CHRISTMAS LIGHT

Scavenger Hunt

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- [ ] Elf
- [ ] North Pole Sign
- [ ] Gift Box
- [ ] Angel
- [ ] Peace Sign
- [ ] Reindeer
- [ ] Giant Ornaments
- [ ] Joy Sign
- [ ] Train
- [ ] Polar Bear
- [ ] Stocking
- [ ] Spiral Tree
- [ ] Snowflake
- [ ] Rooftop Reindeer
- [ ] Poinsettia
- [ ] Tree in Window
- [ ] Gingerbread Man
- [ ] Dancing lights
- [ ] Snow Globe
- [ ] Grinch
- [ ] House with red lights
- [ ] House with white lights
- [ ] House with blue lights
- [ ] Mrs. Claus
- [ ] Sleigh
- [ ] Color changing lights
- [ ] Waving Santa
- [ ] Real life person!

How many did you find? _____

Share the fun! Post a picture on social media
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CHRISTMAS SONGBOOK

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December Highlights at Brecksville UMC

At Brecksville UMC, we are all about creating safe space to grow with God and one another. We can't wait to connect with you! Stop by, call us at 440-526-8938 or learn more about us at BrecksvilleUMC.com

DECEMBER 2

Advent Dinner Church

A shared meal, scripture, song, conversation, and prayer at 7 pm

DECEMBER 20

Christmas Extravaganza & Christmas Cantata

See page 13!

DECEMBER 21

Longest Night Service

7 pm - A space to come together in our grief to find comfort

DECEMBER 24

Christmas Tacos

A casual and joyful gathering in Fellowship Hall at 6 pm. Join us!

Christmas Eve Services



10:30 am, 3 pm, 5 pm, 8 pm

In a world where good news never feels loud enough to drown out fear, let us shout with the angels, "Glory to God in the highest, and on earth peace!" Each service celebrates the same message in a different way. Our 10:30 am service welcomes the day with carols and a skit by our kids, our 3:00 service celebrates with carols played on the organ, our 5:00 service highlights a telling of the Christmas story by our kids, and our 8:00 service rejoices with a string quintet and our choir. Won't you join us?

Christmas Bells

I heard the bells on Christmas day
Their old familiar carols play,
And wild and sweet the words repeat
Of peace of earth, good will to men.

I thought how, as the day had come,
The belfries of all Christendom
Had rolled along th'unbroken song
Of peace on earth, good will to men.

And in despair I bowed my head:
"There is no peace on earth," I said,
"For hate is strong, and mocks the song
Of peace on earth, good will to men."

Then pealed the bells more loud and deep:
"God is not dead, nor doth God sleep;
The wrong shall fail, the right prevail,
With peace on earth, good will to men."

Till, ringing, singing on its way,
The world revolved from night to day
A voice, a chime, a chant sublime,
Of peace on earth, good will to men.

Lights for Lions!





Bring your broken Christmas lights and non-working extension cords to our collection box at BUMC and we'll recycle them! You'll keep them out of the landfill AND help earn money for lion and cheetah conservation through the Cleveland Zoo! Collection ends January 10

What Child is This?

What child is this who, laid to rest,
on Mary's lap is sleeping?
Whom angels greet with anthems sweet,
while shepherds watch are keeping?

This, this is Christ the King,
whom shepherds guard and angels sing;
Haste, haste to bring him praise,
The babe, the son of Mary.

So bring him incense, gold, and myrrh,
come, peasant, king, to praise him;
The king of kings a glory brings,
let loving hearts enthrone him.

Raise, raise the song on high
Let singing fill the earth and sky
Joy, joy, for Christ is born
The babe, the son of Mary.

WORDS:WilliamC.Dix,1865. MUSIC:16thcent.Englishmelody. CCLI#1653326



Why are Christmas trees so bad at knitting?

They have too many needles.

