



### MEMORY VERSE:

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Psalm 63:1a

### WHAT'S NEXT!

Today –  
Snowy Ridge  
continues! A  
series on our  
friendship with  
God!

Christmas  
Services (In-  
Person):  
Dec. 23 @ 5pm  
Dec. 24 @ 2pm  
and 4pm

Online Only:  
Dec. 24 @ 8pm

NOTE: links to resource pages are highlighted in [blue](#); click to access

## LET'S GET STARTED!

### SUPPLIES:

- [Christmas Character Sheet](#)

### WHAT TO DO:

- Click on the Christmas Character Sheet, then ask each person the questions using the guide below:
  1. Which would you rather eat, a candy cane or a cookie? Trace the line for your answer to the next question.
  2. If you traced the candy cane line, now answer this question: Which would you rather ride – a sleigh or the polar express? Trace the line to for your answer to the question to the character it leads to.
  3. If you traced the cookie line, then answer this question: Which would you rather do – build a gingerbread house or drink hot chocolate by the fireplace? Trace the line to for your answer to the question to the character it leads to.
- Which character are you? How many of you ended up being the same character?

### SHARE TOGETHER:

- Ask the questions below with your family. If your answer is the first choice, then jump up and down; if it's the second choice do your favorite dance
  - ~ Would you rather eat a candy cane (jump up & down) or a cookie (do a dance)?
  - ~ Would you rather ride a sleigh (jump up & down) or the polar express (do a dance)?
  - ~ Would you rather build a gingerbread house (jump up & down) or drink hot chocolate? (do s dance)
- Christmas is all about celebrating Jesus. We can celebrate Jesus today and every day of the year – not just at Christmas! Say this together:
  - I can** (thumbs to chest)
  - celebrate** (fist pump both hands)
  - Jesus** (point up)

## BIBLE STORY

### SUPPLIES:

- [Bible Story Sheet](#), Bible turned to Luke 2

### WHAT TO DO:

- Play a game of Pictionary to tell the Bible story by following the instructions on the Bible Story Sheet.
- You can also read it in the Bible in Luke 2:1-21

### ASK:

- How did the angels instruct the shepherds to celebrate Jesus' birth?
- What did the shepherds do after they found baby Jesus?
- Read or have someone say John 3:16.
- Name and talk about some of the ways you see God's love in the Christmas story.

## BIBLE STORY SKIT

- Now that you've read the Bible story, watch the Bible Story video online by clicking on [Elementary Bible Story Video](#) on the website.



## ROLL-A-STABLE

### SUPPLIES:

- [Stable Paper](#) for each player (print them from online or draw your own on plain paper), crayons or markers, 2 dice, [Roll-A-Stable Instructions](#)

### WHAT TO DO:

- Give each person a Stable Paper or plain paper to draw a stable outline on. Make sure everyone has some crayons or markers.
- First player rolls the dice, then follows the instructions for the number rolled on the [Roll-A-Stable Instructions](#) sheet. Play continues with each player taking turns to roll the dice and follow the instructions. If a player rolls the same number as on a previous turn, they forfeit their turn for that round.
- The first person to complete the stable wins!

## MEMORY VERSE

- Keep practicing the new Memory Verse!

## FOURTH SUNDAY OF ADVENT – LOVE

### WHAT TO DO:

- Light the first three Advent candles. ASK: Who remembers what the first three candles are for? (Hope, Peace, and Joy) Light the fourth candle and discuss the following:

### DISCUSS TOGETHER

- In the Bible, it says that God is love. 1 John 4:10 says, “Here is what love is. It is not that we loved God. It is that he loved us and sent his Son to give his life to pay for our sins.”
- What does love feel like to you?
- Tell about a time when you especially felt loved.
- Tell about a time when you showed someone love.
- List some ways you can show love this week.

### TO DO:

- Make your own “LOVE” ornament. Print the one online – [LOVE Ornament](#) – or design your own to color, cut out, and hang on your tree.

## PRAY

- Pray together as a family. Have a place to write down prayer requests that are shared and answered prayers, too.

## WORSHIP

- Check out the Worship at Home playlist on our page to choose some songs to sing together.

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