

Young Family Weekly Email

Upcoming Worship and Young Family Events:

This week's Faith at Home: Joseph

Advent Young Family Worship Service December 6 at 11:00 AM

Christmas Eve Young Family Worship Service December 24 at 3:30 PM

IPM Christmas Stocking Drive

Faith at Home

Joseph

For the next two weeks, your children can learn about Joseph. Jacob, whom we learned about in September and October, is the father of Joseph. Jacob's name was changed by God to Israel. Jacob's sons become the 12 tribes of Israel. Joseph is one of the 12 brothers. Often, the stories of Jacob are taught separately from the stories of Joseph. I am thankful that this year, the children can connect the two sets of stories together.

Joseph and His Coat

[Joseph and his coat video](#)

Joseph in Egypt

[Joseph in Egypt \(Genesis 39-41\) video](#)

Joseph Forgives

[Joseph Forgives \(Genesis 42-45\)](#)

Instead of the three short videos, you might also want to consider the movie, **Joseph: The King of Dreams**. It is currently on Netflix. An option for older children would be **Joseph and the Amazing Technicolor Dream Coat**. To understand more about Joseph and His Brothers, read the story in Genesis 37 - 50.

[Click here for Joseph Activity Sheets](#)

Discussion Questions:

Who was Joseph's father?

What do you think the brothers said about Joseph when he wasn't around?

If you could draw Joseph's special robe, what would it look like?

Do you ever feel angry or jealous because something has something that you don't have? What do you do about that?

Why do you think Joseph could understand dreams when no one else could?

Why do you think Joseph didn't tell his brothers who he was right away?

Why didn't the brothers recognize Joseph?

Sunday, December 6
Young Family Worship Service at 11:00 AM
Indian Hill Church Front Lawn

Join us on the lawn for an Advent worship service. Advent is a journey; that season of waiting and preparation leading up to Christmas. It is a time when we gather in darkness and wait for the Light of the World to come again. We re-read the ancient prophecies, we hold on to hope, we remind ourselves what it means to trust in God's promises and receive God's peace. We celebrate the gift of joy to the world and the light God shines into the dark places.

To register on EventBrite, click the link:

[Advent Worship Registration](#)

Advent-In-a-Box Kit
Pickup Sunday, December 6
Early Pickup Available by Appointment

Each family will receive an "Advent-in-a-Box" kit for an Advent Faith at Home experience. Each Box comes with 4 sections of activities and supplies – one for each week of advent. Each section will include an advent scripture story, reflection questions, and a prayer. In addition, each section will have activities that connect to the scripture and theme, such as games, recipes, ornament-making, service activities, and holiday traditions from around the world. The box will include a guidebook to walk you through the season, as well as the supplies needed for the activities – like the pieces to make the ornaments! Recognizing that the holidays are busy times, these activities are meant to be woven in throughout a week's time. This is a really flexible way to work in preparation for Christ's coming at Christmas!

We anticipate that the boxes will arrive in time for pickup the week of November 29. The first week of Advent begins on Sunday, November 29. If you would like your box earlier than December 6, please contact Jennifer Taylor (christianeducation@indianhillchurch.org).

We also have traditional advent wreaths available. If you would like a wreath form, greenery pins, candle cups and candles, please email Jennifer Taylor (christianeducation@indianhillchurch.org). You will need to gather your own greenery to create the wreath.

Inter Parish Ministry
Christmas Stockings

IPM has had to make a change in their Christmas gift giving campaign. This year's event will be a Drive – Through Christmas where each family will receive the following:

1. A special holiday meal kit, being furnished by the Free Store Food Bank.
2. A Christmas turkey or ham, being furnished by an anonymous donor.
3. A Christmas stocking for each family member which will contain several small gifts (see suggestion lists below) and a \$25 gift card for either Target or Walmart.

We are being asked to help by providing the filled Christmas stockings. (Approximate cost per stocking will be \$40.) IPM hopes to collect 1600 stockings!

