

2018 Christmas Pageant

A Tale of Two Continents

America's

Bethlehem

Setting: Mary and Joseph are arriving at Bethlehem; Mary is very pregnant and the two are looking for a place to spend the night.

Narrator: Luke 2:1-5.

Mary: Joseph, I am so tired and I think the baby is coming soon.

Joseph: Don't worry, Mary, God is with us. We will find somewhere to spend the night. There are many inns at Bethlehem. Look! There is one now.

Narrator: Joseph knocks on the door of the Inn.

Joseph: Knocking. My wife and I need a place to stay tonight, we are very tired, and my wife is about to deliver our child.

Inn Keeper: Sorry, I don't have a room for you; they are all full. I do have a stable you can use behind the Inn

Narrator: (While Mary and Joseph set up in the manger scene) Read Luke 2:7. And she brought forth her firstborn son, and wrapped him in swaddling clothes, and laid him in a manger, because there was no room for them in the inn.

Congregation: Sing, "Away in a Manger" song #50.

Narrator: Read Luke: 2:8-16.

Congregation: sing, "Silent Night" song # 37

Narrator: Reads the first part of vs. 10, "And the angel said unto them..."

Angel: Fear not, for I bring you good tidings of great joy!

Narrator: Luke 2: 11-16

Shepherds: Leave the scene glorifying God, saying, "Glory to God, in the highest!"

Shepherds: Running to the manger scene (they came with haste). Saying to Mary and Joseph, "The angel told us Christ, the lord is Lord, is born and we will find him wrapped in swaddling clothes, lying in a manger."

Mary: Holding baby Jesus, says, "Thank you, Lord for blessing me to be the one chosen to be the mother of your son. (She puts baby Jesus back in the manger).

Scene: While the shepherds are leaving, the congregation will sing, "While Humble Shepherds watched their flocks" song #38.