

# CHRISTMAS EVE OR CHRISTMAS DAY

*Add a tall, white candle as the Christ candle to your Advent wreath.*

LIGHT:

Today we light the candles for hope, peace, joy, and love, and we light the Christ candle for the birth of Jesus.  
**Be near us, Lord Jesus.**



READ:

Luke 2:1-20

SHARE:

The day we have been waiting for is here! How does it feel to celebrate the birth of Jesus today? What does the birth of Jesus mean to you? How will you share the good news?

PRAY:

God, we are thankful for the birth of your son, Jesus, and for the lessons he teaches us about how to love you and love one another. Help us throughout the year to show hope, peace, joy, and love wherever we go. Amen.

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