

# ADVENT 1: Hope

## First Sunday of Advent

### Preparation & Materials

- A candle to light in the "Opening" once the Children have all arrived.
- Advent wreath
- Matches/ Lighter
- Animal Business Card
- Photocopies of p.11 –p.15
- Magazines and flyers
- Scissors
- Glue
- Pencil Crayons /Pens
- Thread for Spiral

### NOTES

The prayers can be said all together or led by one person.

The closing blessing can be made into an action prayer.

### GATHERING

#### Opening

As we begin, we light the single candle and say,  
*Jesus Christ is the light of the world.*  
*A light no darkness can extinguish.*

#### Gathering

God of all Creation, what do you require of us?

To do justice, and to love kindness, and to walk humbly  
with your God

To do justice, seeking peace & reconciliation, standing  
with those who are forgotten.

To love kindness, showing compassion and unconditional  
caring for those in need.

To walk humbly, following in the steps of Jesus, not  
looking for praise for our own work but giving praise  
to you.

#### Isaiah 7:14

*Therefore the Lord himself will give you a sign. Look, the  
young woman is with child and shall bear a son, and shall  
name him Immanuel.*

### FACT

**Cow's milk provides a good  
source of nutrition as well  
as income.**



**Name:** Kawvaw Cow  
**Country:** Tanzania  
**Job:** Milk Producer, Meat Provider, Leather Provider, Lawn  
Mower, Producer of Dairy Products, Bio Gas Supplier,  
Income Maker, Transformer, Storyteller

