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## South Carolina State Parks

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DAY 4! What's your favorite Christmas tradition? Tell us, and we will select a random winner to win a SC State Park prize pack! Just comment below by 8 p.m. today!



**Jeffrey Crenshaw** Awesome!

at 13:38:23 on 12/22/2014 UTC



**Tia Pittman Bolding** spending time with family :)

at 13:38:32 on 12/22/2014 UTC



**Misty Richardson** Opening Christmas P.J.'s on Christmas Eve, then changing into them. We then read the journey of Joseph and Mary as they travel to Bethlehem and the birth of Christ.

at 13:39:01 on 12/22/2014 UTC



**Amy Smith Henry** We always cook green eggs and ham on Christmas morning and our kids love it!!

at 13:40:32 on 12/22/2014 UTC



**Jennifer W. Newton** Playing board games after dinner.

at 13:40:44 on 12/22/2014 UTC



**Shannon Rowell Ward** Going to Grandmas to see all the family together at the same time!! :)

at 13:41:40 on 12/22/2014 UTC



**Kathryn Braun Fenner** Stollen for breakfast

at 13:42:16 on 12/22/2014 UTC



**Wendy Jones Sease** Opening presents on Christmas Day and then going to my aunts for the big family dinner. This year we can't because my daughter just had surgery. So I'll really be looking forward to going again next year!!

at 13:42:38 on 12/22/2014 UTC



**Monty Osborne** I love the Santa cookies and milk!!!! Nice late night treat

at 13:43:32 on 12/22/2014 UTC

**Nicole Richardson Bryan** Fireworks on Christmas Eve to wake up Santa and get him started on his way! Christmas PJ's too!



at 13:43:58 on 12/22/2014 UTC



**Ami Solomon** Letting the kids open one gift on Christmas Eve and then watching a Christmas movie together.

at 13:44:04 on 12/22/2014 UTC



**Adam Laoi** Ham...beer. ..christmas story 24 hrs

at 13:44:20 on 12/22/2014 UTC



**Doris Malcolm** Leaving Reindeer food on the front lawn ( oatmeal mixed w glitter so Santa can see when he lands the sleigh)

at 13:44:20 on 12/22/2014 UTC



**Wendy Peoples Moore** Watching the polar express on Christmas eve, eating cookies and drinking hot "choco-lot" before our little one must be in bed.

at 13:44:56 on 12/22/2014 UTC



**Jeremy Cheek** Going to both of my grandma's house on Christmas Eve...for 30 years now

at 13:45:08 on 12/22/2014 UTC



**Melissa Eide** Camp at South Carolina State Parks....obviously!!!! That's what we are doing again this year! :-)

at 13:45:15 on 12/22/2014 UTC



**Teresa Calhoun Ramsey** Chocolate Gravy and biscuits!

at 13:45:23 on 12/22/2014 UTC



**Karyn Reynolds Iserman** Decorating the tree with home made ornaments.

at 13:45:36 on 12/22/2014 UTC



**Christian Joy Miller** Reading "Santa Mouse" before opening up gifts

at 13:46:35 on 12/22/2014 UTC



**Mandy McCoy-Burzler Jason Burzler** Advent calendar, decorating tree, and off course being able to spend time with family! 🎄❄️👨👩👧👦

at 13:46:40 on 12/22/2014 UTC



**Kristy Balser** making popcorn and stringing it every year with my 2 sons

at 13:47:59 on 12/22/2014 UTC



**Gidget Dennewitz Athey** Opening one present on Christmas Eve

at 13:48:59 on 12/22/2014 UTC



**Emily Goralczyk** Getting to see the whole family on Christmas.

at 13:49:41 on 12/22/2014 UTC



**Jurga Berry** Family time!

at 13:49:58 on 12/22/2014 UTC



**Jessica Enlow** Orange rolls on Christmas morning! I had to promise to save some for my oldest daughter who now lives on her own.

at 13:50:25 on 12/22/2014 UTC



**Cortney McDugald Lowman** Our Christmas Eve tradition: Baking/decorating cookies (after visiting family) for Santa, watching movies and drinking hot chocolate together and reading the story of Jesus.

at 13:50:29 on 12/22/2014 UTC

**Anna Adair Hood** Christmas Eve service at church and family dinner afterwards!



at 13:50:42 on 12/22/2014 UTC



**Sandy Jordan** Christmas morning breakfast!!

at 13:50:46 on 12/22/2014 UTC



**Danielle Higgins Winston** cooking a huge Christmas breakfast after opening presents..bacon, eggs, sausage, french toast, pastries, the works. my favorite tradition from my own childhood passed on to my own family.

at 13:51:10 on 12/22/2014 UTC



**April Waller** Christmas Eve potato soup!

at 13:52:06 on 12/22/2014 UTC



**Heather Holman Padgett** Going to look @ Christmas Lights and singing Carols while looking!

at 13:52:39 on 12/22/2014 UTC



**Dawn Trucillo** baking tons of cookies!

at 13:52:49 on 12/22/2014 UTC



**Lyndsi Caulder** Opening a present on Christmas Eve

at 13:52:50 on 12/22/2014 UTC



**Jean Stubbs-Carter** Watching the kids open one gift on Christmas Eve.

at 13:53:05 on 12/22/2014 UTC



**Nancy Eargle Hargrove** Hanging our stockings, that include it, our children, grandchildren, and now, great grandchildren! Each one special and made by me.

at 13:53:26 on 12/22/2014 UTC



**Michelle Mullen** Doing Nothing

at 13:53:37 on 12/22/2014 UTC



**Jan Bridwell Walker** Elf on the Shelf - camping style!



at 13:53:51 on 12/22/2014 UTC



**Sallie D Scott** Oyster stew on Christmas Eve.

at 13:54:09 on 12/22/2014 UTC



**August Gering** The kids get to open one present on Christmas Eve.  
at 13:54:15 on 12/22/2014 UTC



**Joy Marion Thibadeau** Making cookies to pass out to local fire departments and friends.  
Cookie bombing  
at 13:54:16 on 12/22/2014 UTC



