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Be the light...Invite!

How can you tell people that Jesus is coming? Invite them to come to worship with you on Christmas Eve!

Decorate the invitation and give it to a friend or neighbor.



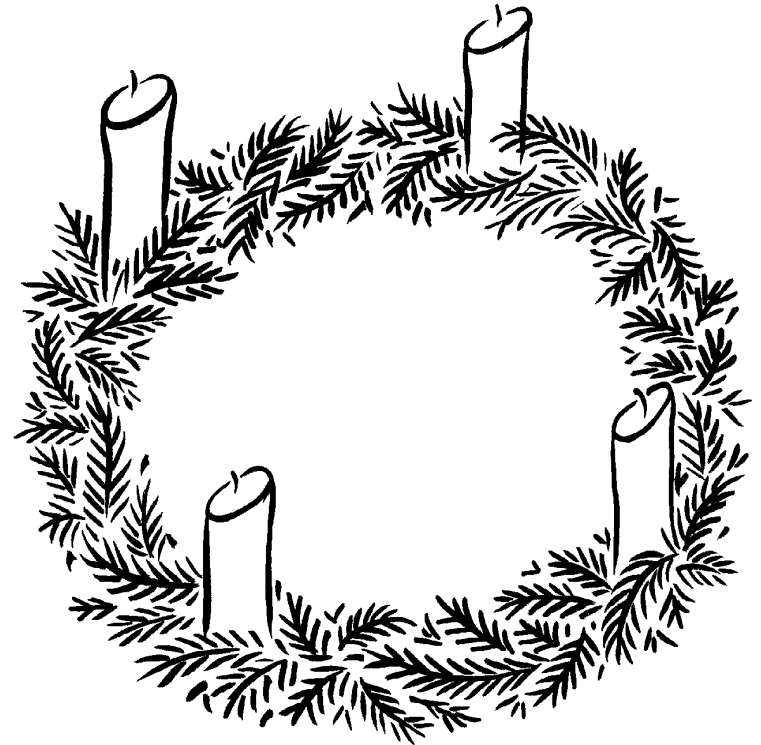
This week

Make candles to share with friends and neighbors.



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Welcome to worship. Today is the third Sunday of Advent. While we wait for baby Jesus, we can also tell people about Jesus, just like John the Baptist did!



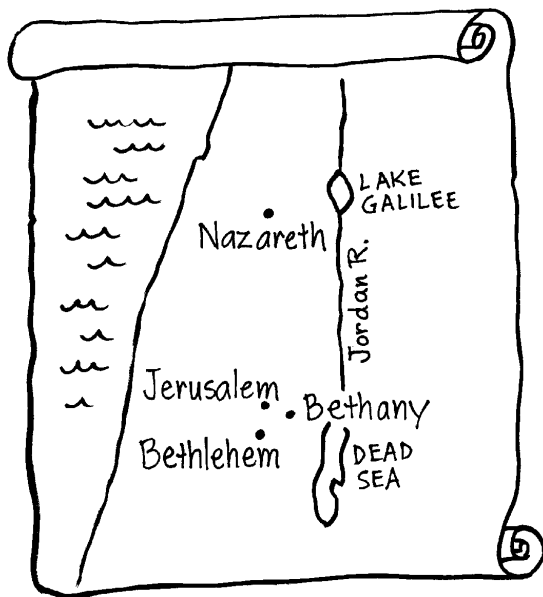
In the Advent wreath above, color three candles, then draw pictures of people who have told you stories about Jesus. Around the outside of the wreath, write the names of people *you* can tell Jesus' stories to.

The light of the world is coming!

John 1:6-8, 19-28

John the Baptist was born just a few months before Jesus, and they were relatives. John spent most of his adult life in the desert between Jerusalem and the Jordan River baptizing people and telling everyone to get ready for Jesus' coming.

Follow the directions underneath the map to learn more about where John worked, then solve the puzzle to discover what John told people about Jesus.



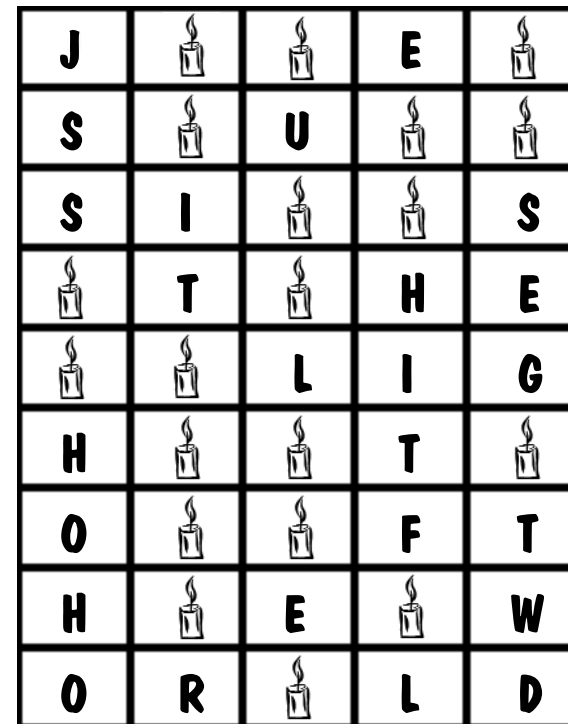
Draw a  next to Bethlehem.

Draw John the Baptist next to the Jordan River.

Draw a  next to Jerusalem.

Color the Jordan River blue.

Draw a  near Lake Galilee.



1. Color in all the squares with candles in them.
2. Start at the top left and go across each row, filling in the blanks at the top of the puzzle with the letters.
3. Read John's message!



At home, light three candles to celebrate the third week of Advent.



God, Thanks for people who tell us about Jesus, the light of the world! Amen