

# PHUMC - Infant/Toddler Sunday School Lesson Material

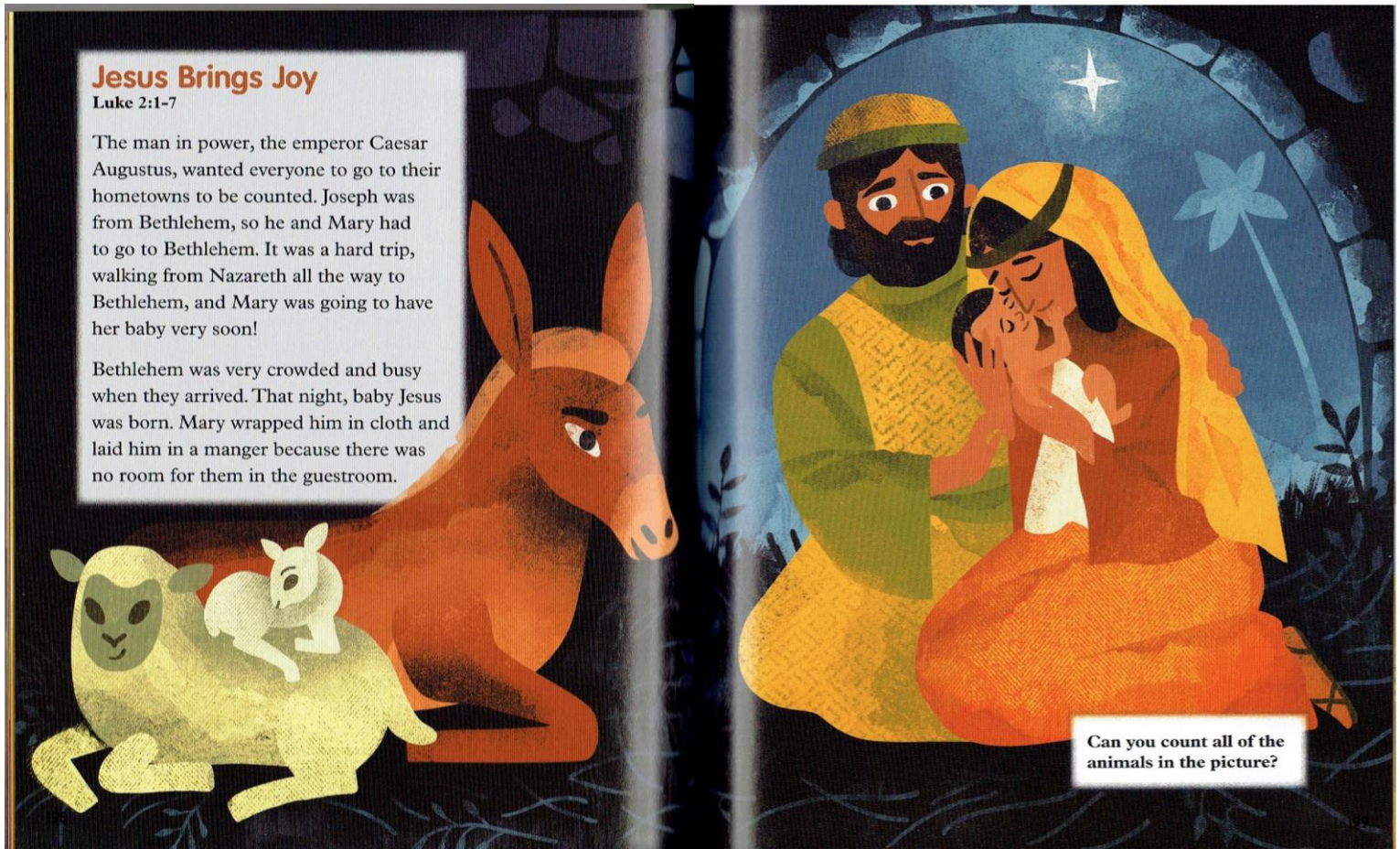
## December 20, 2020

Month of December our Faith word is Joy

**Bible Verse:** With all my heart I glorify the Lord! In the depths of who I am I rejoice in God my savior. (Luke 1:46-47)

### Bible Story:

Share the story from the picture below.



### Questions:

1. When Mary and Joseph got to Bethlehem where did they have to sleep? (In a stable with animals.)
2. Can you count the animals in the picture? (3.)

## **Spiritual Practice:**

Talk about what it would have sounded like in the stable with all the animals. Make the various sounds of all the animals and thank God for them. Remember to also talk about the sweet sound a baby makes and to thank God for Jesus!

## **Craft Activity:**

Copy the sheet below for your child.

## **Blessing:**

Bless your child by touching them and saying **“Joy to the world! Let joy fill your heart!”**

## **Prayer:**

**Prayer:** Dear God, thank you for all the joy we see. Amen.

## **Alternate Lesson or Additional Material:**

### **ECA video for the Month of December**

- <https://youtu.be/3P5I5QYz8QE>

## **Suggested Objects to use with the ECA video:**

Hand Mirror,  
Bible,  
Nativity Set

## Possible Toddler Follow-Up Activities:

1. Play with the Nativity Set
2. Sing the following song together

**Someone's Coming:** *(Tune: "Frère Jacques")*

Someone's coming, Someone's coming  
Do you know just who?  
Jesus is coming, Jesus is coming  
Born for me, and born for you.

3. Do either of the Finger Plays

**Light a Candle:** *(add a candle each week)*

**Light one candle Advent's here** *(Hold up 1 finger)*

**Light one candle Advent's here**

**Light one candle Advent's here**

**Christmas time is near.** (clap, clap)

**Light two candles Advent's here** *(Hold up 2 fingers)*

**Light two candles Advent's here**

**Light two candles Advent's here**

**Christmas time is near.** (clap, clap)

**Light three candles Advent's here** *(Hold up 3 fingers)*

**Light three candles Advent's here**

**Light three candles Advent's here**

**Christmas time is near.** (clap, clap)

**Light four candles Advent's here** *(Hold up 4 fingers)*

**Light four candles Advent's here**

**Light four candles Advent's here**

**Christmas time is near.** (clap, clap)

**Our Best Gift:**

**Here's a tree with lots of branches**

*(Arms down, 45-degree angle)*

**Presents hiding down below**

*(Point down)*

**But our best gift is Baby Jesus**

*(Pretend to rock baby)*

**Sent from heaven long ago.**

*(Point to heaven)*

4. Print and color the sheet below. Talk about how there was no place for Mary and Joseph to stay so the inn keeper sent them to the stable where it would be warm. Baby Jesus was born there in a stable.



- Count the animals
- Point to Joseph
- Point to Mary

- Point to Baby Jesus
- Sing Happy Birthday to Jesus