**Rob Shirley** Christmas Eve lunch in downtown Greenville and shopping at Mast General, then off to mom's for family dinner.  
at 13:54:24 on 12/22/2014 UTC



**Maria Seibert Howe** Going to the Christmas eve candlelight service at Macedonia Lutheran church with my family. Love ending the service with "Silent Night".  
at 13:54:32 on 12/22/2014 UTC



**Diane Laura Franklin** After Christmas dinner n opening presents , all of us play a ' friendly' game of football , no matter how cold it is..girlfriends & wives... all of us ♡  
at 13:55:57 on 12/22/2014 UTC



**Melanie Hembree Samol** Breakfast together with my family on Christmas morning.  
at 13:56:15 on 12/22/2014 UTC



**Kerri Kennedy** Every Christmas Eve, we go to the James Island County Park Festival of Lights. We started the tradition in 2007, and have gone every year since. Though my husband works in EMS, we have always been lucky enough for him to be off for us to continue tradition. (Even if he has to work all day Christmas!) It's the one last little bit of magic of the holidays for us that doesn't get lost in the hustle and bustle of Christmas morning.  
at 13:56:16 on 12/22/2014 UTC



**Kelly Rachel** Christmastime canoeing at our SC State Parks!



at 13:56:18 on 12/22/2014 UTC



**Erin Laughter** Watching a Charlie Brown Christmas.  
at 13:57:15 on 12/22/2014 UTC



**Terri Good** Decorating our Christmas tree!  
at 13:58:09 on 12/22/2014 UTC



**Cheryl Renee Nicholson Rackley** Several years ago I began giving my mom a stocking for Christmas. The first year I hid it in her car when she came to visit us. Then on Christmas day morning I called her and told her where it was. She was so surprised and very excited to

receive it. Since then I always give her a stocking stuffed with things she likes. She is 72 but age doesn't matter during Christmas its the joy you receive seeing someone else smile when you give them something as simple as a stocking!!!!

at 13:58:16 on 12/22/2014 UTC



**Vickie Meitler Robertson** Going to Midnight Services with family.

at 13:58:30 on 12/22/2014 UTC



**Debbie Preece-borawski** Sprinkling the oats for the reindeer and leaving cookies and milk for Santa with my grandson

at 13:58:33 on 12/22/2014 UTC



**Allyson Chrisley** Christmas Eve with my parents

at 13:58:36 on 12/22/2014 UTC



**Keith T Jones** We march into to room with the Christmas tree, in descending age, singing "Jingle Bells"!

at 13:58:54 on 12/22/2014 UTC



**Will Chafin** Candlelight service at church.

at 13:58:57 on 12/22/2014 UTC



**Lisa Carroll Davenport** Shopping for Christmas stockings on Christmas Eve.

at 13:59:26 on 12/22/2014 UTC



**Jeanie Bolton** Oyster pie on Christmas Eve, then candlelight Church Service!

at 14:00:00 on 12/22/2014 UTC



**Leslie Thomas** We travel around to a lot of the lighting events in the state, we take our baby girl with us and drive back home to see the Festival of Lights at JICP, Brookgreen's Night of a Thousand Candles, Marion Square, smaller exhibits and even the Winter lights in the OBX & the Boardwalk lights in VA Beach. Our daughter was a newborn last year so we didn't get to go to many of our usual treks, this year she's off and running everywhere and loves it!

at 14:00:43 on 12/22/2014 UTC



**Marydon Dobbs Howell** Reading both Christmas stories on Christmas eve

at 14:00:51 on 12/22/2014 UTC



**Jeni Whitman** Opening one small gift Christmas Eve with my Dad.

at 14:00:59 on 12/22/2014 UTC



**Andrew Mitchell** Our traditions are just beginning in our new South Carolina home.

at 14:00:59 on 12/22/2014 UTC



**Martha Chandler** Going to Biltmore and Historic Brattonsville for candlelight tours with my family

at 14:02:31 on 12/22/2014 UTC



**Kathy Narowski** Making and decorating Christmas cookies with my granddaughter.

at 14:02:56 on 12/22/2014 UTC



**Diane Anderson** Spending time with family, making cookies, and just having some time off work

at 14:02:58 on 12/22/2014 UTC



**Cindy Elder Kirkland** The kids alway pick out a movie in the theater for the family to go see on Christmas Eve.

at 14:02:58 on 12/22/2014 UTC

**Kathleen Barber** Our Mother always followed the old Dutch tradition of putting out our shoes for ST. Nicholas Day , as children , we all thought it was something she had made up so that





Santa wouldn't over fill our stocking at Christmas and cause a spill .....Imagine my surprise when I saw a post a couple of years ago from my cousin who was putting out her Grandchildrens shoes !!! That is when I found out that our favorite tradition wasn't just a whim , but a real link to our past and all of the family that came before us  
at 14:02:59 on 12/22/2014 UTC



**Suzette Contreras** Baking coolies with my family  
at 14:03:32 on 12/22/2014 UTC



**Jennifer Lovette** Being with family, eating dinner, watching my kids play with Santa's gifts for them, and praising God for one more year with my family.  
at 14:03:53 on 12/22/2014 UTC



**Heather C Bishop** The look on my grandfather's face as we opened our gifts. Was lucky to have him for 36 years of my life  
at 14:04:49 on 12/22/2014 UTC



**Stephanie Phipps** Eating peanut butter candy my Mom makes.  
at 14:05:14 on 12/22/2014 UTC



**Jennifer Arndt Autry** Big breakfast Christmas morning. We usually just eat light but on Christmas we make the works!  
at 14:05:20 on 12/22/2014 UTC



**Ellie Hudson Bragan** Christmas Eve service with all our family, crazy Christmas morning, family time  
at 14:05:40 on 12/22/2014 UTC



**Melanie Mentz Turnbach** My favorite tradition is the Christmas Eve dinner. We all complain about it, and make fun of the feast of 7 fish, however it wouldn't be Christmas without it!  
at 14:06:12 on 12/22/2014 UTC