Like to knit or crochet? Stitch'n'Time is a place to connect with others, learn, and give back with your projects! Third Tuesday monthly at 10 am at Brecksville UMC! ***Everyone is welcome!***

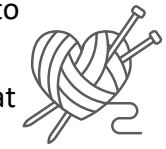


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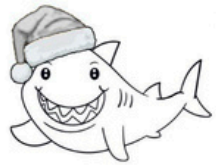
What did the salt say to the pepper on Christmas?

Seasons greetings.

Deck The Hall

Deck the hall with boughs of holly,
Fa la la la la, la la la la.
'Tis the season to be jolly, Fa la la la la, la la la la.
Don we now our gay apparel,
Fa la la la la, la la la la.
Troll the ancient Yuletide carol,
Fa la la la la, la la la la.

See the blazing Yule before us,
Fa la la la la, la la la la.
Strike the harp and join the chorus,
Fa la la la la, la la la la.
Follow me in merry measure,
Fa la la la la, la la la la.
While I tell of Yulte-tide treasure,
Fa la la la la,la la la la.
Fast away the old year passes, Fa la la la la, la la
la la. Hail the new, ye lads and lasses,
Fa la la la la, la la la la.
Sing we joyous all together,
Fa la la la la, la la la la.
Heedless of the wind and weather,
Fa la la la la, la la la la.



Who delivers Christmas presents to baby sharks?

Santa Jaws.

We Three Kings

We three kings of Orient are;
bearing gifts we traverse afar,
field and fountain, moor and mountain,
following yonder star.

Refrain:
O star of wonder, star of light,
star with royal beauty bright,
westward leading, still proceeding,
guide us to thy perfect light.

Born a King on Bethlehem's plain,
gold I bring to crown him again,
King forever, ceasing never,
over us all to reign. [Refrain]

Frankincense to offer have I;
incense owns a Deity nigh;
prayer and praising, voices raising,
worshiping God on high. [Refrain]

Myrrh is mine; its bitter perfume
breathes a life of gathering gloom;
sorrowing, sighing, bleeding, dying,
sealed in the stone-cold tomb. [Refrain]

Glorious now behold him arise;
King and God and sacrifice:
Alleluia, Alleluia,
sounds through the earth and skies. [Refrain]

WORDS/MUSIC: John H. Hopkins, Jr. 1857. CCLI #1653326

Away In a Manger

Away in a manger, no crib for a bed,
the little Lord Jesus laid down his sweet head.
The stars in the sky looked down where he lay,
the little Lord Jesus, asleep on the hay.

The cattle are lowing, the baby awakes,
but little Lord Jesus, no crying he makes;
I love thee, Lord Jesus, look down from the sky
and stay by my cradle till morning is nigh.

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 fit us for heaven to live with thee there.

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Brecksville UMC Bike Ministry

Getting spokes to folks since 2015

Help give the gift of bikes! Be part of a **BIKE FIX IT DAY** in 2027. No special skills needed!

Saturday mornings, 9 to noon
January 23
February 20
March 20 .... and more!



Jingle Bells

Jingle bells, jingle bells, Jingle all the way
Oh, what fun it is to ride
In a one-horse open sleigh, oh
Jingle bells, jingle bells, Jingle all the way
Oh, what fun it is to ride
In a one-horse open sleigh!

Dashing through the snow
In a one-horse open sleigh
O'er the fields we go,
Laughing all the way
Bells on bob-tail ring,
Making spirits bright
What fun it is to ride and sing
A sleighing song tonight!

Jingle bells, jing-jingle bells,
Jingle all the way
Oh, what fun it is to ride
In a one-horse open sleigh!

WHY DO WIENER DOGS LOVE WINTER?

They like to dachshund through the snow.



JOY to the WORLD

Joy to the world, the Lord is come!
Let earth receive her king;
let every heart prepare him room,
and heaven and nature sing,
and heaven and nature sing,
and heaven, and heaven, and nature sing.

