

Third Sunday in Advent – 2025

Saturday, 12/13 at 4:00 & Sunday, 12/14 at 9:00

An Advent Quiz

What do you know about Advent and Jesus?



Use this info to quiz / teach your family and friends!

Advent Wednesdays: Service 11, Meal 12 | Meal 6, Service 7

Chr. Eve 4; Chr. Day 10; New Year's Eve 4; New Year's Day 10

Introduction: Dear friends in Christ: God created a perfect world, but shortly after the people were created, they sinned – *resulting in separation from God*. Therefore, God promised to send a future descendant of the woman to take away the sin of the world.

Then, at the appointed time, God sent His Son into the world to be our sinless substitute.

Now, God is calling all people to ♦confess their sins and ♦trust in Jesus for eternal life.

It's vital for all people to know Jesus and continue in Him!

Over the centuries, the Christian Church has developed the Church Year and the Lectionary to keep us focused on Jesus.

Today, let's ♦learn about Advent and ♦gain a resource to use with others!

1. The Church Year begins with Advent. How many seasons are there in the Church Year?

- a. Four
- b. Five
- c. Six
- d. Seven

Bonus: Can you name all the seasons in order?

2. How many Sundays are in the season of Advent?

- a. Three
- b. Four
- c. Five
- d. Six

3. When blue is used for Advent, what is being indicated?

- a. Hope
- b. Anticipation
- c. Mary
- d. All the above

4. What color is traditionally associated with the Third Sunday of Advent (which is called Gaudete Sunday)?

- a. Blue
- b. Green
- c. Pink
- d. White

5. What is the meaning of Gaudete Sunday?

- a. Pausing from our focus on sorrow for sin to rejoice
- b. Rejoicing over Mary being a virgin
- c. Rejoicing that pink is for girls
- d. Rejoicing because the Lord's coming is near

6. What is the lectionary?

- a. It describes the parts of a divine service
- b. It's the place where we read the Bible
- c. It's a structured plan of Bible readings
- d. None of the above

7. How many years are included in a multi-year lectionary?

- a. Two
- b. Three
- c. Four
- d. Five

8. What Bible book is the focus of the first year of a multi-year lectionary?

- a. Genesis
- b. Isaiah
- c. Matthew
- d. Romans

9. What Gospel theme begins the season of Advent?

- a. The change in weather from fall to winter
- b. Jesus' earthly father, Joseph
- c. Jesus' first coming
- d. Jesus' second coming

10. On whom do we focus on the second Sunday of Advent?

- a. The Virgin Mary
- b. Mary and Elizabeth
- c. John the Baptist
- d. The Shepherds

11. What is the reference for this Bible verse? "...Behold, a virgin will be with child and bear a son, and she will call His name Immanuel."

- a. Isaiah 60:6
- b. Isaiah 40:3
- c. Isaiah 7:14
- d. Isaiah 9:7

12. What is the meaning of the name, Emmanuel?

- a. Jesus saves
- b. Redeemer
- c. He will come
- d. God with us

13. In which Gospel reading does an angel appear to Joseph regarding Mary and Jesus?

- a. Luke 1:26–38
- b. Matthew 1:18–25
- c. Matthew 2:1-12
- d. Luke 2:1–7

14. What is the focus during the season of Advent?

- a. Fellowship and feasting
- b. Jesus' birth
- c. Jesus' second coming and first coming
- d. The visit by the wise men

15. Which worship area symbol is most associated with the season of Advent?

- a. The Paschal candle
- b. The Advent wreath
- c. The Christ candle
- d. A nativity scene

Let Us Pray: Dear LORD, thank You for Your love, Your Son, Your word, Your salvation, and the structure You have given us with the Church Year and the Lectionary! Help us to grow in our understanding and share Your saving truth with others!

Answer Key:

1. **c** (Advent, Christmas, Epiphany, Lent, Easter, Pentecost)
2. **b** (count the candles on the outside of the Advent wreath)
3. **d**
4. **c** (the color is pink or rose)
5. **a and d**
6. **c** (a reading from each of the following is assigned each week: Old Testament, Psalm, Epistle, and Gospel)
7. **b** (the years are not: 1, 2, 3, but A, B, C)
8. **c** (year A focuses on Matthew, year B on Mark, and year C on Luke; John

is used during special times of the Church Year)

9. **d**
10. **c**
11. **c** (the fulfillment of that prophecy is in Matthew 1:23)
12. **d** (see Matthew 1:23)
13. **b**
14. **c** (we begin with Jesus' second coming, then transition to His first coming as we draw closer to Christmas)
15. **b** (at Bethlehem we use our Advent wreath for the seasons of Advent and Christmas; the outer candles mark the four Sundays of Advent, while the center candle is the Christmas candle)

Christmas



Eve at 4:00

Day at 10:00

New Year's

**We Do Not Know
What the Future Holds
*But We Know the One
Who Holds the Future!***

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