



Please note: Preach Palestine is a free resource developed by [FOSNA](#). We encourage worship and prayer group leaders who have registered to share with their community as you plan to Preach Palestine. If you are a leader who came across this resource without registering, please [do so here](#) so we may remain in community and quantify our reach this season.

Welcome! FOSNA is calling churches and other communities to Preach Palestine again this Advent and Christmas season. The bulk of the 2025 Preach Palestine resource can be found [here](#), where you'll find a comprehensive preaching plan with weekly sermon guides, guiding questions, prayers, and actions. *This* document includes addendum resources to support your work such as further readings and prayers, song suggestions, bulletin artwork, and resources for Christian education.

Over 270 communities signed up to **Preach Palestine this year**. Most important to this addendum is an invitation to join that community in fellowship throughout Advent **for support**. As we birth movements together, we invite you to join us in community as we craft a liberating season of waiting for that little revolutionary born in Bethlehem. No attendance is required or even expected, these gatherings are an offering to you to come as you are, when you can.

We're so glad to be in community with you this season and in this movement. May Palestine be free in our lifetime.

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Online Gatherings to Support Preaching Palestine in 2025

1st Week of Advent

- [Pre-Advent] Wednesday, November 26, 2025 (6p ET / 5p CT / 3p PT) - **Bible Study with Freedom Church of the Poor** • Info [here](#), join [here](#). *Note: FOSNA staff is facilitating this one!*
- [Pre-Advent] Saturday, November 29, 2025 - **International Day of Solidarity with the Palestinian People** • *While there is no formal gathering today, we invite you to use this day as a time of preparation and sacred space-making for the prophetic solidarity work of preaching Palestine this season. You might also see if there's an action near you hosted by [Palestinian Youth Movement](#), who plans to host rallies throughout the U.S. on this day.*

- Sunday, November 30, 2025 - **1st Sunday in Advent** • Communities across the country preach Palestine. [Preach Palestine Sunday Service materials found here.](#)
- Wednesday, December 3, 2025 (6p ET / 5p CT / 3p PT) - **Bible Study with Freedom Church of the Poor** • Info [here](#), join [here](#).
- Thursday, December 4, 2025 (11a ET / 11a CT / 8a PT) - **Sabeel Weekly Prayer Service** • Register [here](#).
- Thursday, December 4, 2025 (12:15a-1p ET / 11:15a-12p CT / 9:15-10a PT) - **Post Sabeel Weekly Prayer Preaching Prep Breakout** (care of [Clergy Seminary Action Council](#)) • Register [here](#).

2nd Week of Advent

- Sunday, December 7, 2025 - **2nd Sunday in Advent** • Communities across the country preach Palestine. [Preach Palestine Sunday Service materials found here.](#)
- Sunday, Dec 7-14, 2025 - **Christians for a Free Palestine (CFP)'s "Peace Week" Boycott Chevron Week of Action.** More info [here](#).
- Wednesday, December 10, 2025 (6p ET / 5p CT / 3p PT) - **Bible Study with Freedom Church of the Poor** • Info [here](#), join [here](#).
- Thursday, December 11, 2025 (11a ET / 11a CT / 8a PT) - **Sabeel Weekly Prayer Service** • Register [here](#).
- Thursday, December 11, 2025 (12:15a-1p ET / 11:15a-12p CT / 9:15-10a PT) - **Post Sabeel Weekly Prayer Preaching Prep Breakout** care of [Clergy Seminary Action Council](#)) • Register [here](#).

Note: the most generative way to participate in this group is to attend the Sabeel Weekly Prayer (listed above) first.

3rd Week of Advent

- Sunday, December 14, 2025 - **3rd Sunday in Advent** • Communities across the country preach Palestine. [Preach Palestine Sunday Service materials found here.](#)
- Monday, December 15, 2025 (12-12:45p ET / 11a CT / 9a PT) - Clergy and Seminary Action Council's **Monthly Clergy Support Group**
 - Note: [please join CSAC](#) before attending this event.
- Wednesday, December 17, 2025 (6p ET / 5p CT / 3p PT) - **Bible Study with Freedom Church of the Poor** • Info [here](#), join [here](#).
- Thursday, December 18, 2025 (11a ET / 11a CT / 8a PT) - **Sabeel Weekly Prayer Service** • Register [here](#).
- Thursday, December 18, 2025 (12:15a-1p ET / 11:15a-12p CT / 9:15-10a PT) - **Post Sabeel Weekly Prayer Preaching Prep Breakout** care of [Clergy Seminary Action Council](#)) • Register [here](#).

