

# Celebrating the season of Advent & Christmas

## ***What is Advent about?***

The season of Advent is all about time: *past, present* and *future*.

Advent proclaims: *Jesus came!* Over 2,000 years ago, God became flesh, one of us, when Mary gave birth to Jesus.

Our world has never been the same!

Advent announces: *Jesus comes!* Jesus enters our world, here and now. He is present with us today and is as close as a trusting heart open to Him.

Advent promises: Jesus will come again! This man from Galilee, this Emmanuel, will return in the fullness of time, to bring true justice and peace.

## ***Advent at Xaris***

- ✧ Beginning next Sunday, a message series focused on various themes for the season:

11/27 - Peace  
12/4 - Love  
12/11 - Joy  
12/18 - Hope



- ✧ Weekly Advent candle lighting
- ✧ Special sharing by Xaris family members!

## ***Advent in your home!***

- ✧ Observe Advent by using the *Waiting in Joyful Hope* devotional.
- ✧ Make your own Advent wreath—a great family project!
- ✧ Look for other great Advent ideas on the internet.