Sunday 12th December – The Third Sunday in Advent – Jesus is Born



Read: Luke 2:1-6

Mary and Joseph had to go register in the census which for Mary and Joseph meant a trip to Bethlehem. This would have been a very hard and long journey, especially as Mary was nearly ready to have her baby. When they got to Bethlehem there was no room for them to stay, so they had to stay where the animals slept. Mary gave birth to a baby boy, just as the angel had said and they laid him in the manger to keep him safe and warm. The birth of a special baby had just happened – he was such a special baby we still celebrate thousands of years later.

Watch: https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=lQ7xa2nIRWQ (Brusntad Church)

Why did Mary and Joseph have to travel to Bethlehem? Where did they stay when they got there? Why was there no room? Where did they put the baby? Why do we celebrate Christmas each year?

Do:

Hidden Pictures Colouring Page - https://www.biblewise.com/kids/images/fun/hidden_pictures.pdf

Wordsearch - https://ministry-to-children.com/jesus-birth-word-search/

Decoder - https://sermons4kids.com/birth_of_jesus_decoder.htm

Infinity Folder - <u>https://paththroughthenarrowgate.com/category/activities/holiday-</u> <u>crafts/christmas-holiday-crafts/</u>

Pray:

Heavenly Father, through this season of Advent, we prepare for our Christmas celebrations of the birth of your Son Jesus Christ.

In all the busy times help us to see the importance of your love for us. Show us new ways to share the message of your love for all people. We pray this in the name of Jesus, whose coming we eagerly await. Amen (taken from Praying Together)

Father in heaven watch over our loved ones.

Keep them by your side.

May they be safe and peaceful, in you may they abide.

Give wisdom to the doctors and nurses too we pray,

renew their strength and bless them for the work they do each day.

Send healing and restoration and let them feel your love.

May your Holy Spirit give them rest as gentle as a dove. Amen (taken from Praying Together)

Share: Advent allows us to take time to prepare for Christmas – take 5 minutes each day to read part of the Christmas Story. Share what you learn with others.