Advent Planning Project

LLPS-CE Final Project

Project Overview

This template will guide you as you plan an Advent study or worship experience for your congregation. You'll reflect on your purpose, review three Advent curriculum/study resources, compare them, and choose the one that fits your audience and context best.

Step 1: Clarify Your Plan — Why, Who, What, and How

In 1–2 paragraphs, answer the following questions:

- Why Advent? (Why is this season important in your setting? Why do you want to focus on this season?)
- Who are you planning for? (Children, youth, adults, families, or all ages?)
- Where will you use this plan? (Sunday school, small group, worship, home-based, etc.)
- What do you want people to learn or experience during Advent?
- What is the impact you hope to see?
- How will this help members of your community grow in their faith?

Step 2: Review 3 Advent Resources

Choose three Advent curriculum or study options to review. For each resource, answer:

- Resource Title:
- Publisher/Author:
- Intended Audience (age group):
- Overview/Summary: What is the focus of this resource? What are the main themes?
- Does it reflect United Methodist beliefs or values? How do you know? (Reflect on what the overarching messages about grace, christology, christian living, etc.)
- **How does it teach?** (e.g., learning styles and methods)
- Does it support different learning styles? (visual, hands-on, listening, moving, etc.)
- What do you like about it?
- What would you change or add?
- How will it help you meet your goals?

Step 3: Compare the Resources

Use the chart below to compare your three resources:

Resource Title	Publisher	Audience	UM Theology (1–5)	Learning Styles/Methods	Strengths	Limitations

(UM Theology Rating: 1 = not aligned; 5 = strongly aligned)

Step 4: Final Choice and Reflection

In 1 page or less, write a reflection that answers:

- Which resource did you choose and why?
- How does it fit your group and setting?
- How will it help you meet your goals?
- What might you change or add to make it even better?
- Is there anything missing you'll need to include in another way?
- What did you learn from doing this project?