

WINDOWS INTO CHRISTMAS:

“The Manger”

Luke 2:1-7

I. The Christmas Story as Told in Luke 2

II. The Manger -- A Highly _____ Birthplace for a King

The first place on earth Jesus laid His head was in _____, and the last place He laid His head was against _____.

III. The Manger -- A Highly _____ Birthplace for a King

A. It Allows _____ For All Who Desire It

By means of Bethlehem's manger, God was announcing to the world that His Son is _____.

B. It Offers _____ For All Who Are Hungry

“...and placed him in
a manger.”





Third Sunday of Advent

December 17, 2017

Welcome to Worship at Hope!

We are so grateful to have you with us in worship today! If you're new, please fill out the Contact Card in the pew and bring it to the Connection Center for a gift!

God Meets Us in Our Worship

Prelude

Welcome and Greeting

*Song: **#277 "Hark! the Herald Angels Sing"**

*Song: **#269 "How Great Our Joy!" (vs. 1-3)**

"A Christmas Story"

Featuring our Sunday School Children

*Song: **#270 "Joy to the World!"**

Announcements

Prayer

†Offertory Prayer, Offering

(The first offering will be for our General/Mission Fund, the second for Bethany Christian Services, our Mission of the Month.)

God Speaks to Us Through His Word

Sermon Series: "Windows into Christmas"

Message Title: "The Manger"

Text: Luke 2:1-7 (pg. 724)

Prayer of Blessing

*Song of Response: **#262 "Away in a Manger" (vs. 2 & 3)**

God Sends Us Out

*Blessing

*Doxology: **#249 "O Come, All Ye Faithful" (chorus only)**

Postlude

† To ensure that your donation is included in your annual giving report, please use the numbered envelopes issued to you/your family.

Worship Leaders

Organ	Connie Schlukebir
Piano	Sara Poehlman
Welcome	Pastor Kevin
Offertory Prayer	Don VanderMeer
Message	Pastor Dan

Rev. Dan Jongsma, Pastor of Worship and Spiritual Development

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