

The Mustard Seed

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It came to pass.....



Isaiah 7:14: Therefore Adonai will give you a sign: The young maiden will be with child and will give birth to a son, and will call him Immanuel.

Matthew 1:22-23: All this took place to fulfill what God had said through the prophet: 'The young maiden will be with child and will give birth to a son, and they will call him Immanuel'--which means, 'God with us.'



Micah 5:2: But you, Bethlehem Ephrathah, though you are small among the clans of Judah, out of you will come for me one who will be ruler over Israel, whose origins are from of old, from ancient times.

Matthew 2:1 After Jesus was born in Bethlehem in Judea, during the time of King Herod, Magi from the east came to Jerusalem.



Jeremiah 31:15: This is what God says: 'A voice is heard in Ramah, mourning and great weeping, Rachel weeping for her children and refusing to be comforted, because her children are no more.'

Matthew 2:16-18: When Herod realized that he had been outwitted by the Magi, he was furious, and he gave orders to kill all the boys in Bethlehem and its vicinity who were two years old and under, in accordance with the time he had learned from the Magi. Then what was said through the prophet Jeremiah was fulfilled: 'A voice is heard in Ramah, weeping and great mourning, Rachel weeping for her children and refusing to be comforted, because they are no more.'



Hosea 11:1: When Israel was a child, I loved him, and out of Egypt I called my son.

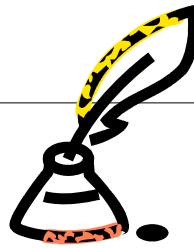
Matthew 2:14-15 So he got up, took the child and his mother during the night and left for Egypt, where he stayed until the death of Herod. And so was fulfilled what God had said through the prophet: 'Out of Egypt I called my son.'



Isaiah 9:6-7: For to us a child is born, to us a son is given, and the government will be on his shoulders. And he will be called Wonderful Counselor, Mighty God, Everlasting Father, Prince of Peace. Of the increase of his government and peace there will be no end. He will reign on David's throne and over his kingdom, establishing and upholding it with justice and righteousness from that time on and forever. The zeal of the Lord Almighty will accomplish this.

Matthew 20:28 ...the Human One did not come to be served, but to serve, and to give his life as a ransom for many.

From Davids Desk



I've noticed over the last few weeks—even maybe the last few months—that my focus in sermons has centred on what it means to be in community together. (I hope, however, that I'm not repeating myself! J) While it hasn't always been conscious, I believe that I have been expressing our need as a congregation to deal with the changes that have occurred over the past months and how we might re-centre on being a new creation.

As I look back on the last year and a bit, I recall my own absence due to depression and the manner in which we all coped with that change. Soon after my return to full-time ministry, Christine accepted a call to Kimberley United Church; at the same time, we were thinking about a new constitution arising out of our last Annual General Meeting. We were also working to change our purpose statement and finally adopted a new statement in June. Christine left in July and we only just adopted a new constitution on the 20th of November. Lots of change in a short time and a good reason to re-focus on what it means to be the people of God together.

When I consider the resources that we have at our disposal for coping with change, I realize that they are many. One resource is the One who accompanies us, who indeed is closer to us than our own heartbeats. God, whether we focus on the Christ in each of us, the Spirit's breath breathed in our own breaths, or being created in the image and likeness of God, it is the idea that the divine spark is in each of us and is a source of light and love that enables us to deal with change.

Another resource we have at our disposal is the community that surrounds us. We have our congregation and the relationships that help us know that we are loved and held; we also have family, friends, and communities outside of the church that lift us and hold us.

To me, the fact that God is part of us and the fact that we can draw on the relationships

we have in community is summed up in Cynthia Bourgeault's phrase "mystical hope." As created beings in God's image and likeness, we are part of the "mysterium" of the universe. As spiritual and physical beings, we can tap into the mystical essence of life, that positive energy that is love and life itself.

