

Trinity Presbyterian Church

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Dear Children.

This Sunday morning, we are planning to study the story of the Wise Men as told in Matthew, chapter 2. Here is a short story (adapted from The Jesus Storybook Bible) about them.

Far away, in the East, three clever men saw the very same star. The star that God had put in the sky when Jesus was born. They knew it was a sign. A baby king had been born.

They had been waiting for this star. They knew it would come. "He's here!" they shouted. "He's here!"

At dawn, they packed up their camels and wrapped gifts for the baby. They brought their most precious treasures of all: frankincense, gold, and myrrh. Special, sparkly, lovely-smelling, gleaming things – just right for a king.

The three Wise Men (actually, if you'd met them, you'd have thought they were kings because they were so rich and clever and important looking) set off

They rode their camels across endless deserts, up steep, steep mountains, down into deep, deep valleys, through raging rivers and over grassy plains. Night and day, day and night, for hours that turned into days, that turned into weeks, that turned into months and months, until, at last, they reached the little town of Bethlehem. The star stopped right over...a little house. This surprised the Wise Men because they thought the baby king would be born in a palace with servants, flags, red carpets and trumpets.

But, sure enough, in that little house – there, sitting on his mother's knee – they found him. The baby King.

The three men knelt before the little King. They took off their rich royal turbans and gleaming, golden crowns. They bowed their noble heads to the ground and gave him their sparkling treasures.

The journey that had begun so many centuries before had led three Wise Men here. To a little house. To a little child, who would grow up to be the King of Kings.

Mr. Michael



Do you have a:

Prayer Request? Is there something you need prayer for?
Praise Report? Has God answered a prayer?

Is there anything else you would like Mr. Mac to know?

Mr. Mac wants to know!!

Please write to him here and place your message in his box.

Dear Mr. Mac,

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A Guide to Family Worship

December 19 - December 24

THE SIMPLEST OUTLINE FOR FAMILY TIME EVER!!! 10 FASY STEPS

- #1 Just make sure you gather once a day as a family.
- #2 Try really hard to make the same time every day.
- #3 It does not have to be long; it does not have to be perfect.
- #4 Read a Bible verse. Maybe a devotional.
- #5 Sing a song or two together.
- #6 Take prayer requests.
- #7 Pray. (Daddy, your children NEED to hear you pray.)
 Pray for the children; pray for missionaries; pray for Trinity Church; give thanks.
- #8 Everyone tell one thing they are thankful for.
- #9 Have a Leader of the Day: they get to read and/or pray and/or tell everyone to come gather and/or put out the Bibles/hymnals and/or tell something that happened to them that day.
- #10 Dad, pray this over your children: Numbers 6:24–26

The LORD bless you and keep you; the LORD make His face to shine upon you and be gracious to you the LORD lift up His countenance upon you and give you peace.

Sermon Art

Use this page to illustrate something that Mr. Michael preaches on during the sermon this morning!

This week's lesson is on

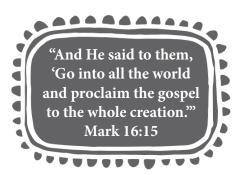
Matthew 2:1-12

Want to see your artwork on the FRONT PAGE?

Put your artwork in the Sermon Art mailbox in the church office (bottom left hand side).

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Meet Our Missionaries!



Matthew & Deborah Stanghelle MM&I (Stavanger, Norway)

Matt and Deborah are leading a team of Norwegians and internationals to plant the Presbyterian Church in Norway. Norway runs deep in Matt's family heritage, and he considers it a great privilege to plant a church in the land of his forefathers. Matt is an ordained minister in the Presbyterian Church in America and is serving his call with the Ministry to the Military and Internationals, a commission of the Southeast Alabama Presbytery.

Music and Hymns

"O Come. All Ye Faithful"

This hymn tells the story of the shepherds coming to see Jesus. An angel appeared to the shepherds and told them that Jesus had been born. Then a large group of angels sang "Glory to God in the highest." The shepherds went to "adore Him" and they went and told everyone about what they had seen!

Have you told everyone you know about Jesus?

Share the Christmas story!

"Angels, from the Realms of Glory"

The angels proclaimed His birth, the shepherds witnessed Him, the wise men followed a star to come and see Him- to worship the King! Could you imagine such a tiny, innocent baby being praised? They praised Him, because they knew who He was and who He would grow up to be. Verse 4 says "saints before the altar bending, watching long in hope and fear, suddenly the Lord, descending, in His temple shall appear." Angels will also proclaim Jesus' second coming, the one we are waiting for now. One day Jesus will return and gather all of His people, those who believe in Him. Praise the King for His loving-kindness!

"They saw the Child with His mother Mary, and they bowed down and worshiped Him." Matthew 2:11



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