

Autumn Term

Theme: Family

Year Two

Topic: Beginnings

Genesis 1:3,9,20,24-26

The world is a treasure God said, "Let there be light," and there was the sun. God said, "Let there be water," and there were the seas. God said, "Let the seas be filled with living creatures and the skies be filled with flying creatures." And they were. God said, "Let the earth be filled with animals," and so it was. God saw that it was good. So, then God created men and women who would love and care for the world. God looked at all creation and it was very good.

Based on Psalm 8:3-11

When we look at the sky you have made,
We wonder how big it is;
The moon and the stars shining there;
How far away can they be?
And we feel so small
standing on the ground;
And the sky is so vast,
so high up above.
But you make us great,
Make us all just like you.
You give us your world,
Let us give it your love.

We praise you God.

Each day the sun rises high in
the sky to give us light and
warmth.

Words are not needed to tell us
how wonderful you are:

The silent message reaches
everyone, everywhere.

We are full of joy as each new
day begins.

Psalm 19:1-5

God loved us and chose us
before the world was made to be
holy.

Because he loved us, God
decided to make us his own
children.

Based on Ephesians 1:3-5

Great and wonderful Creator God. I thank you and I
praise you for creating wonderful me.

R: You love me and you know me.

Whilst I was in my mother's womb.

R: You love me and you know me.

You watched me growing and moving.

R: You love me and you know me.

You were there at my very beginning.

R: You love me and you know me.

You are there at the beginning of each new day.

You are that every new beginning I make.

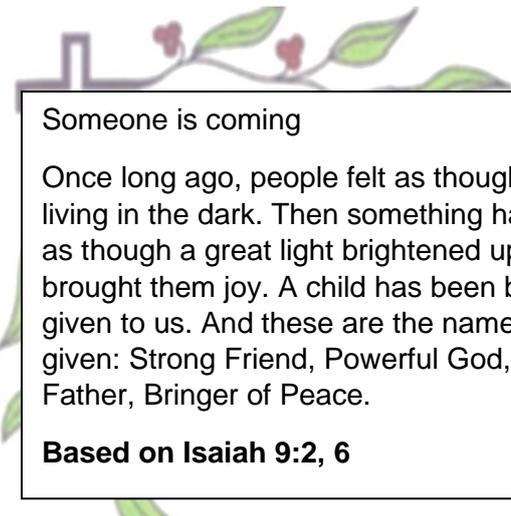
Your thoughts and dreams form as many as the
stars in the heaven, the grains of sand on the
seashore.

I think You are just WONDERFUL! Great and
wonderful Creator God I thank you and praise you.

R: You love me and you know me.

Part of Psalm 139





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Theme: Loving

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Topic: Preparing

Someone is coming

Once long ago, people felt as though they were living in the dark. Then something happened. It was as though a great light brightened up their lives and brought them joy. A child has been born to us. A son given to us. And these are the names he has been given: Strong Friend, Powerful God, Ever-loving Father, Bringer of Peace.

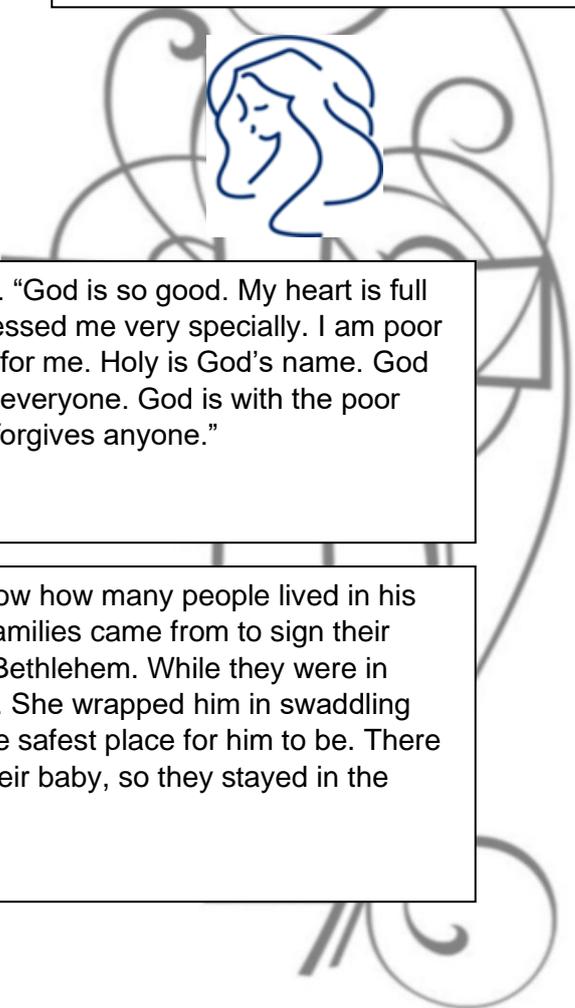
Based on Isaiah 9:2, 6

God sent a messenger, named Gabriel, to a young woman called Mary. She lived in Nazareth and was going to be married to Joseph. Gabriel said, "Rejoice, Mary. God has blessed you and God is very close to you." Mary did not understand these words. She was worried and wondered what it all meant. Then Gabriel said, "Don't be afraid, Mary. You have pleased God very much. Listen! You are going to have a baby. His name will be Jesus. He will be great and will be called the Son of God. Your cousin Elizabeth is also having a baby. People thought she was too old to but she is already six months pregnant. God can do anything." The Mary said, "I want to please God. I am happy to do whatever God wants." And Gabriel left her.

Based on Luke 1:26-31, 38

Elizabeth and Zechariah lived in a town in the hill country of Judah. Soon after Gabriel's visit, Mary got ready and hurried as quickly as she could to Elizabeth's house. She went into the house and called to Elizabeth. As soon as Elizabeth heard Mary calling, her heart filled with joy and she said, "God has blessed you. God is very close to you. Your baby will be a very special child. As soon as I heard your voice my baby jumped within me with gladness. How happy you are because you know God's message will come true!"

Luke 1:39-45



Mary was so happy, she sang a song of praise to God. "God is so good. My heart is full of joy. I give thanks and praise to God, for God has blessed me very specially. I am poor and unimportant, Yet God has done such great things for me. Holy is God's name. God is so strong. God's love lasts for ever. God looks after everyone. God is with the poor and the hungry. God is always very close. God never forgives anyone."

Based on Luke 1:45-55

The Roman Emperor, Caesar Augustus, wanted to know how many people lived in his empire. Everyone had to go back to the place where families came from to sign their name in a big register. Joseph and Mary had to go to Bethlehem. While they were in Bethlehem Mary's baby was born. She had a little boy. She wrapped him in swaddling clothes. She put him in a manger because that was the safest place for him to be. There was no room in the house for Mary and Joseph and their baby, so they stayed in the place where the animals were kept.

Based on Luke 2:1-7