Stars of Wonder Instruction Sheet

Thanks for agreeing to help with this year's Advent worship visuals. It's easy and fun, and perfection isn't a requirement! Here's what needs to be done:

- 1. Cut twenty or more 8.5 x 8.5 inch (22 x 22 cm) squares of Christmas wrapping paper. Foil paper will work especially well, but choose any paper that is easy for you to fold and holds a crease.
- Follow the diagrams below to create round stars. Take care to make sure the tape holds tightly and will stay put for a long time.
- Once completed, drop your stars in the box marked "Advent Stars." If you can, finish them a week before Advent. If you can't make that, hand them in when you can all the way up to Christmas.
- 4. Throughout Advent, we'll be hanging these stars in the worship space. Look for yours!



Step 1: With printed side of the paper face down, fold paper in half to determine center. Unfold, and then fold in sides to center line to create a double-thick piece with the printed pattern on both sides.



Step 2: Fold the strip accordion-like starting at one of the short ends until you have eight panels—as you would if making a paper fan. Add an extra fold to the end panels. These reinforced ends will be taped together in the next step. (See below right for the top view showing folds.)





Step 3: Collapse the fan and fold in half to determine the center. Holding the fan at the center point, carefully bring the top and bottom edges toward each other (see illustration at right). Tape the short folds together to hold the shape.

Step 4: When you're ready to hang the stars, lay the string in the center fold and use glue dots to hold the folds closed around the string.