**Faith Castillo** Breakfast at my grandparents Christmas morning... using their Christmas dishes and visiting with family first thing... watching my Granny try to help and my granddaddy telling her to go sit down he's got it covered... knowing their is still a kids table even though we are no longer kids... it's something I'm so thankful for... so many people don't get the blessing of having close grandparents and now I'm blessed getting to see my son interact and grow to love his great grandparents  
at 14:06:17 on 12/22/2014 UTC



**Sarah Foster** Making delicious meals the entire week of Christmas and opening one gift together the night before Christmas. 🎄  
at 14:06:37 on 12/22/2014 UTC



**Katie Lyerly** Cinnabons on Christmas morning!!!  
at 14:06:39 on 12/22/2014 UTC



**Kathi Walston Holdway** Getting together with family on Christmas eve.  
at 14:08:01 on 12/22/2014 UTC



**Julie Hutchins Mann** Spending time with family and friends  
at 14:08:20 on 12/22/2014 UTC



**Amanda Brand** Coffee and breakfast casserole while watching the kids open presents on Christmas morning.  
at 14:08:27 on 12/22/2014 UTC



**Tara Leonard Buckner** Going to James Island county park lights with the family and getting the new Christmas ornament.  
at 14:08:34 on 12/22/2014 UTC

**Andi Scruggs Martin** On Christmas Eve we all get to open one present, which is always new



PJs!

at 14:09:13 on 12/22/2014 UTC



**Amy Dietz Swick** On the day after Christmas, we always go on a hike with whichever family members are still in town. It is a great way to get outside and away from the hustle and bustle of the days leading up to Christmas.

at 14:09:53 on 12/22/2014 UTC



**Katie Faulk** My sister making Cinnamon Rolls for us to eat first thing!

at 14:10:09 on 12/22/2014 UTC



**Katherine Mann** Making cookies and playing loud Christmas music

at 14:10:24 on 12/22/2014 UTC



**Sarah Kangaroo Crist** Ours is bizarre but we will play slice the fruit - with my dad's antique swords. They are pretty dull so it's more like batting fruit, but occasionally we slice a few!!

at 14:10:44 on 12/22/2014 UTC



**Amy Lyons Bates** We open one gift on Christmas Eve and watch Christmas movies...just the 4 of us.

at 14:10:46 on 12/22/2014 UTC



**Pamela J. Duncan** Candlelight Church service on Christmas Eve after our family gathering. Merry CHRISTmas!

at 14:11:00 on 12/22/2014 UTC



**Norman Waylon Ivey** This.



at 14:11:01 on 12/22/2014 UTC



**Helen McElrath Griffin** Riding around to look at lights!

at 14:11:01 on 12/22/2014 UTC



**Belinda Lewis** Decorating the tree! We have 37 years (almost 1200) of ornaments that represent everything important through the years!

at 14:11:18 on 12/22/2014 UTC



**Allison Gibson** Opening one present on Christmas Eve (flannel Jammie's of course!)

at 14:11:29 on 12/22/2014 UTC



**Rebekah Lambert** Making s'mores on Christmas Eve!! With my two awesome girls!!

at 14:11:33 on 12/22/2014 UTC



**Cathy Smith Holland** Christmas eve dinner and Christmas day breakfast

at 14:11:49 on 12/22/2014 UTC



**Susan Jackson** Viewing a live production of "A Christmas Carol"

at 14:11:55 on 12/22/2014 UTC



**Linda Morgan** Making Christmas cookies and spending time with the family

at 14:12:15 on 12/22/2014 UTC



**Heather Arrants** Christmas eve we watch a Christmas Carol and eat homemade fudge and open presents from immediate family. Then we get up before dawn Christmas day and load up and go to my grandmother's house for a big breakfast. But since I'm a nurse I'll be working Christmas eve again this year. :/

at 14:12:16 on 12/22/2014 UTC



**D J McLendon Wilson** Making walnut roll (family heirloom recipe). ♡

at 14:12:27 on 12/22/2014 UTC



**Jeanette Hobby** Christmas milk with the family.

at 14:12:32 on 12/22/2014 UTC



**Tabitha Renee Mckie Mead** Getting together and going to my moms. But we lost her in August and it just isn't them same this year

at 14:12:35 on 12/22/2014 UTC



**Tosha Derrick** Breakfast with my Nanny on Christmas morning is my fav Tradition

at 14:12:59 on 12/22/2014 UTC



**Kelley Morgan Hill** Cheese fondue for Christmas eve dinner

at 14:13:06 on 12/22/2014 UTC



**Tiffany Whiteside** Opening up just one present by the tree with my family on Christmas Eve. ♥♥♥

at 14:13:13 on 12/22/2014 UTC



**Ann Ingalls Hastings** Instead of buying gifts for each other (which involves finding the perfect gift for each person), we each bring a few assorted wrapped gifts (regifting is encouraged) and we have an auction. It is tons of fun and all of the money is donated to Salvation Army. This is our 16th year for the family auction and we have raised close to \$3000 over the years!

at 14:13:46 on 12/22/2014 UTC



**Angie Frankum** Eating dinner with my family all together!!

at 14:13:53 on 12/22/2014 UTC



**Earl Nolan** It was spendin time with my dad but he passed away in February bur this year idk

at 14:14:02 on 12/22/2014 UTC



**Stacey Overstreet** Reading 'Twas the Night Before Christmas to my daughter on Christmas Eve. Just like my Momma did to me and my sister every year.

at 14:14:08 on 12/22/2014 UTC



**John Edward Jussely Davis** Christmas Eve Candlelight Service. Always so peaceful and meaningful outside the hustle and bustle. Then, as a family we drink hot chocolate and read the Christmas story from Book of Luke.