Note: the most generative way to participate in this group is to attend the Sabeel Weekly Prayer (listed above) first.

4th Week of Advent

- Sunday, December 21, 2025 - **4th Sunday in Advent** • Communities across the country preach Palestine. [Preach Palestine Sunday Service materials found here.](#)
- Sunday, December 21, 2025 (6p ET / 5p CT / 3p PT) - **The Longest Night Service with Freedom Church of the Poor** • Info [here](#), join [here](#). *Note: FOSNA staff is facilitating this one!*
- Wednesday, December 24, 2025 - **Christmas Eve**
- Thursday, December 25, 2025 - **Christmas Day**
- Wednesday, December 24, 2025 (6p ET / 5p CT / 3p PT) - **Bible Study with Freedom Church of the Poor** • Info [here](#), join [here](#).

Christmastide & Epiphany

- Wednesday, December 31, 2025 (6p ET / 5p CT / 3p PT) - **Bible Study with Freedom Church of the Poor** • Info [here](#), join [here](#).
- Thursday, January 1, 2025 (11a ET / 11a CT / 8a PT) - **Sabeel Weekly Prayer Service** • Register [here](#).
- Sunday, January 4, 2026 - **Epiphany** • Communities across the country preach Palestine. [Preach Palestine Sunday Service materials found here.](#)
- Wednesday, January 7, 2025 (6p ET / 5p CT / 3p PT) - **Bible Study with Freedom Church of the Poor** • Info [here](#), join [here](#). *Note: FOSNA staff is facilitating this one!*
- Wednesday, January 17, 2025 (6p ET / 5p CT / 3p PT) - **Bible Study with Freedom Church of the Poor** • Info [here](#), join [here](#).
- Monday, January 19, 2025 (12-12:45p ET / 11-11:45a CT / 9-9:45a PT) - Clergy and Seminary Action Council's **Monthly Clergy Support Group**
 - *Note: [please join CSAC](#) before attending this event.*



Song Suggestions

1st Week of Advent

- [“Carol of the Bells” by Ceasefire Carols](#)
- [“We Breathe Together” by adrienne maree brown](#)
- [“We Weep for Gaza’s Children” by the Rev. Carolyn Winfrey Gillette](#)

2nd Week of Advent

- [“What Child Is This?” with Adam Thiesen](#)
- [“Deck the Streets” adapted by Karissa Lewis](#)

- *Speaking of singing! We hope you and your community will consider joining our friends at Christians for a Free Palestine (CFP) this week for their [Boycott Chevron Advent actions the week of Dec 7-14!](#)*

3rd Week of Advent

- [“O Little Town of Bethlehem” by Ceasefire Carols](#)
- [“Oh Come Emmanuel Remixed” by Malik Ready, Jenny Bonham-Carter, Chris Wylie, and Adam Barnes](#)
- [“We Wish For the Liberation” Ceasefire Christmas Carols](#)

4th Week of Advent

- [“Silent Night” with Ciara Taylor and Charon Hribar](#)
- [“O God of the Children in Gaza, We Pray” by the Rev. Carolyn Winfrey Gillette](#)
- [“In the Bleak Mid Wartimes” Ceasefire Christmas Carols](#)

Christmastide & Epiphany

- [“Oh Holy Night” with Ciara Taylor](#)
- [Qudous - Nai Barghuti / Little Town](#)
- [“Olive Tree” by Tracy Howe](#)
- [“In the Bleak Mid Wartimes” by Ceasefire Carols](#)
- [“Joy to the World” remixed by ana lara lopez, Adam Thiesen, and Charon Hribar](#)

Other Supportive Musical Resources + Song-Based Action Toolkits

- CFP’s Advent Boycott Chevron Action Resources:
 - [CFP Caroling Action Toolkit 2025](#)
 - [CFP’s Boycott Chevron Book of Carols](#)
 - [Recordings of CFP’s Boycott Chevron Carols](#)
- [Ceasefire Christmas Carols 2.0 \[PUBLIC TOOLKIT\]](#)
- [Songs for Liberation](#)
- [Songs in the Key of Resistance](#)



Additional Prayers and Litanies

- The **Sabeel Wave of Prayer** follows the model of Prayers of the People and is released weekly by FOSNA’s parent org: Sabeel Ecumenical Liberation Center in Jerusalem. One commitment to Preaching Palestine in 2025 might be to substitute your weekly Prayers of the People with the Sabeel version for the Advent season.

