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Place a Bible under your tree and before opening presents read Luke 2:1-20 (Spark pg. 212) Talk about what this gift means that God has given to us in Jesus.

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Attend morning Advent 4 Worship, don't just skip to Christmas Eve. What did you notice different about the two services?

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The mail and packages you have been receiving don't just magically appear. Postal workers are working real hard to get you your gifts. Say Thank You. Leave a note with a gift card to Starbucks for them on your porch.

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Drive around with family and friends looking at Christmas Lights.

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Read Matthew 1:18-25 and Luke 1:26-38 (Spark pg. 196)

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Who in your life, past or present, has gone out of their way to help you (a teacher, co-worker, boss, neighbor, etc)? Write them a thank you note today.

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Turn off the TV and read a book as a family.

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How did staying off social media work last week? Try it again. This time disconnect from everything. No TV, No video games. No internet. No apps of any kind. Notice how you interact differently with the world today.

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Did you know that today is the shortest and darkest day of the year? At the end of the day, light a candle and have everyone in the house gather around it. Read Isaiah 9:2. Take turns sharing where you have seen the light of God shine this Advent in the midst of the darkness.

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Make popcorn and watch your favorite movie together with family or friends.

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Collect all the spare change in the house. Find a Salvation Army Red Kettle to dump it in.

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Make plans to have dinner with a friend or family member you haven't seen in a while. Invite them over or go out to a restaurant. If you attend WNL! at Faith, try sitting with someone new that you usually do not sit with for the meal.

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Call a relative or friend who lives out of state just to say Hi and that you are thinking of them.

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Stay off social media today. Give extra attention and focus to the people you interact with today face to face.

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Bake a batch of cookies for someone else as a gift. If you have time, bake another batch for you and your family.

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Make a new friend. Take extra time today to get to know someone. Like a crossing guard on the way to school, someone at work, barista, cashier... someone you see often, but may not know their name or much about them.

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Spend quiet time with God today. No distractions, just you and God. Find a quiet place and share with God what is on your heart.

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Have an Ice Cream Sundae with family and friends. Go all out and get all your favorite toppings. Sit around a table while you enjoy them and talk about the high's and low's of your day.

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Play a game with family or friends.

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Read Micah 5:2-5 (Spark pg. 194)

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Go shopping at the store or in your pantry or closet. Collect items for The Window (see back). Don't just give away the things you don't like or buy cheap brands. Share the food and products you yourself would use and eat. Drop them off sometime this week at the Window. Plan ahead and look at the 7th while you are out shopping.

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Make handmade cards for our shut-in's at Faith or someone else you know who might be lonely during the holidays. (see back for shut in addresses) Bonus: hand deliver a few of them sometime this weekend.

December 3

Read Isaiah 7:10-17 (Spark pg.168)

**REVERSE
ADVENT
CALENDAR
2017**

HOW TO USE THIS REVERSE ADVENT CALENDAR: Start on December 3, the first day of Advent, which is located in the bottom left hand corner of the calendar and simply follow the instructions. Each day you will be guided to do something to deepen relationships, with God or with others. Some days require more time and planning, others are very simple things that don't. Feel free to look ahead and change dates up to fit best with you schedule. For example, if you have plans on the night we suggest to watch a movie with your family swap that with another night. As you journey towards Christmas notice how focusing on people, rather than things, changes your Advent Season and your celebration of Christmas.

THE WINDOW NEEDS

Shampoo
Deodorant
Baby Wipes
Diapers (sizes 4, 5, & 6)
Toilet Paper
Feminine Hygiene
Products
Canned Beans
Canned Tuna
Pasta
Canned Fruit
Canned Vegetables
Cereal
Hamburger Helper
Spaghetti Sauce
Tomato Products

HOME BOUND ADDRESSES

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