



Digging Deeper:

This week's Advent candle is the Angel Candle or the Star candle.

Suddenly a great company of the heavenly host appeared with the angel, praising God and saying, "Glory to God in the highest heaven, and on earth peace to those on whom his favor rests." ~ Luke 2:13-14

This final Sunday of Advent we are reminded of the good news proclaimed by the angels that first Christmas night.

The white candle in the center of the wreath, symbolizing purity, is the "Christ Candle". We will light the Christ candle during our Christmas Eve service. We have a special tradition at Lake City Community Church of ending our Christmas Eve service with a candle lighting ceremony. Starting with the Christ candle, we symbolically pass the "Light" of the world from one person to the next. It's a visual reminder of our mission to take that light into the world.

Go around as a family and share how you have witnessed Jesus "Light" shine this past year. What are some ways you've seen others in your family shine His light this past year?

Activity:

Guiding Light

First, move to a room where you cannot see the tree, lights, or star. Take a globe or world map with you and remember that people all over the world live in darkness and need a star to help them see Jesus. Next, take a few minutes to pray for a missionary you know personally, or one from the church.

Have one parent share a situation where personal or family guidance is needed either now, or in the year ahead. Then, pray and fill in, "Jesus I/we need Your light to show us the right way. Help us/me with _____. Jesus let Your light be our guide." (Excerpt Monday Week 4)

**Finding the Treasure in Christmas" by John S. Lewis –Available in the Faith@Home Center*