



# REVERSE **A D V E N T** CALENDAR PROJECT

This Advent St. David's Service Ministry Team is sponsoring the first-ever Reverse Advent Calendar Project which will begin on the first Sunday of Advent, November 29, 2020.

Each St. David's household will receive, in the mail a description of the project and a list of 24 items\* requested by several community groups serving area families. We are requesting that each household wanting to participate provide a cardboard box for these items and place one inside each day of Advent.

In addition to this project mailing, please note that the Worship Ministry Team has included an Advent Devotional Booklet and Family Advent Activities list. Members of the team and a group of congregation volunteers wrote and compiled (with the help of Jessica, the church secretary) this booklet that contains a set of 24 devotions to be read, one for each day of Advent. The Activities list can be used by families as a daily way to help focus children on the meaning and season of Advent. They hope that you will find them both useful in your Advent devotions.

Completed boxes will be collected on the **fourth Sunday of Advent, December 20, 2020**. Trucks will be located in the lower parking lot of St. David's from 7:45 am to 11:15 am and in the upper parking lot from 5:45 pm to 7:30 pm. The latter time will coincide with the 4<sup>th</sup> Advent Night celebration (details in another article). If you would like to participate and cannot bring your box to the church, arrangements for pick-up can be made by contacting Sue Risch at 814-421-0285.

The first 26 of the Advent boxes will be donated to the Conemaugh Township Elementary School Backpack Project, which provides needy children with food over the Christmas holiday season. Additional boxes will be given to the St. Francis Caring and Sharing Food Bank.

**If you plan to participate, you are asked to sign up by calling Jessica at the church at 479-4110.** *If you cannot participate in this project but would like to help support it in some way, monetary donations may be sent to St. David's with your offering and designated to the "Backpack Project".* These will be used to support future programs for needy children who receive weekend and summer food boxes.

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Reverse Advent Project Box Items Check List

	1.	Toothpaste
	2.	Toothbrush
	3.	Body Wash
	4.	Shampoo
	5.	Box of Spaghetti
	6.	2 Jars of Spaghetti Sauce
	7.	Jar of Jelly
	8.	Jar of Peanut Butter
	9.	Jar of Applesauce
	10.	Box of Instant Oatmeal
	11.	2 Cans of Soup
	12.	2 Cans of Vegetables
	13.	2 Boil Packs of Rice
	14.	4-Pack of Pudding
	15.	4-Pack of Jell-O
	16.	4-Pack of Fruit Cups
	17.	Box of Cereal
	18.	Box of Granola Bars
	19.	2 Boxes of Mac and Cheese
	20.	2 Tuna or Chicken Snack Packs
	21.	Ketchup
	22.	Mustard
	23.	Hellmann's Mayonnaise
	24.	One Loaf of Bread