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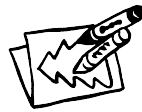
Getting ready for Jesus

One way we can get ready for Jesus is by sharing. God wants us to share our clothes, food, and the gifts and talents that God has given us.

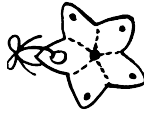
Draw a heart by each of these things you can give to someone.



_____ A hug _____ A smile



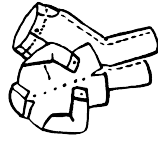
_____ A homemade Christmas card



_____ A homemade Christmas ornament



_____ Christmas cookies



_____ A good shirt and pants
_____ you have outgrown



Thank you, God, for blessing me with gifts to share with others. Amen

This week

Make a gift to give at Christmas.

Kids Celebrate

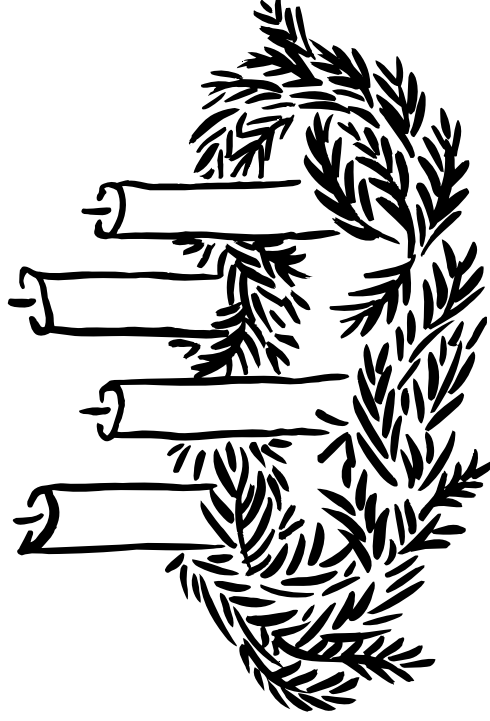
Third Sunday of Advent



Gather

Welcome to worship. Today is the third Sunday in Advent. How many candles are burning on the Advent wreath today?

Color and light three candles.



Count the Advent-colored things that you see in your worship space. Write down the number you find. _____

hear & Celebrate

One of God's messengers

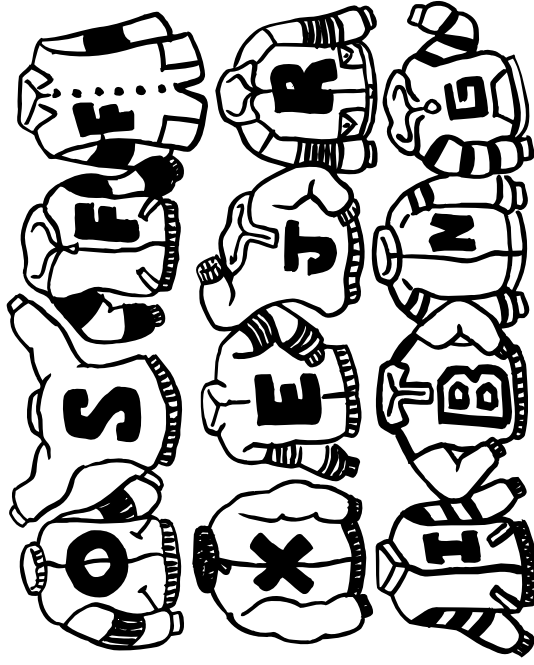
Luke 3:7-18

God sent John the Baptist to help people get ready for Jesus. John said, "Prepare the way of the Lord!" John helped people get ready by baptizing them and by talking about some surprising things. Some of the words John used were: **snake, stone, coat, ax, fruit, and fire**. Find and circle these things hidden in the picture.



Church offering

One of John's messages was, "Whoever has two coats must share with anyone who has none, and whoever has food must share it." During part of the worship service, we share what we have with others.



Write down, in order, the letters on the coats with stripes on the sleeves. What is this part of the worship service called?



What do the ushers pass around to collect our gifts of money? Talk about how ushers help during the worship service.