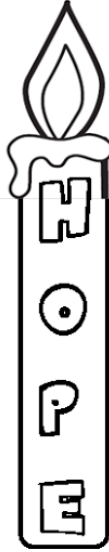


HOPE

Jesus said, "I am the light of the world."

John 8:12



For Parents:

Advent is the 4-week season of preparation and waiting. The people of Israel waited with hope for the Messiah because God had promised a savior. As Christians we know that God fulfilled that promise through the birth of Jesus Christ.

For Kids:

This is the first week of Advent and when we learn about **Hope**. God sent Jesus to us as a hope for the world. As Jesus grew older he taught people around him about God's great love and the promise of heaven. Jesus' hope for all of us is that we accept God's love, and live lives that God is proud of. During Advent we will get ready for Jesus to come and live in our hearts. On Christmas we will celebrate Jesus being born as a baby.

If you have a manger scene at your house, pull out Mary and Joseph because they are the beginning of the Christmas story.

*Say a prayer together telling God what your hopes are for this Advent season. Color in the candle of **Hope** and open the envelopes on your Advent calendar.*

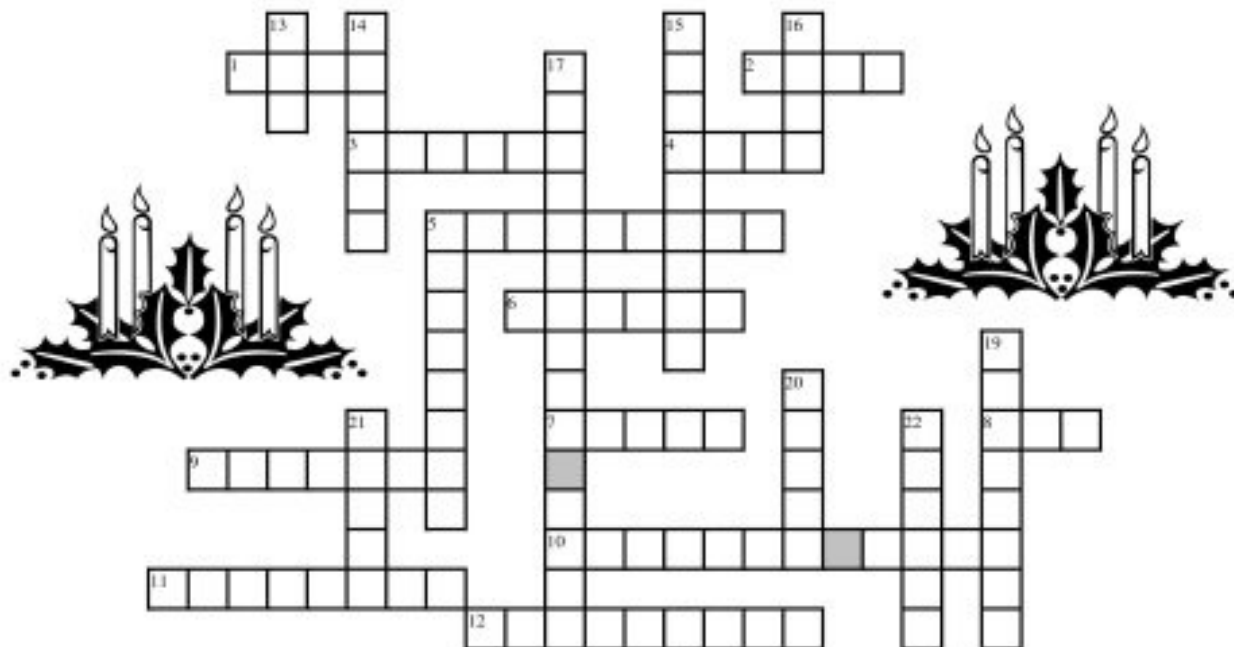


Mary and Joseph traveled to Bethlehem and the time came for her to give birth while they were there.

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Advent Crossword Puzzle

Put each word in the correct boxes based on the clues.



