III. Public Proclamation:

• Startled:

- Terrified shepherds
- Do not be afraid!
- News of great joy!

The Message:

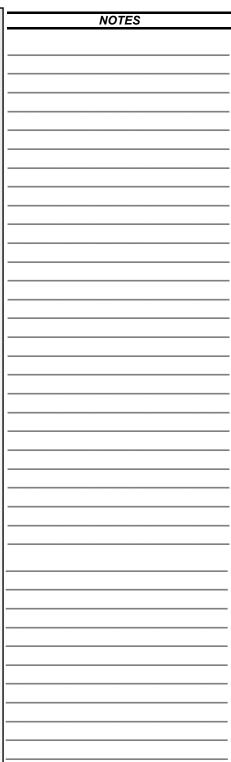
Lk 2:II-12 "Today in the town of David a Savior has been born to you; he is Christ the Lord. IThis will be a sign to you: You will find a baby wrapped in cloths and lying in a manger."

• Blown Away: AMAZING!!!

- A heavenly Host (army)
- Glory to God
- Peace for those who believe!

"Let's check it out!":

- Went to Bethlehem
- Found the Christ child
- Told everyone!
- Everyone marveled!!!





THIS WEEK

Today 10:30am Worship Service

Tuesday 1:30 pm Prayer

Thursday 7:00 pm Worship Practice

Friday 6:30pm Christmas Eve Service

Saturday CHRISTMAS DAY

Sunday 10:30 am Worship Service

Parents Please Note:

Activity boxes are available for older children to use during the service.

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The office hours will be irregular between Christmas and New Year's.
Please email with any questions or requests you have and we will get back to you as soon as we can.

It's Christmas time! Check your mailboxes for cards!



WINTER CAMPS 2022

gull lake centre



Jr & Sr Teens (Grade 7-12) February 4-6 Fri 7pm - Sun 1:30pm

Inter Camp (Grade 4-6) March 4-6 Fri 7pm - Sun 1:30pm

\$130 +gst

Register: gulllakecentre.ca

Campfires | Shenanigans | New Friends Skating & Hockey | Snow Forts

<u>Christmas White Offering This Year: Bolivia Chagas Prevention</u> <u>Project , December 19th, 24th and 26th</u>

Through the Chagas project, families receive the treatment and protection they need to overcome the disease. Plastering adobe walls and pouring concrete floors in rural homes significantly decreases a family's risk of infection as their homes are made "vinchuca-proof." Chagas is a disease of the poor and continues to devastate families who live in adobe mud homes. Through the Chagas prevention project, CBM builds strong relationships with communities. This has created opportunities to further partner with families to develop agricultural initiatives that help support families both economically and with nutrition.

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I. Luke's Christmas Story:

- **Census:** The journey
 - The Roman demand
 - The Jewish expectation
- Bethlehem: House of Bread
 - A town pre-occupied with the census.
 - A Caravansary (cave)
 - A stone manger
- A critics response:
 - Subjective
 - Public- witnesses (Deut.19:15)

II. Witnesses:

- Shepherds in the field:
 - Unprepared; unexpected
 - Contrast: Unclean with a holy mission (sacrificial lambs)
- Angels: Confusing stories
 - Moral, created beings
 - High intelligence
 - Visible & Invisible:
 - Cherubim (2 wings) Ezekiel
 - Seraphin (3 wings) Isaiah
 - Messengers- human form
 - Powerful: 2 Kg.6:17 (Army or Host)
 - Angel of Death- Egypt
 - 2 Kg. 19:35 (185,000 Assyrian)
- Fear Not: Luke 1:13, 30, 2:10
 Zechariah, Mary,
 Shepherds

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