Advent Table Conversations

HOPE

-How do you define hope?

-Who is the most hopeful person you know?

-What is one thing you hope you get to experience in your

-What movie or book tells a good story about hope? Why do you think it demonstrates hope?

-What does it look like to live with hope?

-Why do you think we celebrate hope this time of year?

-Describe a time when you were filled with hope. What was that experience like?

-Why should Christians be hopeful?

-How does Jesus provide us with hope?

-Is it possible to become more hopeful? If so, how?

JOY

What is joy?

-Play a round (or multiple rounds) of the try not to laugh challenge (i.e. try to make each other laugh, while not laughing yourself).

-What would bring you joy right now?

-Describe a time when you were extremely joyful.

-Who is the most joyful person you know?

-What is it like to be around a joyful person?

-Do you believe that God wants you to be joyful?

-What can you do today to become more joyful?

-When was the last time you laughed so hard you cried?

-How does Jesus provide us with joy?

PEACE

-What is peace?

- -Does the peace of Jesus bring about more peace within us, in our relationships, or some sort of combination? Explain your answer.
 - -Is world peace achievable, yes or no? Defend your answer.
 - -Jesus says blessed are the peacemakers. How do you become a peacemaker?
 - -Who is the most peaceful person you know?
 - -How does Jesus' birth bring about peace to the world?
 - s there someone in your life you need to make peace with?
 - -What image comes to your mind when you think about peace?
 - -How does Jesus provide us with peace?
 - -Why do you think we celebrate peace this time of year?

LOVE

- -How would you describe love to someone?
 - -What is your favorite love song?
- -Describe what it feels like to be loved by someone.
 - -How does Jesus demonstrate his love to us?
 - -Who is the most loving person you know?
- -How can you show love to someone this christmas season?
- -What does it look like to love someone like God loves us?
 - -Why do you think we celebrate love this time of year?
- -What is something you can do to become a more loving person like Jesus?
 - -What is the thing you love most about this time of year?