

Voices Together resources for Advent 2020-2021

916 *Advent Candle Lighting*

Leader: We light a candle for *hope*:
hope in our hearts,
hope in our homes,
hope in our world.

People: May the light of *hope* shine through our lives.

(Change the focus each week: hope, peace, joy, love, Christ.)

917 *Advent Candle Lighting*

Leader: We light *this candle/these candles* as a sign
of our waiting and hope for the coming Christ.

Hear the Word of God:

(leader reads the Scripture verse for the week)

Week 1: In the beginning when God created the heavens and the earth,
God said: "Let there be light"; and there was light.
And God saw that the light was good.

Week 2: God is my light and my salvation, whom shall I fear?
Wait for God;
be strong, and let your heart take courage.

Week 3: People who walked in darkness have seen a great light.
Those who live in a land of deep darkness—
on them light has shined.

Week 4: Arise, shine; for your light has come,
and the glory of God has risen upon you.
God will be your everlasting light.

Christmas: In the beginning was the Word,
and the Word was with God, and the Word was God.
In the Word was life, and the life was the light of all people.

***All: The light shines in the darkness,
and the darkness shall not overcome it!***

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