

Christmas Book Library List

Are you looking for picture books and read alouds to share with your children this Christmas season? The following booklist includes Christmas legends and folktales, beloved Christmas carols, art & history connections, and stories that focus on love, joy, and generosity while also celebrating the Greatest Gift ever given!

Christmas Legends & Folktales

The Tale of Three Trees: A Traditional Folktale by Angela Elwell Hunt
Baboushka and the Three Kings by Ruth Robbins
The Legend of the Candy Cane by Lori Walburg
The Legend of the Christmas Tree by Rick Osborne

Christmas Carols

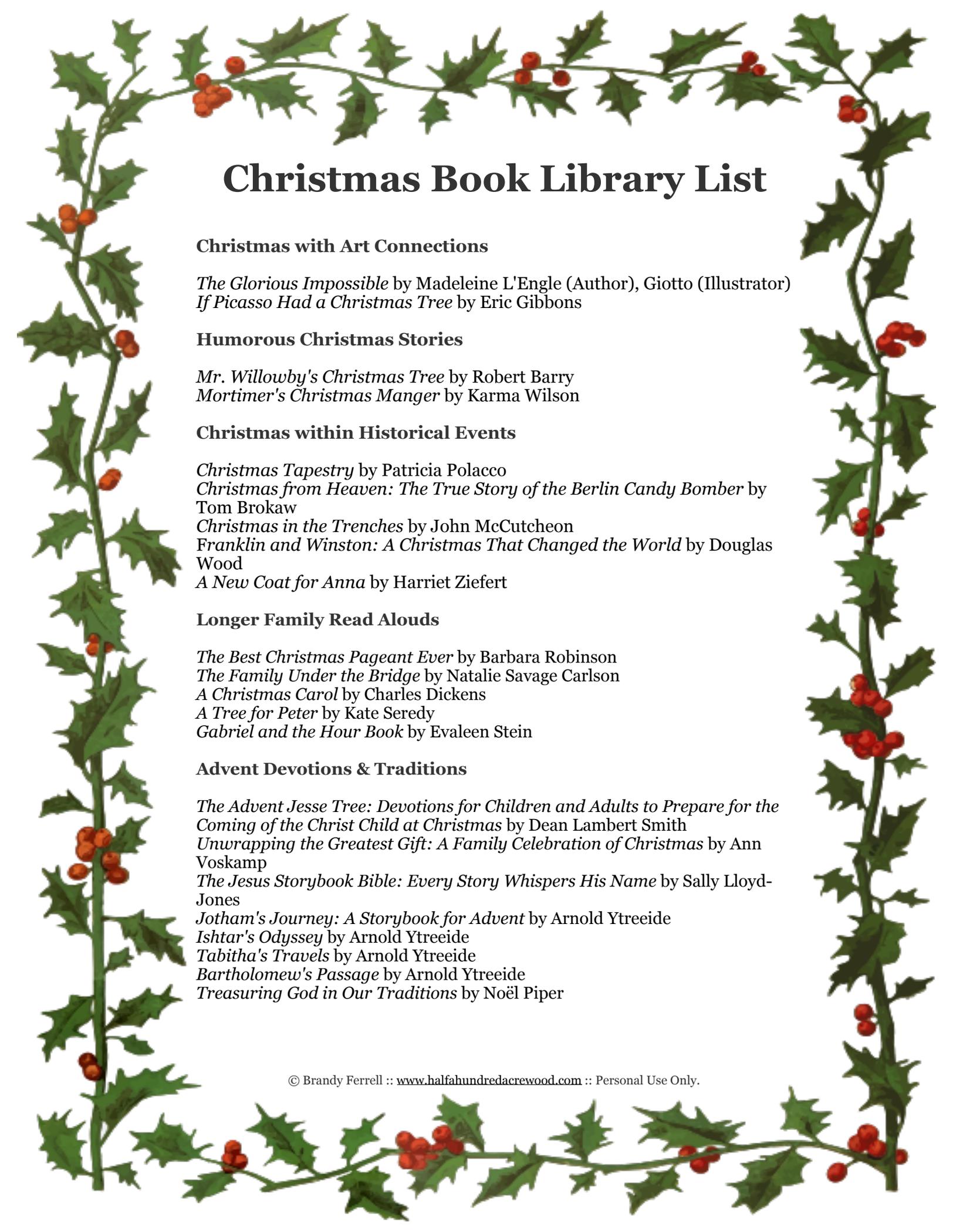
The Friendly Beasts: an Old English Christmas Carol by Tomie dePaola
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Stephen's Feast by Jean Richardson
Oh, Come, Little Children by Anita Reith Stohs
The 12 Days of Christmas: The Story Behind a Favorite Christmas Song by Helen C. Haidle
The Little Drummer Boy by Ezra Jack Keats

Toddler Boy Favorites (Things that Go!)

Little Blue Truck's Christmas by Alice Schertle
Construction Site on Christmas Night by Sherri Duskey Rinker
An Otis Christmas by Loren Long
The Polar Express by Chris Van Allsburg

Love, Joy, and a Heart of Giving

The Christmas Miracle of Jonathan Toomey by Susan Wojciechowski
An Orange for Frankie by Patricia Polacco
The Trees of the Dancing Goats by Patricia Polacco
Bear Stays up for Christmas by Karma Wilson
The Sparkle Box: A Gift with the Power to Change Christmas by Jill Hardie
The Clown of God by Tomie dePaola
The Story of St. Nicholas: More Than Reindeer and a Red Suit by Cheryl Odden
The Gift of the Magi by O. Henry
The Crippled Lamb by Max Lucado
The Carpenter's Gift: A Christmas Tale about the Rockefeller Center Tree by David Rubel
Christmas Day in the Morning by Pearl Buck



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Christmas with Art Connections

The Glorious Impossible by Madeleine L'Engle (Author), Giotto (Illustrator)
If Picasso Had a Christmas Tree by Eric Gibbons

Humorous Christmas Stories

Mr. Willowby's Christmas Tree by Robert Barry
Mortimer's Christmas Manger by Karma Wilson

Christmas within Historical Events

Christmas Tapestry by Patricia Polacco
Christmas from Heaven: The True Story of the Berlin Candy Bomber by Tom Brokaw
Christmas in the Trenches by John McCutcheon
Franklin and Winston: A Christmas That Changed the World by Douglas Wood
A New Coat for Anna by Harriet Ziefert

Longer Family Read Alouds

The Best Christmas Pageant Ever by Barbara Robinson
The Family Under the Bridge by Natalie Savage Carlson
A Christmas Carol by Charles Dickens
A Tree for Peter by Kate Seredy
Gabriel and the Hour Book by Evaleen Stein

Advent Devotions & Traditions

The Advent Jesse Tree: Devotions for Children and Adults to Prepare for the Coming of the Christ Child at Christmas by Dean Lambert Smith
Unwrapping the Greatest Gift: A Family Celebration of Christmas by Ann Voskamp
The Jesus Storybook Bible: Every Story Whispers His Name by Sally Lloyd-Jones
Jotham's Journey: A Storybook for Advent by Arnold Ytreeide
Ishtar's Odyssey by Arnold Ytreeide
Tabitha's Travels by Arnold Ytreeide
Bartholomew's Passage by Arnold Ytreeide
Treasuring God in Our Traditions by Noël Piper