And hope is the value that we possess that acknowledges that we are not alone, that we are accompanied in this "mysterium" by the One who creates and re-creates. Hope is so much more than simple optimism. Hope is that ineffable quality that enables us to see through the superficial reality of things into something more substantial. Paul said that hope is belief in things unseen, belief in the power of life and love. Hope is the knowledge of the deep reality that we are part of the life-force of the whole universe, the Breath of God that brooded over the waters of creation's birth.

This idea of mystical hope is front and centre in Advent. Advent is preparing for Christmas, but it is so much more than just buying presents and dressing up our homes. Advent is about opening our hearts to mystical hope, opening our beings to the "mysterium" of the universe. And so, Advent becomes one more resource that helps us deal with change in life.

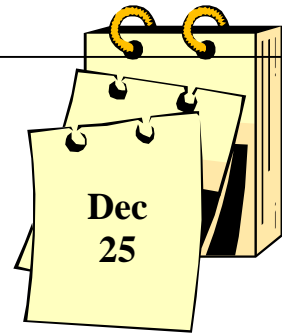
Truly, Advent leading into Christmas can be a difficult time for many of us as we remember losses. And especially when there is a huge societal expectation that we be "merry and bright"—that we spend our hard-earned money—Advent and Christmas can be difficult.

So let us cultivate mystical hope as we think about the changes to our congregation and change in our individual lives; as we embark upon this Advent journey may it be an intentional time of preparation for the Christmas light, and a time of re-centring ourselves as a community of light, life and love.

A blessed Advent to you all leading to a holy Christmas—David

LIFE WITHOUT GOD IS LIKE AN UNSHARPENED PENCIL, IT HAS NO POINT

Events & Worship December-January



Sunday, December 4th

- 10:00 a.m. Advent 2 worship and communion.
- 7:00 p.m. Taizé worship in Church Hall.

Wednesday, December 7th

- 10:00 a.m. Christmas in the Gospels Bible Study at Lake View Village; facilitated by Carol Prochaska.

Friday, December 9th

- 10:00 a.m. Decorate the Sanctuary and put up the tree.

Friday, December 9th

- 7:00 p.m. Christmas Concert featuring Bon Accord String Group, Jubilate Deo Handbell Choir, the Nelson United Church Chancel Choir along with story-telling and singing. Admittance by donation and proceeds to support Grans to Grans.

Sunday, December 11th

- 10:00 a.m. Advent 3 Worship; White Gift Sunday—please bring a gift for the Food Cupboard, make a donation to the Food Cupboard, or make a donation to the Mission & Service Fund; donations through the church are tax deductible.

Wednesday, December 14th

- 10:00 a.m. Christmas in the Gospels Bible Study at Lake View Village; facilitated by Carol Prochaska.

Wednesday, December 14th

- 5:30 p.m. Men's Club Christmas Social at Christie Lees Hall in Fairview.

Sunday, December 18th

- 10:00 a.m. Advent 4 worship; *Lead Me Back to Bethlehem* Cantata performed by our Chancel Choir. Jubilate Deo Handbell Choir to play.
- 7:00 p.m. CBC reading of *A Christmas Carol* in support of the Nelson Food Cupboard; all donations are in support of the Food Cupboard.

Tuesday, December 20th

- 6:00 p.m. Pot-luck supper for Church Council and our new Church Board at Greg and Marg Stacey's home.

Wednesday, December 21st

- 10:00 a.m. Christmas in the Gospels Bible Study at Lake View Village; facilitated by Carol Prochaska.

Wednesday, December 21st

- 7:00 p.m. Service of the Longest Night; a reflective worship of reflection and remembrance, offering to God the challenges with which we live in this Advent/Christmas season. In the Sanctuary. We will light candles and rekindle hope in our lives.

Saturday, December 24th

- 7:00 p.m. Family Christmas Eve Worship: pageant, singing, candles and the Christmas Story.
- 10:30 p.m. Candle-light Communion Worship; Choral music, carols, Christmas story and communion.

