

Advent Wreath Devotions



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First Sunday of Advent — *Hope*

Collect

Almighty God, give us grace that we may cast away the works of darkness, and put upon us the armor of light, now in the time of this mortal life, in which thy Son Jesus Christ came to visit us in great humility; that in the last day, when he shall come again in his glorious majesty to judge both the quick and the dead, we may rise to the life immortal; through him who liveth and reigneth with thee and the Holy Ghost, one God, now and forever. Amen.

Scripture

The people that walked in darkness have seen a great light: they that dwell in the land of the shadow of death, upon them hath the light shined.
— Isaiah 9:2

Candle Prayer

Leader: We light the first candle, remembering the hope of Christ.

All: Come, Lord Jesus, our Light and our Salvation.

Second Sunday of Advent — *Prophets*

Collect

Blessed Lord, who hast caused all holy Scriptures to be written for our learning: Grant that we may in such wise hear them, read, mark, learn, and inwardly digest them, that by patience and comfort of thy holy Word, we may embrace, and ever hold fast, the blessed hope of everlasting life, which thou hast given us in our Saviour Jesus Christ. Amen.

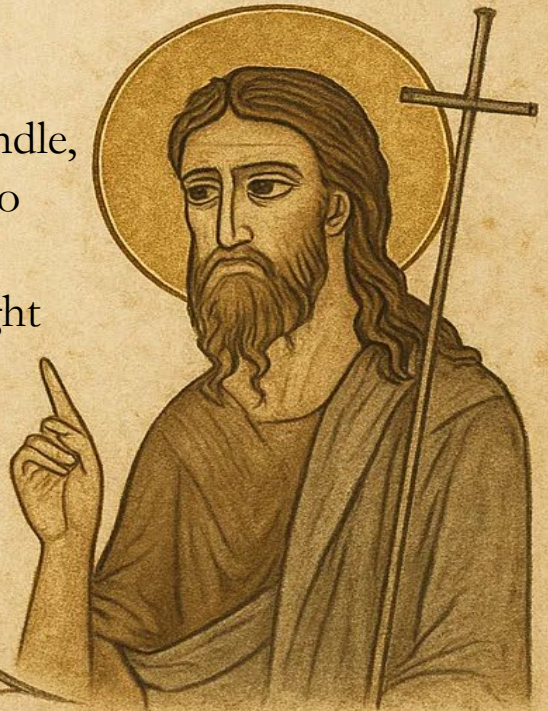
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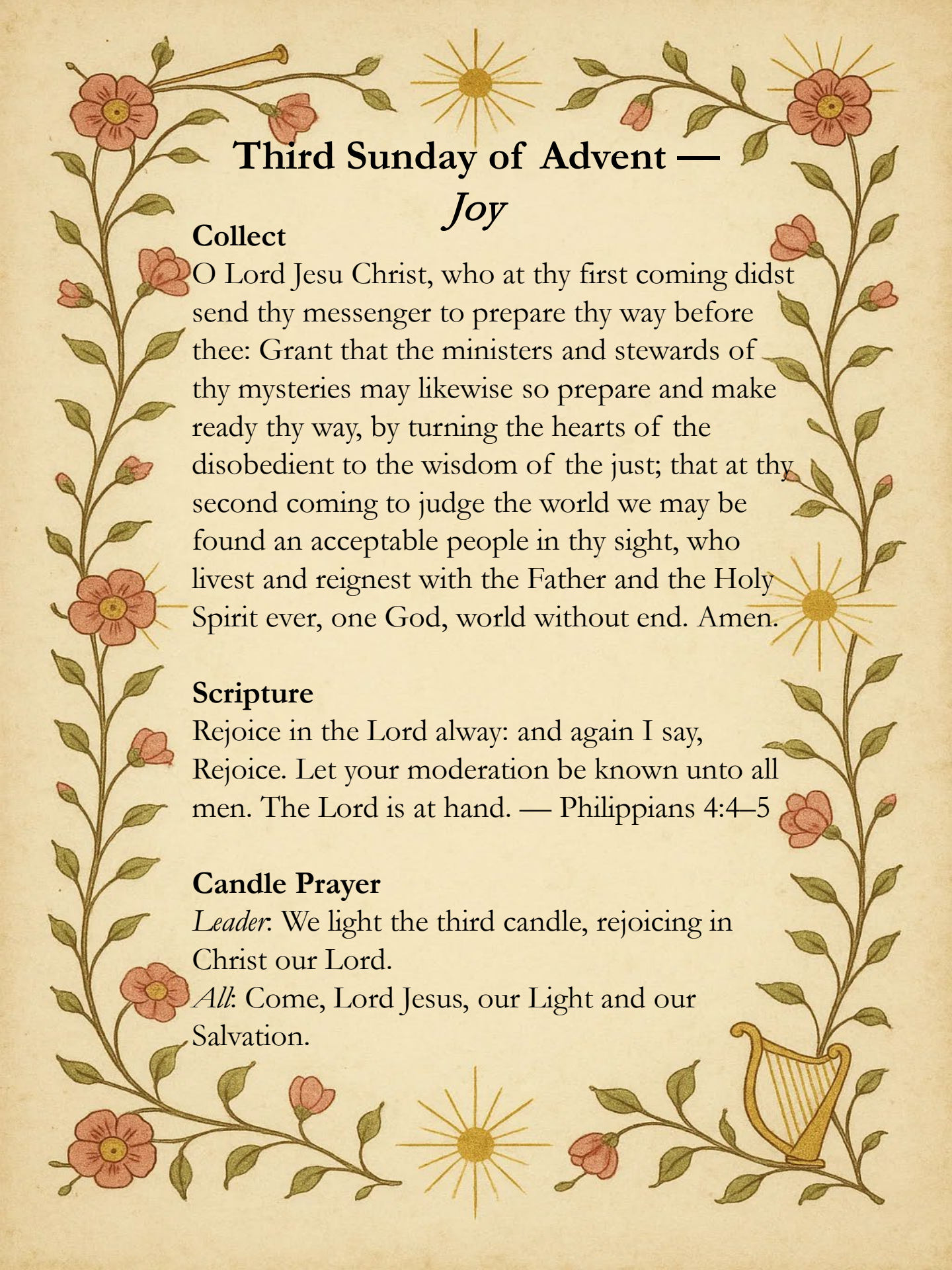
The voice of one crying in the wilderness,
Prepare ye the way of the Lord, make straight in
the desert a highway for our God. — Isaiah 40:3

