

PREPARING THE WAY

Active Advent Calendar 2022

First Congregational Church of Essex Junction



LOVE ~ December 18 - December 24		
<p>Let all that you do be done in love. 1 Corinthians 16:14 - NRSV</p>		
Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday
Share with someone 10 things about them that make you smile.	Write a thank you note for your garbage collectors and/or mail carriers.	Share a favorite holiday memory.
Thursday	Friday	Saturday
Give a compliment.	Let someone go ahead of you in line at the store or on the road.	Light the Christ Candle on your advent wreath. Come and rejoice with us during worship!



HOPE ~ November 27 - December 3		
<p>May the God of hope fill you with joy and peace in all believing, so that you may abound in hope by the power of the Holy Spirit. Romans 15:13 - NRSV</p>		
Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday
Listen to Christmas music.	Do a kindness for a neighbor.	Donate an item to Heavenly Food Pantry.
Thursday	Friday	Saturday
Make Christmas cookies.	Drive around town and look at the lights.	Decorate your living space.



PEACE ~ December 3 - December 10

Peace I leave with you; my peace I give to you.
I do not give to you as the world gives.
Do not let your hearts be troubled,
and do not let them be afraid.
John 14:27 - NRSV

Sunday

Light the Candles of Hope and Peace on your advent wreath.
Spend five minutes in a quiet place and reflect on the meaning of Peace.

Monday

Prepare / mail Christmas cards.

Tuesday

Go outside after dark and look at the stars.

Wednesday

Enjoy a hot cup of (fill in the blank) in front of your tree.

Thursday

Put a candle in your window.

Friday

Watch a Christmas movie.

Saturday

Watch the sunrise or sunset.

Peace



JOY ~ December 11 - December 17

I have said these things to you
so that my joy may be in you
and that your joy may be complete.
John 5:11 - NRSV

Sunday

Light the Candles of Hope, Peace, and Joy on your advent wreath.
Spend five minutes in a quiet place and reflect on the meaning of Joy.

Monday

Ring some bells.

Tuesday

Wrap presents.

Wednesday

Enjoy a Christmas treat.

Thursday

Dress in festive fashion.

Friday

Sing Christmas songs.

Saturday

Connect with someone out of town.

Joy