



**ADVENT IS HERE;
LET US PREPARE
THE WAY FOR
THE LORD**



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SET UP OUR ADVENT CORNER AT HOME



Advent Wreath and Candles
(3 purple, 1 pink and 1 white)



Bible
- the spiritual food for our strength



Crib/Manger
- humility



Advent Mug
- to fill with acts of kindness and love undertaken this Advent



Seek Forgiveness



Prayer Garland
- for all our needs



LIGHTING THE CANDLE OF HOPE ON THE 1ST SUNDAY OF ADVENT

SIGN OF THE CROSS

(Family member) : In a world of despair with this pandemic, God lights a candle of hope in our Hearts. Let us then prepare our minds and our hearts spiritually for the coming of our Messiah, Jesus Christ.

HYMN: LORD JESUS, COME <https://youtu.be/3wFE0muUzw8>

CHORUS

Lord Jesus come, Come Lord Jesus come
Come and be born in our hearts
Come live, come dwell in us Emmanuel
Come and be born in our hearts

1. Your people are waiting, Your people are waiting
Your people are waiting for You, Lord <> CHORUS
2. Your people are longing, Your people are longing
Your people are longing for You, Lord <> CHORUS
3. Your people are ready, Your people are ready
Your people are ready for You, Lord <> CHORUS

OPENING PRAYER

Let us pray:
Father in heaven,
Today we begin our spiritual pilgrimage,
that reminds us of the birth of our Saviour.
As we come into Your presence,
Fill us with the light of Hope,
Melt our hearts and will,
Increase our yearning for Christ
So that when He comes,
We will be ready to go out and meet Him with joy. AMEN.
ALLEUIA!!



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A FAMILY MEMBER LIGHTS THE 1ST CANDLE ON THE ADVENT WREATH

Family Member : We light the 1st Candle to signify our Hope in Christ. O God, we kindle it with Hope. We long for You to come to our world, to break through and reign with compassion, justice and peace.

All : May it light our way and sustain us with Hope.



SCRIPTURE TEXT (FOCUS ISAIAH 64 : 1 – 9)

Leader : Prophet Isaiah cried to God to tear open heaven and come down. He called God's people to do right. Isaiah called them to be refashioned like clay by God, the Potter. This Advent, let us cry out to God.

All : Mighty God, creator of the world, break through all that keeps us from You. We ask for Your mercy to shine with Hope. This Advent, bring Hope, Peace, Joy and Love to all Your people. Amen.

(Silence to reflect on how we could bring hope to the lost, the least, the little and the last)



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ADVENT LITANY

Leader : Into the darkness of our world:

All : COME LORD AND SAVE US, LET YOUR LIGHT
SHINE ON US

Leader : Into the confusion of our world:

All : COME LORD AND SAVE US, WONDERFUL
COUNSELLOR, BE OUR GUIDE

Leader : Into the violence of our world:

All : COME LORD AND SAVE US, PRINCE OF PEACE,
REIGN OVER US

1 OUR FATHER

3 HAIL MARYS

1 GLORY BE





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CLOSING HYMN : COME THOU LONG EXPECTED JESUS

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=vRAFQCOKjgE>

Come thou long expected Jesus,
Born to set Thy people free;
From our fears and sins release us,
Let us find our rest in Thee.
Israel's strength and consolation,
Hope of all the earth Thou art,
Dear desire of every nation;
Joy of every longing heart.

Joy to those who long to see thee,
Dayspring from on high, appear;
Come, thou promised Rod of Jesse,
Of Thy birth, we long to hear.
O'er the hills the angels singing
News glad tidings of a birth
"Go to him, your praises bringing
Christ the Lord has come to earth.

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