

# Good News of Great Joy

The Shadow of Bethlehem

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**Luke 2:8-14 • December 23, 2018**

Christmas is meant not simply to be \_\_\_\_\_,

but to be \_\_\_\_\_.

## The Scope of the Announcement.

<sup>8</sup> And there were shepherds living out in the fields nearby, keeping watch over their flocks at night. <sup>9</sup> An angel of the Lord appeared to them, and the glory of the Lord shone around them, and they were terrified. <sup>10</sup> But the angel said to them, “Do not be afraid. I bring you good news that will cause great joy for all the people.

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## The Specifics of the Announcement

<sup>11</sup> Today in the town of David a Savior has been born to you; he is the Messiah, the Lord. <sup>12</sup> This will be a sign to you: You will find a baby wrapped in cloths and lying in a manger.”

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## The Celebration of the Announcement

<sup>13</sup> Suddenly a great company of the heavenly host appeared with the angel, praising God and saying, <sup>14</sup> “Glory to God in the highest heaven, and on earth peace to those on whom his favor rests.”

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How are you responding to the announcement?

## This Week

### Sunday, December 23, 2018

8 a.m.	Worship Service	Worship Center
9:25 a.m.	Worship Service	Worship Center
	LIFEkids Ministries	Rooms 101-111
	4 <sup>th</sup> , 5 <sup>th</sup> & 6 <sup>th</sup> Grade Group	Lower Garage
	Exit83 Jr. High & High School Youth Group	The Garage
	Focus Group	Belleview House
	Faith Still Matters	Belleview House
10:55 a.m.	Worship Service	Worship Center
	LIFEkids Ministries	Rooms 101-111
	4 <sup>th</sup> , 5 <sup>th</sup> & 6 <sup>th</sup> Grade Group	Lower Garage

### Monday, December 24

Christmas Eve Service  
3, 4:30, & 11 p.m.

### December 25-27

All Day Office Closed

### Friday, December 28

7 p.m. Celebrate Recovery The Garage

## Pray

1. Pray for God's powerful work in the lives of any visitors who attend the Christmas Eve services.
2. Pray for God to bring hope and comfort to those who are suffering and sad during the Christmas season.

### Giving Update

Fiscal Year July 2018-June 2019 **Total Budget: \$2,459,200**

	Budget Goal	Giving Received	Over/Under
October	\$189,659	\$189,438	(\$221)
November	\$185,185	\$182,289	(\$2,896)
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Fiscal YTD	\$935,113	\$980,837	\$45,724

### Debt Reduction Fund

	Giving Received
October	\$5,469
November	\$4,452
Fiscal YTD	\$26,994

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