Sunday, December 25th

- 10 a.m. Worship: Lessons and Carols with communion.

Saturday, December 31st

- After 9 p.m. New Year's Eve Gathering at the Boyds. Bring a snack to share, a party game for entertainment, and anything else you'd like to share. All are welcome!

Sunday, January 1st, 2012

- 10 a.m. New Year emphasis worship and baptism.

Sunday, January 8th, 2012

- 10 a.m. Epiphany Celebration of worship with communion.

OUTREACH

The Nelson Refugee Committee, supported by the Nelson United Church through the outreach program, is in the process of attempting to bring two young Burmese Karen refugees to Nelson. These two women in their early twenties, cousins, have lived in a refugee camp all their lives because persecution by the Burmese army. The Karen, a native Burmese race, have been hunted down like animals, shot and their villages burnt. Thousands of Karen live in refugee camps on the border with Thailand.



Hsa and Htoo, the two young women, have educated themselves. They speak some English and Hsa is taking a course to become a correspondent. They are valued supervisors in their camp, however, without a family, the cousins have no one to protect them and the time has come to bring them to Canada.

The Nelson Refugee Committee, made up of representatives from several of Nelson's churches and other members of the greater Nelson community, has been raising money--the latest one at Finley's brought in \$2400.00--while waiting for the cousins to have their medical exam. Then the hurdle of the Canadian government's cooperation still has to be overcome. Mr. Harper and the Conservatives have lately greatly curtailed the possibilities for Burmese people to come to Canada as refugees.

Bringing in a refugee is always a fluid situation and we continue to work on the paperwork and raising money. Hopefully Hsa and Htoo will join us in the not too distant future. Meanwhile we can all keep the two brave women in our prayers.

Submitted by Ann Alma for the NRC.



A Christmas Carol

The Ghost of Christmas Present returns on Sunday, December 18 at the annual reading of Charles Dickens' *A Christmas Carol*.

Like the Dickens, an annual event supported by CBC Radio, brings notable Nelsonites together at the Nelson United Church to present the timeless classic and raise money for the Nelson Food Cupboard.

Readers CBC reporter Bob Keating, author Rita Moir, actress and musician Bessie Wapp, stage diva Marg Stacey, and Police Chief Wayne Holland are joined by host Mayor John Dooley with his lively commentary and Irish charm.

The Nelson Heritage Harmony Barbershop Chorus offers sounds of Christmas to warm hearts and lighten spirits, and the United Church Women's group promises to provide some yummy refreshments.

*Sunday December 18th Nelson United Church at 7:00 Doors open at 6:30
Tickets available at the door for a minimum \$10 donation
Donations \$20 and over receive a tax receipt*

Are They Heroes or Just a Nuisance...These Occupiers?

John Prochaska

I spent time Sunday night in the semi-darkness and cold, in front of Nelson's City Hall with 'occupiers'...as they are called. Their numbers are reduced now from what they were before Remembrance Day and some citizens are declaring good riddance! Perhaps I should have been afraid to join them since some of my acquaintances are irritated by these and others who protest, which is ironic when you consider that many of us are members and beneficiaries of a protest-ant movement which began in the 16th century.

I will admit to you that I was once irritated by protestors too, during the civil rights and anti-war movements of the 60s. Those protestors inconvenienced me...got in my way... annoyed me and forced me to think about things I didn't want to think about...just as today's protestors/occupiers are doing. But now I feel indebted to those 'ancient' protestors for what they did for me and their country and so Sunday night, albeit with mixed feelings, I approached the encampment near Ward and Vernon streets. Two bearded polite young men invited me to sit with them at a table between a teepee and a pop-up tent. I sipped their coffee. We got acquainted by swapping stories about the effects of the current economic system on each of us, personally. At the end I offered money for coffee and food. They thanked me but declined my offer.

