# **Preschool Christmas Program 2020**

## Song –Glory to God

Long, long ago in the city of Nazareth, there lived a woman named Mary. There was an angel, named Gabriel, who appeared before her and told her, "God has chosen you to be the mother of Jesus, His Son." Mary and Joseph were engaged to be married. Joseph was a young carpenter and he loved Mary. The angel Gabriel then appeared to Joseph and told him about the special baby. Mary and Joseph were very excited and they were married. Not long after this, Joseph and Mary had to travel to Bethlehem to pay their taxes. "It is a long journey", said Joseph, "but you can ride on our donkey when you are tired." So they started on their trip to Bethlehem.

## Poem – The First Christmas (Clop, clop, clop...)

When Mary and Joseph arrived in Bethlehem, it was very late at night and they were tired. There was no room for them to stay at the Inn, but the innkeeper said they could sleep in his stable out back. So Mary and Joseph went there to rest for the night. In the stable there were cows, lambs, donkeys and birds. The animals were very friendly to Mary and Joseph. They let Mary use their hay for a bed.

### Song –Little Wooly Lamb

That night the baby Jesus was born. Mary cradled and wrapped Him to keep Him warm. There was no crib for this special baby, so Mary laid him in an animal's manger.

#### Song – Mary Had a Baby

In the fields nearby, the shepherds, who were watching their sheep, saw angels appear in the sky. The angel sang to them and said, "I will bring you news of great joy. Tonight in Bethlehem, a baby has been born in a stable. He will be called Jesus and He is our Lord."

#### Song –Glory Alleluia

The shepherds left their sheep and went to the stable. There they saw the little baby in the manger, and their hearts were filled with joy. The shepherds were amazed by this little king and knelt in awe before Him. After that, they went and told everyone what they had seen and that Jesus was born for everyone.

#### Song –Go Tell it on the Mountain

Far away in the east, there lived some wise men. They saw the star in the sky. The wise men knew the star was a sign that the Lord Jesus had been born. So the wise men followed the star. The star led them all the way to Bethlehem. They went inside of the stable and saw Joseph and Mary with the newborn baby. The wise men gave the baby Jesus gifts of gold, frankincense and myrrh.

#### Poem – Three Great Kings

Everyone was filled with joy. Even the animals in the stable seemed to know how special this baby was. Now, every year at Christmas, we celebrate the wonderful birth of our Lord. We thank you Jesus that you came to us and that you brought the good news of God's love to the world.

#### Song –Bells Are Ringing