

ADVENT  
IN A  
DAY

**RestoKids 2019**

Restoration Anglican Church  
Arlington, Virginia

**WHAT IS ADVENT?** Advent is a word that means “coming”. It is also a season of the church year when we remember Jesus’ birth and when we wait for Jesus to come again.

During Advent, we make space to remember and retell God’s story of his love for his people.

We tell the story to help us look backward as we remember that Jesus was born.

We tell the story to help us look forward to Jesus coming back again to fix our broken world.

We tell the story to help us look inward as we get our hearts ready - ready to wait and wonder as we hope in all that Jesus has promised.

As a family, use the items in your bag, including the daily prayers and readings in this booklet, to help you remember, too, and ready your heart and mind as you wait for the coming of the promised Messiah, and rejoice in his arrival!

i WONDER  
WHAT YOU  
THINK  
ABOUT  
WAITING?

**GET READY**. Prepare a special place - a sacred space - where you will go to rest and remember, listen and wait, as you read God's word and talk to him each day.

Lay out your white ribbon and place your purple ribbon on top.

Shape your green playdough into a wreath.

Place your candles in the wreath.

Place your wreath on top of your ribbons.

Use your wooden peg dolls to help you tell the stories you'll read and wonder about this Advent.

# THE FIRST WEEK

**STILL.** Take a few moments to quiet your heart. In the silence, ask the Holy Spirit to help you listen to God.

**INVITE.** As you light one purple candle, say:

LEADER: The people walking in darkness

**ALL: have seen a great light**

READ. LISTEN.  
DWELL. WONDER.

Sunday, December 1

**Psalm 25:4-5**

Monday, December 2

**Luke 1:26-27**

Tuesday, December 3

**Luke 1:28-33**

Wednesday, December 4

**Luke 1:34-38**

Thursday, December 5

**Luke 1:39-45**

Friday, December 6

**Luke 1:46-55**

Saturday, December 7

**Psalm 89:1-8**

**PRAY**. Offer prayers for yourself and others. Listen and talk to Jesus about all the things you are thinking and feeling - things that have gone well and things that have not gone as you had hoped. Give thanks to the LORD for his kindness and abundant blessings.

Say The Lord's Prayer or sing The Doxology together.

**BLESS**.

**ALL: Visit this place, O LORD,  
and drive far from it all snares  
of the enemy; let your holy  
angels dwell with us to  
preserve us in peace; and let  
your blessing be upon us**

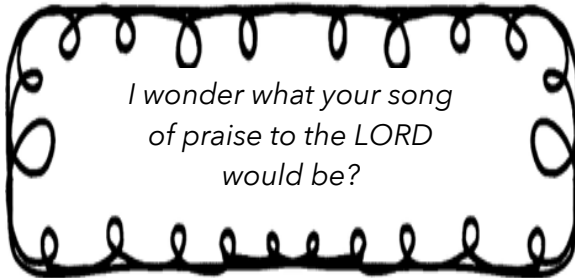


**always; through Jesus Christ  
our LORD. Amen.**

LEADER: Our king and Savior  
now draws near.

**ALL: O come, let us adore  
him!**

Blow out the candle.



# THE SECOND WEEK

**STILL.** Take a few moments to quiet your heart. In the silence, ask the Holy Spirit to help you listen to God.

**INVITE.** As you light two purple candles, say:

LEADER: The people walking in  
darkness

**ALL: have seen a great light**

READ. LISTEN.  
DWELL. WONDER.

Sunday, December 8

**Psalm 4:8**

Monday, December 9

**Matthew 1:1-16**

Tuesday, December 10

**Matthew 1:18-19**

Wednesday, December 11

**Matthew 1:20-21**

Thursday, December 12

**Matthew 1:22-23**

Friday, December 13

**Matthew 1:24**

Saturday, December 14

**Psalm 85:7-13**

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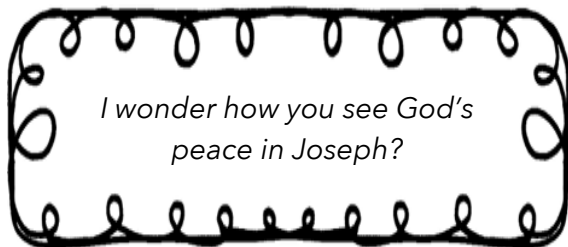
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# THE THIRD WEEK

**STILL.** Take a few moments to quiet your heart. In the silence, ask the Holy Spirit to help you listen to God.

**INVITE.** As you light two purple candles and the pink candle, say:

LEADER: The people walking in darkness

**ALL: have seen a great light**

READ. LISTEN.  
DWEIL. WONDER.

