

Create an Advent Collage

Materials

- large cardstock or poster board
- glue stick
- scissors
- crayons/markers/pencil crayons

Optional Materials

- tissue paper, construction paper, ribbon, fabric scraps, stickers, confetti, glitter, and natural elements such as leaves, feathers, and dried flowers.

Steps

- 1) Divide cardstock or poster board into four sections, with a circle in the middle.
- 2) Week 1: Purple candle, symbol of hope. Children create and add the first candle. Decorate with stars, the sun, grass, trees, and footprints.
- 3) Week 2: Purple candle, symbol of peace. Children create and add two purple candles, representing hope and peace. Decorate with white feathers, doves, “olive” branch, cut-out or dried flowers/leaves.
- 4) Week 3: Pink candle, symbol of joy. Children create the two purple candles from Weeks 1 and 2, and add a pink candle. Decorate with confetti, glitter, musical notes, ribbon curls, and bells.
- 5) Week 4: Purple candle, symbol of love. Children create the three candles from Weeks 1-3 and add the fourth candle. Decorate with hearts, cut-out figures holding hands, and flowers such as roses and lilies.
- 6) Christmas morning! In the center, children create a nativity scene.