at 14:14:19 on 12/22/2014 UTC



**Michelle O'Dell Adams** Riding around with the family in our new Christmas PJ's looking at Christmas lights.

at 14:14:55 on 12/22/2014 UTC



**Lisa Fulmer** We grill steak & shrimp for Christmas dinner with cheesecake for dessert.

at 14:15:13 on 12/22/2014 UTC



**Tammy Nevills** watching the Star Wars trilogy and feasting on pizza, Doritos, homemade cinnamon rolls and popcorn, lol!

at 14:15:26 on 12/22/2014 UTC



**Rosa Brown Hardee** Goin to the Christmas parade

at 14:15:27 on 12/22/2014 UTC



**Amy Hendriks** Baking cookies at Grandma's! Four generations in one kitchen making treats from recipes over one hundred years old is pretty special! :)

at 14:15:43 on 12/22/2014 UTC





**Myra Harmon Smith** Baking my Mom's Italian Cream cake!!!

at 14:16:19 on 12/22/2014 UTC



**Jacqueline Edge** Sausage cheese balls with my family while we open CHRISTmas gifts.

at 14:16:46 on 12/22/2014 UTC



**Ben Johnson** Sleeping late .

at 14:17:00 on 12/22/2014 UTC



**Lois Graham** Relaxing

at 14:17:18 on 12/22/2014 UTC



**Linda Shillingburg** Seeing the excitement in my grandkids eyes when they see the tree lights, and when they open their gifts on Christmas.. :) <3

at 14:17:24 on 12/22/2014 UTC



**Ty Moore** Camping at Hunting Island or Edisto

at 14:17:27 on 12/22/2014 UTC



**Lynn Donohue Gerken** My daddy reading Twas the Night before Christmas on Christmas Eve, mind you I am 55 and he still reads to us girls!!!!

at 14:17:57 on 12/22/2014 UTC



**Azure Carter** Decorating the tree. We decorate our tree with only homemade ornaments. Every year my son and I make new ones together to add to it.

at 14:18:08 on 12/22/2014 UTC



**Nicole Feigl** Christmas egg nog with the family :) And making cookies with the twins (they turned three this year so it is a fairly new tradition but they love cookies and love picking them for Santa).

at 14:18:31 on 12/22/2014 UTC



**Hope Hanna Maxwell** One of our favorite family traditions is hiding an Easter egg in the Christmas tree. Who ever finds it gets to hide it next. It reminds us that christmas isn't just about the birth of Jesus. But He came for a reason. To die for our sins.

at 14:19:06 on 12/22/2014 UTC



**Angie Michelle Nolen** Making my family cinnamon roles and hot chocolate Christmas morning

at 14:19:29 on 12/22/2014 UTC



**Virginia Rackley Scates** My favorite Christmas tradition is having the entire family gathered at Dad and Mom's on Christmas Day for circle time. We sing carols while calling extended family members, since we can't walk the miles that separate us to carol on their doorstep. Then we go around the circle of family members, and all 15 of us take a turn sharing what we are most thankful for and a fond memory of the year. The last 3 years we have been most thankful for a complete stranger, who allowed my Mom to receive their loved ones liver during her liver transplant on Dec. 1st. That Christmas gift has allowed our family to continue our tradition of sharing circle time at Christmas and keeping our circle complete. We are also thankful for state parks, especially Oconee State park where my parents fostered our love of spending time with family, camping, and enjoying the great outdoors during different holidays and vacations. . Merry Christmas to the SC State Park family! Thank you for helping to build family memories that are passed from generation to generation. We have already booked our sites for Halloween 2015 and Mom and Dad have reserved a cabin. We look forward to continuing to build more memories as we celebrate my youngest daughters birthday (Halloween Day) at the State park with camping friends, old and new. I guess we could write about several holidays and our favorite traditions we share with/at SC State parks.

at 14:19:55 on 12/22/2014 UTC



**Mildred McIntosh Hardison** Having time for everyone to be together.

at 14:20:09 on 12/22/2014 UTC



**Marianne Revie** Christmas eve family dinner  
at 14:20:15 on 12/22/2014 UTC



**Toni Cato-Steger** Making our 25 days of Christmas Chain. Counts down to Christmas w/ a surprise inside each chain of what to do that day. It can be Eat dinner by Christmas Tree, Donate can goods, Drink hot Chocolate while watching Polar Express, etc. Simple but fun!



at 14:20:39 on 12/22/2014 UTC



**Kevin Smith** riding around town, looking at all the lights!  
at 14:20:41 on 12/22/2014 UTC



**Jackie Hurst Rivers** Christmas morning brunch with our kids and grands  
at 14:22:19 on 12/22/2014 UTC



**Tammy Stancil Harbin** Going to the Grove Park Inn as a family to see the Gingerbread houses.  
at 14:22:38 on 12/22/2014 UTC



**Nicole 'Gantt' Lancaster** Spending as much time with the entire family and having "trash" (appetizers) for dinner.  
at 14:23:34 on 12/22/2014 UTC



**Sarah Cassidy** We're new to the area, so this Christmas will be a time to enjoy new Carolina traditions with family. We're going to grandma's house for Xmas eve this year!  
at 14:23:38 on 12/22/2014 UTC



**Holly Goodwin Young** Baking and eating Christmas cookies, drinking eggnog with family and friends!  
at 14:23:40 on 12/22/2014 UTC



**Katherine Walker** Being together is our most important tradition. Now that my 3 sons are grown and busy, I insist on a family dinner where everyone has to be there. I don't know if it means a lot to the boys, but I hold the thoughts of it in my heart all year long.  
at 14:24:00 on 12/22/2014 UTC



