



Presents Auditions For...

“The Best Christmas Pageant Ever”

By Barbara Robinson

Directed by Felice Leib

In this hilarious Christmas classic, a couple, struggling to put on a church Christmas pageant, is faced with casting the Herdman kids--probably the most inventively awful kids in history. You won't believe the mayhem - and the fun - when the Herdmans collide with the Christmas story head on!

Audition Dates: September 28-29

Time: 6:30-8:30

Location: 5th Ave Methodist Church in West Bend, WI

323 S 5th Ave, West Bend, WI 53095

Casting for: Adults and youths 8-18

Potential cast members need to attend only one night of auditions

Those auditioning will be provided materials at the auditions

Rehearsals begin October 4th. Monday through Thursdays 6pm-9pm

(Children released at 8pm)

Performances Dates (5 Total): November 11, 12, 13, 14 – 7pm, November 13– 2pm

Questions...? Email Felice Leib at directing123@gmail.com

THE BEST CHRISTMAS PAGEANT EVER! CAST

ADULT ROLES (Ages are "stage age")

GRACE BRADLEY (MOTHER). 30+. A main role who takes over the annual Christmas pageant; mother to Beth and Charlie; wife to Bob.

BOB BRADLEY/ (FATHER). 30+. Husband to Grace and father to Beth and Charlie. A solid family man.

MRS. ARMSTRONG. 50s+. Managerial, in voice and manner; largish, bossy, impatient.

MRS. SLOCUM. 35-60+. Pleasant, motherly woman

MRS. CLARK. 35-60+. Pleasant, motherly woman

MRS. CLAUSING. 35-60+. Pleasant, motherly woman

MRS. McCARTHY. 40s, 50s. A younger, less imperious version of Mrs. Armstrong

REVEREND HOPKINS. 40s+. A nervous-about-most-everything pastor

FIREFIGHTER 1. Ready for any fire **FIREFIGHTER 2.** Ready for any fire

CHILD ROLES (Ages are "stage age" — Carole singing in auditions and the show.)

BETH BRADLEY. 10-12ish. A lead role who the show's narrator. Grace/Bob's daughter. Beth needs a strong voice and stage presence; is in most scenes dealing with a range of moods and situations.

CHARLIE BRADLEY. 8-9; Beth's brother - the typical kid brother.

ALICE WENDLEKEN. 10-11. Prim, proper, pain in the neck

MAXINE: 10-11. Beth's church Sunday school classmate.

ELMER. 12-13. The minister's son; dislikes church; not fond of the Herdmans.

HOBIE, DAVID, BEVERLY, JUANITA, DORIS. Various ages, 7-10.

ADDITIONAL ROLES. Various ages, 6-up. Angel Choir members; baby angels, shepherds

THE HERDMANS — "the worst kids in the history of the world."

RALPH. 12-13. The oldest Herdman; ragged, scroungy, slouching manner, touch of adolescent cool.

IMOGENE. 11-12 Loud, bossy, tough, crafty. The Herdman leader.

LEROY. 10-11. Tough, very sure of himself.

CLAUDE. 8-9. Tough, combative. A crime buddy to Ollie.

OLLIE. 8-9. Boy or girl. Always looking for trouble. Claude's usual partner in crime.

GLADYS. 7-8. Small, wiry, feisty. Often funny; sometimes means it.