Weeks ago when the occupiers first appeared all over Canada and the U.S., I had a conversation with a friend who expressed frustration with occupiers for having no concrete ideas for fixing the economic system they were protesting. That's when it dawned on me how we often demand that protestors come with persuasive ready-made solutions. We demand, for example, that a young first-nations lad born on a reservation in Alberta come with answers for fixing Canada's economic system.

Although we would not expect children or youth at Pennsylvania State University or any other university to show up with solutions to sexual abuse; or women who are victims of rape to show up with plans for changing the way some men think; No. We consider it courageous, admirable and even heroic for them just to name the injustice.

So why expect more from victims of an economic system funneling a nation's wealth into the hands of a few? If it's annoying, inconvenient, distracting...at least we know there's a good chance they may be in a process of making all our lives better and for that we should be grateful...that is if pepper spray, rubber bullets or worse don't come too soon and cut off protest before it turns to dialogue and spreads thru the human family until those with gifts for discerning solutions actually visualize the changes needed.

It's possible that occupiers will one day be looked upon with the same admiration now bestowed on those who marched in the face of fire hoses, attack dogs and real bullets in order to protest racism and war. Perhaps these are as worthy of the title 'hero' which by definition means *risking one's life while trying to save the lives of others*...the kind of thing Jesus did. These just might be on the same non-violent path; appearing where there is injustice...standing up...speaking up...risking all...to correct a system doing irrevocable harm to both rich and poor. It's a familiar path...one we never leave.

If an elephant has its foot on a mouse and you say that you are neutral, the mouse will not appreciate your neutrality.

(Desmond Tutu, Retired Anglican Archbishop and hero of the protest against apartheid in South Africa)

Mission and Service Fund Celebration

Submitted by Marion Bergevin

The Outreach Committee of Nelson United Church led a wonderful double celebration of World Wide Communion Sunday and the M&S Fund on Sunday, Oct. 2, 2011. Our NUC minister, David Boyd, gave a welcome and introduction to our connections locally and globally, and invited new Outreach members to join our small but enthusiastic Outreach Committee; a potluck and presentation after worship focused on the outreach of a retired couple from the congregation who work in Mexico every winter.

Mary Ann Morris provided an overview of Mission and Service Fund projects here in Canada and abroad. She both congratulated and thanked our NUC congregation for generously donating \$35,440 to the M&S Fund and \$1202 to World Development and Relief in 2010, a contribution almost \$10,000 more than what was budgeted. Mary Ann also encouraged continued support in the future.

Marion Bergevin gave an introduction about her time with CUSO in Tanzania, East Africa, and played guitar and sang her "Mother Africa" song.

Ann Alma stretched out a very long squash vine from her garden while simultaneously unravelling a children's tale of "growth" and developing compassion for others.

After the inspiring service and sharing "global Communion in spirit with sisters and brothers from around the world," we had a full house for the shared NUC potluck and power point presentation by Fran and Ken Flesaker.

Fran and Ken have worked during the winter months for many years in Mexican towns surrounding their base in Aqua Verde in the Baja Peninsula region of Mexico. In these remote towns and islands, they provide medical, educational, and other services, in coordination with local needs and requests.

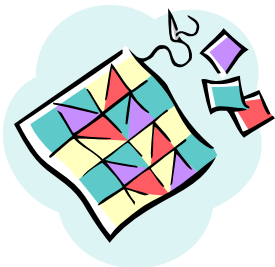
It was a memorable day that promoted the work of the Mission and Service Fund while utilizing the experiences and talents of our local Nelson United Church's Outreach committee. By sharing our contributions to the creation of global justice, breaking bread together, and in sharing a potluck meal, we highlighted the Mission and Service Fund's valuable role in informing and inspiring education, global partnerships and local ministries.

He who has not Christmas in his heart will never find it under a tree. - Roy L. Smith

In Praise of Quilters

Pieces of color
perceptively chosen
diligently cut and stitched
until -
a pattern takes form
a story is told
and there is -
beauty to behold
shelter from the cold
comfort for the soul.