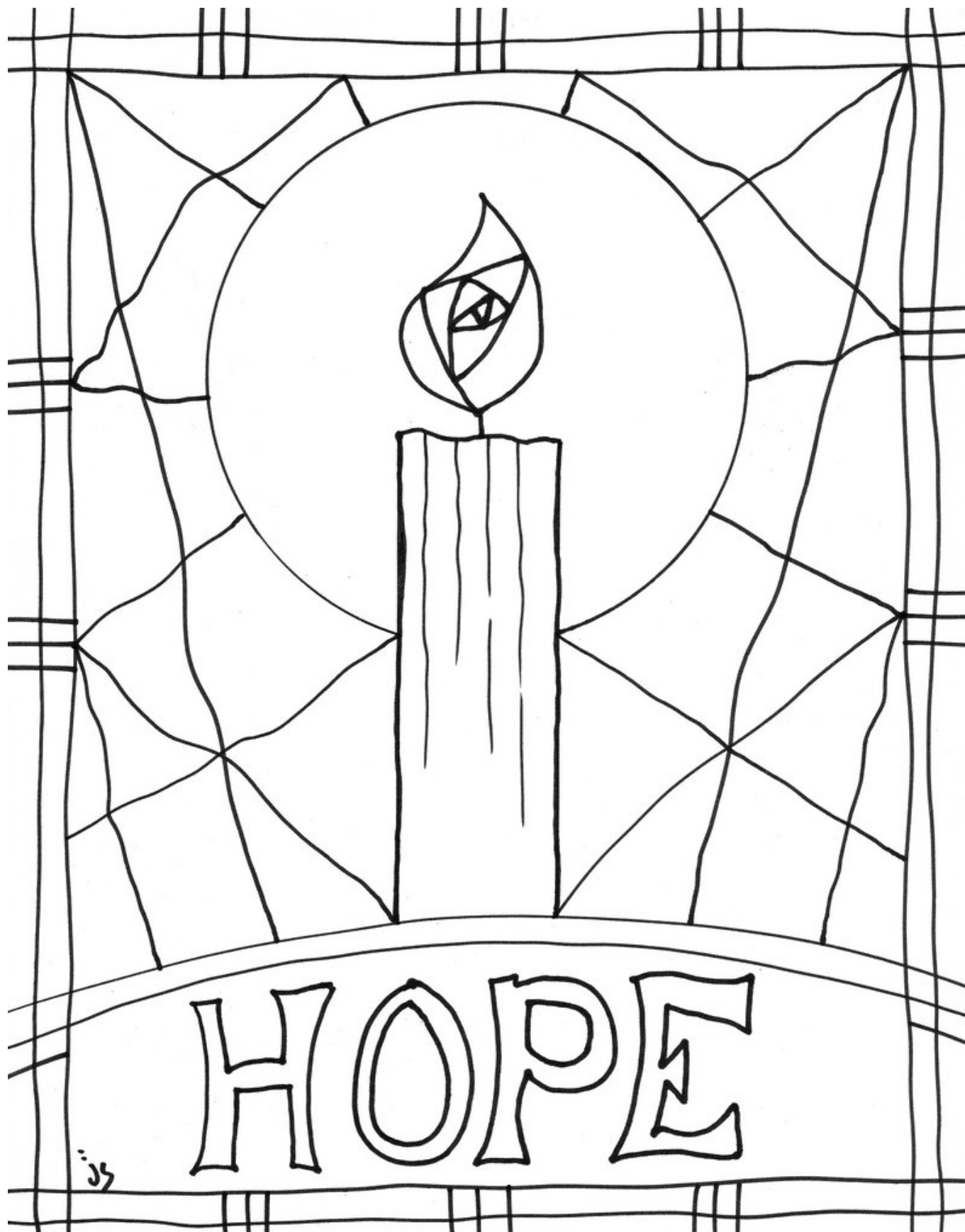
Across

1. Advent is the ___ Sunday's prior to Christmas.
2. The liturgical color of the 3rd Sunday of Advent is ____.
3. ____ is the start of the liturgical year.
4. The symbol of the 1st Sunday of Advent is ____.
5. The ___ branches represent the unending love of God.
6. ____ is the liturgical color for the 1st, 2nd, and 4th Sunday of Advent.
7. Christ is the ___ of the world.
8. Each candle on the Advent wreath represents ___ week.
9. The 3rd Sunday of Advent is called ___ Sunday.
10. The circular shape of the Advent wreath represents ____.

11. The 3rd candle is called the ___'s Candle.
12. The day that Jesus was born is ___ day.

Down

13. The symbol of the 3rd Sunday of Advent is ____.
14. One candle is lit each Sunday on the Advent ____.
15. The 2nd candle is called the ___ Candle.
16. The symbol of the 4th Sunday of Advent is ____.
17. The first Sunday of Advent is the start of the new ____.
5. Another name for Jesus is ____.
19. The 1st candle is called the ___ Candle.
20. The 4th candle is called the ___'s Candle.
21. The symbol of the 2nd Sunday of Advent is ____.
22. Advent means that Jesus is ____.





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Date: _____

Judah
Israel

Jerusalem
Justice

Branch
David

Promise
Safety

Righteousness

1. 2.

3.

4. 5.

6. 7.

8. 9.