**Joy**

**Luke 2:8–15 (NLT)**

1. **Joy in the World**
* Joy entered the world through Jesus.
* There is no true joy apart from Jesus.
1. **Joy in the Heart**
* True joy follows true repentance.
* Psalm 30:4–5 (NLT)
* Most of those who fail to experience the joy of the Lord have refused to take up a cross!
* “I sometimes wonder whether all pleasures are not substitutes for joy.” C.S. Lewis
* Sin always steals our true joy.
* It is Jesus’ joy that remains in us, that makes our joy full.
1. **Joy in the Future**
* Advent means coming and Jesus is coming again.
* The joy of being with Jesus forever.
* The joy of a new body.
* The joy of a new home.