



December 24, 2025, Christmas Eve

The Birth of Jesus, Luke 2:1-14 [15-20]

Use this resource at home to guide your household's daily devotions.



Pray: Light a candle and open your devotion time with a prayer.

God of love, on this holy night, when all of creation cries out with joy at the birth of Jesus, still there is suffering in the hearts of many. Still there is fear and grief nearby and far away. Breathe hope into the world, as small and humble as the tiny babe in the manger, and by this hope, transform reality, that all might know the eternal joy of your redeeming love. In the name of our newborn savior, Jesus Christ, we pray. Amen.



Read: Read the key verse from Sunday's reading.

And she gave birth to her firstborn son and wrapped him in bands of cloth, and laid him in a manger, because there was no place for them in the inn. (Luke 2:7)



Reflect: Reflect on the scripture summary.

Jesus is born in the city of David and the shepherd receive the good news from angelic messengers.



Connect: Connect in conversation with others in your household.

- What was a high point of your day? What was a low point?
- What emotions does Christmas evoke in you at this time of the year? How can you turn positive emotions into action for the benefit of others? If the holidays are hard for you, who could you turn to for help getting through this tough time?
- For the littles: What smells, sights, sounds, and emotions can you imagine at Jesus' birth?



Bless: Close your devotion with a blessing.

May God bless you now and forever. Amen.



Do: By acting on what we learn, we make God's word come alive. Do the following activity this week.

Return to the store one gift that is given to you this Christmas. Use the money to bless someone who has little.



Go Deeper: Go to clergystuff.com/daily-devotions for devotions on the Narrative Lectionary daily readings.

Thursday: *Shepherds Visit*, Luke 2:8-20

Friday: *Wise Men*, Matthew 2:1-12

Saturday: *The Boy Jesus in the Temple*, Luke 2:41-52