Joy to the world, the Savior reigns!
Let all their songs employ;
while fields and floods, rocks, hills, and plains
repeat the sounding joy, repeat the sounding joy,
repeat, repeat the sounding joy.

No more let sins and sorrows grow,
nor thorns infest the ground;
he comes to make his blessings flow
far as the curse is found,
far as the curse is found,
far as, far as the curse is found.

He rules the world with truth and grace,
and makes the nations prove
the glories of his righteousness,
and wonders of his love,and wonders of his love,
and wonders, wonders of his love.

WORDS: Isaac Watts. MUSIC:George F. Handel CCLI #1653326



O Little Town of Bethlehem

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 on earth!
How silently, how silently, The wondrous gift is giv'n!
So God imparts to human hearts
The blessings of His heaven.
No ear may hear His coming, But in this world of sin,
Where meek souls will receive Him, still,
The dear Christ enters in.
O holy Child of Bethlehem, Descend to 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 Emmanuel.

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O Come, All Ye Faithful

O come, all ye faithful, joyful and triumphant,

O come ye, O come ye to Bethlehem!

Come and behold Him, born the King of angels;

O come, let us adore him,

O come, let us adore him,

O come, let us adore him, Christ the Lord!

Sing, choirs of angels, sing in exultation;

O sing, all ye citizens of heaven above!

Glory to God, all glory in the highest;

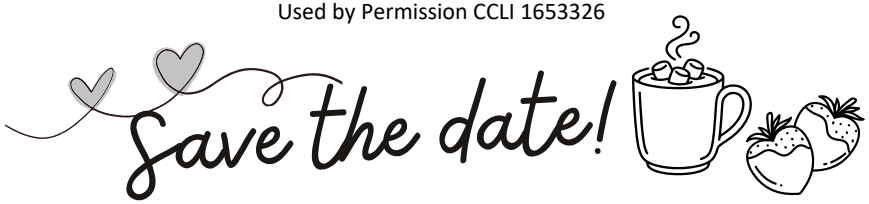
O come, let us adore him,

O come, let us adore him,

O come, let us adore him, Christ the Lord!

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Rudolph The Red Nosed Reindeer

You know Dasher and Dancer

and Prancer and Vixen

Comet and Cupid and Donner and Blitzen

But do you recall

The most famous reindeer of all?

Rudolph the Red-Nosed Reindeer

had a very shiny nose

And if you ever saw it

You would even say it glows

All of the other reindeer

Used to laugh and call him names

They never let poor Rudolph

Join in any reindeer games

Then one foggy Christmas Eve, Santa came to say

"Rudolph, with your nose so bright

Won't you guide my sleigh tonight?"

Then how the reindeer loved him

As they shouted out with glee

"Rudolph the Red-Nosed Reindeer

You'll go down in history"



WHAT DO REINDEER USE TO DECORATE THEIR ANTLERS?

Hornaments.



Angels We Have Heard on High

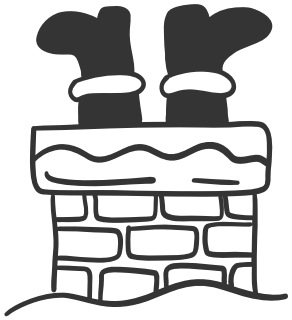
Angels we have heard on high,
sweetly singing o'er the plains,
and the mountains in reply
echo back their joyous strains.

Refrain: Glo--riain excelsis Deo,
Glo--ria in excelsis Deo.

Shepherds why this jubilee?
Why your joyous strains prolong?
What the gladsome tidings be
which inspire your heavenly song?

Come to Bethlehem, and see
Christ whose birth the angels sing;
come, adore on bended knee,
Christ the Lord, the newborn King.

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WHY IS SANTA AFRAID OF GETTING STUCK IN A CHIMNEY?

He has Claus-trophobia.

