

A Reverse Advent Calendar

<p>11/29 – Canned meat (tuna, chicken)</p> <p>“Every good and perfect gift is from above, coming down from the Father of the heavenly lights, who does not change like shifting shadows.” – James 1:17</p>	<p>11/30 – Peanut Butter or other nut butter</p> <p>“And God is able to bless you abundantly, so that in all things at all times, having all that you need, you will abound in every work.” – 2 Corinthians 9:8</p>	<p>12/01 – Squeezable Jelly</p> <p>“In their hearts humans plan their course, but the Lord establishes their steps.” Proverbs 16:9</p>	<p>12/02 – Box of Spaghetti</p> <p>“So let’s not get tired of doing what is good. At just the right time we will reap a harvest of blessing if we don’t give up.” – Galatians 6:9</p>	<p>12/03 – Spaghetti sauce</p> <p>“A friend is always loyal, and a brother is born to help on time of need.” – Proverbs 17:17</p>	<p>12/04 – Box of Minute Rice</p> <p>“For we are God’s masterpiece. He has created us anew in Christ Jesus, so we can do the good things he planned for us long ago.” – Ephesians 2:10</p>	<p>12/05 – can of vegetables</p> <p>“Be devoted to one another in love, Honor one another above yourselves.” –Romans 12:10</p>
<p>12/06 – Box of macaroni and cheese</p> <p>“Jesus replied, “Foxes have dens and birds have nests, but the Son of Man has no place to lay his head.” – Luke 9:58</p>	<p>12/07 – Nonrefrigerated pudding</p> <p>“Be still, and know that I am God; I will be exalted among the nations, I will be exalted in the earth.” – Psalm 46:10</p>	<p>12/08 – Juice boxes</p> <p>“Each of you should give what you have decided in your heart to give, not reluctantly or under compulsion, for God loves a cheerful giver.” – 2 Corinthians 9:7</p>	<p>12/09 – Box of cereal</p> <p>“He gave up his divine privileges; he ...was born as a human being ...He humbled himself.: - Philippians 2:7-8</p>	<p>12/10 – Box of stuffing mix</p> <p>“Worry weighs a person down; an encouraging word cheers a person up.” – Proverbs 12:25</p>	<p>12/11 – Can of tomatoes</p> <p>“And so Lord, where do I put my hope? My only hope is in you.” – Psalm 39:7</p>	<p>12/12 – Box of granola bars</p> <p>“Also I gave them my Sabbaths as a sign between us, so they would know that I the Lord made them holy.” – Ezekiel 20:12</p>
<p>12/13 – Box of potatoes</p> <p>“But you are a God of forgiveness, gracious and merciful, slow to become angry, and rich in unfailing love...” – Nehemiah 9:17</p>	<p>12/14 – Can of peaches</p> <p>“Give your burdens to the Lord, and He will take care of you...” – Psalm 55:22</p>	<p>12/15 – Pop tarts</p> <p>“Yet to all who did receive him, to those who believed in his name, he gave the right to become children of God – children born not of natural descent, nor of human decision or a husband’s will, but born of God.” – John 1:12-13</p>	<p>12/16 – Can of tomato soup</p> <p>“There is a time for everything...a time to plant and a time to uproot.” – Ecclesiastes 3:1-2</p>	<p>12/17 – Box of Bisquik</p> <p>“Do not be afraid, you who are highly esteemed.” [the angel] said. “Peace! Be strong now; be strong.” When he spoke to me, I was strengthened and said, “Speak, my Lord, since you have given me strength.” – Daniel 10:19</p>	<p>12/18 – Box of peanut butter cheese crackers</p> <p>“I pray that God, the source of hope, will fill you completely with joy and peace because you trust in him. – Romans 15:13</p>	<p>12/19 – Box of carnation instant breakfast</p> <p>“And God said, “Let there be light,” and there was light.” – Genesis 1:3</p>
<p>12/20 – Box of instant oatmeal</p> <p>“You intended to harm me, but God intended it for good to accomplish what is now being done, the saving of many lives.” – Genesis 50:20</p>	<p>12/21 – Animal crackers</p> <p>“The Lord says, “I will guide you along the best pathway for your life. I will advise you and watch over you.” – Psalm 32:8</p>	<p>12/22 – Can of chicken noodle soup</p> <p>“If you, then, though you are evil, know how to give good gifts to your children, how much more will your Father in heaven in heaven give good gifts to those who ask him!” – Matthew 7:11</p>	<p>12/23 – Box of fruit cups</p> <p>“But when you are praying, first forgive anyone you are holding a grudge against, so that your Father in heaven will forgive your sins, too.” – Mark 11:25</p>	<p>12/24 – Box of microwave popcorn</p> <p>“And my God will meet all your needs according to the riches of his glory in Christ Jesus.” – Philippians 4:19</p>	<p>12/25 – Spices – cinnamon, salt, pepper</p> <p>“This is how God showed his love among us; He sent his one and only Son into the world that we might live through him. This is love; not that we loved God, but that he loved us and sent his Son as an atoning sacrifice for our sins.” – 1 John 4:9-10</p>	<p>12/26 – Applesauce</p> <p>“Finally, brothers and sisters, whatever is true, whatever is noble, whatever is right, whatever is pure, whatever is lovely, whatever is admirable – if anything is excellent or praiseworthy – think about such things.” – Philippians 4:8</p>

We are looking at a new Christmas tradition for our Church family.

Everyone loves advent calendars to count down to Christmas Day. Most of us love receiving a surprise that is a promise of what's to come.

This year, instead of taking out something each day, we are going to put something in. This will be "A Reverse Advent Calendar".

This calendar works by filling a box everyday with a food item. The calendar lists the food item that will be added to the box and a short daily devotion that can be read together.

On December 27th, the box will be dropped off at the church, and then volunteers will take the food items to The City Rescue Mission, Grove City Pantry, and Feed My Sheep.

Copies of the calendar are in the Narthex. The calendar can also be found on Facebook and in the newsletter.