

For the Family

CRAFTS FOR ADVENT

We have created this box for your family! We want you to be able to celebrate Jesus in a meaningful way together at home.

Over the next month, use the kit you received with the devotional to create your own Advent wreath and decorate candles.

When you get the kit, you will do your preparation work for your wreath. Then on each of the 4 Advent Sundays, you will make a candle to represent each of the 4 candles on the wreath: Hope, Love, Joy, and Peace. You will finish off your wreath on Christmas Day by making the Christ Candle.

Each week includes scripture reading, family discussion, prayer, and the craft for each specific part of the Advent wreath. The main supplies for each craft are included in your kit, but you will need some additional supplies from around the house.

We hope that this box enriches your family time and highlights Jesus as the reason for the season!

Share your pictures with Pastor Kellie thru email (kellie@wilshireave.com) or tag @wilshireavekids on Instagram.

Making Your Wreath

1. Cut out your wreath template circle.
2. Have everyone in your family, or just the kids, trace their hands on the green paper and cut them out. It will take about 12 hands to fill the wreath, but you can put as many hands on there as you would like!
3. Tape or glue the green hands on the wreath template circle with the fingers facing out.
4. Optional: Glue or tape red puff balls/pom-poms around the wreath.

KEEPSAKE IDEA: Consider saving your wreath after Christmas, stringing ribbon through the middle to create a hanging wreath to display in your house every year to remember how little the hands in your house were this year.



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Decorating Your Candles

1. Each week, you'll have the opportunity to decorate a sleeve for the advent candle that goes along with that week's theme.
2. Week 1 is Hope (traditionally purple), Week 2 is Love (traditionally purple), Week 3 is Joy (traditionally pink), and Week 4 is Peace (traditionally purple). Christmas Day is the Christ Candle (traditionally white) but color and decorate however you want!
3. Color the candles sleeve for that week.
4. Roll the sleeve to create a cylinder and connect the right side to the left side with tape.
5. Place the cupcake tin in the top of the cylinder, and place the tea light in the cupcake tin. (The cupcake tin rim should sit on top.)
6. Place your candle on the wreath, light your candle, and read the scripture, discuss, and pray together.



The End Goal

