



WESTSIDE FAMILY

Advent 2021

Choose one a day to do as a family or use your own ideas.

- Watch a Christmas Movie - you can do this several times throughout the season!
- Read the scripture from the advent calendar together before dinner or at bedtime.
- Bake some cookies or make some candy
- Deliver treats to your neighbors
- Make cards to give to a local nursing home
- Make homeless care packs
- Learn about St Nicolas (December 6th)
- Have a game night with hot drinks
- Read the Christmas Story
- Dress Up for Dinner – make it fancy with candles!
- Share your Christmas memories with your family
- Drive to look at Christmas lights
- Write a letter to a friend or relative who lives far away
- Take time to express what you love about each other
- Make a family recipe and talk about the history
- Research a Christmas tradition from an ancestral country
- Everyone in the family choose a country and research Christmas traditions from there
- Have a funny, family photoshoot
- Decorate cookies together
- Make a gingerbread house – from scratch or a kit
- Put out the Nativity together and talk about the story
- Wrap presents for others together
- Turn off all the lights except for the tree, have some cocoa, and rest together
- Have a Christmas music dance party
- Participate in the Giving Tree – plan and shop together
- Write Thank You cards to teachers
- Do a jigsaw puzzle together
- Bundle up and go star gazing
- Go to a candlelight service at church (Christmas Eve)
- Make popcorn or cranberry garland
- Make paper snowflakes
- Ask Grandma and Grandpa what Christmas was like when they were kids
- Dress in red and green for the day or wear an ugly Christmas sweater
- Make or shop together for a new Christmas Ornament
- Go Christmas shopping for Daddy – get lunch together or go to a coffee shop and talk about life.
- Go Christmas shopping for Mommy – get lunch together or go to a coffee shop and talk about life.
- Attend a Christmas parade
- Reflect on the past year – what were the highlights and what were the struggles
- Set some New Year goals as a family
- Everyone share what their favorite Christmas carol is and why
