

Advent Journey

REV'D SUE MARTIN

3PM DEC 1ST, 8TH, 15TH & 22ND

Journey to Bethlehem



Calypso Carol

- See him lying on a bed of straw
A draughty stable with an open door
Mary cradling the babe she bore
The prince of glory is his name
- O now carry me to Bethlehem
To see the Lord of love again
Just as poor as was the stable then
The prince of glory when he came
- Star of silver, sweep across the skies
Show where Jesus in the manger lies
Shepherds, swiftly from your stupor rise
To see the saviour of the world
- O now carry me to Bethlehem
To see the Lord of love again
Just as poor as was the stable then
The prince of glory when he came

Calypso Carol

- Mine are riches, from your poverty
from your innocence, eternity
mine, forgiveness by your death for me
child of sorrow for my joy
- O now carry me to Bethlehem
To see the Lord of love again
Just as poor as was the stable then
The prince of glory when he came



Genesis 35:19,20

- Bethlehem in the Old Testament

A miniature diorama of a stable scene. In the center, a figure in a white robe is seated on a wooden manger. To the left, a figure in a yellow robe stands near a white horse. To the right, a figure in a blue robe stands near a white horse. The background is a warm, orange-brown wall with a circular light fixture. The scene is set within a wooden frame.

Bethlehem in the Old Testament

Ruth 1: 1-2

4:17



Micah 5: 2-5

God's Plan for
the Arrival of
the Messiah
into this
special place
of Bethlehem





Reflection

- These stories are all of journeys connected with Bethlehem, Rachel is buried near Bethlehem, Ruth finds herself giving birth to a baby who is the grandfather of King David, and Micah tells that out of Bethlehem will come the Messiah.
- This week let us think about the connections that are made, the time that is past between these events and yet the place holds them close together.
- As we journey ourselves this Advent, let us also be led by these stories and by the bright stars in the skies so that we too can come to find Jesus born for us all so long ago in a stable in Bethlehem.



Prayers

O Little town of Bethlehem, where travellers'
journeys lead

Let us set out and follow, and find all we ever need

With stories set in ages past, we hear your word so
clear.

We look for the star in our own lives today and in our
Saviour, so holy and dear.

Amen

The Grace of our Lord Jesus
Christ and the Love of God,
be with you all evermore.
Amen



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