

Joy

ADVENT 2025: WEEK 3



DAY	VERSE	REFLECTION QUESTION
Sunday Dec. 14	Psalms 105:43	The ancient Israelites experienced inexpressible joy when God brought them out of slavery in Egypt. When in your life have you experienced moments of inexpressible joy?
Monday Dec. 15	Isaiah 51:3	What would it be like for all of the broken-down, desolate places in your community to be made new, like a flourishing garden?
Tuesday Dec. 16	Luke 2:10-11	How do you think you would feel if your people had been suffering under foreign rule for centuries and you saw an angel appear, announcing that your long-awaited king had finally come?
Wednesday Dec. 17	John 15:10-11	What's the difference between commanding people with a motivation to control them and commanding people with a motivation to bless them and fill their lives with joy? How do Jesus' commands bring joy?
Thursday Dec. 18	Matthew 5:11-12	What's your first impulse when you're insulted or persecuted? Why do you think Jesus tells us to rejoice when people mistreat us for following his ways?
Friday Dec. 19	2 Corinthians 6:10	When we face difficult circumstances, how can we hold both joy and grief together?
Saturday Dec. 20	Romans 15:13	As God fills us with hope, that hope spills out onto others. What words or actions could you offer in order to give hope to others?



CALENDAR OF EVENTS FOR DECEMBER 14 - DECEMBER 21

SUNDAY, DECEMBER 14

3RD SUNDAY OF ADVENT

Argrow's House Christmas Pop-up Shop
Holiday Homebound Gift Basket Deliveries

9:30 a.m. Worship
10:45 a.m. Sunday School for All Ages
2-4 p.m. Parsonage Christmas Open-house

MONDAY, DECEMBER 15

12:00 p.m. Bible Study

TUESDAY, DECEMBER 16

6:00 p.m. "Making Sense of the Bible" class

WEDNESDAY, DECEMBER 17

12:00 p.m. Prayer group on Zoom
12:15 p.m. Prayer group on Facebook Live
6:00 p.m. Handbell Choir Rehearsal
7:00 p.m. Choir Rehearsal

SATURDAY, DECEMBER 20

11:00 a.m. Young Lions Roar
2:00 p.m. Meal Site

SUNDAY, DECEMBER 21

4TH SUNDAY OF ADVENT

9:30 a.m. Worship
10:45 a.m. Sunday School for All Ages
4:00 p.m. Blue Christmas Service @ Church of Peace UCC

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