

# Reverse Advent Calendar



Thank you so much for participating in Warsaw First United Methodist Church's Reverse Advent Calendar! This is a great way to directly support those in need within our community, while creating some Christmas traditions and memories. Warsaw FUMC's Community Closet supports about 65 families per week – about 300 people! We are currently serving these families with a meal as well as personal care and household items that cannot be purchased with SNAP funds. This is offered each Wednesday from 11 a.m. to 1 p.m. in the basement Fellowship Hall at our Downtown campus, 179 S. Indiana Street.

To participate in the Advent Calendar, follow the action item listed for each day and then set a box or bag out to collect the 'donation' items listed on each day. At the end of December, bring the container into the Warsaw FUMC Downtown Location Office – 179 S. Indiana Street so that it can be put to immediate use. If you or your organization/family would be interested in providing a meal, contact our church office at [busmgr@warsawfumc.org](mailto:busmgr@warsawfumc.org) or 574-267-6933.

Thank you for your donations and support for our local Warsaw families!

**Merry Christmas!**

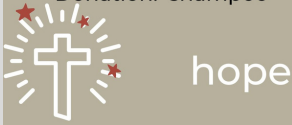
27  
november

Create your own advent wreath with four candles. Light candle 1 - hope  
Donation: bar soap



28  
november

Find one thing to be thankful for today - name it out loud.  
Donation: shampoo



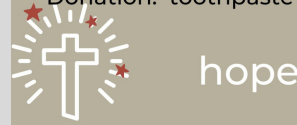
29  
november

Say thank you to someone today for something you usually take for granted.  
Donation: deodorant



30  
november

Put "time with God" on your calendar to start tomorrow.  
Donation: toothpaste



01  
december

Read Luke 1:1-23 out loud - copy down your favorite part.  
Donation: body wash



02  
december

Decorate your verse(s) from yesterday and tape to your mirror.  
Donation: feminine products



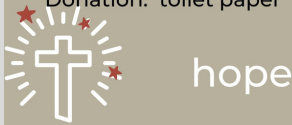
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december

Take a walk and find something in nature to add to your advent wreath.  
Donation: dish soap



04  
december

Pray for someone you struggle to like. Light candle 2 - peace  
Donation: toilet paper



05  
december

Play Christmas music all day.  
Donation: paper towel



06  
december

Make/pick an angel to put in your advent wreath.  
Donation: window cleaner



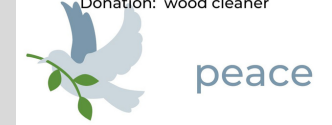
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december

Read Luke 1:26-38 out loud.  
Donation: sanitize wipes



08  
december

Find a Christmas Carol that has angels in it and listen all the way through without interruption.  
Donation: wood cleaner



09  
december

Make a hot beverage with extra treats.  
Donation: laundry detergent



10  
december

Send a card to someone you miss.  
Donation: fabric softener



11  
december

Ring a bell as loudly as you can. Put it with your wreath. Light candle 3 - joy  
Donation: bar soap



12  
december

Make or buy a special Christmas treat. Share it with someone.  
Donation: razors



13  
december

Smile at someone you don't know.  
Donation: shampoo



14  
december

Do something that brings you joy that you usually don't have time for.  
Donation: shaving cream



15  
december

Read Luke 2:8-15 out loud.  
Donation: paper towel



16  
december

Schedule a time to go look at Christmas lights with family or friends.  
Donation: diapers



17  
december

Make or buy a Christmas dish or treat from another country. Pray for those people.  
Donation: cleaning supplies



18  
december

Contact someone you haven't heard from in a while. Find a heart to put in your wreath. Light candle 4 - love  
Donation: deodorant



19  
december

Leave an encouraging note for someone to find.  
Donation: toilet paper



20  
december

Read Matthew 2: 1-12 out loud. Make a crown to put in your wreath.  
Donation: toothpaste



21  
december

Give someone your undivided attention today.  
Donation: deodorant



22  
december

Stop rushing and light all four advent candles. Sit in silence for at least five minutes.  
Donation: sanitize wipes



23  
december

Look for someone to help today and do it without being asked.  
Donation: body wash



24  
december

Read the Nativity story out loud today. Matt 1:18-23, Luke 1:26-56, Luke 2: 1-20.  
Donation: feminine products



25  
december

Light a candle to symbolize Christ and place it in your wreath. Read John 1:1-4.  
Donation: bar soap



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