

# Weekly Update for Children and Families

CHRIST UNITED METHODIST CHURCH



## CELEBRATING ADVENT

**Advent is the season where we prepare our hearts and homes for Christmas. We remember that people had been waiting for the Messiah for many generations. Christians believe the Messiah is Jesus.**

**Waiting is not easy. Today we remember that the people waiting for the Messiah had many kinds of hopes for who the Messiah would be and what the Messiah would do.**

*The thrill of hope*

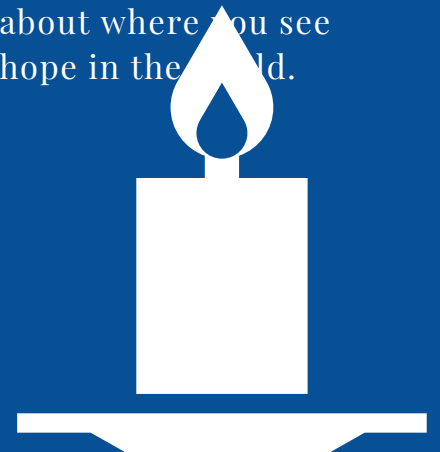
**How does hope feel?**

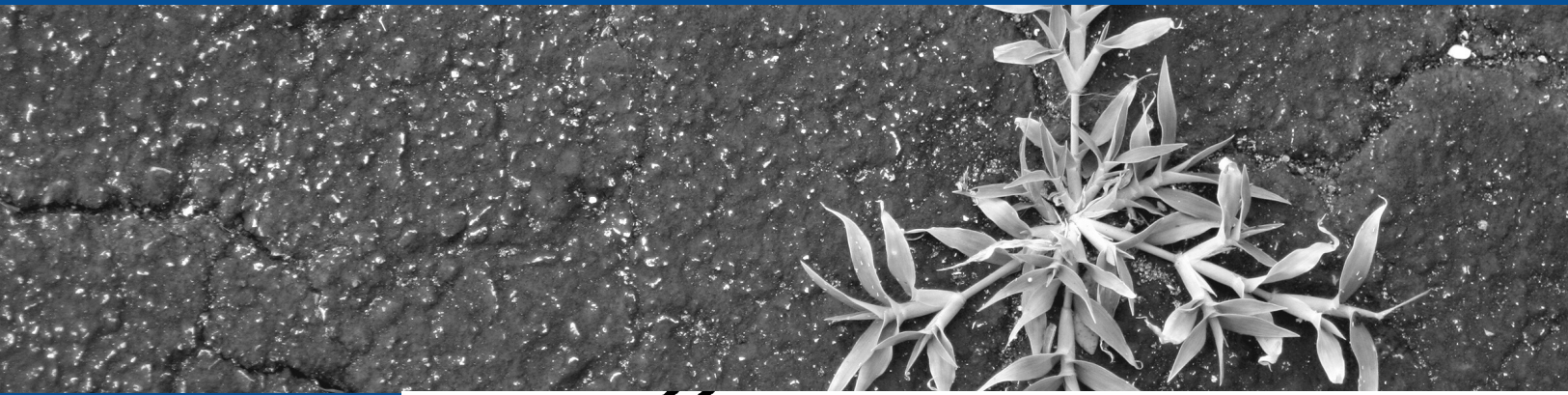
### IDEAS TO CELEBRATE ADVENT IN YOUR HOME

Create an ornament each week between worship services. Today's is hope!

Pick up an Advent page-a-day calendar today. Color the page each day and build a calendar on a door in your home.

Light a candle at dinner each night and talk about where you see hope in the world.

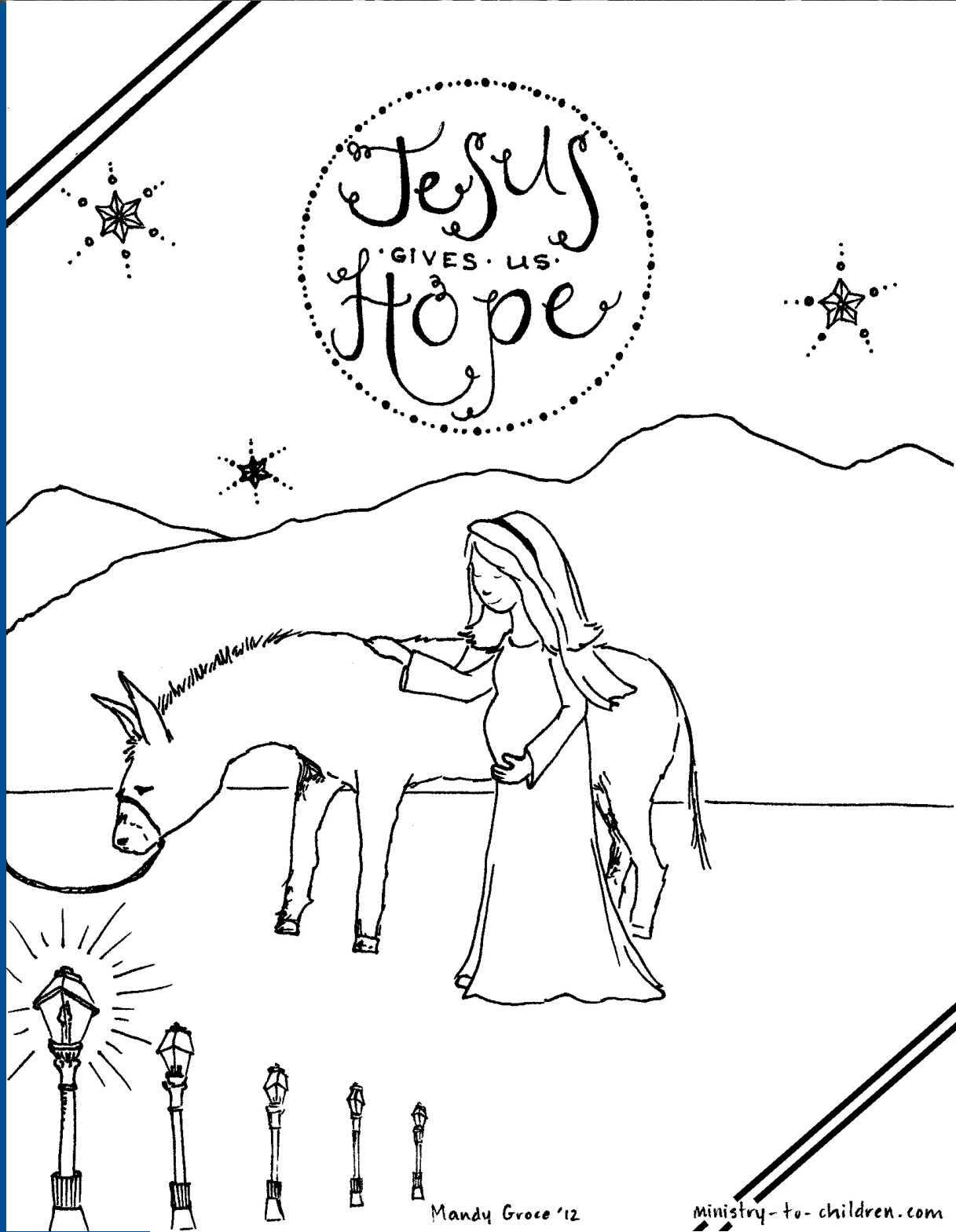




Jesus uses parables when he is teaching. Today he describes waiting for a fig tree to bring new leaves.



When have you had to wait for something? What makes waiting fun? Easier?



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