Advent Resources to Make Your Life Easier

Sarah Bogue
Pitts Theology Library
What do I need?

- Sermon/Scripture
- Music: Soloists, Hymns
- Prayers: Regular order of worship, Advent candle prayers
- Activities: Sunday School, Bible Study
- Images: Bulletins, promotional material
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Nativity of Mary

It's a Girl!

Mary of Nazareth
September 8
Proud Parents: Joachim & Anne
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Hymnary.org

Text: Philip Doddridge, 1702-1751
Tune: Thomas Haweis, 1734-1820

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ONLINE Resources

aka the fastest way
Revised Common Lectionary

rectionary.library.vanderbilt.edu

- All possible lectionary readings for the day (and week)
- Prayers (three categories)
- Hymns (linked to hymnary.org)
- Colors

Scripture, Prayer, Images, Music
Jeremiah 33:14-16
33:14 The days are surely coming, says the LORD, when I will fulfill the promise I made to the house of Israel and the house of Judah.

33:15 In those days and at that time I will cause a righteous Branch to spring up for David; and he shall execute justice and righteousness in the land.

33:16 In those days Judah will be saved and Jerusalem will live in safety. And this is the name by which it will be called: "The LORD is our righteousness."

Psalm 25:1-10
25:1 To you, O LORD, I lift up my soul.

25:2 O my God, in you I trust; do not let me be put to shame; do not let my enemies exult over me.
Ministry Matters

Accessed through Databases@Emory

Scripture, Prayer, Activities

- Bible study books
- Sermon and exegetical help
- Worship order suggestions
- Prayers
- Articles
THE TRAGIC GAP: ON BEING AN ADVENT AND LENT PEOPLE

By Autumn Dennis

...and distant to me. For times like these, Easter is very far off. And I am trapped between Advent — the season of waiting — and Lent — the season of uncertainty... read more
United Methodist Church

www.umcdiscipleship.org/worship

Scripture, Prayer

• “This Week’s Planning Resources”
• Worship: Sort by liturgical season
• Prayers
• Preaching Notes
Seasons of the Church Year

SEASONS OF THE CHURCH YEAR:

SELECT TOPICS
- Show All (544)
- Advent (125)
- Christmas (55)
- Epiphany (8)
- Sundays After Epiphany (31)
- Lent (105)
- Holy Week (64)
- Easter (70)
- Day of Pentecost (17)
- Sundays After Pentecost (129)
Other resources include:

- Material for Children’s worship
- Downloadable print material
- Specific advent wreath prayers
Hymnary.org
A single online resource for all your music needs

Music

Sort by:
- TOPIC
- SCRIPTURE
- TITLE
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WORSHIP Journals

aka the *fun* way
Reformed Worship,

Online: Reformedworship.org
Also in the periodicals section

Scripture, Prayer, Music
Ministry & Liturgy in the periodicals section

Scripture, Prayer, Music
PRINT Resources

aka the ‘ol standby way
Search DiscoverE for:

- Sermon inspiration
- Bible study lessons
- Worship planning tools
- Music collections
Suggested Search Terms

• Advent
• Advent Worship
• Advent Study
• Advent prayers
• Advent Devotions
Worship Sourcebook

- Includes all SPOKEN elements of the worship service—both for general worship and in specific liturgical times
- Some examples:
  - Call to Worship
  - Prayers of Confession
  - Prayers of the People
• Lectionary Readings
• Visual ideas
• FIVE categories of musical suggestion
  • Primary Hymns
  • Additional Hymns
  • Contemporary Hymns
  • Vocal Solos
  • Anthems
Sermons, medieval and modern!
Bible studies for Adults and Children