Completed stockings can be delivered to church Monday through Thursday between the hours of 10AM and 2PM or left in the breezeway (front porch) on Sundays between the hours of 8AM and 2 PM. They should include a gift tag which identifies the gender and age group for which the stocking is intended. See below for gift suggestions for each age and gender designation.

For anyone who prefers to make a cash donation, please write a check to Indian Hill Church, with "IPM Christmas" noted on the memo line. Checks should arrive at church no later than Friday, December 4th so that we have time to complete the shopping.

If you're able to help, please let us know by emailing Linda Seal at lindaseal48@yahoo.com, with the number of stockings and the age group(s) for which you plan to shop.

All completed stockings should arrive at church no later than Monday, December 7th.

If you have questions, please contact Linda Seal at 513-607-4767.

Note: It is suggested that stockings be between 12 and 18 inches in length.

Age and gender designations, along with gift suggestions are as follows:

Male infant - \$25 gift card (Target or Walmart), 2-3 stocking stuffers from the following list: socks, bath items, wipes, bibs, teething toys, baby snacks, hat, mittens, small light up or musical toy.

Female infant - \$25 gift card (Target or Walmart), 2-3 stocking stuffers from the following list: socks, bath items, wipes, bibs, teething toys, baby snacks, hat, mittens, small light up or musical toy.

Male child - \$25 gift card (Target or Walmart), 2-3 stocking stuffers from the following list: hat, gloves, candy, scented markers, crayons, bath items, Play Doh, Silly Putty, stickers, character Band Aids, small Legos, Hot Wheels, Nightlight.

Female Child - \$25 gift card (Target or Walmart), 2-3 stocking stuffers from the following list: hat, gloves, candy, scented markers, crayons, bath items, Play Doh, Silly Putty, stickers, character Band Aids, small Legos, nightlight, figurines.

Male Teen - \$25 gift card (Target or Walmart), 2-3 stocking stuffers from the following list: hat, gloves, candy, gum, bath/shower products, wireless earbuds/ portable charger, pop sockets, Sneaker balls, athletic socks, cologne.

Female Teen - \$25 gift card (Target or Walmart), 2-3 stocking stuffers from the following list: art supplies, hat, gloves, candy, gum, bath/shower products, wireless ear buds, portable charger, pop sockets, jewelry, socks, nail polish, perfume

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Power Pack Collection

No collection on November 24

Collections resume on December 2

Indian Hill Church has collected **1,432** Power Packs since May! Thank you for your generosity!

If you would like to help with Power Packs, here is more information:

What makes a good power pack?

1. Look for a **meal** for each bag (microwave mac and cheese, microwave ravioli, soups with pull tab, canned chicken/tuna lunch kits, Hormel shelf stable meals).
2. Add other items such as individual cereals, applesauce, fruit cups, shelf-stable puddings, oatmeal, peanut butter crackers, JIF peanut butter to go cups, raisins, chips, juice box, granola bar, pretzels, microwave popcorn, cheese crackers).
3. Seal items in a gallon Ziploc bag.
4. It is great when the bag is full of items.
5. Feel free to add an encouraging note to the child receiving the Power Pack.

Power Packs can be dropped off Monday - Thursday between 7:30 AM - 2:00 PM on the Indian Hill Church front porch.

Our Daily Bread

Sandwich Collection on December 9

Do you have 30 minutes to make sandwiches for those experiencing homeless in Cincinnati?

Indian Hill Church is providing sandwiches, fruit and dessert for Our Daily Bread on Wednesday, December 9. We would like to deliver 200 Peanut Butter and Jelly sandwiches and 200 meat sandwiches.

[Sign Up Genius Link](#)

Procedure:

- 1- Sign up via sign up genius or by emailing (christianeducation@indianhillchurch.org)
- 2- Make bologna, ham and cheese, turkey and cheese or peanut butter and jelly sandwiches. (No condiments please.)
- 3- Treats/ Desserts can be homemade or store bought. They need to be individually packaged. I would avoid nuts just to be safe.
- 4- Deliver sandwiches, fruit and desserts to Indian Hill Church front porch. Please deliver on Tuesday between 7:30 AM - 2:00 PM or Wednesday between 7:30 AM - 9:00 AM.

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