

Can We See the Christ?

We are entering another wonderful Christmas season filled with music and lights, parties and presents. But of all people, we as members of the church that bears the Savior's name need to look beyond the façade of the season and see the sublime truth and beauty of this time of year.

I wonder how many in Bethlehem knew that right there, close to them, the Savior had been born? The Son of God, the long-awaited and promised Messiah—He was in their midst!

Do you remember what the angel told the shepherds? “Unto you is born this day in the city of David a Saviour, which is Christ the Lord.” And they said to themselves, “Let us now go even unto Bethlehem, and see this thing which is come to pass” (Luke 2:11)

Like the shepherds of old, we need to say in our hearts, “Let us see this thing which is come to pass.” We need to desire it in our hearts. Let us see the Holy One of Israel in the manger, in the temple, on the mount, and on the cross. Like the shepherds, let us glorify and praise God for these tidings of great joy!

We who have heard the glorious message of the coming of the Son of God, we who have taken upon us His name and have covenanted to walk in His path as His disciples—we must not fail to open our hearts and minds and truly see Him.

The Christmas season is wonderful in many ways. It is a season of charitable acts of kindness and brotherly love. It is a season of being more reflective about our own lives and about the many blessings that are ours. It is a season of forgiving and being forgiven. It is a season to enjoy the music and lights, parties, and presents. But the glitter of the season should never dim our sight and prevent us from truly seeing the Prince of Peace in His majesty.

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Let us all make this year's Christmas season a time of rejoicing and celebration, a time when we acknowledge the miracle that our Almighty God sent His Only Begotten Son, Jesus Christ, to redeem the world!

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Go to the stake website for more announcements:

<https://renostakeinfo.org>

Dec. "Turn Your Hearts" challenge: "Share the gift of temple blessings" The Reno temple will be open most of the month. As we prepare to celebrate the birth of Christ, make time to feel His spirit in the temple and share the gift of temple blessings with those who did not have the opportunity in this life.

Ward Cleaning Assignments, Dec 16: Rosa White, Rod Stodtmeister & Family, Darin Murphy & Family, Craig Karrasch & Family, Dennis Nelson, Benjamin Portillo & Family, Bret Farnsworth & Family, Gerry Hansen & Family, Michael Meservy & Family

Emotional Resilience Group Meetings for adults and youth starting Sunday, August 20, 3:30-5:00 PM, Golconda Building. Adults will meet in the Golconda Relief Society Room and youth will meet in the Golconda Young Women Room. The Golconda Building is located at 1095 Golconda Way, Reno, NV.

Addiction Recovery Group Meeting – Tuesdays 7:00pm, High Council Rm
Family Support Group Meeting-Sundays 7:00pm, High Council Room
Questions? Call Jon Hiatt, High Council at 775-772-354

If you have an announcement, you would like added to the bulletin, send a text to Roy Blackburn at 775-399-061

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Welcome and Announcements

- Presiding:* Bishop Russell Stodtmeister
- Conducting:* Brother Jeromy Ivie
- Organist:* Sister Laura Karrasch
- Music Director:* Brother Jay Chamberlain
- Opening Hymn:* #209 Hark! The Herald Angels Sing
- Invocation:* T.B.A.
- Ward Business:* T.B.A.
- Sacrament Hymn:* #193 I Stand All Amazed

Passing of The Sacrament

- Speaker:* Sister Alyssa Sorenson
- Intermediate:* #213 The First Noel
- Speaker:* Brother Luke Sorenson
- Closing Hymn:* #212 Far, Far Away on Judea's Plains
- Benediction:* T.B.A.