It Came Upon a Midnight Clear

It came upon the midnight clear,
that glorious song of old,
from angels bending near the earth,
to touch their harps of gold:
"Peace on earth, good will to all,
from heaven's all gracious King."
The world in solemn stillness lay,
to hear the angels sing.

Still thro' the cloven skies they come,
With peaceful wings unfurled;
And still their heav'nly music floats
O'er all the weary world.
Above its sad and lowly plains
They bend on hov'ring wing,
And ever oe'er it's Babel sounds
The blessed angels sing.

For lo! the days are hastening on,
by prophet seen of old,
when with the ever circling years
shall come the time foretold
when peace shall over all the earth
its ancient splendors fling,
and the whole world send back the song
which now the angels sing.

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What do you call a snowman that can walk?

Snow mobile.

God Rest You Merry, Gentlemen

God rest ye merry, gentlemen, Let nothing you dismay
Remember, Christ, our Savior Was born on Christmas day
To save us all from Satan's power
When we were gone astray
Refrain: O tidings of comfort and joy Comfort and joy
O tidings of comfort and joy

In Bethlehem, in Israel, this blessed Babe was born
And laid within a manger
Upon this blessed morn
The which His Mother Mary
Did nothing take in scorn: *Refrain*

From God our Heavenly Father
A blessed Angel came
And unto certain Shepherds brought tidings of the same
How that in Bethlehem was born
The Son of God by Name: *Refrain*

The shepherds at those tidings rejoiced much in mind
And left their flocks a-feeding
In tempest, storm and wind
And went to Bethlehem straightway
The Son of God to find: *Refrain*

Traditional.



Go, Tell It On The Mountain

Refrain: Go, tell it on the mountain,
over the hills and everywhere;
go, tell it on the mountain,
that Jesus Christ is born.

While shepherds kept their watching
o'er silentflocks by night,
behold throughout the heavens
there shownaholy light. Refrain

The shepherds feared and trembled,
when lo! above the earth,
rang out the angel chorus
that hailed theSavior's birth. Refrain

Down in a lowly manager
the humble Christ was born,
and God sent us salvation
that blessed Christmas morn. Refrain

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WHY DID ONLY THE LETTER "E" GET A CHRISTMAS PRESENT?

The other letters were not E.

Silent night

Silent night, holy night, all is calm, all is bright
round yon virgin mother and child.
Holy infant, so tender and mild,
Sleep in heavenly peace,
sleep in heavenly peace.

Silent night,holy night,
shepherds quake at the sight;
glories stream from heaven afar,
heavenly 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.

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Hark! The Herald Angels Sing

Hark! the herald angels sing,
"Glory to the newborn King:
peace on earth, and mercy mild,
God and sinners reconciled!"
Joyful, all ye nations, rise, join the triumph of the skies;
with th'angelic hosts proclaim,
"Christ is born in Bethlehem!"

Refrain: Hark! the herald angels sing,
"Glory to the newborn King"

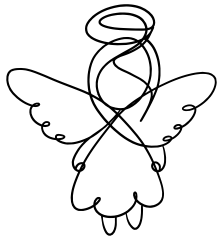
Christ, by highest heaven adored,
Christ, the everlasting Lord,
late in time behold him come,
offspring of the Virgin's womb:
veiled in flesh the Godhead see; hail th'incarnate Deity,
pleased with us in flesh to dwell,
Jesus, our Immanuel. [Refrain]

Hail the heaven-born Prince of Peace!
Hail the Sun of Righteousness!
Light and life to all he brings,
risen with healing in his wings.
Mild he lays his glory by,born that we no more may die,
born to raise us from the earth,
born to give us second birth. [Refrain]

