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**ADVENT PRAYER STATIONS**

Come experience the silence, solitude of  
 "making room" for His coming!  
 Wednesday, December 19th  
 Drop In Anytime Between 6:30 PM & 8 PM  
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Women's Ministry Caroling, Cookies and Cocoa Wednesday, December 19 at 6:30 pm

Ladies, please join us as we spread some Christmas cheer to neighbors living near our church. We will meet in the MGR and return afterward for hot chocolate and cookies and fellowship. You are welcome to bring your children with you. Questions? Contact -Patsy Malas at wow@wollastonnazarene.org or 617-320-9496.

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**HELP** is needed to begin our *After School Program* on **January 15th**. If you are able to help even on one Tuesday, even for an hour, it's worth it! Help is needed anytime, for any amount of time between 11:00 am and 5:30 pm.  
**Helpers can:** Prep snack and drink  
 Eat Lunch with kids (12-12:45)  
**INTERACT WITH KIDS:** Play games, color, craft, read, help with homework  
 Help during Snack time; Plan an activity  
 CLEAN UP KITCHEN, MGR AND KIDSPOT (4:00-5:30)

Is there a Tuesday that works for you to volunteer some time? Contact Pastor Bev for more information.

## WOW Hobby Club

We will meet on Friday, December 14 from 6-9 p.m. in the Metcalfe Gathering Room. This month we will have beaded ornament kits in addition to our regular puzzles, games & fun. Bring snacks & a friend! Contact Sarah Shobert with questions ([sjshobert@gmail.com](mailto:sjshobert@gmail.com)).

## Homebound Christmas Gift Bags

TODAY is the last day to give for our annual Christmas giving to our church family who can no longer attend church regularly is starting. You may also want to give money as we will be purchasing a poinsettia for each person.

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## A Children's Christmas Program



December 16, 2018

## The Christmas Journey

Two-Year Old through K

### Offering

### The Story

## Born is the King (It's Christmas)

### Isaiah 9:2, 6

The people who had been living in darkness have seen a great light. The light of life has shined on those who dwelt in the shadowy darkness of death. Hope of all hopes, dream of our dreams, a child is born, sweet-breathed; a son is given to us: a living gift. And even now, with tiny features and dewy hair, He is great. The power of leadership, and the weight of authority, will rest on His shoulders. His name? His name we'll know in many ways— He will be called Wonderful Counselor, Mighty God, Dear Father everlasting, ever-present never-failing, Master of Wholeness, Prince of Peace.

### Emmanuel

### That Wonderful Night

### Little Town

### Luke 2:1-7

Around the time of Elizabeth's amazing pregnancy and John's birth, the emperor in Rome, Caesar Augustus, required everyone in the Roman Empire to participate in a massive census— the first census since Quirinius had become governor of Syria. Each person had to go to his or her ancestral city to be counted. This political background isn't incidental: it is crucial to the story. Conquering nations in the ancient world work in various ways. Some brutally destroy and plunder the nations they conquer. Some conquer people as slaves or servants. Other empires allow the people to remain in their land and work as before, but with one major change: the conquered people have to pay taxes to their rulers. The purpose of a census like the one Luke describes is to be sure that everyone is appropriately taxed and knows who is in charge. Mary's fiancé Joseph, from Nazareth in Galilee, had to participate in the census in the same way everyone else did. Because he was a descendant of King David, his ancestral city was Bethlehem, David's birthplace. Mary, who was now late in her pregnancy that the messenger Gabriel had predicted, accompanied Joseph. While in Bethlehem, she went into labor and gave birth to her firstborn son. She wrapped the baby in a blanket and laid Him in a feeding trough because the inn had no room for them.

### He is God



### Luke 2:8-14

Nearby, in the fields outside of Bethlehem, a group of shepherds were guarding their flocks from predators in the darkness of night. Suddenly a messenger of the Lord stood in front of them, and the darkness was replaced by a glorious light—the shining light of God's glory. They were terrified! **Messenger:** Don't be afraid! Listen! I bring good news, news of great joy, news that will affect all people everywhere. Today, in the city of David, a Liberator has been born for you! He is the promised Anointed One, the Supreme Authority! You will know you have found Him when you see a baby, wrapped in a blanket, lying in a feeding trough. At that moment, the first heavenly messenger was joined by thousands of other messengers—a vast heavenly choir. They praised God. **Heavenly Choir:** To the highest heights of the universe, glory to God! And on earth, peace among all people who bring pleasure to God!

### Angel Jam

### Luke 2:15-20

As soon as the heavenly messengers disappeared into heaven, the shepherds were buzzing with conversation. **Shepherds:** Let's rush down to Bethlehem right now! Let's see what's happening! Let's experience what the Lord has told us about! So they ran into town, and *eventually* they found Mary and Joseph and the baby lying in the feeding trough. After they saw the baby, they spread the story of *what they had experienced and* what had been said to them about this child. Everyone who heard their story couldn't stop thinking about its meaning. Mary, too, pondered all of these events, treasuring each memory in her heart. The shepherds returned *to their flocks*, praising God for all they had seen and heard, and they glorified God for the way the experience had unfolded just as the heavenly messenger had predicted.

### Matthew 2: 1-2; 9-11

Jesus was born in the town of Bethlehem, in the province of Judea, at the time when King Herod reigned. *Not long after Jesus was born*, magi, wise men or seers from the East, made their way from the East to Jerusalem. These wise men made inquiries.

**These men from the East come looking for the One who has been born who will save His people from sin.**

**Wise Men:** Where is this newborn, who is the King of the Jews? When we were far away in the East we saw His star, and we have followed its glisten and gleam all this way to worship Him.

### Born to be the Savior

### Every Day is Christmas



### John 12:46

I am here to bring light in this world, freeing everyone who believes in Me from the darkness that blinds him.

### 1 Timothy 1:14-15a

But He poured His grace over me, and I was flooded in an abundance of the grace and faith and love that can only be found in Jesus the Anointed. Here's a statement worthy of trust: Jesus the Anointed, the Liberating King came into the world to save sinners.

### Matthew 5:14-16

And you, beloved, are the light of the world. A city built on a hilltop cannot be hidden. Similarly it would be silly to light a lamp and then hide it under a bowl. When someone lights a lamp, she puts it on a table or a desk or a chair, and the light illumines the entire house. You are like that illuminating light. Let your light shine everywhere you go, that you may illumine creation, so men and women everywhere may see your good actions, may see creation at its fullest, may see your devotion to Me, and may turn and praise your Father in heaven because of it.

### Mark 13:32-33

Take heed: no one knows the day or hour when the end is coming. The messengers in heaven don't know, nor does the Son. Only the Father knows. So be alert. Watch for it [and pray,] for you never know when that time might approach.

### The King is on the Way

### Love, Jesus

### Titus 2:11-14

We have cause to celebrate because the grace of God has appeared, offering the gift of salvation to all people. Grace arrives with its own instruction: run away from anything that leads us away from God; abandon the lusts and passions of this world; live life now in this age with awareness and self-control, doing the right thing and keeping yourselves holy. Watch for His return; expect the blessed hope we all will share when our great God and Savior, Jesus the Anointed, appears again. He gave His body for our sakes and will not only break us free from the chains of wickedness, but He will also prepare a community uncorrupted by the world that He would call His own—people who are passionate about doing the right thing.

### Emmanuel