Sunday, December 15

**Luke 2:1-5**

Monday, December 16

**Luke 2:6-7**

Tuesday, December 17

**Psalms 23**

Wednesday, December 18

**Luke 2:8-9**

Thursday, December 19

**Luke 2:10-12**

Friday, December 20

**Luke 2:13-15a**

Saturday, December 21

**Psalms 16:5-11**

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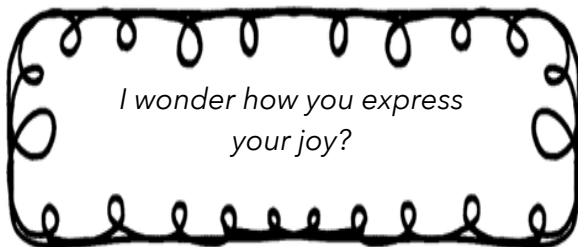


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**ALL: O come, let us adore  
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# THE FOURTH WEEK

**STILL.** Take a few moments to quiet your heart. In the silence, ask the Holy Spirit to help you listen to God.

**INVITE.** As you light all four candles, say:

LEADER: The people walking in  
darkness

**ALL: have seen a great light**

READ. LISTEN.  
DWEIL. WONDER.

Sunday, December 22

**Luke 2:15b-16**

Monday, December 23

**Luke 2:17-18**

Tuesday, December 24

**Luke 2:19-20**

Wednesday, December 25

**Luke 2:21-35**

Thursday, December 26

**Psalms 72:11-12**

Friday, December 27

**Matthew 2:1-11**

Saturday, December 28

**Psalms 136:1-9**

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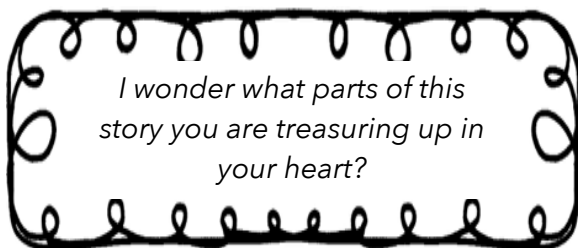
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DRAW WHAT  
YOU IMAGINE  
IT LOOKED LIKE  
THE NIGHT  
THAT JESUS  
WAS BORN.



# MIRACLE MORN

By Amy Imbody

Down in the hay, hidden away  
Under the manger where the wee  
Baby lay  
There were two pairs of ears, two  
pairs of eyes,  
Two sets of whiskers on two tiny  
mice  
Who were watching and listening  
and nibbling on corn  
On that miracle, miracle, miracle  
morning!  
Miracle, miracle, miracle morn!



Up in her nest, sweetly at rest,  
Six speckled eggs tucked in under  
her breast,  
There was one mother bird  
cooing her song  
While the beautiful Mother below  
sang along!  
They were loving their babies and  
keeping them warm  
On that miracle, miracle, miracle  
morning!  
Miracle, miracle, miracle morn!

Gathered around, creatures  
abound -  
Mooing and baaing and neighing  
the sound  
Of their worship and praise, as  
they lift up their voice,  
All the cattle, the sheep and the  
horses rejoice  
To welcome the wonderful Baby  
just born  
On that miracle, miracle, miracle  
morning!  
Miracle, miracle, miracle morn!  
That miracle, miracle, miracle  
morning!  
Miracle, miracle, miracle morn!

# PRAYERS

GOD KNOWS  
YOU!

HE'S CRAZY  
ABOUT YOU!

HE GOES WITH  
YOU  
EVERYWHERE!