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Advent on the inside

Matthew 24:36-44 tells us to be ready, for Jesus will come again. How do you get ready for the day?



Check off the things you did to get ready this morning.



People get ready during Advent by decorating, baking, shopping, wrapping presents, and visiting friends and family. Use Advent to get ready on the inside, too.

Check off the things you can do to “be ready” for Jesus.



Come, Lord Jesus. Be with us as we get ready for your coming. Amen

This week

Set your alarm five minutes earlier than usual. Use the extra minutes to pray with your family.

Kids Celebrate

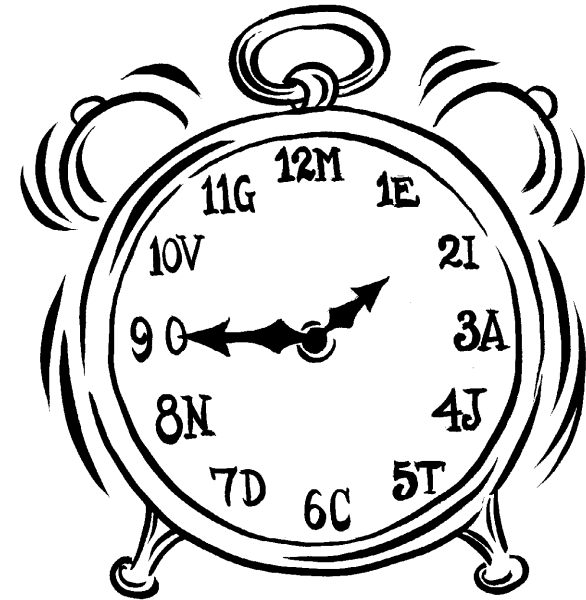
First Sunday in Advent



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Welcome to worship. What time is it? It's advent! It's time to wait and prepare for Jesus' coming.

Use the numbers and letters on the clock to solve the hidden message. The first one is done for you.



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 3 7 10 1 8 5

means 6 9 12 2 8 11









hear & celebrate

Get ready

Matthew 24:36-44

We don't know when Jesus will return, but we do know when we celebrate and remember Jesus' birth.

The four weeks of Advent are a time to get ready for Christmas, Jesus' birthday. What will you do to get ready?

Dec. 1		Dec. 13	
Dec. 2		Dec. 14	
Dec. 3		Dec. 15	
Dec. 4		Dec. 16	
Dec. 5		Dec. 17	
Dec. 6		Dec. 18	
Dec. 7		Dec. 19	
Dec. 8		Dec. 20	
Dec. 9		Dec. 21	
Dec. 10		Dec. 22	
Dec. 11		Dec. 23	
Dec. 12		Dec. 24 Christmas Eve	



Print names of people you know on each strip above and decorate. Cut apart at home to make an Advent chain. Each day until Christmas pray for the person on the strip as you remove the loop.