Subscribe to receive prayers in your inbox here:

<https://sabeel.org/category/wave-of-prayers>

- Though we are offering one in partnership with Freedom Church of the Poor ([linked above](#)) perhaps you want to **hold a separate prayer service of lament**, like a [Blue Christmas/Longest Night](#) service. [This litany from our Catholic Worker friends](#) is a good base to update and adapt, if you're interested in incorporating lament into your Advent practice.
- We really like [these Advent wreath readings from enfleshed](#). Though it doesn't name Palestine explicitly, we think it is a good support to the other areas where you plan to name Palestine in your service or worship space.
- Our FOSNA National Field Organizer developed an Advent-wide resource, **A Ceasefire Advent**, in 2024, which inspired a lot of this year's Preach Palestine. To review that, click [here](#).



Starting Points for Christian Educators, Sunday School Teachers, and Youth Leaders

Outside of the Advent calendar for kids (found [here](#)), which follows the larger Sunday programming, we're providing one activity suggestion per week that might work with your community for an extra meeting like a Sunday school or youth group. For those who want to dig deeper, we highly recommend Christian educators acquire, read, and adapt this resource: [Teaching Palestine: Lessons, Stories, Voices](#), edited by Bill Bigelow, Jesse Hagopian, Suzanna Kassouf, Adam Sanchez, and Samia Shoman.

1st Week of Advent

- HOPE: Make Palestinian poppies. Discuss resilience. Center yourselves on images of plants that grow out of nothing. Tell stories of the most beautiful flower you've ever seen with the group.
 - [How to Make a Paper Poppy Flower | Easy DIY Paper Craft](#)
 - [How to make Tissue Paper Poppies | Baker Ross](#)

2nd Week of Advent

- PEACE: Make a dove ornament. Discuss how members of the group achieve peace amongst their friend group. Discuss what makes it hard to be peaceful. Discuss God's role in peace on earth.
 - [The Peace Dove Craft: A Cute and Easy DIY | Made From Paper Plate](#)
 - [Easy DIY- Felt Baby Dove Ornaments](#)

3rd Week of Advent

- JOY: Make [a protest sign](#) for your community to participate in a [liturgical direct action](#) together (actions like those found over at our friends at Christians for a Free Palestine (CFP) [here!](#)) Discuss how collective action and praying with our feet can be joyful.

4th Week of Advent

- LOVE: Write a letter to someone you love and give it to them this week. Discuss how community is how we birth movements toward liberation. Discuss the people who showed up to love Jesus in his first few years of life. How did Jesus keep community at the forefront in his life?

Christmastide & Epiphany

- MANIFESTATION: Make kites for Gaza. (Related options for further action around kite crafting below in link.) Discuss how art and imagination is one way we manifest God in the world. Discuss what you want to manifest for Gaza and for all Palestinians in 2026.
 - [Kites for Gaza | American Friends Service Committee](#)



Bulletin Announcements + Bulletin Artwork

Bulletin Announcement

This Advent, we at [Community Name] are heeding the call from Palestinian Christians to ensure Palestine is not erased from our liturgy this Advent and Christmas. Together, we will reflect on how the child born in Bethlehem over 2,000 years ago inspires us to help birth a movement of justice and love today. We do this work in partnership with Friends of Sabeel North America and invite you to engage with our study materials and reach out to leadership with questions. As we celebrate Jesus' birth, we give thanks that love was born in Bethlehem—in Palestine—and pray that we, too, may birth God's love into the world.

