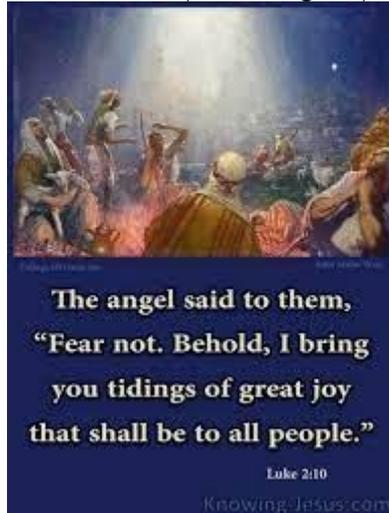


## Advent 2 Spreading Joy



### How can you spread joy this Advent?

During worship, the children enjoyed listening to the animated version of 'He Chose The Shepherds,' from Friends and Heroes. Click here to access <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=McaM1YMXOyE>. Then they listened to the story of the shepherds from the Bible (Luke 2: 8-20) and they imagined how they would feel if the angels appeared in front of them on a dark night. Why did God choose the shepherds to share the joy of the birth of His precious Son?



### Prayer

Father,  
The care and compassion to allow shepherds, who were not looked upon very highly in their day, to witness an angel and Your glory, teaches us You value all of us, no matter what we do.

This Advent season, open our eyes to see the “shepherds” in our lives and communities, and to love them as we would any other. Create in us hearts of compassion, and like the shepherds, hearts filled with awe of who you are.

In Jesus’ Name,  
Amen.



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### [Shepherds at Jesus \( LK 2, 8-20 \) - Beginners Bible](#)

And in the same country there were keepers of sheep in the fields, watching over their flock by night. And an angel of the Lord came to them, and the glory of the Lord was shining round about them: and fear came on them.

And the angel said, Have no fear; for truly, I give you good news of great joy which will be for all the people: For on this

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### [He chose the Shepherds - Nativity Video - Friends and Heroes](#)

Christmas is a Time for Giving -- Here is our gift for you and your church! He chose the Shepherds is a powerful and moving video from Friends and Heroes. It's ideal to use in your church or children's ministry this Christmas. The song is taken from the CD What about Love? -- Bible songs inspired by Friends and Heroes Series 1 -- available from ...

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