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.  
Lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil.  
For thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory, forever.  
Amen.**

**Scripture Reading**

Luke 2:1-20

Rev. Dr. Stacks

## Anthem

Thou Who Wast Rich

Ordinary Time

Thou who wast rich beyond all splendor,  
All for love's sake becamest poor;  
Thrones for a manger didst surrender,  
Sapphire-paved courts for stable floor.  
Thou who wast rich beyond all splendor,  
All for love's sake becomes poor.

Thou who art God beyond all praising,  
All for love's sake becamest man;  
Stooping so low, but sinners raising  
Heavenwards by thine eternal plan.  
Thou who art God beyond all praising,  
All for love's sake becamest man.

Thou who art love beyond all telling,  
Savior and King, we worship thee.  
Emmanuel, within us dwelling,  
Make us what thou wouldst have us be.  
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Savior and King, we worship thee.

## Homily

Silent Night?

Rev. Efrid

## Celebration of Communion

Rev. Efrid

## Prayer of Confession

Merciful God, we confess that we have not always loved you with our whole heart. We have failed to be obedient disciples. We have failed to be an obedient church. We have not done your will, we have broken your law, we have rebelled against your love, we've not loved our neighbors, and we've not heard the cry of the needy. Forgive us for what we have done and for what we've left undone, and free us for joyful obedience through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

## Mystery of Faith

Leader: Together we proclaim the mystery of faith.

**People: Christ has died. Christ is risen. Christ will come again.**

# O Holy Night

O ho - ly  
Tru - ly He

night! the stars are bright - ly shin - ing; It is the  
taught us to love one an - oth - er; His law is

night of the dear Sav - ior's birth.  
love and His gos - pel is peace.

Long lay the world in sin and er - ror  
Chains shall He break, for the slave is our

pin - ing, Till He ap - peared and the soul felt its  
broth - er, And in His name all op - pres - sion shall

worth. A thrill of hope— the  
cease. Sweet hymns of joy in

The musical score is written for voice and piano. It features a treble and bass clef for the voice part and a grand staff for the piano accompaniment. The key signature has one sharp (F#) and the time signature is 4/4. The lyrics are printed below the vocal line. The score includes various musical notations such as notes, rests, and dynamic markings.

wea - ry world re - joic - es, For yon - der breaks a  
 grate - ful cho - rus raise we; Let all with - in us  
 new and glo - rious morn! Fall on your knees! O  
 praise His ho - ly name. Christ is the Lord! O  
 hear the an - gel voic - es! O night di -  
 praise His name for - ev - er! His pow'r and  
 vine, O night when Christ was  
 glo - ry ev - er - more pro -  
 born! O night, O ho - ly  
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Light your candles during the following hymn.

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