**Lynne Fulmer** Opening one present on Christmas Eve and looking at Christmas lights.  
at 14:24:22 on 12/22/2014 UTC



**Yolanda McCray** My favorite tradition is to bring out old photos and make fun of everyone on Christmas eve...then we play games...watch Christmas movies and cartoons and eat lots of snacks :) Then on Christmas day we eat dinner together and remember the good Ole days :)

at 14:24:33 on 12/22/2014 UTC



**Jennifer Greene** Making gingerbread houses with our kids each year!

at 14:25:18 on 12/22/2014 UTC



**Michelle McKoy** Spending time with family since we only get together once a year.

at 14:25:26 on 12/22/2014 UTC



**Jill Howard Iser** Seeing Christmas lights anywhere and everywhere!! The zoo and saluda shoals this year!!

at 14:25:42 on 12/22/2014 UTC



**Tina Dunlap** Watching my children with their gifts on Christmas morning.

at 14:26:02 on 12/22/2014 UTC



**Patti Lytle Haberstock** A family hike in the mountains!

at 14:26:24 on 12/22/2014 UTC



**Kat Sandel** Watching Elf and seeing my family and my best friend who lives on the other side of the continent :). We've been friends since we were 4 and I get to see her once a year on Christmas !!! <3

at 14:27:02 on 12/22/2014 UTC



**Amanda Anderson Mattson** Spending time with family and starting our own traditions with our kids

at 14:27:11 on 12/22/2014 UTC



**Brian Herring** Visiting out of town family and just before dinner having everyone stop to all pray together. Then opening presents as the Night Before Christmas is read to the younger kids.

at 14:27:28 on 12/22/2014 UTC



**Tracy Sheppard** We eat supper together, then we put on our new Christmas pj's and watch a Christmas movie. Our little peace of heaven before visiting the ENTIRE family Christmas Day.

at 14:27:39 on 12/22/2014 UTC



**Nicole Johnson-Brown** Family time spent together, making cookies, wrapping presents, baking for our family, Christmas music and movies. We also get a family tree ornament made every year.

at 14:27:57 on 12/22/2014 UTC



**Elle Herr Fritz** Reading the real Christmas story from the Bible on Christmas Eve. Hot fresh homemde cinnamon rolls on Christmas morning.

at 14:28:06 on 12/22/2014 UTC



**Cheryl Lynn Bailey** Christmas Eve with my family... tradition of the same dinner mom makes ... Dinner at in-laws on XMas. Blessed with 2 family's. Family is scattered around SC and meeting points to gather though out the year is with nature at our State Parks. Teaching all children to appreciate, respect, treasure and protect what God created.

at 14:28:07 on 12/22/2014 UTC



**Barb Pritchard McFadden** The smell of homemade quiche in the oven and drinking coffee while presents are being opened in the morning.

at 14:28:40 on 12/22/2014 UTC



**Gina Rodi Giddings** Camping with the family and enjoying the cold weather and camp fire!!

at 14:28:49 on 12/22/2014 UTC



**Terry Beasley** Before opening gifts we gather all the family and kids. They all sit quietly for the reading of the birth of Christ from the Bible. We then say a short prayer and proceed with festivities.

at 14:29:49 on 12/22/2014 UTC



**Erin Atkinson** Humiliating the dog with silly antlers and hats! 😊



at 14:29:52 on 12/22/2014 UTC



**Jean Owen** Spending the day with family.

at 14:29:56 on 12/22/2014 UTC



**Barbara Butler Long** Christmas Eve forest walk - as far away from retail as possible

at 14:30:01 on 12/22/2014 UTC



**Tracey Rainbolt** Hope to make one soon but since I'm a nurse and hubby is a firefighter, one of us is always working. I love watching old movies though, making cookies, listening to old christmas music :) if the rain will stop, i'd like to throw a blow up mattress and blankets in back of pick up truck and drive down to beach with hot chocolate and look for christmas star with our kids :)

at 14:30:23 on 12/22/2014 UTC



**Allison Kirkland Bryan** Drinking coffee & eating sausage balls while we open gifts.

at 14:30:54 on 12/22/2014 UTC



**Danyale Shuler Robinson** Lighting luminaries for our love ones that have passed away.

at 14:31:18 on 12/22/2014 UTC



**Keyerria Howard** Making Christmas dinner with family

at 14:31:20 on 12/22/2014 UTC



**Jennifer Fowler Austin** Sweet tater pie for breakfast Christmas morning.

at 14:31:42 on 12/22/2014 UTC



**Patty Moyer** For over 60 years my family has had a Christmas night luncheon for family and friends. My great aunt always had it until she went to heaven on Christmas Eve almost 30 years ago. Knowing how she so loved having it, that year I took over until last year when my son took over.

at 14:33:29 on 12/22/2014 UTC



**Kathy Schoenberger Malpass** I have my Dad and inlaws over to eat on Christmas Eve and the children get to open one present.

at 14:33:48 on 12/22/2014 UTC



**Kathie Burleson Williamson** Our family Christmas Eve party

at 14:33:55 on 12/22/2014 UTC



**Nancy A Rogers** Falling asleep to Mass at the Vatican. I use to do it as a kid with my brother, now my kids and hubby.

at 14:34:16 on 12/22/2014 UTC



**Angie Parker Garcia** Putting the tree up on Thanksgiving

at 14:34:22 on 12/22/2014 UTC



**Billy Madison Hanna** Bbq a hold hog tradition since 1945 my father and the old timers are all gone now but the tradition lives on held last Saturday with 32 family and friends

at 14:34:26 on 12/22/2014 UTC



**Paula Coxwell** Deciding what each family member will cook for Christmas dinner.

at 14:34:48 on 12/22/2014 UTC



**Amanda Henderson** My favorite tradition was that my daddy would always spend the night with me and watch my kids open their presents but God needed him this year been 5 months, gonna be a tough Christmas morning...

at 14:35:48 on 12/22/2014 UTC



**Sandi Hitchcock** Breakfast casserole & Christmas Eve Mass!

at 14:35:51 on 12/22/2014 UTC



**Carlotta Thornton** Christmas eve finger foods with family playing board games and watching Christmas movies in our pajamas. Love it.

at 14:35:52 on 12/22/2014 UTC



**Rae Lovvorn** My husband is a musician; Christmas is a crazy busy season for him, right up through Christmas morning. Christmas afternoon, we go out for Indian food and a movie to relax and start our own celebration.

