

Faith at Home Advent and Christmas Resources

During this time of suspended services and sequestration we invite you to try new ways of worshiping and learning about God at home individually or with your children and family. There are many resources available; the links below are some we believe will be most helpful to you.

General Advent and Christmas Resources

- Comfort and Joy: an Advent and Christmas app with reflections, prayer and activities for individuals and families from the Church of England
<https://www.chpublishing.co.uk/apps/comfort-and-joy>
- We Wonder-A contemplative podcast for children and their grownups (also available on most podcast apps)
<https://www.wewonderpod.com>
- Advent Word, a global, online Advent Calendar (fun to do with young people)
<https://adventword.org/en/home/>
- Blessing Your Christmas Tree
<https://buildfaith.org/a-christmas-tree-blessing/>
- Household Rituals for Christmas Eve
<https://buildfaith.org/household-rituals-christmas/>
- Practicing Christmas at Home: A Daily Guide to 12 Days of Christmas Joy
<https://buildfaith.org/wp-content/uploads/2020/11/BFLA-Daily-Guide-to-12-Days-of-Christmas-Joy-2020.LowRes.pdf> Advent and Christmas Resources for Families
- At Home Devotions for the Season of Christmas
<https://buildfaith.org/passing-faith-along-in-the-home/>

Advent and Christmas Resources for Children and Families

- 12 Children's Christmas Books to Tell the Birth of Jesus
<https://buildfaith.org/12-childrens-christmas-books-tell-birth-jesus/>
- Paper Nativity Scene from Made by Joel-great for kids to color, cut out, and display
<http://madebyjoel.com/2012/12/paper-city-nativity-scene.html>
- Advent, Christmas, and Epiphany Family Activity Pack from Church Publishing
https://issuu.com/churchpublishing/docs/advent_activity_pack_final

Advent and Christmas Playlists

- Advent Playlists on Spotify

<https://open.spotify.com/playlist/3nPnVhwY28KHimLQGZWjza?si=piTFe6ZfSoirzfbwSFDpfQ>
curated by Episcopal priest Kyle Oliver

<https://open.spotify.com/playlist/2qozFcOQkUTY7ahlydwVH1?si=tw2laTroQICba3yyasMCmQ>
curated by Tsh Oxenreider

<https://open.spotify.com/album/4ft2IddmKZZ29X9jyO8BAH?si=DuXi-6ZJQX6eTKuOjZ8WoQ>
album by Salt of the Sound

- Christmas Playlists on Spotify

<https://open.spotify.com/playlist/7G5wQTQFPTLOfRGQ5HeQPE>
curated by Sacred Ordinary Days

<https://open.spotify.com/playlist/37i9dQZF1DWVeEPXoABclo>
Choral Christmas curated by Spotify

General At Home Faith Formation Activities and Resources

- Faith at Home: Lectionary Readings and Reflections for All Ages
Sign up to receive emails with daily and weekly devotions and activities for all ages

<https://www.dofaithathome.org>

- Faith Inkubators: Faith Five

A simple faith practice that can be easily included in your bedtime routine. When done over time, Faith 5 is a meaningful way of grounding our lives in God's word and love for us.

<https://faithink.com/the-faith5-steps>

- Online Church Next Courses:

- Prayer and Worship in our Homes-Free

<https://www.churchnext.tv/library/alternative-formation-for-christians-in-quarantine/114762/about/>

- This is Not Sunday school-Free

<https://www.churchnext.tv/library/this-is-not-sunday-school/about/>

- Living Compass Resources, including the Living Well through Advent devotional and Facebook discussion group devoted to this devotional

<https://www.livingcompass.org/>

- **Making an Altar for the Home**

<https://rowsofsharon.com/2020/03/24/making-an-altar-for-home/?fbclid=IwAR3gpEJj1t0I8tlzGKzC-pKIQdRI6E8-B9NiSJJFCGDeKVTfUU73rxSD9co>

Prayer

- **Pray as You Go: A website, podcast, and app with guided prayer and scripture reflection from British Jesuits**

<https://pray-as-you-go.org/>

- **d365: a website and an app with devotionals written specifically for youth and young adults**

<https://d365.org/>

- **Morning and Evening Prayer from Mission St. Clare-website and app**

<https://missionstclare.com>

- **Christine V. Hides: Praying with Children During Pandemic**

https://christinevhides.com/2020/03/12/look-for-the-gifts-praying-with-children-during-a-pandemic/?fbclid=IwAR1rPJD6RZzDo3C9mXrjWgJWD1jRFKp-SvvwsK_BfzY5gUpluNHw6K9egU

- **Praying in Color by Sybil MacBeth: A visual, creative, physical way to pray. Handouts tab has printable templates**

<https://prayingincolor.com/>

- **Breath Prayers for Anxious Times from Sarah Bessey**

<https://sarahbessey.substack.com/p/breath-prayers-for-anxious-times>

Parenting in a Pandemic

- **Building Faith: Blessing Children in the Home-A simple way to remind children they are loved**

<https://buildfaith.org/blessing-children-in-the-home/>

- **Building Faith: Coronavirus, Anxiety, Children, and The Church**

<https://buildfaith.org/coronavirus-anxiety-children-and-the-church/?fbclid=IwAR0dum9NImjrJP2zDPAr8Rzjr0x11XKbbUzCbK5hbreBAJWcIKB1dVpCug>

- **Wendy Claire Barrie: Faithful Parenting in a Pandemic**

<https://wendyclairebarrie.com/2020/03/17/faithful-parenting-in-a-pandemic/?fbclid=IwAR3mUqcYovQTIYKq2EgZ7TbV1NynrWcIlgKI85rqNjUW0Ye6B26eE7Z2EJ5U>

- **Grow Christians: A community of disciples practicing faith at home**

<https://www.growchristians.org/>

Resources from the Episcopal Church and the Episcopal Church in East Tennessee

- Church Publishing: PDF of the Book of Common Prayer

<https://www.churchpublishing.org/siteassets/pdf/book-of-common-prayer/book-of-common-prayer-2006.pdf>

- Worship from Home-Links to church livestreams and praying the Daily Office

<https://www.dioet.org/worship-from-home/>

- Podcast: The Way of Love with Bishop Michael Curry

<https://media.episcopalchurch.org/podcasts/show/the-way-of-love-with-bishop-michael-curry/>