

How Far is it to Bethlehem?



## Creekside Church of the Brethren

December 17, 2023, 9:30 a.m.

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PRELUDE

WELCOME & ANNOUNCEMENTS

Pastor Rosanna

READING & CANDLELIGHTING:

*Advent 3, Shepherd*

\*CALL TO WORSHIP: *on screen*

Lynne Foland

\*OPENING SONGS: *on screen*  
197 blue, v. 2

*“Go, tell it on the mountain”*  
*“Angels we have heard on high”*

\*OPENING PRAYER: *on screen*

CHILDREN’S STORY

Jean Barton

(Sing “How far is it to Bethlehem?” as children come forward.)

SHARING FROM CREEKSIDE KIDS

JOYS & CONCERNS

CALL TO PRAYER: 28 Renew

*“Emmanuel”*

MORNING PRAYER

SONG: *on screen*

*“While shepherds watched”*

SCRIPTURE READING:

Luke 2:8-15

MESSAGE: “Not Too Shabby”

Pastor Rosanna

\*CLOSING SONG: handout

*“How great our joy!”*

\*BENEDICTION

\*Please stand as you are able

### CREEKSIDE SHARING:

- You’re invited to participate in a Love Offering over and above regular giving to Creekside. Half will go to local outreach, and half to international outreach.

### COMING UP:

- **Sunday, Dec. 24, 9:30 am:** Worship in the Gathering Area. No Sunday School. This service will be livestreamed.
- **Sunday, Dec. 24, 7:00 pm:** Christmas Eve service. This service will include carols, communion, and candlelighting. Family, friends, and neighbors are welcome! This service will be livestreamed.
- **Sunday, Dec. 31:** Worship in the Gathering Area. No Sunday School. This service will not be livestreamed.
- **Sunday, Jan. 7, 2024:** worship at 9:30 as usual. We will celebrate Three Kings’ Day.