Candle Prayer

Leader: We light the second candle,
remembering the prophets who
prepared the way.

All: Come, Lord Jesus, our Light
and our Salvation.





Third Sunday of Advent —

Joy

Collect

O Lord Jesu Christ, who at thy first coming didst send thy messenger to prepare thy way before thee: Grant that the ministers and stewards of thy mysteries may likewise so prepare and make ready thy way, by turning the hearts of the disobedient to the wisdom of the just; that at thy second coming to judge the world we may be found an acceptable people in thy sight, who livest and reignest with the Father and the Holy Spirit ever, one God, world without end. Amen.

Scripture

Rejoice in the Lord always: and again I say, Rejoice. Let your moderation be known unto all men. The Lord is at hand. — Philippians 4:4–5

Candle Prayer

Leader. We light the third candle, rejoicing in Christ our Lord.

All: Come, Lord Jesus, our Light and our Salvation.

Fourth Sunday of Advent — *Mary, Mother of God*

Collect

O Lord, raise up, we pray thee, thy power, and come among us, and with great might succor us; that whereas, through our sins and wickedness, we are sore let and hindered in running the race that is set before us, thy bountiful grace and mercy may speedily help and deliver us; through the satisfaction of thy Son our Lord, to whom with thee and the Holy Ghost be honour and glory, world without end. Amen.

