

24 DECEMBER — PROCLAIM

READING: LUKE 1:68-70

PRAISE THE LORD, THE GOD OF ISRAEL, FOR HE HAS COME TO VISIT HIS PEOPLE AND HAS REDEEMED THEM. HE IS SENDING US A MIGHTY SAVIOUR FROM THE ROYAL LINE OF HIS SERVANT DAVID, JUST AS HE PROMISED THROUGH HIS HOLY PROPHETS LONG AGO.

Lead Story Headline

What are you eagerly anticipating this Christmas? Presents, good food, or is it something more intangible this year and are you simply anticipating seeing someone who you haven't seen for a while?

Israel had waited many years for the promised messiah and were eagerly anticipating his arrival. But when he came it was not to a palace or a wealthy home, but to a poor, dusty stable.

Are you ready to receive him this Christmas?



PRAYER:

HOLY JESUS, BY BEING BORN ONE OF US, AND LYING HUMBLY IN A MANGER, YOU SHOW US HOW MUCH GOD LOVES THE WORLD. LET THE LIGHT OF YOUR LOVE ALWAYS SHINE IN OUR HEARTS, UNTIL WE REACH OUR HOME IN HEAVEN, AND SEE YOU ON YOUR THRONE OF GLORY. AMEN.

Enrichment

Watch the [Happy Land Nativity](#) with younger family members together online.

And if you are missing *Little Donkey* this year, there is a great version with Makaton [here](#) to share.



Things to do

- Don't forget we have services this Christmas Eve. You can find more information [here](#).