

Dear parents,

They sang songs of praise at the first Christmas, and many of their words have become part of our songs today. You can't talk about the story of Christmas without talking about the angels, and that's exactly what our students did this week as we continued our series examining characters of the Christmas narrative.

We looked at Luke 2:8-15 and closely examined the interaction between the angels and the shepherds. We saw how the angels not only proclaimed the good news but also offered comfort and guidance in that moment. God calls us to similar roles today—declaring the good news of Jesus and comforting those who fear.

I'd encourage you to talk with your child this week about the angels in the Christmas story. You might want to use these questions to launch your conversation:

Why do you think there are whole songs dedicated to the angels of Christmas?
Why were the shepherds afraid? How did the angels help them get past their fears?
For you, which is most difficult: offering comfort to those around you, proclaiming the good news, or providing instruction to those around you? Why?
Have an amazing week!

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