

## **Advent Devotions**

Light a candle as a symbol of JOY. The joy that rises from wonder.

Joy arrives often quietly... a laugh shared, a moment of gratitude, a glimpse of beauty amid the ordinary. It is the song that rises from hope and peace intertwined, reminding us that God's promises are not distant dreams but living realities taking shape even now. In our waiting, joy becomes both gift and guide, teaching us to find wonder in every small sign of God's presence.

"Joy is the most infallible sign of the presence of God."

- Pierre Teilhard de Chardin

A few questions for this week:

- What is one childlike thing you can do this week, releasing your adult "importance" and enjoying the loving heart of God?
- In the midst of waiting, what sparks of joy or small wonders are shining through, even if briefly?

## Daily Reflections

On Sunday, Dec 14, read Isaiah 12:2–6. Where is joy trying to find a home in your heart?

On Monday, Dec 15, read Luke 1:39–45.
What promises of God bring you joy when you remember them?

On Tuesday, Dec 16, read Luke 1:46–55. How might praise renew your sense of joy today?

On Wednesday, Dec 17, read Psalm 126:2–3. What memories remind you that joy and gratitude are linked?

On Thursday, Dec 18, read John 15:9–11.
What would complete joy look like for you this Advent?

On Friday, Dec 19, read Nehemiah 8:10. How can joy strengthen you in the waiting?

On Saturday, Dec 20, read Luke 2:8–10. Where might joy be waiting to be shared through you?