

Songs

Joy to the world, the Lord is come; Let earth receive her King; Let ev'ry heart prepare Him room, And heav'n and nature sing, And heav'n and nature sing, And heav'n and heav'n and nature sing.

Joy to the earth the Savior reigns; Let men their songs employ; While fields and floods, Rocks hills and plains, Repeat the sounding joy, Repeat the sounding joy, Repeat, repeat the sounding joy.

Away in a manger, no crib for His bed The little Lord Jesus laid down His sweet head.

The stars in the sky looked down where He lay,

The little Lord Jesus, asleep on the hay.

The cattle are lowing, the poor baby wakes, But little Lord Jesus no crying He makes.

I love Thee, Lord Jesus, look down from the sky, and stay by my cradle 'til morning is nigh.

Be near me Lord Jesus, I ask you to stay Close by me forever, And love me, I pray. In your tender care,
And fit us for heaven,
To live with you there.

Next Communion: 1/1/2023

Next Potluck: January 8th

Christmas Eve Service @ 5 PM

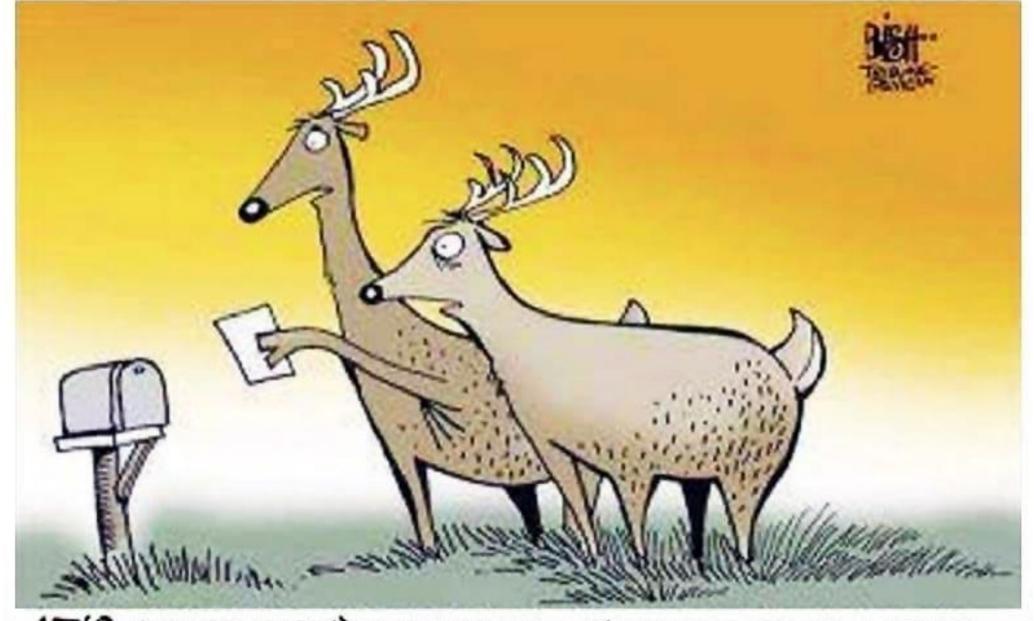
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Prayer Spotlight

Jason & Kathi Berga; New Gloucester, ME New Gloucester Bible Church; Northeast District

While New England birthed the revival known as the Great Awakening, Maine is considered the least religious state in the nation. Our area has the second least-Christian city in the US. We joyfully minister in the middle of this area with the Gospel of Jesus Christ, excited as to what God will once again do here in New England.





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PRAYER REQUESTS: Pray for the many in our church who are experiencing serious illnesses, emotional pain, and loss. Pray for our AWANA program as well as the new youth group, which will begin next month. On a personal note, pray for our five children to continually seek the will of

Song

The first Noel, The angels did say, Was to certain poor shepherds In fields as they lay; In fields where they Lay keeping their sheep On a cold winter's night That was so deep. No-el, No-el, No-el. Born is the King of Israel.

They look-ed up and saw a star, shining in the East beyond them far; and to the earth it gave great light, and so it continued both day and night. No-el, No-el, No-el. Born is the King of Israel.

"Going to church doesn't make you a Christian any more than going to a garage makes you an automobile." Billy Sunday, Billy Sunday, the Maand His Message; With His Own Words Which Have Won Thousands for Christ. any more than going to a garage makes you an automobile." Billy Sunday, Billy Sunday, the Man

"Do not judge, or you too will be judged. 2 For in the same way you judge others, you will be in the same way you judge Janes, , judged, and with the measure you use, it will be measured to you." Matthew 7:1-2 (NIV)

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Hark! The herald angels sing, Glory to the newborn King; Peace on earth and mercy mild, God and sinners reconciled.