Helpful Pull-Quote for Bulletin or Newsletter

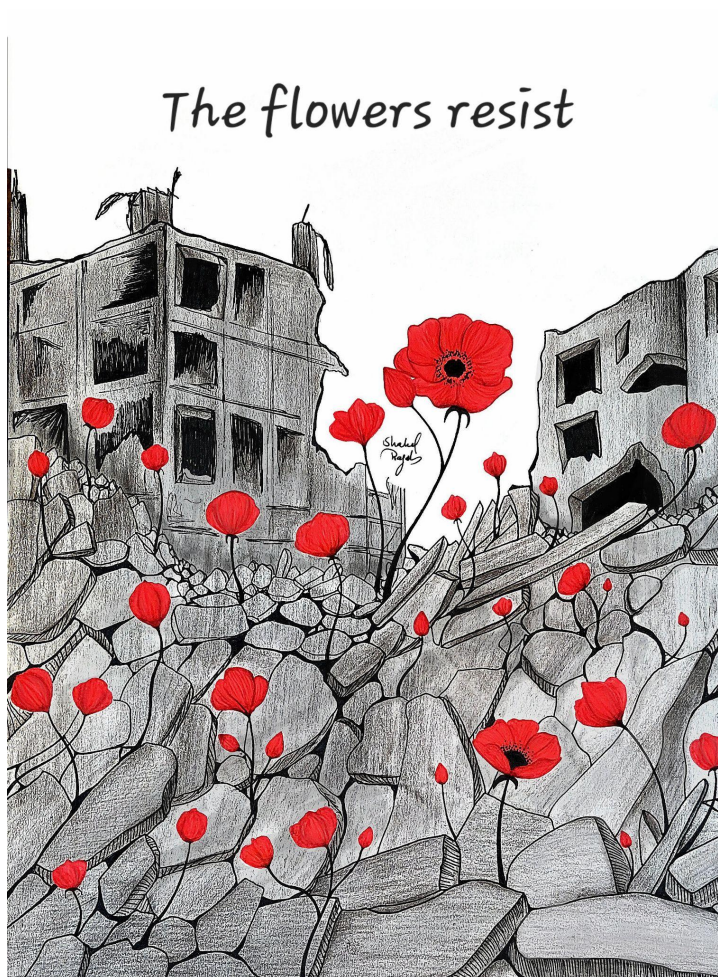
“From the heart of pain, genocide and displacement, we raise this cry—a prophetic cry of steadfastness. We declare our commitment to work for the good of this land and of all humanity on the basis of our shared humanity until the day we live free in our land together with all the inhabitants of the land in true peace and reconciliation founded on

justice and equality for all God's creation, where mercy and truth meet, and righteousness and peace kiss each other. (Psalm 85:10)." (Kairos II Document, Published Nov 2025)

Bulletin Artwork

A note about the artwork: Outside of Sliman Mansour and the photo of the Palestinian shepherd, all of the artists represented below are from or are currently in Gaza. We hope you consider supporting them financially when using their images and that you also share their fundraising links with your community. Special shoutout to [@flyers for falastin](#) for highlighting their work to us.

Advent 1 - Hope (The Prophecy Candle)



Artist Credit: Shahd Rajab @shahd_rajab51 • To support this artist financially, visit <https://www.gofundme.com/f/2hqfs-help-shahd-rebuild-her-life>

Advent 2 - Peace (The Bethlehem Candle)



Peace is the way

Artist Credit: Reem Alsayed @reem.alsayed95

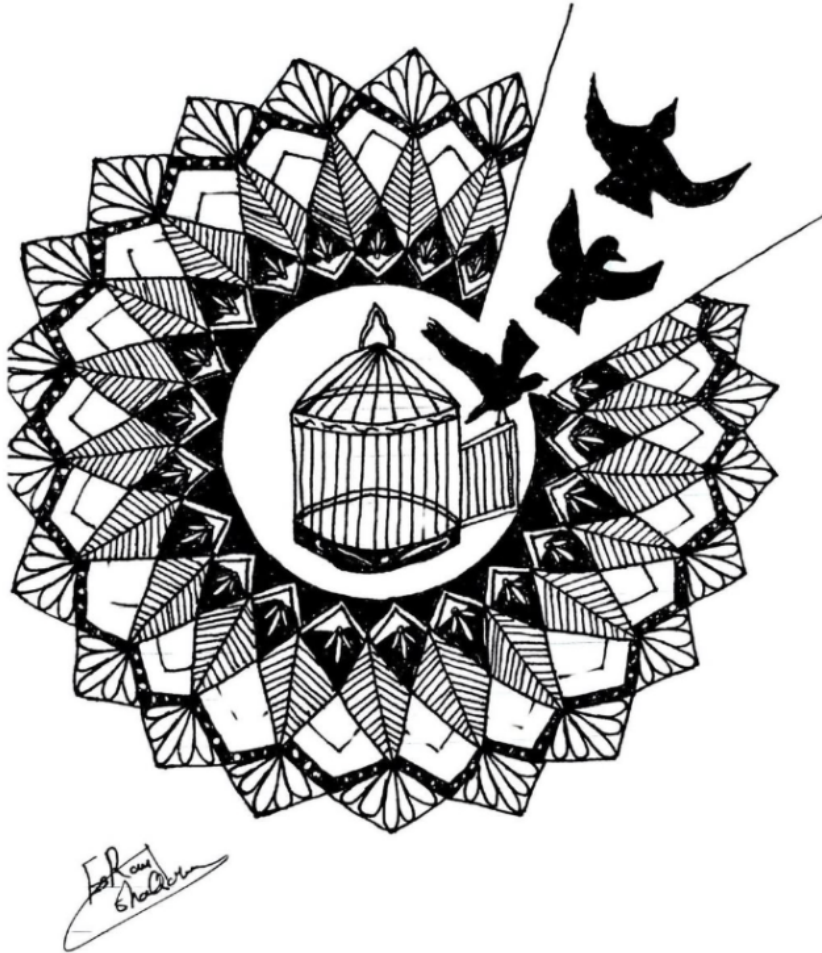
To support this artist financially, visit <https://gofund.me/e9ead8444>

Advent 3 - Joy (The Shepherd's Candle)



Artist Unknown: Photo depicts Palestinian shepherd anointing a sheep's head with oil - Palestine, c. 1920.

