

Worshipping

OUR
LONG-AWAITED
SAVIOR!
at home...



Make or purchase an Advent wreath or simply place candles in the shape of a circle to represent the eternal God. Use one candle for each of the four Sundays in Advent and add a white votive candle in the center for Christmas.



Gather

Make plans to gather together, beginning on the first Sunday of Advent, for a time to reflect on the gift of love God shared with all people.

Light the Candle

The lighting of the candle is a symbol of the light of Christ, the star in Bethlehem, the light of our hearts, and a reminder that God is present with us worship.



Pray

We give you thanks, O God, for in the beginning you called light into being, and you set lights in the sky to govern night and day. In every age, you call imperfect people to be bearers of your light, bright with your wisdom, aflame with your righteousness, like the stars forever. Enlighten our darkness by the light of your Christ, kindled in the stable, magnified on the cross, and reflected in the lives of your holy people. With them, and with all your creatures we give you glory, through your Son Jesus Christ, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, now and forever. **Amen.**



Read the Word

Advent Week 1: Luke 1:68-79

Advent Week 2: Malachi 3:1-4

Advent Week 3: Isaiah 11:1-9

Advent Week 4: Psalm 72

The Nativity of our Lord: Luke 2:15-21



Sing

Advent Week 1: Blessed Be the God of Israel (ELW 250)

Advent Week 2: O Come, O Come, Emmanuel (ELW 257)

Advent Week 3: Come Now, O Prince of Peace (ELW 247)

Advent Week 4: Come, Thou Long-Expected Jesus (ELW 254)

The Nativity of our Lord: Away in a Manger (ELW 277/278)



Depart in Peace

May God, the strength of our ancestors and the hope of our children keep our hearts and our minds in Christ Jesus. **Amen.**

Go in peace, remember the poor.

Thanks be to God.