Carol Prochaska



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Intentional Christian Living

One of the aspects of the 21st century re-formation of the Church that is capturing attention across the spectrum of the whole Church is the idea of intentional Christian living. People are searching and yearning for opportunities to gather with like-minded folk who seek to live with intention and mindfulness and recognize that when we covenant together to live intentionally, there is the power of accountability and kinship.

One expression of this intentional Christian living has become known as the new monastic movement or, as some call it, the monastery without walls movement. The Iona Community, the Northumbria Community, the Sojourners Community and other communities around the world have been engaged in this enterprise for some time. Generally, these communities have created a rule for living for those who choose to participate. The Rule, or covenant, involves agreeing to meet together with others for mutual support, engaging in spiritual practices, reading and reflecting theologically, and being intentional with respect to advocacy and outreach in the community and the world. Each community develops its own unique covenant.

Some folk in our congregation have wondered if we might explore what intentional Christian living might be for our context at Nelson United Church. These queries have been made over the past couple of years and nothing much occurred other than a few conversations... until recently. In October, interested folk were called to gather to talk about whether a covenant to be more intentional in living in the world might be created. We discussed some examples from the communities mentioned above.

We met again in November, reaffirmed our desire to create a covenant with others, and formulated some thoughts about what the covenant might look like. At our next gathering on December 13th, at 7 p.m. in the Trinity Lounge, we will formulate a tentative covenant and think about how we will be in intentional Christian community together.

All are welcome to participate at whatever level of commitment one might choose. The intention is not to create an exclusive group of people who have made an extra commitment, but to covenant together to intentionally live more fully in the company of others. If you are curious about what this is all about, come to the next gathering on December 13th, or speak to David Boyd.

Council Council

On Sunday November 20th the congregation ratified our new constitution and acclaimed the members of the new Church Board for 2012. Thanks to all who participated in the formulation of the new constitution and to all who helped make this new direction happen.

Our heartfelt thanks to the hardworking members of the outgoing 2011 Church Council: Lynne Busby, Peter Busby, Leah Gray, Jayne Slawson, Carol Prochaska, Collin Ludwar, Bill Costain, Margaret Stacey, Donna Strongman, Judy Cameron, Roy Nelson, and our ministers David Boyd and Christine Dudley, of course. While our church committees are also changing, and some will not continue in their present form, the work of ministry will still continue and those of you who are volunteering your time will still be called upon; but, we want to say thank you to you also for the contributions you make in ministry.

We welcome the new Church Board members and thank them for taking up the challenge of a new process and structure and helping us discover new directions: Peter Lee, Nancy Jones, Theresa Hall, Greg Stacey, Morgan Gould, and Peter Busby and Leah Gray as Presbytery representatives. David Boyd will also serve on the Church Board as ex officio member.

This is an exciting time for our congregation and everyone's contribution of time, talent and resources is deeply appreciated and valued

PRESBYTERY REPORT October 14, 2011

Theme: "Building Trust and Sacred Relationships"

Your Presbytery team met in Fernie, October 14-16. Attending were David, Peter, Leah, and Robin as Koolaree Representative. There is still a vacancy for one more representative from Nelson. Linn Murray attended this meeting as youth representative.

Quite apart from the normal business of presbytery, the major highlight was a presentation on Friday evening and Saturday morning by Conference Personnel Minister, Treena Duncan. She led us through the core of conflict, followed by the types, sources and levels of conflict.

"Conflict is: Two good ideas trying to occupy the same space at the same time."

The sense of threat and fear of loss are at the core of most conflicts. Some people enjoy conflict and one party may be heavily invested in the conflict. Hurts can be deep, painful and lasting. Fear has a strong role in conflict.

