

Pageant with Holy Eucharist and Party

Saturday, December 23, 5:00 p.m.

Calling all shepherds, angels, wise men and women, and barnyard animals: We need you for the Christ Church Cathedral Pageant! Children, youth, and adults of all ages are invited to attend this sweet and impromptu production that celebrates the birth of Jesus and the Holy Eucharist.

Costumes: Children are asked to come to the Cathedral dressed in a simple costume of their choosing as a wise man, an angel, a shepherd, or a barnyard animal. Eighth graders will play the principal roles and they will lead the younger children during the performance. Costumes will be available if you cannot make one. Participants need to be dressed and in their designated "waiting" area by 4:30 p.m. If you need help with your costume or need "accessories," go to the Parish Hall a little earlier.

Angels:

- Use a white pillowcase with neck and armholes cut out. The cord used to tie on the wings will gather the waist.
- Wear a white nightgown or dress.
- Halos: we will have gold wrapped wire available.
- Wings: we will have wings made and available, if needed.



Shepherds:

- Use a beach towel draped over the shoulder and tied with a cord at the waist. Or, use a bathrobe. Or, swag a rectangle of fabric or a scarf across the chest.
- Use a terry towel, a rectangle of leftover fabric, or a scarf tied with rope or cord around the head.
- Thongs or sandals for shoes.
- Bring a long, sturdy stick for a staff.



Animals:

- Lambs: flannel pajamas with cotton balls glued on.
- Other animals: be creative

Wise Men:

- Use a richly colored pillowcase, covered by a cape draped over the shoulder.
- If you don't have a cape, get a big rectangle of leftover fabric and drape it over the shoulders and either tie it at the neck, velcro it, or use a safety pin.
- Use any crowns you may have or we will have some at church.



Remember to keep this relaxed and simple.

We hope this special event will encourage children, youth, and adults to imagine, remember, and rejoice at what happened in Bethlehem more than 2000 years ago.