

Advent 2025: Spacious Faith

During Advent, we prepare for the birth of Jesus.

We can prepare in many ways, including praying, singing, sharing, and reading.
Scratch off one sticker each day to reveal a preparation activity for that day.

This week,
we light the candle of:



HOPE

WEEK 1

SUNDAY
Enjoy Something

30
Enjoy something with honey in it – or on it!
Color the **HOPE** candle.

MONDAY
Breathe a Breath Prayer*

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Breath prayer:
Prepare my heart;
to receive your Spirit.

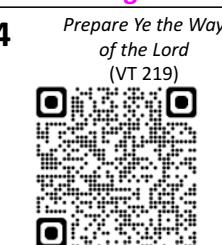
TUESDAY
Watch & Discuss



WEDNESDAY
Share!

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Share about baptism –your own, one you have seen, or questions you have.

THURSDAY
Sing!



FRIDAY
Read & Wonder

5
Matthew 1:18-25
What do you wonder about?

SATURDAY
Write!

6
"God is with us."
Post it where you will see it every day.



PEACE

WEEK 2

7
Enjoy a nap and see if God speaks to you in a dream.
Color the **PEACE** candle.

8
Breath prayer:
I am not afraid.
You are with me.



10
Share about a dream you had recently.



12
Read: Luke 1:39-56
What do you wonder about?

13
"My spirit rejoices in God my Savior."
Post it where you will see it every day.



JOY

WEEK 3

14
Enjoy time with people you love.
Color the **JOY** candle.

15
Breath Prayer:
God, lift the lowly.
God, fill the hungry.



17
Share a blessing with a family member or friend.



19
Read: John 1:1-14
What do you wonder about?

20
"The Word became flesh and lived among us."
Post it where you will see it every day.



LOVE

WEEK 4

21
Enjoy the light!
Watch a sunrise or sunset, light a candle, gather around a fireplace. Color the **LOVE** candle.

22
Breath prayer:
You are the life and the light of the world.



24 **Christmas Eve**
Read: Luke 2:1-20
What do you wonder about?



Directions: Place a scratch-off sticker over the middle of each day's message. Scratch off one sticker each day to reveal a preparation activity for that day.

***Breath Prayer:**

Breathe IN while saying the 1st phrase.
Breathe OUT while saying the 2nd phrase.
Repeat.



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Advent Children's Blessing (with actions)

God of spacious faith,
(hands spread wide in front, like opening a big door)

Make our hearts big enough to welcome your love
(hands over heart)

Make our minds open enough to learn your ways.
(hands point to the head)

Make our bodies brave enough to follow Jesus
(hands down at sides strongly and resolutely)

Help us make room for wonder,
(hands circle over head)

Room for kindness,
(hands cup in front)

Room for loving everyone and ourselves
(hands cross the body into a self hug)

We wait, we watch, and we pray for you to come again
(hands clasped in prayer)

Amen

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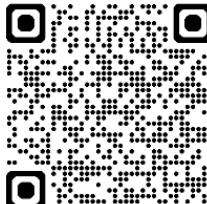
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