



Seasons Greetings!

November 12, 2009

The purpose of this letter is to provide you with information regarding the Sunday School Christmas program, "Three Wee Kings." All Sunday School children will be participating in this musical, 3 year olds through 5th grade (we also have some 6th graders with speaking parts and/or solos). We do have "Three Wee King" CD's available at the Welcome Desk (\$3.00 suggested donation) for your child so he/she can really get to know the music and lyrics for the program.

Important Dates and Times:

Sundays, Nov. 29 & Dec. 6	9:45 and 11:00	All Sunday School children will learn and practice the "Three Wee Kings" songs.
Saturday, December 12	4:00 performance	Sunday school children arrive at 3:00 to put on costumes and do a quick rehearsal.
Sunday, December 13	11:00 performance	Sunday School children arrive at 10:15 to put on costumes and do a quick rehearsal.

Costumes:

All children will be wearing costumes for the program. The costumes are already made, so you do not have to make or buy a costume. Regardless of the role given, all children will wear black *or* khaki pants or skirts, and a white top. The white top can be a t-shirt, a dress shirt, a polo, or a turtleneck. My suggestion is, the lighter the better; as it does get very warm up on stage. On Saturday and Sunday, there will be a poster at the front entrance explaining where the children need to get their costume.

Those children without speaking parts will be dressed as described below:

Age/Grade	Girls	Boys
3 year olds	lambs	lambs
4-5 year olds	lions	lions
Kindergarten	lions	lions
1st grade	angels	goats
2nd grade	stars	donkeys
3rd grade	stars	lions
4th grade	angels	shepherds
5th grade	angels	shepherds

Volunteers:

We do have a need for many volunteers to help with this program. *Please sign up to help at the poster on the front bulletin board by the main entrance, or email me at akeith@ststephen.net.*

Putting on Costumes: We will need at least 2 volunteers in each of the classrooms to assist kids with putting on costumes for both performances. Immediately following the program, we need the same volunteers to help the children take off their costumes and get them ready for the next day. We will keep all costumes at church.

Stage Assistance: During both performances, we need some adult assistance to help with keeping watch over our animals, angels, stars, and shepherds. Sign up to volunteer at *one* performance, and then watch the other from the congregation. The more help the better!

Wednesday tear down: This is perhaps the easiest job, but a very important one. We are looking for able bodies to help bring the set down by wrapping up cords, putting props and scenes away, moving risers, and other various tasks. The tear down will occur on Wednesday, December 16.

**Song List****Song Number****Who Sings**

Three Wee Kings	2	All children
Camels Lament	3	Choristers
Today the Jungle	4	All children
Carol of the Stars	5	Choristers
The Lamb From the Flock of David	6	All Children

At this point, all 3,4, and 5 year olds will go to sit with their parents in the congregation.

A Good, Kind Shepherd	7	Solo
Children of Christmas	not on CD	Choristers
This is the King of Kings	9	Choristers/Solos
Song of Mary	not on CD	Solo

The 3,4 and 5 year olds will return to stage here for the final song.

O Come All Ye Faithful	10	All children
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Professional Video Recording

This year we are going to have the musical professionally recorded on Sunday morning. This way everyone can simply watch and enjoy the program without having to worry about how to get an unobstructed view of the program. The DVDs will be available for sale (approximately \$10) Sunday, December 20.

We are so thankful for all of your help and assistance. This is a huge project and none of it is possible without your support and prayers. Thanks again, and we hope you all have a wonderful and blessed Christmas Season!

Peace and Love,

Ashlie Keith, Linda Olson, and Lynn Kreibich

THREE WEE KINGS

Vs. 1 Three wee kings of Orient are, bearing gifts we travel afar
Hill and fountain, moor and mountain, following yonder star.

Repeat verse 1

Chorus Star of wonder, star of light.
Star with royal beauty bright.
Westward leading still proceeding,
Guide us to thy perfect light.

Vs. 2 Three wee kings of Orient are, following the Bethlehem star.
Three wee kings of Orient are, following the Bethlehem star.
Three....

TODAY THE JUNGLE, TOMORROW THE WORLD!

Vs. 1 Lions are mighty, and a whole lot more.
We are strong and really quite ferocious, listen to us roar!
Roar, ROAR, **ROAR!**

Vs 2 Lions are the biggest, and we're also best!
We are know from south to north,
We are known from west to east,
No wonder we are called, "King of the beasts! King of the beasts!"
We're the "King of the beasts!"

Solo: Today the jungle
All children: The jungle
Solo: Tomorrow the world!

THE LAMB FROM THE FLOCK OF DAVID

VERSE 1 1st grade-5th grade: Who's gonna be the King of all Kings?

All children: The Lamb from the flock of David

1st grade-5th grade: Well tell me, who's gonna make all the angels sing?

All children: The Lamb from the flock of David

CHORUS (All Children): O listen to our song and then sing it out,
yeah, all the day long.

He is gonna save (uh) you from all wrong.

The Lamb from the flock of David.

1st grade-5th grade: Wo, wo

VERSE 2 1st grade-5th grade: Who's gonna show us all the way we should go?

All children: The Lamb from the flock of David

1st grade-5th grade: Well tell me, who's gonna teach us all the things we should
know?

All Children: The Lamb from the flock of David.

CHORUS (All children)

All Children: David, David, David, David

Repeat Verse 1 as described above

Ending (All Children): Lamb from the flock, Lamb from the flock,
Lamb from the flock of DAVID!

O COME ALL YE FAITHFUL (FINALE)

Vs. 1 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.

Chorus O Come let us adore Him

O Come let us adore Him

O Come let us adore Him, Christ the Lord!

Vs. 2 Sing, choirs of angels, sing in exultation,

O sing, all ye citizens of heav'n above.

Glory to God, all glory in the highest.

Chorus

Ending Three wee kings, lions too, lambs and stars, camels, goats,
and donkeys too;

We have come to worship Him, Christ the Lord!