Common sources of conflict in congregations are: (based on Alban Institute work)

- disagreement about values and beliefs
- unclear structure
- lack of clarity of the role of the minister
- the structure no longer fits the congregation size (ie committee structures)
- leadership styles of lay and minister don't match
- changes are made too quickly
- communication lines are blocked (parking lot conversations?)
- conflict is managed poorly
- disaffected members hold back money or their presence
- relaxed vigilance concerning boundaries or limits
- escalation of conflict through e-mails

There are 6 commonly understood levels of conflict.

1. Level 0 – conflict repression and suppression. This is a benign level but can escalate to other levels. Trust is present.
2. Level 1 – there are problems to solve. Trust still exists but people may have concerns about taking risks.
3. Level 2 – self-protection. Fear sets in. People want to solve the problem but need to make sure their "self" is safe.
4. Level 3 – Winning is top priority. Sometimes willing to make a sacrifice to win. May lose sight of the original goal. More fear is involved. Less tolerance for individual opinions. Outside involvement may be required.
5. Level 4 – Taking Sides. Factions develop clear leaders and the exodus starts. The balance is lost. To solve, an outside person must be involved.
6. Level 5 – Destroy! No desire to resolve the problem. Secrets exist, distortion is evident, and anger could escalate into physical violence.

Following this informative and engaging presentation by Treena, the business of presbytery commenced. The revised mission statement was discussed, using the "circle technique". The revised statement is as follows:

GIFTED BY THE SPIRIT, KOOTENAY PRESBYTERY IS CALLED TO NURTURE VITAL AND FAITHFUL MINISTRIES AND CONGREGATIONS WHICH EMBODY GOD'S LOVE AND JUSTICE IN JESUS CHRIST IN ALL OF CREATION.

Highlights of the business:

1. Renewal of several Lay Worship Leader licenses, including Jayne Slawson's.
2. A training model for Licensed Lay Worship Leaders, revised by Anne Pollock was introduced and accepted.
3. Robyn reported a good camping season with 126 participants attending Camp Koolaree this summer.
4. Mission and Service offerings exceeded \$37 million this year.
5. David Boyd is the newly elected treasurer of presbytery. A recording secretary and chair of presbytery will be elected at the next meeting. The Planning and Visioning Team membership will in future be limited to a 3-year term with some changes in composition.
6. The Support to Congregations team will be applying for another Home Missions grant of \$9,000 for 2012. The team plans to present worship workshops in the East and West Kootenays, as well as Resource Fairs in both areas. More focus this year will be placed on meeting the needs of individual pastoral charges.
7. Creston pastoral charge presented their plan for a combined low-cost housing/Creston United Church building. A request from the pastoral charge for support of their grant application for \$750,000 was tabled. More information concerning the financial implications for the United Church of Canada will be forthcoming.
8. The Arrow Lakes pastoral charge request for an \$8000 Home Missions grant was supported by presbytery.
9. Fernie provided several Free Time options for the 2-hour break on Saturday afternoon. Linn enjoyed his guided hike to see the ammonite deposit, while Peter and Leah joined others for a most interesting tour of the Fernie Forge in Hosmer, the Arts Co-op (old railway station), and the Miners' Walk at City Hall. We enjoyed seeing a little of the culture of Fernie.

Submitted by your Presbytery Team

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UPDATE

An Update from the Joint Needs Assessment Committee

The new constitution and Nelson United Church Board are in place but what has happened to that other important piece – the Joint Needs Assessment Committee report? The committee has presented its report to Council and, among other things, has recommended two part-time staff positions: a Family Ministries Coordinator and a Program/Administrative Animator. Council is now in consultation with the Pastoral Relations Team of Kootenay Presbytery regarding these positions and we are awaiting their feedback. As soon as we hear from them we will bring the report to the congregation. We hope that this happens soon! Thanks for your patience.

Sincerely, Your Joint Needs Assessment Committee



*A belated but heartfelt thank you to our church family for presenting us with the 2011 Allen and Women's scholarships.
From Jackson Berry and Rachel Berg.*

*"And the Grinch, with his Grinch-feet ice cold in the snow,
stood puzzling and puzzling, how could it be so?*

It came without ribbons. It came without tags.

