

2020 Advent Calendar

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29 Light the first candle on the Advent wreath. Follow the instructions in the HOPE section of the Advent wreath lighting guide



30 Read the Christmas story, Luke 2:1-20 Write/draw all the people involved in the first Christmas



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1 Eat dinner by candlelight only. Discuss: Besides presents, what's the best way to celebrate Christmas

2 Watch a favorite Christmas show/movie. Everyone share what is their favorite



3 Do something special for your teacher today

4 Learn to say "Merry Christmas" in another language. Find countries on the map where that language is spoken. Post a video of you speaking on the church's FB page



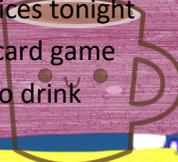
5 Have a PJ day. Do a picnic lunch by spreading blankets on the floor. Listen to Christmas music while you eat.



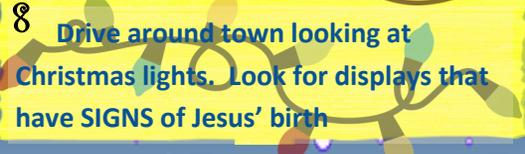
6 Light two candles on the Advent wreath. Follow the instructions in the lighting guide



7 Turn off all electronic devices tonight and have a family board/card game night. Make hot chocolate to drink



8 Drive around town looking at Christmas lights. Look for displays that have SIGNS of Jesus' birth



9 Make a favorite Christmas snack to share. Tell why this is a favorite and what memories it brings back



10 Put some loose change in a donation kettle to help the poor. Say thank you if someone is there ringing a bell



11 Sleep under the Christmas tree. Turn off all the lights except the ones on the tree. Post a pic of your tree to church's FB page



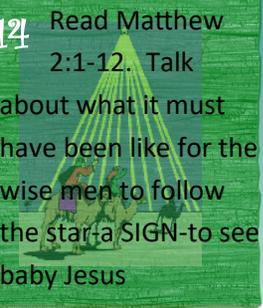
12 Put up a stocking (clean sock will work) for Jesus. Write what you will do in 2021 to be a SIGN of CHRIST in the world



13 Light three candles on the Advent wreath. Follow the instructions in the lighting guide



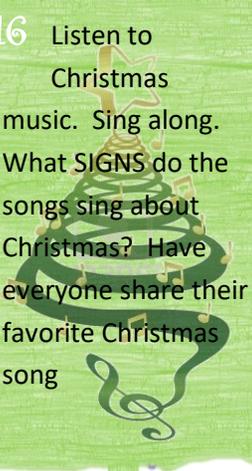
14 Read Matthew 2:1-12. Talk about what it must have been like for the wise men to follow the star-a SIGN-to see baby Jesus



15 Go out into the country after dark and look at the stars. Imagine being a wise man following a star to see Jesus



16 Listen to Christmas music. Sing along. What SIGNS do the songs sing about Christmas? Have everyone share their favorite Christmas song

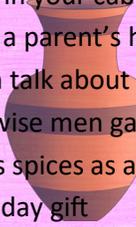


17 Write a thank you note to a neighbor who decorated their house. Thank them for sharing the SIGNS of Christmas JOY



18 Make cupcakes/cookies to celebrate Jesus' birthday and take them to a family who doesn't go to church. Invite them to Christmas Eve service at the church

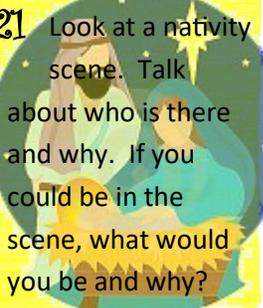
19 Sample the spices in your cabinet, with a parent's help. Then talk about why the wise men gave Jesus spices as a birthday gift



20 Light four candles on the Advent wreath. Follow the instructions in the lighting guide



21 Look at a nativity scene. Talk about who is there and why. If you could be in the scene, what would you be and why?



22 Look through pictures of past Christmases and share your memories of people and places. What pictures do your parents have when they were a child?



23 Read your favorite Christmas story to everyone. Everyone share their favorite

24 Light CHRIST candle on Advent Wreath. Follow the instructions in the lighting guide
Church at 7:00 p.m.



25 Focus on celebrating Jesus' birthday! Pick your favorite activity from this sheet and do it again today

