

The Fourth Sunday in Advent



Saint Paul's Epistle to the Church in Philippi:

(Philippians 4:4–7)

May you always be joyful in your union with the Lord. I say it again: rejoice! Show a gentle attitude toward everyone. The Lord is coming soon. Don't worry about anything, but in all your prayers ask God for what you need, always asking him with a thankful heart. And God's peace, which is far beyond human understanding, will keep your hearts and minds safe in union with Christ Jesus.

Why Did Jesus Come into the World?

Reason 1:

— G — L — G — V — Z — X — S
— Z — Y — L — F — G — T — L — W

Reason 2:

— G — L — W — R — V — U — L — I
— F — H — L — M — G — S — V
— X — I — L — H — H

In this code, A stands for Z, Z stands for A, etc.

A	B	C	D	E	F	G	H	I	J	K	L	M
↕	↕	↕	↕	↕	↕	↕	↕	↕	↕	↕	↕	↕
Z	Y	X	W	V	U	T	S	R	Q	P	O	N

The Trinity

God the Father, Jesus the Son, and the Holy Spirit are three persons who are all the same person – God. This is called the Trinity (Trinity means three).

When God decided to come and live on earth with people, he came in the form of Jesus, God's Son. Jesus is the most important person who ever lived on the earth. But Jesus is more than just a person. Jesus is **all God** so he knows and does everything that God does. Jesus is **all human** (people) so he can understand how we feel and act.

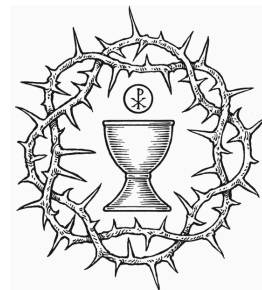
Names for Jesus

The Bible uses many different names for Jesus.

Find the names for Jesus in the puzzle.



P	R	I	N	C	E	B	R	R	N	O	P
W	L	T	R	U	T	H	O	X	I	J	D
K	I	L	T	H	G	I	L	S	S	R	C
J	F	C	V	I	V	H	T	O	O	E	B
M	E	M	M	A	N	U	E	L	E	C	R
Y	U	S	S	A	E	N	I	V	D	N	E
A	G	Q	U	Y	O	N	R	E	L	I	A
W	O	R	D	S	H	E	P	H	E	R	D
Z	F	U	C	H	R	I	S	T	A	P	T



Jesus is God's **SON**.

The name **JESUS** and the Old Testament name Joshua both mean **SAVIOR**.

EMMANUEL means God with Us.

CHRIST means the Chosen One or Messiah.

Jesus is our **LORD**; he is the master and we are the servants.

Jesus is the **PRINCE** of Peace.

Jesus is the **WORD**; he brings us God's message.

Jesus is the **BREAD** of life.

Jesus is the **LIGHT** of the world.

Jesus is the Good **SHEPHERD**, and we are his sheep.

Jesus is the **VINE**, and we are the branches.

Jesus is the **WAY**, the **TRUTH**, and the **LIFE**.

A Family Prayer for the Fourth Sunday in Advent

Blessed are you, O Lord our God, king of the universe. You sent your Son to be the Light of the world and to spread his light of love to all. As we light the candles of our wreath may its growing brightness remind us of the approaching nearness of your Son, so that the day of His coming may find us prepared and filled with joy. We ask this through Christ our Lord. Amen.

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X F S C P R R D B P A U L O Q N C A
L X R E H X E I N O L O R D V T H T
G W J P I R E J D T J O Y F U L U J
E A E I L Y I R O D H D B K K U R T
N I S S I H A S C I P A X L W N C U
T T U T P M A Q T U C E N Q O I H X
L I S L P M Y J I M H E A K R O B R
E N E E I R P Y R M A E N C F N I H
F G D K A A D V E N T S A W E U B D
X R O C N G S G Z O S H Y R Z N L W
G X P Y S J C H R I S T G F T K E P
J G O D O A P R A Y E R X I W K B T

Find the following words in the puzzle.

Words are hidden → ↓ and ↘ .

ADVENT

BIBLE

CHRIST

CHRISTMAS

CHURCH

EPISTLE

GENTLE

GOD

HEART

JESUS

JOYFUL

LORD

PAUL

PEACE

PHILIPPIANS

PRAYER

REJOICE

THANKFUL

UNION

WAITING



How many of these words appear in today's reading from the St Paul's Epistle? Read the passage again and underline any words you recognise from the word search!