

Our 2017 Advent Countdown:
"All Creation Waits"

* HOPE *

1. (apple tree) Be thankful for trees! Get our Christmas tree.
2. (rooster/hen) The days are so dark! Let's watch the sunset together.
3. (cow/calf) Light a purple candle and enjoy a cup of milky, hot cocoa.
4. (goat/kid) Gather branches for St. Barbara's Day - set them in water & sunshine.
5. (2 pigs) Collect, clean, and paint rocks to give as gifts.
6. (goose) Make twig ornaments for the learning room.
7. (tabby cat) Make a star lantern to light up the dark nights.
8. (sheepdog) Watch the stars come out & marvel at the beauty of the night.
9. (horse/foal) Help Dad set up a small wildlife tree on the patio.

* PEACE *

10. (squirrel) Light 2 purple candles. Enjoy a bonfire with magical pinecones!
11. (owl) Take a peace walk; make wood slice ornaments.
12. (hedgehog) Make beeswax candles to give as gifts.
13. (fox) Prepare mulling spices to give as gifts.
14. (mama bear) Happy Birthday, Earlybird! Deliver treats to library & post office.
15. (bear cub) Set up rainbow flower experiment.
16. (2 fawns) Read Christmas books outside today - with hot drinks!

* JOY *

17. (dolphin) Light 2 purple & 1 pink candles. Enjoy a warm, minty foot bath!
18. (clownfish) Make tasty treats for the birds and squirrels.
19. (seal) Make ice lanterns.
20. (polar bear) Bake cookies with Nana.
21. (sun face) Take a sunset walk and enjoy our Solstice Supper!
22. (donkey) Make homemade gift wrap using nature materials.
23. (robin redbreast) Do something nice in secret for someone today!

* LOVE *

24. (lion & lamb) Light all the candles! Deliver cards and goodies to neighbors.