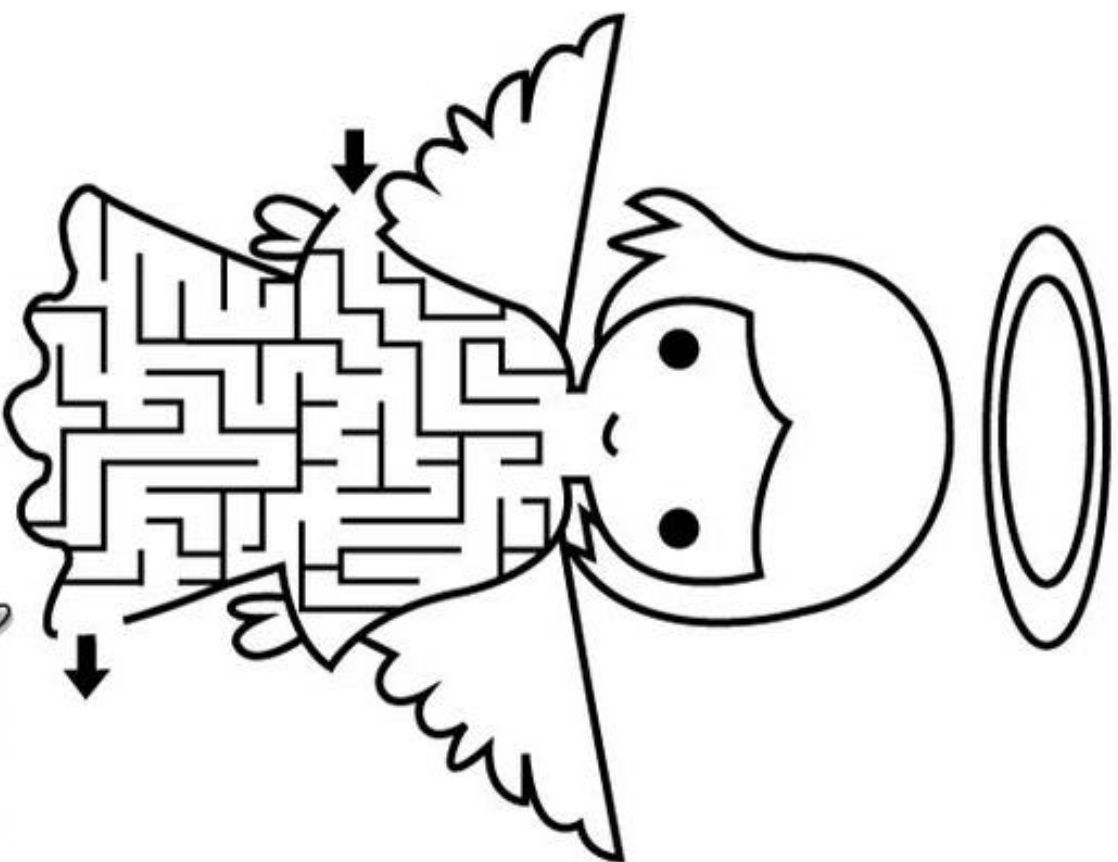




- **Ask:** - The Children what they think an angel looks like.
- **Sing:** For Christmas we are hoping to put together a video of clips of all the children singing "Born is the King It's Christmas" by Hillsong Worship - check it out at bit.ly/3mwIjY1 . If you would like your child to be involved in this video, please encourage them to practise the song and actions. They can even get dressed up with a tea towel on their heads if they wish. Make it as imaginative as you wish or not. Take a video in landscape view of your child singing and doing the actions and send via email to matt@stjohnscommunitychurch.org.uk by the 20th December 2020.
- **Talk:** Who told Mary she was going to have God's baby? Who appeared to Joseph in a dream and told him Mary was having God's baby? What did the Shepherds see singing in the sky? **An Angel or Angels**
- **Watch:** watch bit.ly/36v49W7 or Lottie's 'Angels - God's Messengers' video on St John's Community Church YouTube channel bit.ly/3ltSBGX . You can catch Lottie every Sunday on this channel as she discusses a character from the nativity each week.
- **Discussion:** What do angels do? **They bring messages from God to people.** We see angels bringing messages from God to people all the way through the nativity. The angel Gabriel visits Mary to tell her she is going to have God's baby (Luke 1:28-38). An angel visits Joseph in a dream to tell him that Mary is going to have God's baby (Matthew 1:20). Angels appear to the shepherds on the hills around Bethlehem to tell them that Jesus has been born (Luke 2:8-15). Another angel appears to Joseph in a dream to tell him to "Get up and take the child and his mother and escape to Egypt" (Luke 2:13). When an angel appears to someone what do they say? **"Don't be afraid"**. God's message is good and nothing to fear. We can have peace when God speaks to us. We are not angels, but we can be messengers of God by sharing his peace with others over advent, Christmas and beyond. How can you share peace with people this week? **Talking nicely to people, agreeing to disagree rather than argue, share things with others, being patient if you have to wait for something.** Can you be a messenger of peace to everyone you meet this advent and Christmas?
- **Pray:** Dear Jesus, thank you that you came to earth to live among us. Please help us to be your messengers of peace to everyone we meet. Please forgive us when we forget to share your peace with others. Amen.
- **Make:** 'A Peg Angel' - You will need wooden clothes pegs, a doily or 9cm diameter circle on plain paper, A4 paper and a silver/gold pipe cleaner. Take your doily or 9cm diameter circle and fold it backwards and forwards in a concertina pattern. Then pinch the paper/doily in the middle and fan the edges out to make wings and glue it to the clothes peg. Draw a small face on your A4 paper and cut it out. Stick it onto the top of the peg for the angel's head. Then take the pipe cleaner and twist it into a halo and glue it to the back of the clothes peg and hang your Angel to your Christmas tree.
- **Print:** The sheets below and do the Colouring, Mazes, Word Search and Crossword.



Angel Maze





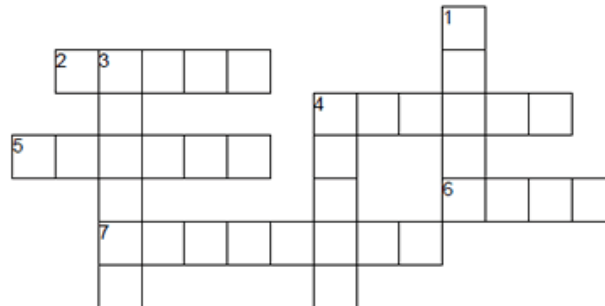
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Using the Across and Down clues, write the correct words in the numbered grid below.



ACROSS

2. To become husband and wife
4. The earthly father of Jesus
5. A pure, unmarried girl or woman
6. The mother of Jesus
7. A name that means "God is with us"

DOWN

1. Images and emotions that occur while you are sleeping
3. To be filled with fear
4. The Son of God

DREAM	JESUS	MARRY	IMMANUEL
MARY	AFRAID	JOSEPH	VIRGIN

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Find the hidden words. The words have been placed horizontally, vertically, or diagonally. When you locate a word, draw a circle around it.

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ANGEL	IMMANUEL	AFRAID	DREAM	MARRY
NAME	SON	CHRIST	CHILD	BIRTH
MARY	JESUS	JOSEPH	VIRGIN	HUSBAND