Joyful, all ye nations rise, Join the triumph of the skies; With th'angelic host proclaim, Christ is born in Bethlehem!" Hark! The herald angels sing, "Glory to the new born King."

Hail the heav'n born Prince of Peace, Hail the Sun of Righteousness! Light of life to all He brings, Ris'n with healing in His wings.

Mild he lays His glory by, Born that man no more would die, Born to raise the sons of earth, Born to give them second birth. Hark! The herald angels sing, "Glory to the new born King."

Silent night, holy night; All is calm, all is bright Round yon Virgin Mother and Child. Holy Infant So tender and mild, Sleep in heavenly peace, Sleep in heavenly peace.

Silent night, holy night; Shepherds quake at the sight, Glories stream from heaven afar, Heav'nly hosts sing alleluia; Christ the Savior is born; Christ the Savior is born.

Feliz Navidad
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Prospero Ano y Felicidad. (Repeat)

I wanna wish you a Merry Christmas I wanna wish you a Merry Christmas I wanna wish you a Merry Christmas From the Bottom of my heart.

Come they told me, Pa rum pum pum pum A new born King to see, Pa rum pum pum pum Our finest gifts we bring Pa rum pum pum pum To lay before the King Pa rum pum pum pum Rum pum pum Rum pum pum pum So to honor Him Pa rum pum pum pum When we come.

Little Baby, Pa rum pum pum pum I am a poor boy too, Pa rum pum pum pum I have no gift to bring Pa rum pum pum pum That's fit to give our King Pa rum pum pum pum Rum pum pum Rum pum pum pum Shall I play for you! Pa rum pum pum pum On my drum?

Mary nodded Pa rum pum pum pum The ox and lamb kept time Pa rum pum pum pum I played my drum for Him Pa rum pum pum pum I played my best for Him Pa rum pum pum pum Rum pum pum Rum pum pum pum Then He smiled at me Pa rum pum pum pum Me and my drum.

Mark 7:1-23

Clean vs. Unclean

The Pharisees and some of the teachers of the law who had come from Jerusalem gathered around Jesus and saw some of his disciples eating food with hands that were defiled, that is, unwashed. (The Pharisees and all the Jews do not eat unless they give their hands a ceremonial washing, holding to the tradition of the elders. When they come from the marketplace they do not eat unless they wash.

And they observe many other traditions, such as the washing of cups, pitchers and kettles.) So the Pharisees and teachers of the law asked Jesus, "Why don't your disciples live according to the tradition of the elders instead of eating their food with defiled hands?"

He replied, "Isaiah was right when he prophesied about you hypocrites; as it is written:

"These people honor me with their lips, but their hearts are far from me.

They worship me in vain;

their teachings are merely human rules.'

You have let go of the commands of God and are holding on to human traditions."

And he continued, "You have a fine way of setting aside the commands of God in order to

observe your own traditions! For Moses said, 'Honor your father and mother,' and, 'Anyone who curses their father or mother is to be put to death.' But you say that if anyone declares that what might have been used to help their father or mother is Corban (that is, devoted to God)—then you no longer let them do anything for their father or mother. Thus you nullify the word of God by your tradition that

you have handed down. And you do many things like that."

Again Jesus called the crowd to him and said, "Listen to me, everyone, and understand this. Nothing outside a person can defile them by going into them. Rather, it is what comes out of a person that defiles them." After he had left the crowd and entered the house, his disciples asked him about this parable. "Are

you so dull?" he asked. "Don't you see that nothing that enters a person from the outside can defile them? For it doesn't go into their heart but into their stomach, and then out of the body." (In saying this, Jesus declared all foods clean.)

He went on: "What comes out of a person is what defiles them. For it is from within, out of a person's heart, that evil thoughts come sexual immorality, theft, murder, adultery, greed, malice, deceit, lewdness, envy, slander, arrogance and folly. All these evils come from inside and defile a person."

Ephesians 3:20-21 (NIV)

Now to him who is able to do immeasurably more than all we ask or imagine, according to his power that is at work within us, to him be glory in the church and in Christ Jesus throughout all generations, for ever and ever! Amen.

Numbers 6:24-26 (NIV)

The LORD bless you and keep you; the LORD make his face shine on you and be gracious to you; the LORD turn his face toward you and give you peace.