

# lgk

# DECEMBER PLAYLIST

## THEME

God uses ordinary people to accomplish His extraordinary purpose.

## ADVENT

We celebrate this time of waiting for Jesus to be born by lighting a candle each Sunday on an Advent wreath. The round shape of the wreath reminds us of the never-ending love of God, the green branches remind us of the new life found in Him and the candles remind us of Jesus, the light of the world. The purple candles remind us that Christ is the King and the pink candle reminds us of his birth.

**Nov 29 HOPE:** We light this candle for hope. We are hopeful even when we are waiting for what comes next because you, God, promise to have a plan for our lives. You fill us with hope.

**Dec 6 PEACE:** We light this candle for peace. We are peaceful even when we are afraid of scary things because you, God, promise to always be with us. You fill us with peace.

**Dec 13 JOY:** We light this candle for joy. We are joyful even when we are unhappy in the circumstances around us because you, God, promise to make all things brand new. You fill us with joy.

**Dec 20 LOVE:** We light this candle for love. We are loved even when we do not deserve it because you, God, gave your son to us so that we could be forgiven and live with you forever. You fill us with love.

## LGK ONLINE STORIES & WONDERING QUESTIONS

Join us Sundays on [FACEBOOK](#) and [YOUTUBE](#) for LGK Online. Then use these questions to enhance your family discussion.

**Nov 29 #240 Journey to the Hills** | *Why do you think God chose Mary to be Jesus' mom?*

**Dec 6 #242 Joseph** | *Why do you think God chose Joseph to act as Jesus' father?*

**Dec 13 #244 The Shepherds' Story** | *Why do you think God chose the shepherds to be the first people to hear about Jesus' birth?*

**Dec 20 #245 'Where is the Prince?' and #246 Presents Fit for a King** | *Why do you think God chose strangers from another country to visit Jesus?*

## REACH OUT TO THE WORLD

For 30 years, Care and Share has provided groceries to families in our area for whom purchasing needed food is difficult. This Christmas we will provide \$65 gift cards to 100 families who are struggling financially in this season. We invite you to help make this possible by contributing financially to this outreach.

## SONGS

Watch for a new sing-a-long with Mark & Leslie on [FACEBOOK](#) and [YOUTUBE](#).

## NATIVITY PRAYER

Each person in the Christmas Story is important and plays a special part. The people in the story of Jesus' birth can help remind us of special people to pray for in our lives. We suggest that you hold each figure from your nativity set in your hand as you pray. If you don't have a Nativity set and would like to print a paper version, try [THIS PAPER BANNER](#) set from papertraildesign.com. We also recommend [THIS PRESCHOOL-FRIENDLY SET](#) from Fisher-Price.

**Mary/Joseph-** pray for those who love and care for us like moms and dads.

**Shepherds-** pray for people who protect others and provide for us like first responders, our nurses, doctors, farmers.

**Wise Men-** pray for people who lead us like government leaders and pastors.

**Star-** pray for people who guide us like teachers and coaches.

**Stable-** pray for our homes, safe places where we have what we need remembering those who do not have a safe place to sleep and do not have enough to eat.

**Angel-** pray for us that we can be a messenger telling others about Jesus.

**Baby Jesus-** thank God for sending Jesus to be with us and because of this gift, we know how much God loves us.

## VERSE OF THE MONTH

**John 3:16** – God so loved the world that he gave his one and only Son. Anyone who believes in him will not die but will have eternal life.