

Lesson Plan Week # 9 – Advent

SUBJECT

Advent

TEACHER

Carol Lindstrom

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DATE

12-10-2023

ATTENDANCE

OVERVIEW

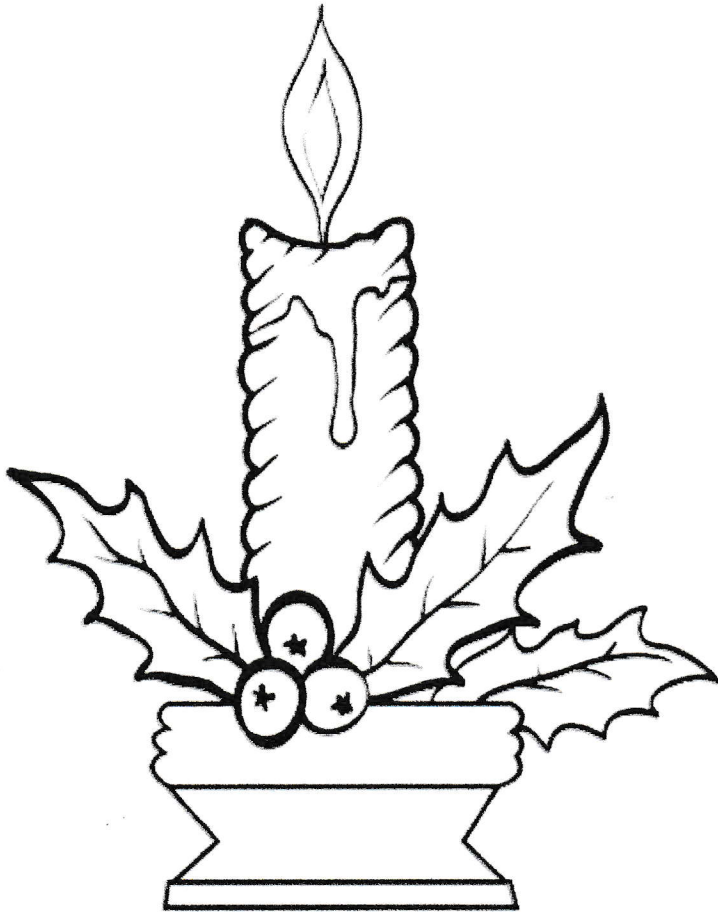
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INTRODUCTION	Today's lesson is on Advent	Coloring Page as we take attendance
OPENING PRAYER	Hail Mary Page 247 (189)	Prayer is simply a conversation with God, one that shows respect for his unending love and power, but that is spoken in our own words. Page 244-245
LESSON	(Watch: The Days of Advent Intro – Brother Francis 17 Clip) Advent Pages 213-215 (153-155)	Review Advent Wreath – Candles, Hope, Love, Joy, Peace
ACTIVITY	Talk about the Ways we prepare to celebrate Jesus Birth at home Page 215 (155)	
LESSON	Saint Nicholas Read and discuss story and history	
ACTIVITY	Jesus Warms the heart Hot Cocoa Mug Ornament	
ANNOUNCEMENTS	Please collect all of your belongings. Bring your Folders & Books back next class	Return your name tag and supplies to Mrs. Lindstrom & Ms. McKinley Collect your sticker for Today
CLOSING PRAYER	Stand, Participate & Listen	Led by Mrs. Manley



Saint Nicholas

Saint Nicholas is known all over the world.

Hundreds of years ago, Nicholas lived in a seaside town named Myra, which is in the country we now call Turkey. Ever since he was a small child, Nicholas loved God more than anything. He studied hard, prayed often, and followed Jesus by helping the poor.

The people of Myra loved Nicholas so much that they elected Nicholas to be Bishop. He served them well for a long time.

Nicholas was loved for one reason. He loved. He loved God and God's people so much that he would do anything for them.

Here is just one story about Nicholas. There was a man living in Myra who was very poor. This man had no wife, but he had three grown daughters who lived with him

In those days, when a young woman got married, her family had to give money or property to the Groom's Family just before the marriage. This is called a dowry. If a woman didn't have a dowry, she would never marry.

This man was so poor that he had no money for his daughters' dowries. And he didn't have enough money to support them either. Nicholas heard about this terrible situation. Late one night, Nicholas crept to the man's home and threw something through the window. It was a bag of gold—enough to pay the dowry for his oldest daughter.

The man was overjoyed, and his daughter was too. She married, but her father was still left with a problem. Two, to be exact. What about the two younger daughters?

Nicholas returned one night and again threw a bag of gold through the window. The father rejoiced. But he wondered who was helping him and why.

Of course, Nicholas didn't want the man to know. He knew that it's best to help others without letting them know we're helping them. If we help others in this way, we help because we truly want to and not because people will praise us for it.

But the father was determined. He had one daughter left and no money for a dowry. He certainly hoped he would be helped again, especially because he wanted to find out who was doing it. So he locked the windows and watched out the door.

Nicholas still wanted to help, but he didn't want to be seen. So, in the back of the house, far from the father's sight, he dropped the bag of gold for the third daughter right down the chimney

Other stories are told about Nicholas and all of these stories tell us the same thing about St. Nicholas. He lived for God, which means that he lived for love. If people were in need and he was able to help, St. Nicholas gave them hope and strength. St. Nicholas never paused for a minute to wonder what he should receive in return for his help. He only thought about what he could give to those who needed him.



JESUS
WARMS
MY HEART