

ADVENT CALENDAR

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
<p>2 Worship</p> <p>Advent 1</p> <p>Pay attention during worship. What part of the gathering fills your heart?</p>	<p>3 Go</p> <p>Take time to listen closely to someone you may not ordinarily take seriously, or who has a different perspective than you.</p>	<p>4 Learn</p> <p>Read Luke 1:26-38. What is God calling you to say “yes” to?</p>	<p>5 Pray</p> <p>Set a timer for five minutes. Silently repeat this prayer: “Come, Lord Jesus.”</p>	<p>6 Bless</p> <p>In the spirit of St. Nicholas, practice a random act of kindness today.</p>	<p>7 Turn</p> <p>Reflect: Where have I fallen short this week? How can I make amends?</p>	<p>8 Rest</p> <p>Do something that replenishes your spirit.</p>
<p>9 Worship</p> <p>Advent 2</p> <p>What word or words from worship today have found a home in your heart? Share these words with someone close to you.</p>	<p>10 Go</p> <p>Choose to take a different route to work, to school, or to play today. Who or what did you encounter differently?</p>	<p>11 Learn</p> <p>Read Luke 1:39-56. Tell a friend or family member about your practice of the Way of Love and invite them to join you.</p>	<p>12 Pray</p> <p>Join a family member or friend for 10 minutes for prayer, either in person or by phone.</p>	<p>13 Bless</p> <p>Call or write a family member with whom you desire a closer relationship. Tell them what they mean to you. Ask how you can pray for them.</p>	<p>14 Turn</p> <p>Turn away from the busyness of the week and turn toward someone who gives you life or to whom you give life. Give thanks.</p>	<p>15 Rest</p> <p>On this day of rest, pause and breathe deeply with a friend or family member. Give thanks for the restorative power of love.</p>
<p>16 Worship</p> <p>Advent 3</p> <p>Pray for each person as they receive communion. Imagine who you would like to see at church next week. Invite them to church today.</p>	<p>17 Go</p> <p>Read or watch your local news. Where is reconciliation needed? Pray for healing.</p>	<p>18 Learn</p> <p>Read Luke 1:57-80. Name three ways your faith community challenges you to practice the Way of Love. Share your list with a member of your community.</p>	<p>19 Pray</p> <p>Gather with your faith community for a short time of prayer today.</p>	<p>20 Bless</p> <p>Identify a blessing you have that you could give away. Then share this blessing with your church, a local ministry, or your community.</p>	<p>21 Turn</p> <p>Read the Confession (BCP 352) in an unfamiliar location - in the park, at work, at school, or on the bus. What does the prayer inspire you to turn from in that location? What does it inspire you to turn toward?</p>	<p>22 Rest</p> <p>How can you or your community open yourselves to people in need of rest and relief from overwork? From oppression? From violence?</p>
<p>23 Worship</p> <p>Advent 4</p> <p>Linger before leaving worship today. Ask God to prepare and send you to go out into the world to witness to God’s love.</p>	<p>24 Go</p> <p>Notice and pray for all those who, like Mary and Joseph, are in need of shelter.</p>	<p>25 Learn</p> <p>Christmas Day</p> <p>Read Luke 1-2. Give thanks for the birth of the Christ-child. Pray that you may follow Christ Jesus on his Way of Love with your whole heart, mind, body and spirit.</p>				