



Do you remember this fall when we talked about “joy” in church?

- ✱ Dance joyfully this week
- ✱ Name things at supper that bring you joy
- ✱ Bring joy to a friend with a special treat
- ✱ Bring joy to a family member with a phone call
- ✱ Learn a new joke to bring joy to strangers

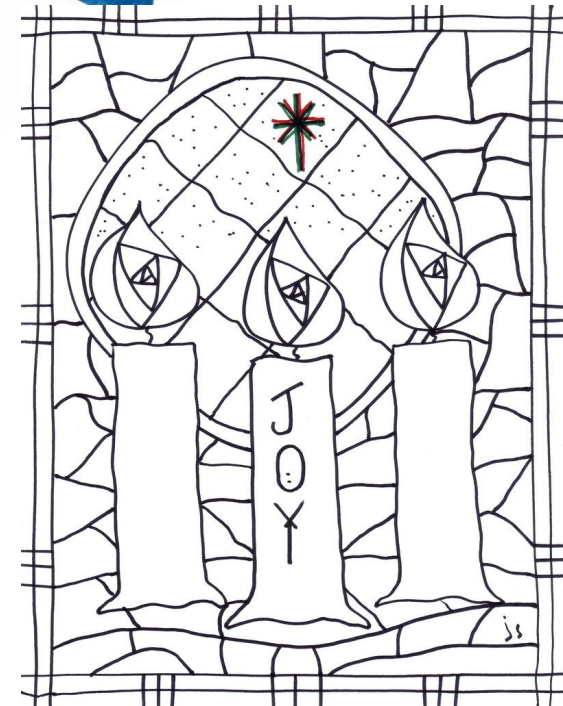
CU Wednesday schedule

- 5:00-5:30 Children’s Bells (currently full)
- 5:30-6:00 Rehearsing music for the 9:00 pageant (all ages welcome!)
- 6:00-6:30 Pageant rehearsal for age 3-7th grade
- 6:30-7:00 Club 6-7 (6th and 7th grade)
Stay and Play (K-5th grade)
- 6:00-7:00 Confirmation (8th-9th grade)

Youth group will meet 12/12 and 19 from 4:30-6:00



**Christ UMC
Children’s Bulletin
December 12, 2021**



We are in the season of Advent, a time of preparing our church, home and hearts to celebrate the birth of Christ. “Thresholds” are a transition place where different things meet. We are exploring different thresholds in Advent.



LET EARTH RECEIVE HER KING!

LET EV'RY
HEART
PREPARE
HIM
ROOM

Maybe you will pray by singing Christmas carols

Maybe you will pray while you clean your room!

Maybe you will pray while you make cookies

Maybe you will pray as you light your advent candles

Maybe you will pray around your Christmas tree

What song is this?

What does it mean to “prepare your heart”?
How are you getting ready for Christmas?

Christmas Tree Blessing

Lord, Jesus,
Encircle this tree with your blessing.
May its twinkling lights remind us of the hope and promise of your coming.
May we find joy in the memories we share in its tinsel and trimmings.
May the presents we place beneath it give rise to an appreciation for the gift of your presence among us.
We ask this in your holy name.
Amen.

Christmas Cookie Prayer

Dear sweet Baby Jesus, please bless these Christmas cookies. Bring us joy as we prepare them. May all who eat them be reminded of Your sweetness. May these cookies bring us and our loved ones together in peace, love, and fellowship, as we celebrate your coming birth. Amen.