Scripture

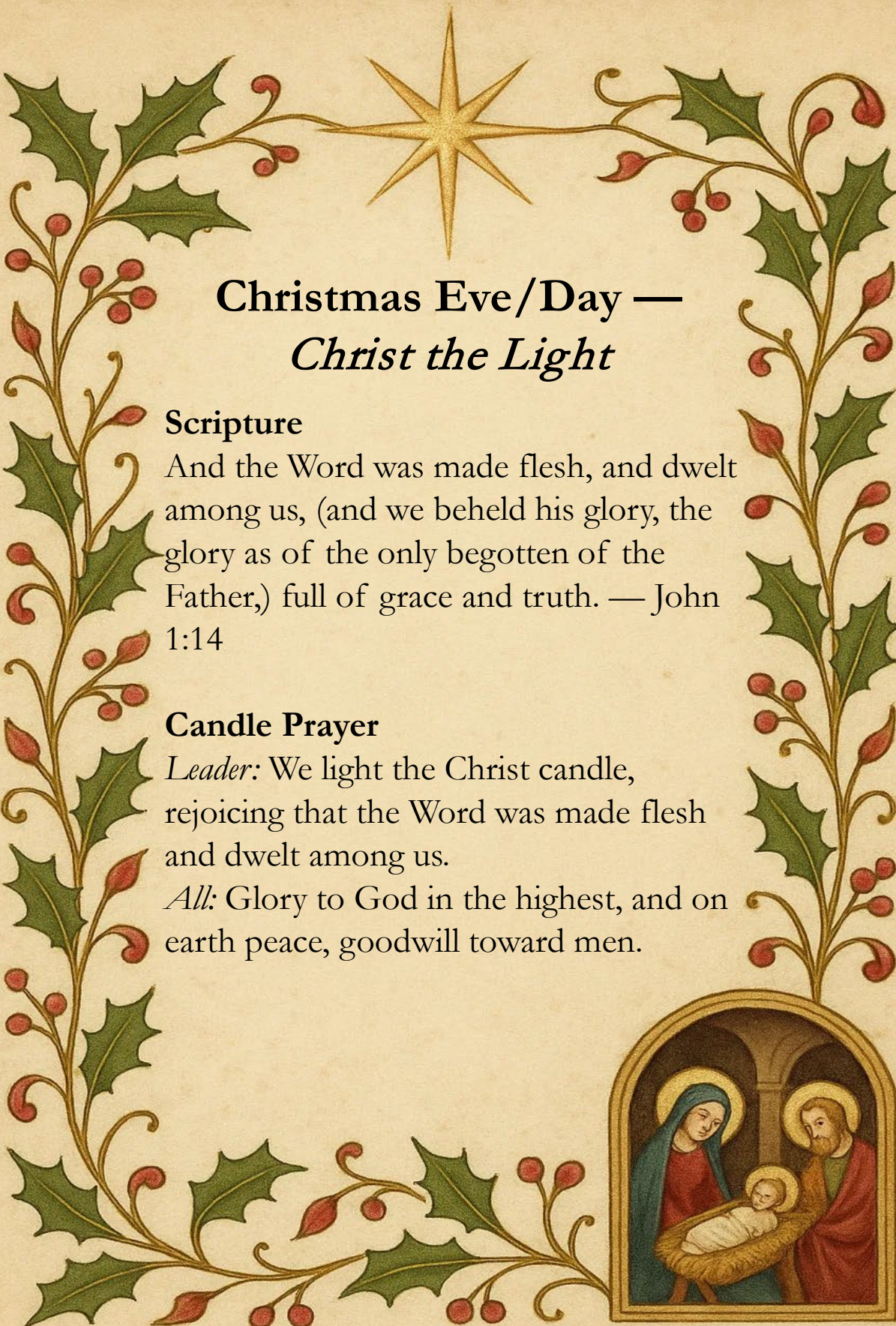
And the angel came in unto her, and said, Hail, thou that art highly favoured, the Lord is with thee: blessed art thou among women. — Luke 1:28

Candle Prayer

Leader: We light the fourth candle, remembering the Blessed Virgin Mary who bore the Word.

All: Come, Lord Jesus, our Light and our Salvation.





Christmas Eve/Day — *Christ the Light*

Scripture

And the Word was made flesh, and dwelt among us, (and we beheld his glory, the glory as of the only begotten of the Father,) full of grace and truth. — John 1:14

Candle Prayer

Leader: We light the Christ candle, rejoicing that the Word was made flesh and dwelt among us.

All: Glory to God in the highest, and on earth peace, goodwill toward men.