Advent 4 - Love (The Angel's Candle)



Artist Credit: Israa Shaqlean @israashaqlean • To support this artist financially, visit <https://chuffed.org/project/148009-help-esraa-in-gaza>

Christmas Eve (The Christ Candle)



Artist Credit: Sarah Rsid @artist._sarah.h • To support this artist financially visit <https://gofund.me/369ed85c1> • To buy their Christmas card bundle, visit <https://hamdizainoart.bigcartel.com/product/christmas-postcard-set>

Epiphany



Artist Credit: [Sliman Mansour](http://slimanmansour.com)'s "Bethlehem." A caricature published in *Al Fajr* English language newspaper in the 1980s. To support this artist financially, visit his site: slimanmansour.com.



Further Reading

Note: each resource listed below is authored, edited, or curated by Palestinian Christians.

- [The History of Palestinian Liberation Theology](#) (Zine)
- 101s from the **Palestinian Christian Alliance for Peace (PCAP)**:
 - [Who are the Christians of the Holy Land?](#)
 - [Where do Holy Land Christians live?](#)

- Where do Holy Land Christians worship?
- What happened to these Christians in the past?
- What's happening to Holy Land Christians now?
- What are Holy Land Christians saying?
- What does the Bible say about this?
- **“What is Palestinian Liberation Theology?”** by Naim Ateek
- ***The Cross and the Olive Tree: Cultivating Palestinian Theology amid Gaza*** edited by John and Samuel Munayer
- [Sabeel Ecumenical Liberation Theology: Theological Library](#)
- **Kairos Palestine** - Kairos Palestine is a Palestinian Christian ecumenical movement rooted in the historic Moment of Truth document issued in 2009 (linked below as Kairos 1). Born from the lived reality of suffering, steadfast faith, and the longing for justice, the Kairos Palestine movement raises a prophetic voice against the ongoing oppression in Palestine. The original Kairos Document (linked below as Kairos 1) stands as the collective word of Palestinian Christians to the world; a cry of hope grounded in love, prayer, and unwavering faith in God. It speaks first to our own Palestinian community and then calls upon churches and Christians everywhere to reject injustice and apartheid, and to work courageously for a just and lasting peace.

As allies to Palestinian Christians living in Palestine, it's important that we study these documents faithfully.

- [Kairos 1](#)
- [Kairos 2](#)
- Love as resistance: Christian Palestinians speak to the world featuring Rifat Kassis of Kairos Palestine
- Christ at the Checkpoint Podcast - Rev. Munther Isaac Interviews Rifat Kassis about the importance of the Kairos Document
- “A Letter to our Muslim Brethren,” published by Kairos Palestine
- **“Faith and the Intifada”**
 - “The Intifada, Nonviolence and the Bible” by Jean Zaru in “Faith and the Intifada”
 - “God Hears the Cry of My People” by Nora Kort in “Faith and the Intifada”
 - “Reclaiming Our Identity and Redefining Ourselves” Munir Fasheh in “Faith and the Intifada”
- **Freedom is the Future: Vision & Policy Demands for Justice from Palestinians in the United States**



Other Misc. Resources

- If you're looking for a **communion liturgy**, we have some options in our World Communion Sunday 2025 Preach Palestine resource, found [here](#).
- Need more **sermon inspiration**? Study Rev. Munther Isaac's "Christ in the Rubble" sermon [here](#).
- Want to **dig deeper into direct action** with your community around Preach Palestine's focus on the [Complicit Corporations campaign](#) to boycott Chevron? Check out the amazing resources and toolkits from our friends over at Christians for a Free Palestine (CFP) here: <https://christiansforafreepalestine.com/advent>
- Anticipating a **difficult conversation** with a family member, friend, or congregant during this season? Check out two conversation tools we know can help:
 - [CFP Holiday Family Conversations Toolkit](#)
 - [FOSNA's Guide to Difficult Conversations about Christian Zionism](#)