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**Aisha Allen** Enjoying the laughter of the kids and adopting a family at Christmas

at 14:36:57 on 12/22/2014 UTC



**Lesli Farr** Christmas Eve Candlelight Service

at 14:37:49 on 12/22/2014 UTC



**Sara Shiver McBride** My mom always makes lasagna for Christmas Eve dinner!

at 14:38:28 on 12/22/2014 UTC



**Karen Ray Donner** Picking out tree, lights, cookies, gingerbread houses, candlelight service! Jesus' s birthday!

at 14:39:17 on 12/22/2014 UTC



**Marie Cadden** Church on Christmas Eve with my family!

at 14:43:37 on 12/22/2014 UTC



**Becky Browne Cribb** Cooking.

at 14:44:31 on 12/22/2014 UTC



**Kendra Spears Ianitello** Having Neese's Liver Mush, cheese grits and biscuits for Christmas breakfast!

at 14:45:09 on 12/22/2014 UTC



**Robbie Harris** Good food, fun and fellowship from house to house. Celebrating the real meaning of the season.

at 14:45:23 on 12/22/2014 UTC



**Debbie Allen** Making ornaments

at 14:45:39 on 12/22/2014 UTC





**Sheila Garner McSwain** Night before boxes: We each get a box on Christmas Eve that contains Christmas pjs, a book, a movie and a small fun gift/toy. That's all we open on Christmas eve. We put on our Christmas pjs then go to bed excited for all the next day holds.  
at 14:49:29 on 12/22/2014 UTC



**Glynnis Fellers Abraham** Christmas Eve service at church and then spending the evening with my family.  
at 14:50:57 on 12/22/2014 UTC



**Cheryl Hall Addy** Christmas Eve church service with the family...after all the hustle and bustle it brings the focus back to Jesus- the Reason for the Season!!! Merry Christmas everyone!!  
at 14:51:22 on 12/22/2014 UTC



**Neighley Broughton Simmons** Baking cookies with my little girl and going to my Mammy's house every year on Christmas Day! She is the rock of our family! And, very proud to be watching her great grands grow up!!  
at 14:51:37 on 12/22/2014 UTC



**Kathy Laney** Just getting together with family and friends  
at 14:52:32 on 12/22/2014 UTC



**Madelyn H Robinson** My favorite is giving our children two gifts to unwrap, one on Christmas Eve and one Christmas morning. They are each two of the same things and wrapped the same. They get to choose which one do long as they are the same one. when and the kicker is one of them is a total gag gift - we all have fun with this and these are my favorite gifts to buy each year!  
at 14:52:47 on 12/22/2014 UTC



**Danny James** Chocolate chip cookies by the dozens!  
at 14:53:07 on 12/22/2014 UTC



**Tracey Steen Grant** Candlelight Christmas Eve service at church...so special.  
at 14:53:53 on 12/22/2014 UTC



**Stephen Dailey** I raised my two children alone (wife/mother left us eleven years ago) but I tried my best to keep us a tree, a fine dinner, attend a play about the birth of our Lord and savior Jesus Christ, and local travel to admire everyone's lights.  
at 14:53:56 on 12/22/2014 UTC



**Gigi Stewart** Baking Christmas cookies  
at 14:56:28 on 12/22/2014 UTC



**Melissa Boyd** Driving around on Christmas eve looking at Christmas lights! And calming the kids down because they think it is late!!  
at 14:58:06 on 12/22/2014 UTC



**Jessica Brown** Christmas Eve with family. Appetizers all day with no schedule...just enjoying life, love, and most importantly family.  
at 14:59:14 on 12/22/2014 UTC



**Michelle Hawkins** Spending time with family  
at 15:01:15 on 12/22/2014 UTC



**Mindy G Marlow** Spending the day with my kids watching Christmas movies and reading The Night Before Christmas!  
at 15:01:30 on 12/22/2014 UTC



**Amanda Robbins-Murphy** Christmas eve light looking!  
at 15:01:31 on 12/22/2014 UTC

**Jeni Summerford** A tradition I had growing up and now have w/ my own children. We open 1



gift on Christmas Eve night.  
at 15:02:40 on 12/22/2014 UTC



**Joan K Junak** 7 days of stocking stuffers. Started with our children, when they were small and now we hang them for our granddaughters. A gift out of the stocking is opened at the supper table before our meal. Even the family dog participates! Merry Christmas everyone!  
at 15:03:12 on 12/22/2014 UTC



**Trina Davis** Having kids and grandkids home for Christmas. Love my family  
at 15:03:22 on 12/22/2014 UTC



**Monica Summertime** Building sandcastle santas Christmas eve  
at 15:03:23 on 12/22/2014 UTC



**Gail Dorroh** Our family meets at my niece's house on Christmas eve and spend the night so we can all wake up together. This year we will have 20 on Christmas morning including my first grandbaby  
at 15:05:13 on 12/22/2014 UTC



**Katie Ratcliff** Christmas movie!  
at 15:05:29 on 12/22/2014 UTC



**Laurie Woller** Christmas Eve Service  
at 15:05:56 on 12/22/2014 UTC



**Michael Fike** Early rise and a walk to remember the reason for the season.  
at 15:06:31 on 12/22/2014 UTC



**Lisa Price McClain** My mother started the tradition of buying a special ornament each year to commemorate an important event from my life. I continued the practice for my son. As we decorate our Christmas tree each year we get out all of the special ornaments and laugh and reminisce. Just love my special ornaments! The picture is of my son's special ornament for this year. He's an Eagle Scout spent the summer working on the staff at Philmont Scout Ranch in New Mexico so his ornament is from the camp.



at 15:06:47 on 12/22/2014 UTC



**Charlene Robinson** Watching It's A Wonderful Life with my sweetie, or listening to Christmas music, or looking at all the pretty lights in the neighborhood! = )  
at 15:07:31 on 12/22/2014 UTC



**Annie Rowland** Every one in the family together and enjoying the moment. We talk about what we enjoyed most over the past year as we munch on our Christmas morning breakfast, then we have a little "photo shoot" with all the family members that have gathered at our home.