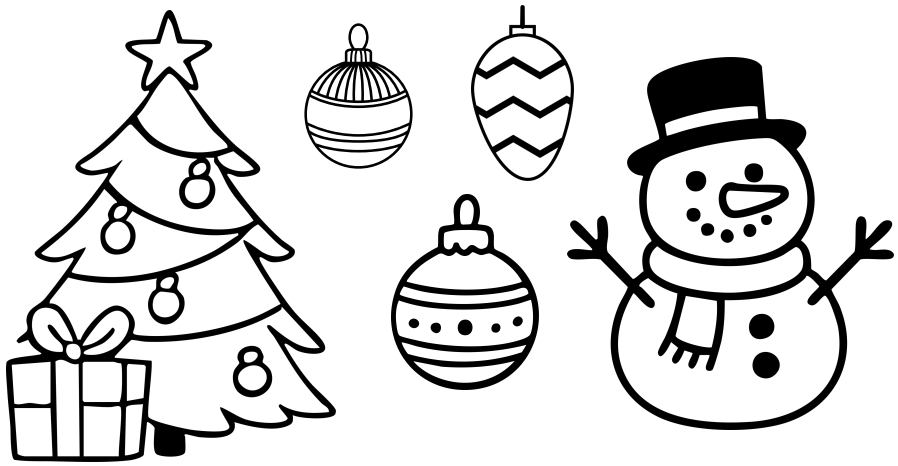
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HOW DO ANGELS WAVE TO EACH OTHER?

They don't. They just say "halo".



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CHRISTMAS



We Wish You A Merry Christmas

We wish you a merry Christmas
We wish you a merry Christmas
We wish you a merry Christmas
And a happy New Year

[Chorus]
Good tidings we bring to you and your kin
We wish a merry Christmas and a happy New Year

Now bring us some figgy pudding
Now bring us some figgy pudding
Now bring us some figgy pudding
Now bring some out here [Chorus]

For we all like our figgy pudding
For we all like our figgy pudding
For we all like our figgy pudding
With all this good cheer [Chorus]

And we won't go until we get some
And we won't go until we get some
And we won't go until we get some
So bring some out here [Chorus]

We wish you a merry Christmas
We wish you a merry Christmas
We wish you a merry Christmas
And a happy New Year

Traditional





O Christmas Tree

O Christmas tree, O Christmas tree,
O tree of green, unchanging.
Your boughs, so green in summertime,
Do brave the snow of wintertime.
O Christmas tree, O Christmas tree,
O tree of green, unchanging.

O Christmas tree, O Christmas tree,
You set my heart a-singing.
Like little stars, your candles bright,
Send to the world a wondrous light,
O Christmas tree, O Christmas tree,
You set my heart a-singing.

O Christmas tree, O Christmas tree,
You come from God, eternal.
A symbol of the Lord of Love
Whom God to man sent from above.
O Christmas tree, O Christmas tree,
You come from God, eternal.

O Christmas tree, O Christmas tree,
You speak of God, unchanging.
You tell us all to faithful be,
And trust in God eternally.
O Christmas tree, O Christmas tree,
You speak of God, unchanging.

Translated from the German. English version by Ruth Heller

You're invited to

Christmas Extravaganza and Christmas Cantata Sunday

December 20



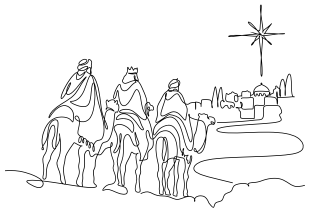
Christmas Extravaganza at 9:30

Yuletide FUN for the whole family in Fellowship Hall (the big room on the ground floor)! Come enjoy crafts, snacks and science experiments—all with a Christmas twist!



Christmas Photos all morning

Gather your family and friends and capture a joyful moment with a photo in our giant Christmas wreath!



The Star Arising - A Cantata for Christmas

Join us in the Sanctuary at 10:30 to hear the Christmas story in song, with a performance by our Chancel Choir! Enjoy beloved carols and thoughtful scripture-based narration taking us through the timeless account of Jesus' birth and the coming of the Light of the World. It's a worship service in music!