Take-home note

Joy: John points to the light · Isaiah 61:1–4, 8–11; Psalm 126; John 1:6–8, 19–28

Today in Sunday school

Today was the third Sunday of Advent, the Sunday of joy, when many churches light a pink candle. Your child heard the story of John the Baptist (John 1:6–8, 19–28). When leaders asked John who he was, he said he was a voice calling, “Get ready!” John was glad to point everyone to Jesus, the light who brings God’s love to all.

Talk about it

- What good news made you happy this week?
- Why do you think John was so glad to point to Jesus?
- Who helps you see God’s love?

Try this at home

Put the joy lantern on your table. Each evening this week, turn on a lamp or a battery candle at dinner, and take turns naming one thing that made you glad today.

Pray together

Dear God, thank you for the joy of Advent. Help us point to your light and share your love. Amen.

Memory verse
“The LORD has done great things for us, and we are glad.” (Psalm 126:3)

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