**ADVENT BLESSING PRAYERS**

**Advent, a time of waiting and preparing for the celebration of the birth of our savior**

**Our Lord Jesus Christ.**

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**BLESSINGS**

**of the Advent Wreath**

**Christmas Crib**

**Christmas Tree**

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**“Blessing of the Wreath” ♲︎**

**We, the Church begin Advent joyfully awaiting the coming of Jesus, our Savior, to enlighten our hearts.**

**God of mercy, let your blessing come upon us and this wreath as we light its candles. May the wreath and its light be a sign of Christ’s promise to bring us salvation. May he come quickly and not delay. We pray for this through Christ our Lord. Amen.**

**1st week of Advent (Hope)**

**All powerful God, increase our strength of will for doing good that Christ may find an eager welcome at his coming and call us to his side in the kingdom of heaven. We pray in the name of Jesus. Amen.**

**2nd week of Advent (Peace)**

**God of power and mercy, open our hearts in welcome. Remove the things that hinder us from receiving Christ with joy, so that we may share his wisdom and become one with him when he comes in glory. In Christ’s name we ask this. Amen.**

**3rd week of Advent (Joy)**

**O God, may we, your people, who look forward to the birthday of Christ experience the joy of salvation and celebrate that feast with love and thanksgiving. We ask this through Christ our Lord. Amen.**

**4th week of Advent (Love)**

**All-loving God, fill our hearts with your love and as you revealed to us by an angel the coming of your Son as man, so lead us through his suffering and death to the glory of his resurrection. We pray for this in the name of Jesus. Amen.**

**“The Christmas Season Prayer”**

**(From Christmas Day until the Baptism of the Lord)**

**Father in Heaven, you so loved us that you sent us Jesus, your Son, among us as savior and Lord. Fill us with your blessing, that we may grow in love and continue to live our Christian faith. We ask this through Christ our Lord.**

**Amen.**

**“Blessing of the Christmas Crib” ♡︎**

**God of every nation and people, bless this crib and all who look upon it. May it remind us of the humble birth of Jesus, and raise our thoughts to him, who is God-with-us and savior of all, and who lives and reigns forever. Amen.**

**“Blessing of the Christmas tree”**

**Holy God, let your blessing come upon us and this tree as we illumine it. May the light and cheer it gives be a sign of joy that fills our hearts. May all who delight in this tree come to the knowledge and joy of salvation. We ask this through Christ our Lord.**

**Amen.**

 **Blessings Daughters of Light!**