

## Our Community Gathers

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*Shawn Redden*

**Carol** VU#56 Jesus, Our Brother (v.1) *Lead: John Foster*  
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**The Donkey's Story** The Fatigue of Christmas *John Pearson*

**Carol** VU#56 Jesus, Our Brother (v.2)

**The Cow's Story** The Impatience of Christmas *Glenna Lightfoot*

**Carol** VU#56 Jesus, Our Brother (v.3)

**Scripture Story** Luke 2: 8-14

**Carol** VU#38 Angels We Have Heard on High (v1&2) *Words: French trad.; trans. James Chadwick 1860. Music: French Carol, arr. Edward S. Barnes 1937. © Public Domain*

**Scripture Story** Luke 2:15-20

**The Lamb's Story** The Excitement of Christmas *Joan Hawkes*

**Carol** VU#56 Jesus, Our Brother (v4)

**The Doves' Story** The Uncertainty of Christmas *Anna Peters*

**Carol** VU#56 Jesus, Our Brother (v5)

**Our Story** Christmas Comes in Us *Brian Botten*

### **We Respond to the Story with Gratitude & Our Prayers**

**Carol** VU#56 Jesus, Our Brother (v6)

#### **Sharing Our Gifts**

Advent Unwrapped – The Story of Advent & Christmas  
*A video story created by Visions' Children's Program*

#### **Our Community at Prayer**

Away in a Manger (v.1)

*Lead: John & Daphna Pearson*  
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Spoken Prayers (*instrumental*)

Away in a Manger (v.2)

### **We Go Forth with the Light of God's Blessing**

#### **Blessing & Sharing of the Light of Christmas**

*We invite you to light a candle and join in singing Silent Night.*

**Carol** VU#67 Silent Night

*Lead: Lorna Teed, Daphna Pearson,  
John Foster, Kim & Brian Affleck (guitar)*  
Words: Joseph Mohr 1818, English trans: John F. Young 1863, et al.  
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**Merry Christmas!**  
**May the gifts of Hope, Peace, Joy and Love**  
**fill your heart this Christmas**