



# St. Peter's Church

I came as a Light to shine, so that no one who believes in me should stay in darkness. -John 12:46

## 2016 Advent Calendar

<p><b>DEC 3</b> The invisible things of God have been made visible. Find a meaningful Christian icon or image to remember John of Damascus's feast tomorrow.</p>	<p><b>DEC 4</b> Prepare the way for our SALVATION.</p>	<p><b>Nov 27</b> Cast away the works of darkness &amp; put on the armor of LIGHT.</p> <p><b>ADVENT I</b></p>	<p><b>Nov 28</b> Read yesterday's gospel: Matthew 24: 36-44. Jesus says 'keep awake'. How can we wake up to Jesus today?</p>	<p><b>Nov 29</b> Make the following time commitment: practice PATIENCE. It won't be easy- it's never easy to wait!</p>	<p><b>Nov 30</b> Today is the feast of St. Andrew, a disciple of Jesus. How can you, like Andrew, be a follower of Jesus?</p>	<p><b>DEC 1</b> Today is World AIDS Day. Pray for all those living with AIDS and those who care for them.</p>	<p><b>DEC 2</b> Through all the Advents of our life, we shall wait &amp; look forward with longing for that day of the Lord when God says: 'I am making everything new!' -Dietrich Bonhoeffer</p>
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<p><b>DEC 11</b> Stir up O Lord, and with great might come among us.</p> <p><b>ADVENT III</b></p>	<p><b>DEC 12</b> Read yesterday's passage from Isaiah 35:1-10. How does news of God's coming fill you with JOY?</p>	<p><b>DEC 13</b> Include a Gift for Life from Episcopal Relief &amp; Development on your gift list this year.</p>	<p><b>DEC 14</b> Be awake to beauty today, in the world and in the people around you.</p>	<p><b>DEC 15</b> Natural disaster, violence, &amp; political turbulence have driven many people throughout the world from their homes. Pray for them. Pray for peace.</p>	<p><b>DEC 16</b> This is a lonely season for many. Visit, write, or call someone you know is alone.</p>	<p><b>DEC 17</b> Pray for the good earth God has given us. Ask for the wisdom and skill to conserve it.</p>	<p><b>DEC 18</b> That when the Lord comes, he may find in us a mansion prepared for himself.</p> <p><b>ADVENT IV</b></p>
<p><b>DEC 19</b> Read yesterday's gospel from Matthew 1:18-25. How can we, like Joseph, accept God's will for us?</p>	<p><b>DEC 20</b> This is a hectic season &amp; a noisy world. Find a quiet place and spend some time in peaceful Silence. <b>Shh...</b></p>	<p><b>DEC 21</b> ??? The feast of St. Thomas, who showed us it's ok to have questions...</p>	<p><b>DEC 22</b> "I bring you news of GREAT JOY which will be for all the people." - Luke 2:10</p>	<p><b>DEC 23</b> "As long as there are people, Christ will walk the earth as your neighbor." -Dietrich Bonhoeffer</p>	<p><b>DEC 24</b> On this Christmas Eve, think about what it means to welcome Jesus into our lives.</p> <p><b>WELCOME</b></p>	<p>Glory to God in the highest</p>	