



Four Keys for Practicing Faith

Caring Conversations:

Share about a space in your previous home where you felt most comfortable. What did you like about that space?

Share about a space in your new home that you are particularly excited to use. What do you plan to do there first?

Devotions:

Place a candle in each room to be blessed (outside, entrance, family/living room, kitchen/dining room, bedrooms) and carry a lit candle with you.

(Gather outside, if possible.)

By wisdom a house is built, and through understanding it is established. - Proverbs 24:3 (NIV)

Pray together: O God, candles bring light to this home, so enable (home owners) to be your light in this neighborhood. In Jesus' name we pray. Amen.

Light the candle and say together, "Christ is present!"

(Move to entrance.)

The Lord will watch over your coming and going both now and forevermore. – Psalm 121:8 (NIV)

Pray together: Defender God, protect and guide those of us who live here; our going out and our coming in; and let us share the hospitality of this home with all who visit, that those who enter may know our love and peace. Amen.

Light the candle and say together, "Christ is present!"

(Move to the family/living room.)

A new command I give you: Love one another. As I have loved you, so you must love one another.
– John 13:34 (NIV)

Pray together: Giver of joy and love, bless all who share this room that through you we may be bound together in a community of love. Amen.

Light the candle and say together, “Christ is present!”

(Move to the kitchen/dining room.)

The eyes of all look to you, and you give them their food at the proper time. You open your hand and satisfy the desires of every living thing. – Psalm 145: 15-16 (NIV)

Pray together: Blessed are you, Lord of heaven and earth, for you give us food and drink to sustain our lives and make our hearts glad. Help us to be grateful for all your mercies and mindful of the needs of others. Amen.

Light the candle and say together, “Christ is present!”

(Move to the bedrooms.)

In peace I will lie down and sleep, for you alone, Lord, make me dwell in safety. – Psalm 4:8 (NIV)

Pray together: Lord, you provide rest for the weary and renewal for our bodies and spirits. Bless our times of rest that we might be refreshed and energized for your service. Amen.

Light the candle and say together, “Christ is present!”

(Return to the family/living room.)

My people will live in safety, quietly at home. They will be at rest. – Isaiah 32:18 (NLT)

Pray together: O God, we pray you will bless this home and bless (names) with your gracious presence. Let your love be our inspiration, your wisdom our guide, your truth our light, and your peace our benediction. Amen.

Service:

Send a text/email/postcard to friends and family to let them know your new address.

Rituals and Traditions:

Bless one another saying: “May the Lord watch over us as we go out and come in now and forever. Amen.”