

ADVENT Menus & Activities

Light candles, read [passages](#), and pray. Stock up on your candles!

Have a special treat or activity for afterwards. Ex: singing carols, cookies, or special snacks.

Start making plans and gifts for people. Think about giving to a charity and give hope to others.

1st Advent Sunday

Hope – Purple Candle, purple decorations

‘Stir-up Sunday’ -*the day to stir up Christmas cakes and puddings*

MENU

[Easy Baked Chicken](#)
[Broccoli Slaw](#), [Baked Sweet Potatoes](#)
[Deviled Eggs](#), Bread w/butter
[Blackberry Pig in a Poke](#) or [Rice Pudding](#)

2nd Advent Sunday

Peace – Purple Candle, purple decorations

MENU

[Taco Soup](#), [Tortellini Soup](#), or [Potato Soup](#)
Steamed Broccoli with [Cheese Sauce](#)
[Bundt Wreath Cake](#), [Brownies](#), or [Cupcakes](#)

3rd Advent Sunday

Joy – Pink Candle, pink/rose colored decorations

‘Gaudete’ - take a break and rejoice for what is coming!

Put up your manger or ‘crib’ in a corner, the manger is empty right now, the three wise men can be placed somewhere away from the manger and advance slowly through the week, they will arrive at the manger on Epiphany.

Make plans to go caroling around the 21st... but not before this Sunday!

[Our 1st Shepherd’s Dinner](#): *click the link for more ideas!*

MENU

Baked/Smoked Fish or Turkey/Chicken/Lamb
Boiled eggs, Flat Breads, crackers
Goat/Feta Cheese (*maybe some other cheeses as well*)
Summer Sausage, cold meats, Olives
Fruits including: Figs, Pomegranates, Dates, Grapes, etc.
Hummus w/Cucumbers, carrots, etc.
Lentils, Almonds, Pistachios, or other nuts
Honey, Baklava
Sparkling Grape Juice or Wine
Other simple finger foods
Cookie Tray

4th Advent Sunday

Love – Purple Candle

BREAKFAST/BRUNCH MENU

[Pancakes](#) and/or Waffles
[Cinnamon Rolls](#), fresh fruits
whipped cream, [syrups](#)
scrambled eggs, bacon and/or sausage

MENU

[Broiled Tilapia](#)
[Asparagus](#) or [Maple Glazed Brussel Sprouts](#), [Steamed Potatoes](#)
Fruit Cake or [Fruit Cobbler](#)

Christmas Eve

Birthday Cake for Jesus - check out this post for [FREE nativity printable](#)

Fish(no meat) is traditional along with cabbage, beets, mushrooms, berries, and bread with poppy seeds. *You could do your Bethlehem dinner this night.*

Set an extra place at the table for Our LORD.

Eat dinner by candlelight.

Special Holiday Meals

Christmas Day

Christ – White Candle

[Christmas Menus](#)

CHRISTMAS BREAKFAST

[Cinnamon & Star Breads](#)

[Pancake Board, Toppings](#)

Eggs, Sausage, Bacon

Juice, Coffee

CHRISTMAS DINNER

Smoked Meats, Ham or Turkey

[Deviled Eggs](#), [Green Bean Casserole](#), Potatoes,

[Baked Beans](#), [Spinach Dip](#),

[Rolls](#), [Flavored Butters](#), [Fudge](#)

Eggnog, Coffee, [Sweet Tea](#)

Go for a walk after lunch. Have a [cold plate dinner](#) followed by hot tea or coffee and Christmas cake or [Yule log](#) or [Pumpkin roll](#).