## Make Your Own Advent Calendar

Advent is almost over. By now, you've heard Bible stories and songs during worship all about the coming of Jesus. In the Advent calendar below, draw an Advent or Christmas symbol for each day of Advent to help count down the days until Jesus' birth. See the symbols around the border and look around your worship space for some ideas!



Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
Today!						

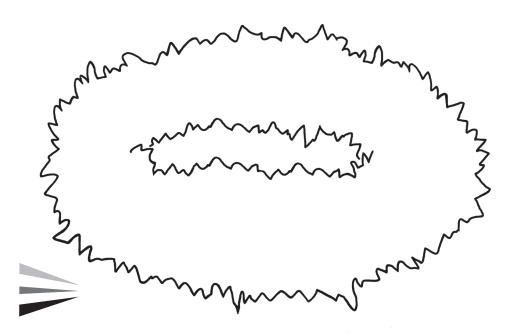




- Today is the fourth Sunday in Advent.
- The color of Advent is **blue**.
- Advent means "the coming" in Latin.
- During Advent, we await the coming of baby Jesus.

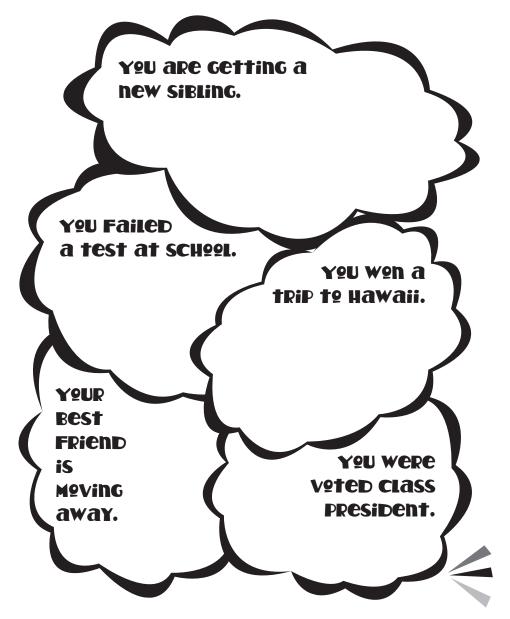
## Candle Mania

The symbol for Advent is a candle. In church, we can use many different kinds of candles for an Advent wreath: big ones, skinny ones, blue ones, spiral ones! On the Advent wreath below, invent four candle shapes, each one different than the rest. Then draw a flame on each candle to represent the fourth week of Advent.

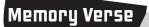


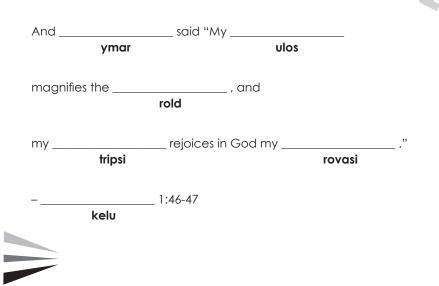
## How Would YOU Respond?

Today's lesson describes Mary's response to her unexpected and unbelievable pregnancy. She responds almost like a song, accepting God's amazing plan for her life. Below are various surprising scenarios. Fill in the bubbles with how YOU would respond!



Some of the words from today's memory verse are jumbled. When you figure out each scrambled word, write it in the blanks.





Today's lesson comes from the book of Luke. Luke is one of the four Gospels. The word Gospel means "good news." Can you name the other three Gospels?

Did You Know?

