



Color the candles as follows:

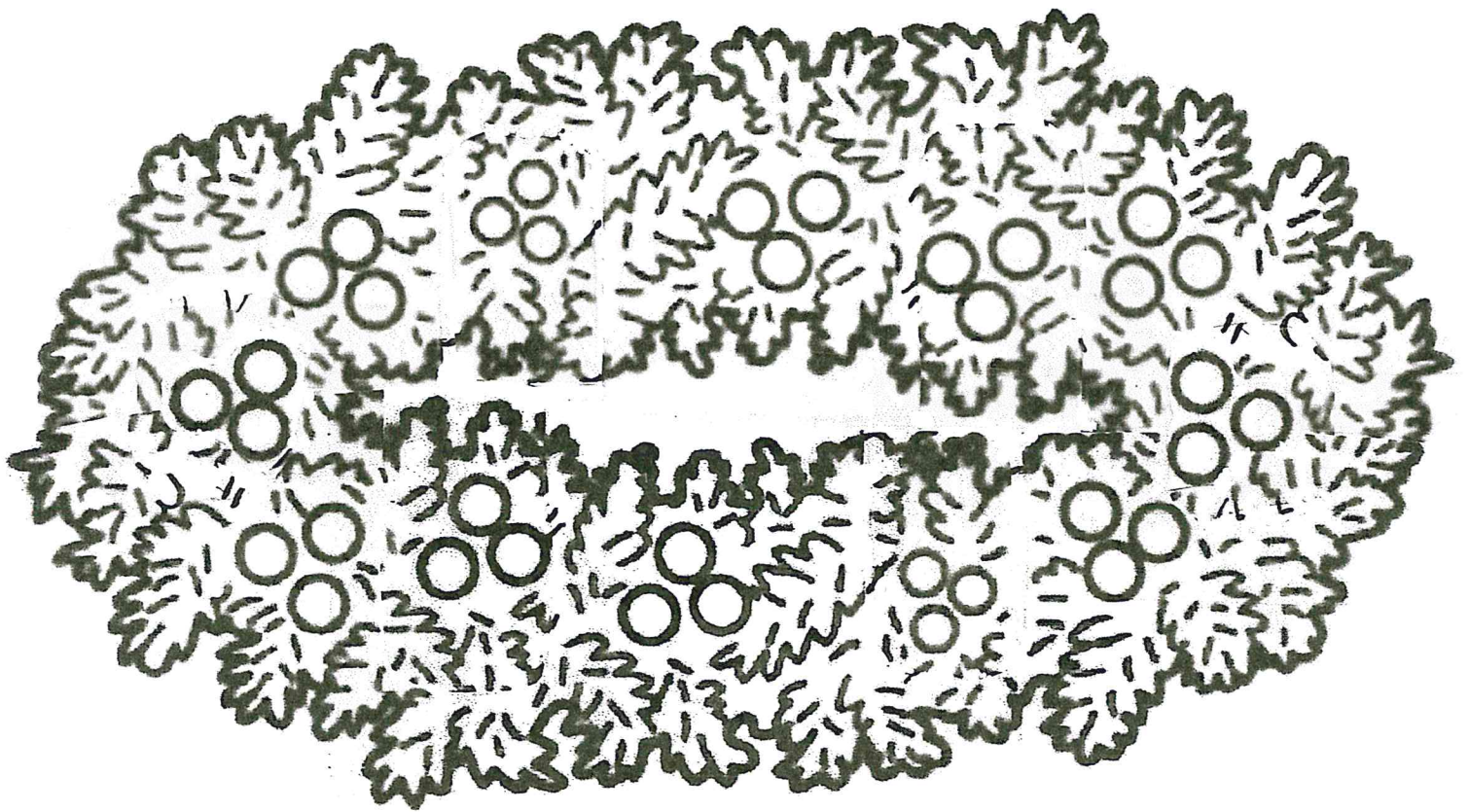
Hope - purple

Peace - purple

Joy - pink

Love - purple

Jesus - white



## Week 1: Hope

Candles on the Advent wreath remind us of the approaching birthday of Jesus, the light of the world.

Each candle has a special meaning. The first one, usually purple, is called the candle of hope. It represents the hope and anticipation of the coming Messiah.

To make a stained glass Advent wreath to place in a window, color the wreath and candles as described, then using a cotton ball or paper towel, rub a light coat of vegetable oil over the paper to create a stained glass effect. Cut around the wreath and candles, and place the wreath in a window.

Add the first candle to your Advent wreath, then read aloud [Romans 15:13](#).

## Week 2: Peace

The second candle on the Advent wreath is usually purple and reminds us Jesus came to bring us peace.

Read aloud [Mark 1:3-4](#). Add the second candle to your Advent wreath.

## Week 3: Joy

The third candle on the Advent wreath, usually pink, symbolizes joy and reminds us of the joy we have in Jesus.

Read aloud [Luke 2:10](#). Add the third candle to your Advent wreath.

## Week 4: Love

The fourth candle on the Advent wreath, usually purple, is often called the candle of love and reminds us of God's great love for all people.

Read aloud [John 3:16](#). Add the fourth candle to your Advent wreath.

Place the fifth candle, usually white, in the center of your Advent wreath as the Christ candle on Christmas Eve.