# **Song list for Friendly Beast Christmas Pageant**

### We Three Kings (1st verse, children only, no preschool))

We three kings of Orient are Bearing gifts we traverse afar; Field and fountain, moor and mountain, Following yonder star O, Star of wonder, Star of night, Star of royal beauty bright; Westward leading, still proceeding, Guide us to Thy perfect light.

#### O Come Little Children (1st verse, children only, includes preschool)

O come, little children, O come one and all, O come to the cradle in Bethlehem's stall, And see what the Father, from Heaven above, Has sent us tonight as a proof of His love

## TBD(Small Ensemble)

## Away in a Manger (1st verse, preschool only)

Away in a manger, no crib for a bed, The little Lord Jesus laid down his sweet head; The stars in the sky looked down where He lay, The little Lord Jesus asleep on the hay.

#### The Friendly Beasts (7 verses, children only, no preschool (have congregation join on first and last verse))

Jesus our brother kind and good Was humbly born in a stable rude And the friendly beasts around Him stood Jesus our brother, kind and good

I said the donkey, all shaggy and brown I carried His mother up hill and down I carried His mother to Bethlehem Town I said the donkey, all shaggy and brown

I said the cow, all white and red I gave Him my manger for His bed I gave Him my hay to pillow His head I said the cow, all white and red

I said the sheep, with curly horn
I gave Him my wool for a blanket warm
He wore my coat on Christmas morn
I said the sheep, with curly horn

I said the dove, from the rafters high I cooed Him to sleep so He would not cry We cooed Him to sleep, my love and I I said the dove, from the rafters high I said the camel, yellow and black,
Over the desert, upon my back,
I brought Him a gift in the Wise Men's pack.
I said the camel yellow and black.

So every beast by some good spell In the stable dark was glad to tell Of the gift he gave Emmanuel The gift he gave Emmanuel.

#### The First Noel (1st verse, All children including preschool)

The first Noel, the angel did say
Was to certain poor shepherds in fields as they lay;
In fields where they lay keeping their sheep,
On a cold winter's night that was so deep.
Noel, Noel, Noel, Noel,
Born is the King of Israel.

## Hark the Herald Angels Sing (1st verse, children with congregation, includes preschool)

Hark! the herald angels sing, Glory to the newborn king! Peace on earth and mercy mild, God and sinners reconciled. Joyful all ye nations rise Join the triumph of the skies; With angelic host proclaim, Christ is born in Bethlehem! Hark, the herald angels sing. Glory to the newborn king.

### Good Christian Friends Rejoice (1st verse, children only, includes preschool)

Good Christian friends, rejoice
With heart and soul and voice
Give ye heed to what we say;
News! News! Jesus Christ is born today!
Ox and ass before him bow
And He is in the manger now.
Christ is born today
Christ is born today.

### Joy to the World (Children with congregation 1st verse (no preschool), just congregation remaining verses)

Joy to the world, the Lord is come; Let earth receive her King. Let every heart prepare Him room, And heaven and nature sing, and heaven and nature sing, And heaven and heaven and nature sing.