



Family Advent Guide

Advent begins four Sundays before Christmas. This year Advent begins on December 2, 2018. By tradition five candles are used during Advent. There is one candle for each Sunday; four purple candles the color of royalty, and one candle at the center called the Christ candle for Christmas, white the color of purity and light. Advent candles are often placed in an evergreen wreath. The circle of the wreath symbolizes the eternal nature of God and the evergreen represents the everlasting life found in Christ. Each week in Advent carries its own theme to consider.

Each Sunday during Advent gather as a family and read the short teaching, light the candle(s), read the week's scripture, and pray. Complete the other activities throughout the week as you are able.



Delaware
CHRISTIAN CHURCH

Advent – A Christmas Experience

Tuesday, December 25th

CHRISTMAS DAY

The Christ Candle: meditate on **Christ**

Prayer and Devotion: For Kids

Christmas Day: Pray for the Good News to Spread

Take out your prayer hand and write the words “Good News” on the thumb.

God teaches us in the Bible to love our enemies and pray for those who are mean to us or treat us badly. (Matthew 5:44)

Touch your thumb and pray and give thanks for the Good News found in Jesus Christ. Do this every day.

Prayer and Devotion: For Parents

Today is a day of praise and gratitude. In Christ we have love, grace and the forgiveness of sins. In Christ we have assurance of eternal life with him where every tear will be wiped away and suffering will cease and joy will abound. In Christ there is true peace here and now and forever.

Revisit the scriptures from the previous weeks. What has been the most meaningful to you? Which scriptures did you memorize? Is God showing you something new? Are you ready to be a bold risk-taker? Commit to share with someone what God has been teaching you through his word this Christmas.

**“May we carry with us the spirit of the season
every day of every year.”**

