## Decorate for Advent

Below is a picture of a sanctuary. During Advent, many churches decorate their worship spaces. Decorate this sanctuary for Advent using the ideas provided below or ideas you see in your own worship space.

Candles Wreath Garland Blue stole on pastor Blue cloth on altar

Blue cloth on lectern Christmas tree



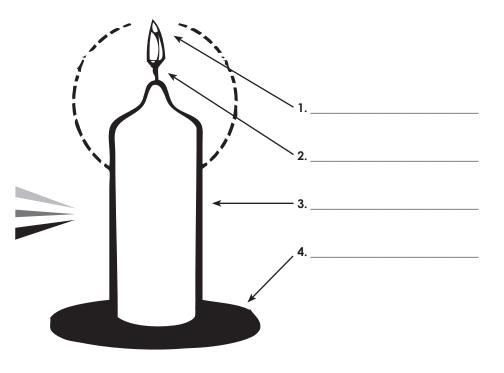


- Today is the **first** Sunday in **Advent**.
- The color of Advent is **blue**.
- During Advent we wait for God's promise of Jesus.

## Break It Down

In Advent, the church uses candles to count the Sundays until Christmas. Do you know the parts of a candle? Use the clues to fill in the candle diagram.

- 1. The lit part that gives off warmth and light
- 2. The long string or cord that holds the candle's flame
- 3. A sticky, yellow substance used by bees to make honeycombs. (It's also found in your ears!)
- 4. The plate (usually metal) on which candles stand.



## Learn Some Pig-Latin!

Want to learn a new language? Try Pig Latin! To speak Pig Latin, simply take the first letter of the word and move it to the end of the word. Then add the "ay" sound to the letter you moved. However if the word begins with a vowel, then just put –AY at the end.

**Example:** Pig Latin is fun! **Pig Latin:** Igpay Atinlay isay unfay!

Now translate today's memory verse into Pig latin! To check your work, see the answer below.

"Make me to know your ways, O Lord; teach me your paths."

Pig Latin Translation: \_\_\_\_\_

 -Psalm 25:4

# Do the Math

Draw a line from each description to the correct number.

| Week of Advent                             | 365 |
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| Number of total weeks of Advent            | 1   |
| Number of books in the Bible               | 66  |
| Number of days a year that Jesus loves you | 4   |

## I Promise

Today's reading talks about God fulfilling a promise to us. God promises to send his son Jesus because God loves us so much. What are some promises that you want to make to those that you love? Brainstorm your promises below.

| I promise to my friend:  |  |
|--------------------------|--|
| I promise to my teacher: |  |
| I promise to my family:  |  |
| I promise to God:        |  |
| I promise to my church:  |  |
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