

# ADVENT AND CHRISTMAS

A traditional Advent suggests an Advent wreath be lit at dinner. Each week we invite your family to read, pray and act.



## First Sunday of Advent November 29

Advent I

Light the first blue candle and pray: Loving God, thank you for the light. Help us help the light grow. Amen

Blow it out!

Action: Clean out your old toys & donate one toy.



## Second Sunday of Advent December 6

Advent II

Light the first and second blue candles and pray: Faithful God, thank you for faith. Help us make our faith grow. Amen Blow them out!

Action: Donate a bag of dog food or cat food to an animal shelter.

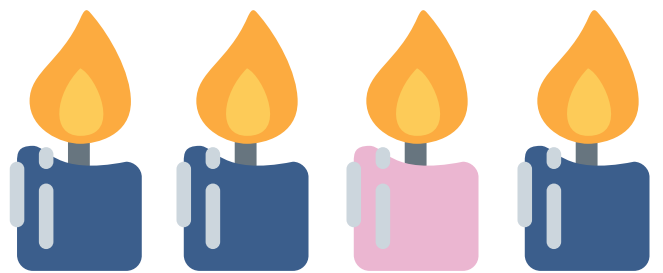


## Third Sunday of Advent December 13

Advent III

Light the first and second blue candles and the pink candle, and pray: Joyful God, thank you for joy. Help us make joy grow. Amen Blow them out

Action: Call a loved one you haven't spoken to in a while.



## Fourth Sunday of Advent December 22

Advent IV

Light all purple and pink candles, and pray: Peaceful God, thank you for peace. Help us help peace grow. Amen Blow them out!

Action: Make a Christmas card for a neighbor, friend or family member and take it to them.



## Christmas

Light all blue and pink candles and the white Christ candle, and pray: Living God, thank you for coming to us as a baby. Help us to live with light, faith, joy, and peace. Amen

Blow them out and shout MERRY CHRISTMAS!

Christmas Eve Services  
5:30 Family Service (Outside)  
8:30 pm Service of Holy Eucharist

10:30 am Christmas Day Service

*St. Thomas Episcopal Church & Saint Thomas Early Learning Center*