

God rest you merry, gentlemen,
Let nothing you dismay,
For Jesus Christ our Saviour
Was born upon this day;
To save us all from Satan's power
When we were gone astray.

O tidings of comfort and joy!

2. In Bethlehem in Jewry
This blessed Babe was born,
And laid within a manger
Upon this blessed morn;
The which His mother Mary
Did nothing take in scorn.

O tidings of comfort and joy!

3. From God our heavenly Father
A blessèd angel came,
And unto certain shepherds
Brought tidings of the same,
How that in Bethlehem was born
The Son of God by name.

O tidings of comfort and joy!

4. 'Fear not,' then said the angel,
'Let nothing you afright,
This day is born a Saviour
Of a pure virgin bright,
To free all those who trust in Him
From Satan's power and might, '

O tidings of comfort and joy!

5. The shepherds at those tidings
Rejoicèd much in mind,
And left their flocks a-feeding
In tempest, storm, and wind,
And went to Bethlehem straightway,
This blessèd Babe to find.

O tidings of comfort and joy!

6. And when to Bethlehem they came, Whereat this infant lay,
They found Him in a manger
Where oxen feed on hay;
His mother Mary kneeling
Unto the Lord did pray.

O tidings of comfort and joy!

7, Now to the Lord sing praises,
All you within this place,
And with true love and brotherhood
Each other now embrace;
This holy tide of Christmas
All anger should efface.

O tidings of comfort and joy!

10. 4TH **LESSON** *Miss Dorcas Awonuga*

- THE PROMISE OF THE MESSIAH'S KINGDOM OF PEACE

Isaiah 11: 1 - 9

11. CHOIR - THE HOLLY AND THE IVY

Arr. by Reginald Jacques

The holly and the ivy,
 When they are both full grown,
 Of all the trees that are in the wood,
 The holly bears the crown.

The rising of the sun, And the running of the deer; The playing of the merry organ, Sweet singing in the choir.

- 2. The holly bears a blossom,
 As white as the lily flower;
 And Mary bore sweet Jesus Christ,
 To be our sweet Saviour.
- The holly bears a berry,As red as any blood;And Mary bore sweet Jesus Christ,For to do us sinners good.
- 4. The holly bears a prickle,As sharp as any thorn,And Mary bore sweet Jesus Christ,On Christmas day in the morn.
- The holly bears a bark,As bitter as any gall;And Mary bore sweet Jesus Christ,For to redeem us all.
- 6. The holly and the ivy,
 When they are both full grown,
 Of all the trees that are in the wood,
 The holly bears the crown.

12. 5TH **LESSON - THE ANNUNCIATION TO MARY** *Mrs. Omotayo Morgan* **-** St. Luke 1: 26 – 38

13. YOUTH FELLOWSHIP MINISTRATION

14. HYMN - CP 394

1. The first Nowell the angel 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.

Nowell, Nowell, Nowell Nowell, Born is the King of Israel.

- 2. They looked 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.
- 3. And by the light of that same star,
 Three wise men came from country far,
 To seek for a King was their intent
 And to follow the star wherever it went
- 4. This star drew nigh to the northwest;
 O'er Bethlehem it took its rest,
 And there it did both stop and stay
 Right over the place where Jesus lay.
- 5. Then entered in those wise men three Full reverently upon their knees,
 And offered there in His presence
 Their gold, and myrrh, and frankincense.
- 6. Then let us all with one accordSing praises to our heavenly Lord,That hath made heaven and earth of naught,And with His blood mankind hath bought.