*It came without packages, boxes or bags.
And he puzzled and puzzled 'till his puzzler was sore.*

Then the Grinch thought of something he hadn't before.

What if Christmas, he thought, doesn't come from a store.

What if Christmas, perhaps, means a little bit more."

~Dr. Seuss~



[Nelson Food Cupboard Kicks Off Holiday Hamper Campaign](#)

Once again this holiday season, the Nelson Food Cupboard is raising funds to create 170 hampers for people who do not have the resources to purchase their own holiday foods.

"The hampers we offer provide enough healthy food for people to prepare a nice holiday feast, as well as meals and treats for the rest of the week," said Marya Skrypiczajko, Nelson Food Cupboard Coordinator.

"The holiday season is an expensive time for families trying to buy gifts and warm clothes for their children thus helping them out with food hampers is essential," she added.

Here are a few ways you can help:

- Monetary donations are always needed and are eligible for charity receipts.
- Christmas baking is needed for all the hampers. Drop it off at the Food Cupboard from 9 – 12, Monday – Wednesday, Dec 19 – 21.
- Get together with a group of friends or family members to create a hamper. For guidelines, contact Marya at foodcupboard@shawbiz.ca or 354-1633.



BAZAAR

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Christmas gift suggestions: To your enemy, forgiveness. To an opponent, tolerance. To a friend, your heart. To a customer, service. To all, charity. To every child, a good example. To yourself, respect. - Oren Arnold

Kid's Page

Coffee Filter Angel



What you'll need:

- 3 basket style coffee filters
- 2 cotton balls
- 6-8" length of silver or gold ribbon
- 1 white chenille stem
- 1 gold chenille stem
- Scissors
- Hot glue gun

How to make it:

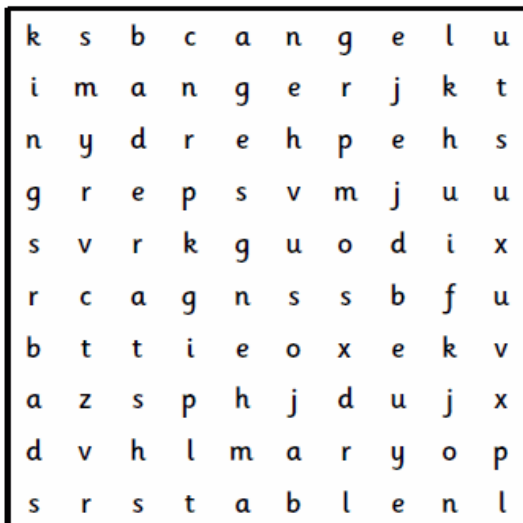
1. Place two cotton balls in the center of one of the coffee filters
2. Hold the coffee filter with your fingers, gathering the cotton balls in the center to create the angel's head.
3. Pinching the second filter in the center, place it into the open end of the first filter, tucking it up into the head area. This will produce the layered effect on the dress
4. While still holding the filters together, tie a piece of gold or silver ribbon around the "neck" and tie a tight bow. Trim ends and set aside
5. Take the third coffee filter and fold it in half, then fold the filter up length-wise accordion style. Wrap a white chenille stem around the center, and then fan out the wings. Fold the excess chenille into a loop for your hanger and twist together at the end.
6. Make a halo from the gold chenille by wrapping it around something circular. Twist the ends to form the halo. Trim the long end of the chenille, leaving approximately 3"
7. Have an adult hot glue the halo to the back of the angel so that it is positioned above the head.
8. Glue the wings in place behind the angel, hiding the gold chenille from the halo.

Tips:

- To embellish your angel, try using gold glitter glue or glue and glitter as decoration.



Nativity Wordsearch



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| angel | donkey | Jesus | Joseph |
| kings | manger | Mary | |
| shepherd | stable | star | |