at 15:10:49 on 12/22/2014 UTC



**Suzanne Fox Conrad** Our family gathers after church services on Christmas Eve. No gift exchange, just the love of family sharing a special night.

at 15:12:27 on 12/22/2014 UTC



**Gerrye Stroud** Giving all my kids a nutcracker before Christmas so they can display them. Ugly Christmas sweater parties

at 15:12:41 on 12/22/2014 UTC



**Cynthia Stidd** we load up the car and get doughnuts and hot chocolate and drive all around town looking at Christmas lights. It started when I was young and now passing it on to the next generation

at 15:13:43 on 12/22/2014 UTC



**Lisa Dee** Putting up lights!

at 15:13:54 on 12/22/2014 UTC



**Cheryl Hall Addy** So sorry for your loss! I'm sure you'll be feeling the warmth of the love he left in your heart!

at 15:14:15 on 12/22/2014 UTC



**Jerry Price** I believe my tradition for Christmas is the last minute shopping.

at 15:15:50 on 12/22/2014 UTC



**Carol J. Bramblett Pritchard** We always gathered around the tree on Christmas Eve. Daddy would read the Christmas Story from Luke 2. I read "The Night Before Christmas". My brother read "Andy and Willies Prayer". We got to open one present, usually a new pair of pajamas. It was family time and special time. I carried on the tradition with my children until they believed they were too old to. I miss those days many times as the children are grown and every one is so far away it seems. I really would love this State Park Package. Thank you and Merry Christmas!!!!

at 15:18:14 on 12/22/2014 UTC



**Leandra Clark** Driving around and looking at lights :)

at 15:22:03 on 12/22/2014 UTC



**Vickie Dill** Giving each of our grandchildren a special Christmas ornament each year with the date on it starting with their first Christmas. Then when they are grown they will have them to put on their trees.

at 15:22:13 on 12/22/2014 UTC



**Dena Adams McElveen** Christmas morning breakfast with all the family...both sides come and watch the children open presents and then we all sit down and have breakfast together. Priceless!

at 15:22:17 on 12/22/2014 UTC



**Tara Tipton Abel** We read about the true meaning of Christmas from Luke 2, before going downstairs to see what Santa has left for us :)

at 15:23:48 on 12/22/2014 UTC



**Rene Herlong Miller** Christmas eve Sunday service, then supper at my parents house and finally opening gifts. Now that we are all older we do a Chinese gift exchange which is always a load of fun!

at 15:25:01 on 12/22/2014 UTC



**Brad Morris** By far decorating the house, inside and out, and decorating the tree.

at 15:25:31 on 12/22/2014 UTC



**Edward Dingley** Love the state parks here

at 15:27:47 on 12/22/2014 UTC



**Serenda Teets** Going to see Christmas lights and opening a gift on Christmas eve- I am starting a new one Christmas eve gift will be a pair of Christmas pj's, a Christmas movie, and hot chocolate

at 15:28:28 on 12/22/2014 UTC



**Cindy Wilson-Hutto** So many traditions including holiday bake goods, trimming the tree, watch Christmas movies (favorite is "Home Alone"), a special note the kids write for Santa plus milk and cookies, and the BIG Christmas dinner we put together as a family.

at 15:30:34 on 12/22/2014 UTC



**Jeanetta Morrow** I love everything about Christmas, esp being with family, Christmas Eve excitement for the little ones, and of course Christmas dinner!

at 15:31:14 on 12/22/2014 UTC



**Craig Sollman** Birthday for Jesus

at 15:36:10 on 12/22/2014 UTC



**Skip Liles** Christmas Eve @ 6pm we each get to open one present, from under the tree, Then off to candle light service, to bring us back to Jesus, the Christmas story. The reading of the Bible, Christmas story, is read by the tree. All in the bed, Santa Arrives in the morning. Merry Christmas, Happy 2015

at 15:36:12 on 12/22/2014 UTC



**Kathleen Johnson** Picking out a Christmas tree that happens to be the tree that we think no one would want - sort of like a Charlie Brown tree. We have even picked out a tree that is left on the side of the lot still wrapped in netting and when we bring it home and open it - it's a surprise! Once we found an old empty bird nest in our tree when we brought it in and the tree branches unfolded.

at 15:36:42 on 12/22/2014 UTC



**Ashleigh Konschel Delpert** Going through Roper Mountain Lights, TWICE ;)

at 15:38:34 on 12/22/2014 UTC



**Angela Blackwell Elder** Christmas Eve at my grandparents

at 15:40:23 on 12/22/2014 UTC



**Lynn Roldan** Eggs Benedict Christmas Brunch, when the whole family arrives at the house, after having done their tours with extended family. Love, happiness and deliciousness ensues.

at 15:40:31 on 12/22/2014 UTC



**Cookie Proveaux** I love our tradition of gathering as family members together on Christmas eating dinner and just hanging out. Last year we started out by serving breakfast to the homeless. (At an organized event)

at 15:41:23 on 12/22/2014 UTC



**Griet Gerdes Atkins** Sitting around all day just enjoying each other's company with no agenda or otherwise for the day!

at 15:42:53 on 12/22/2014 UTC



**Beth Epley Minton** Family from miles away..Best Christmas ever

at 15:42:59 on 12/22/2014 UTC



**Karen Capps** We have Christmas breakfast with our children and grandchildren. And then exchange gifts. Always a wonderful time.

at 15:43:25 on 12/22/2014 UTC



**Amanda Henderson** Thank you.. Merry Christmas to your family..

at 15:43:59 on 12/22/2014 UTC



**Crystal Leviner Bailey** Looking at the lights.

at 15:44:28 on 12/22/2014 UTC



**Kim Lassiter Mangrum** Christmas breakfast then gifts

at 15:45:08 on 12/22/2014 UTC



**Rachel Schlueter Johnson** The smell of our special "Christmas breakfast" while we are watching our boys open their gifts.

