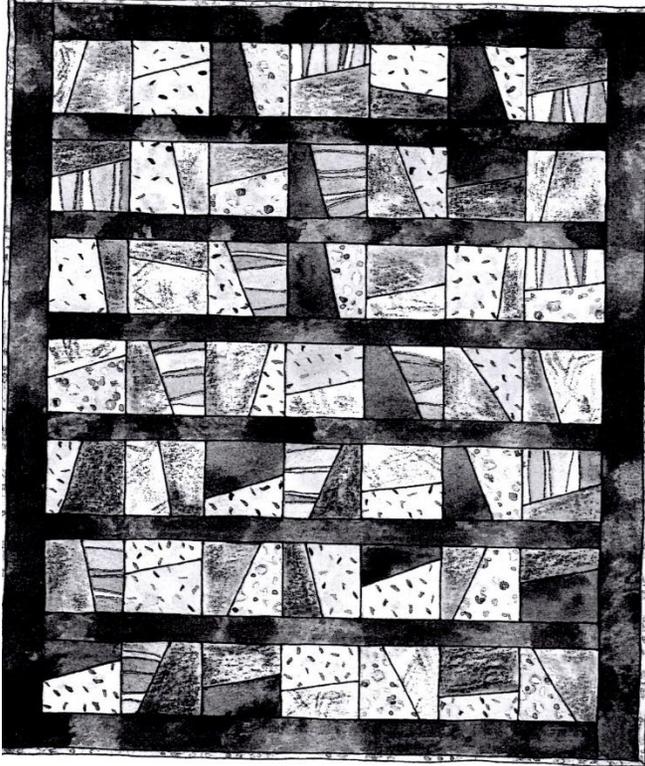


“The Christmas Quilt”

Sunday School Christmas Program

December 17, 2017

10:30 AM



St. Paul's Lutheran Church

710 E. Broadway

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PRE-SERVICE MUSIC—Sunday School Students

PROCESSIONAL HYMN—“O Little Town of Bethlehem”
Congregation

**O little town of Bethlehem, how still we see thee lie!
Above thy deep and dreamless sleep the silent stars go
by;
Yet in thy dark streets shineth the everlasting light,
The hopes and fears of all the years are met in thee
tonight.**

**For Christ is born of Mary, and gathered all above
While mortals sleep, the angels keep their watch of
wondering love.**

**O morning stars, together proclaim the holy birth,
And praises sing to God the King and peace to all the
earth.**

Invocation

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

C: Amen.

P: The people who walked in darkness have seen a great light.

C: Those who dwelt in a land of deep darkness, on them the light has shone.

P: For unto us a Child is born, to us a Son is given,

C: And the government shall be on His Shoulder, and His name shall be called Wonderful Counselor, the mighty God, Everlasting Father, Prince of Peace.

P: Clap your hands, all you people:

C: Shout to God with lough songs of joy!

PRAYER

We pray:

P: Almighty God, our Heavenly Father, we thank you for the
Good News of a Savior,

**C: For Your continuing love and care, for the grace that
keeps us day by day, for the love that protects us by
night.**

P: Lift our hearts that we may remember again the glories of
that first Christmas,

**C: And share that joy for all the Christmas festivals we
shall still celebrate,**

**ALL: Through the mercies of Jesus Christ, our Lord.
Amen.**

SONG—Congregation

O holy Child of Bethlehem,
Descend on us, we pray;
Cast out our sin and enter in,
Be born in us today.
We hear the Christmas angels
The great glad tidings tell;
O come to us, abide with us,
Our Lord Immanuel!

THE CHRISTMAS QUILT

Setting the scene—The eighth graders, Aysia Hovde, Elijah
Slack, and Alex Kosloski are talking with their Sunday School
teacher, Leah Pitts.

SONG—“Look to the Light”—Sunday School

PRE-SCHOOLERS

SONG—“Mary Had a Baby”

Choral verse—

We brought the Manger Scene,
The very best picture of all.
And there is Baby Jesus
He’s sleeping in the stall.

Put the picture way up high
Where everyone can see
This is our Savior Jesus
A friend to you and me.

SONG—“Away in a Manger”

V. 1—Pre-Schooler

V. 2—Gr. K-8 join

V. 3—Congregation joins.

**Be near me, Lord Jesus, I ask Thee to stay
Close by me forever and love me, I pray
Bless all the dear children in Thy tender care
And take us to heaven to live with Thee there.**

SONG—“Infant Holy, Infant Lowly”—Congregation

**Infant holy, Infant lowly, for His bed a cattle stall;
Oxen lowing, Little knowing
Christ the Child is Lord of all.
Swiftly winging, Angels singing
Bells are ringing, Tidings bringing;
Christ the Child is Lord of all!
Christ the Child is Lord of all!**

**Flocks were sleeping, Shepherds keeping
Vigil 'till the morning new.
Saw the glory, Heard the story,**

**Tidings of a Gospel true
Thus rejoicing, free from sorrow, Praises voicing
Greet the morrow, Christ the Child was born for you
Christ the Child was born for you.**

THE APPLE AND THE RAINBOW

For to us a Child is born, to us a Son is given
and the government shall be on His shoulder
and His name shall be called Wonderful
Counselor, Mighty God, Everlasting Father,
Prince of Peace.

SONG—"The Waiting Song"—Sunday School K-8

THE ANGEL

SONG—"Angels from the Realms of Glory"

V. 1—Sunday School

V. 2—Congregation

**Shepherds in the fields abiding,
Watching o'er their flocks by night
God with us is now residing,
Yonder shines the Infant Light.
Come and worship, come and worship,
Worship Christ, the Newborn King.**

V. 3—ALL (Please stand)

**All creation, join in praising
God the Father, Spirit, Son,
Evermore your voices raising
To th'eternal Three in One.
Come and worship, come and worship,
Worship Christ, the Newborn King.**

(Be seated)

THE STABLE

SONG—"Sleep, sleep, sleep"—Solos

THE LAMB

MEN AND BOYS: And there were shepherds living out in the fields nearby, keeping watch over their flocks at night. An angel of the Lord appeared to them, and the glory of the Lord shone around them, and they were filled with fear.

ALL: But the angel said to them, "Fear not, for behold, I bring you good news of great joy that will be for all people. For unto you is born this day in the city of David, a Savior, who is Christ the Lord. This will be a sign for you: You will find the Baby wrapped in cloths and lying in a manger."

WOMEN AND GIRLS: Suddenly there was with the angel a multitude of the heavenly host praising God and saying, "Glory to God in the highest, and on earth peace to all on whom His favor rests."

MEN AND BOYS: When the angels had left them and gone into heaven, the shepherds said to one another, "Let's go to Bethlehem and see this thing that has happened, which the Lord has made known to us".

WOMEN AND GIRLS: And they went with haste and found Mary and Joseph and the Baby, who was lying in the manger. When they saw it, they made known the saying that had been told them concerning the Child. And all who heard it wondered at what the shepherds had told them.

ALL: And the shepherds returned, glorifying and praising God for all they had heard and seen, as it had been told them.

SONG—"Go Tell it on the Mountain"

All verses solos.

Congregation joins on Chorus

**Go, tell it on the mountain
Over the hills and everywhere;
Go tell it on the mountain
That Jesus Christ is born.**

THE STAR, THE CROSS, AND HEART

SONG—"As With Gladness Men of Old"

V. 1—Sunday School

V. 2—Congregation

**As with joyful steps they sped,
Savior, to Thy manger bed,
There to bend the knee before
Thee whom heaven and earth adore;
So may we with willing feet
Ever seek Thy mercy seat.**

V. 3—ALL

**In the heav'nly country bright
Need they no created light;
Thou its light, its joy, its crown,
Thou its sun which goes not down.
There forever may we sing
Alleluias to our King!**

OFFERING

KIDS CHOIR ANTHEMS

"God's Own People"

"Mary's Boy Child"

THE QUILT IS HERE!

SONG—"Silent Night"

V. 1—Sunday School

V. 2 and 3—(Congregation joins)

**Silent night, holy night,
Shepherds quake at the sight;
Glories stream from heaven afar,
Heav'nly hosts sing Alleluia!
Christ the Savior is born,
Christ the Savior is born.**

**Silent night, holy night
Son of God, love's pure light;
Radiant beams from Thy holy face
With the dawn of redeeming grace.
Jesus, Lord at Thy birth,
Jesus, Lord at Thy birth.**

BENEDICTION/TABLE PRAYER

THE BIG REVEAL

SONG—"Happy Birthday, Jesus"
Congregation joins on the chorus.

Happy birthday, Jesus
Happy birthday to the Lord.
Happy birthday, happy birthday,
Happy birthday to the Lord.

Everyone is invited to the FREE luncheon immediately following the program. The luncheon is partially funded by Thrivent Action Team seed money and is served by the Alumni Sunday School parents. Thanks to all.

Many thanks to Marlin Olson and Lance Ness for assembling and disassembling the stage and risers.

Thanks to Esther Burns for accompanying the Sunday School and the Kids' Choir.

Thanks to Tom Hanna for his mic prowess and for playing the organ.

The Sunday School staff faithfully puts the program together, gently manages the kids, and gives up their precious time to problem solve and minister to St. Paul's kids.

Bonnie Faue always makes the Chancel and Altar look their best. How blessed we are to have her!

Finally, thanks to the parents of Sunday School kids for practicing their parts, for getting the kids to rehearsals, and for making yours a Christ-centered celebration.

CHRISTMAS WORSHIP SCHEDULE

Final Advent Service—Wednesday, Dec. 20 at 7 PM

Sunday Worship Service

Fourth Sunday in Advent Dec. 24 at 10 AM

Christmas Eve Candlelight Service Dec. 24 at 4 PM

Special Guests: *Ovation Strings*

Christmas Day Worship Service Dec. 25 at 10 AM

1st Sunday after Christmas

Communion Service

Dec. 31 at 10 AM