at 15:48:27 on 12/22/2014 UTC



**Joy Marie Burgess** My favorite tradition is for each family member to tell what they are thankful for. Young and old, we each have our turn to speak and tell what we are giving thanks for. You would be amazed how thoughtful children are when they know this will happen every year.

at 15:48:28 on 12/22/2014 UTC



**Linda Kreisel** We ALWAYS watch "The Bishops wife" our fave Christmas movie. Make a turkey dinner, be sure to talk about WHY we even have Christmas

at 15:48:34 on 12/22/2014 UTC



**Linda Culclasure Kohl** Playing the "The" game at my mother's house. Each person is handed a gift and as she reads the "Twas the Night Before Christmas." we pass gifts around each time she says 'the'. All of us enjoy this and you sort of guess what you are holding as it goes around (sometimes you smell the chocolate or it is heavy like a candle or a flashlight or even toilet paper).

at 15:48:55 on 12/22/2014 UTC



**Jackie Page Bragg** Christmas breakfast and letting the kids open gifts

at 15:49:21 on 12/22/2014 UTC



**Jessica Michaelis Garrett** Going to Christmas Eve service with my family and then having dinner after at my sisters! Love the holidays!

at 15:49:33 on 12/22/2014 UTC



**Lisa Ramsey** Family and food.

at 15:50:03 on 12/22/2014 UTC



**Nancy Scofield Klicka** gather around the fire pit after dinner for a nice warm fire outside !

at 15:51:20 on 12/22/2014 UTC



**Erica Cutaia** My husband reads the story of baby Jesus (Luke 2) before we open gifts. My kids look forward to it every year and they are now 13 and 11. Sweet memories. ☺

at 15:52:47 on 12/22/2014 UTC



**Kaye Steele** Christmas Eve services followed by celebrating with family.

at 15:53:16 on 12/22/2014 UTC



**Debbie Caldwell Orenkewicz** Christmas Eve Church Service with the family and Christmas dinner together on Christmas Day.

at 15:54:47 on 12/22/2014 UTC



**Casey H. Rampey** Taking our son through the various neighborhoods to see Christmas Light displays.

at 15:58:23 on 12/22/2014 UTC



**Barbara Black** Our community always had a Christmas Merry-Go-Round and it is my favorite memory! This tradition still continues!

at 15:59:02 on 12/22/2014 UTC



**Cody Gillespie** Ugly Sweater party on Christmas eve, and driving around with my little man looking at lights :)

at 16:01:55 on 12/22/2014 UTC





**Jeremiah Young** Celebrating Jesus with my family

at 16:03:32 on 12/22/2014 UTC



**Dawn Castro** One of our favorites is baking tons of goodies. We keep some for us and we make boxes to give out. The kids love trying different recipes to see which ones they like and helping mix Stuff and decorate.

at 16:04:49 on 12/22/2014 UTC



**Amy White Craig** Spending time with family who travel from near and far at my grandmother's home. (She is 90 and still going strong.) Also, we love going to the Christmas Eve service at church! Nice to enjoy quiet worship, caroling, candles, and communion as we reflect on the reason for the celebration of Christmas!

at 16:06:57 on 12/22/2014 UTC



**Richard Craig** Love the breakfast my wonderful wife cooks every Christmas morning. Breakfast casserole and dew dumplings.

at 16:08:54 on 12/22/2014 UTC



**Rebecca Henry Stephens** we have a secret santa gift drawing, then spend the next few days figuring out who got who!

at 16:10:32 on 12/22/2014 UTC



**Mary Gavlik** Doing a geohike and enjoy a sunset.

at 16:10:47 on 12/22/2014 UTC



**Patricia Dubson** Christmas eve candlelight services

at 16:12:32 on 12/22/2014 UTC



**Susan Vess Mcabee** We always have "goodies" Christmas Eve then open presents. Try our best to get kids calmed down so they can go to bed so Santa will come . Christmas Day, all family gather together for our big feast (lol) and then spend the rest of the day with family and enjoying all the love !!

at 16:15:05 on 12/22/2014 UTC



**Cindy Markivee** Eating thumbprint cookies from Nana!

at 16:17:30 on 12/22/2014 UTC



**Aliyah Small** A Christmas eve party

at 16:19:01 on 12/22/2014 UTC



**Carrie Kennedy** I have always baked cookies on Christmas eve with my mom and now I have 2 kids I am carrying on this tradition with my kids :)

at 16:20:47 on 12/22/2014 UTC



**Nikki Seegars Ambrosino** Christmas Day at my grandparents every year!

at 16:25:34 on 12/22/2014 UTC



**Christina Lee** We try to always take a walk outside on Christmas eve to enjoy the company and brisk (hopefully no rain) holiday air.

at 16:26:18 on 12/22/2014 UTC



**Cathy Robbins** My favorite Christmas tradition is the music. I listen to Oh Holy Night year round, but it is especially magical this time of the year!

at 16:26:43 on 12/22/2014 UTC



**Adam N Kristi Potts** Christmas morning breakfast

at 16:29:52 on 12/22/2014 UTC



**Martha Ann Young Gordon** Driving to the ocean front at Sunset Beach NC after the candlelight service at church. Looking up in the sky for Rudolph and hurrying home to open gifts. That is our annual Christmas Eve tradition.

at 16:32:50 on 12/22/2014 UTC



**Brenda Mines Hochreiter** I look forward to our night of Christmas music at our church, usually held a couple of weeks before Christmas.. All are invited to share their talents: soloists, handbell groups, choir, musicians. The event includes both religious and some cute secular numbers.

at 16:35:28 on 12/22/2014 UTC



**Randi House** Waching Christmas movies!

at 16:35:38 on 12/22/2014 UTC



**Diane Thomas** Oyster stew on Christmas Eve, then the lights at James Island County Park...

at 16:37:18 on 12/22/2014 UTC



**Patricia Fiechter Nichols** Spending time with family!!!

at 16:40:42 on 12/22/2014 UTC



**Sharon Glave** 4 generations gather. Pizza on the grill.

at 16:40:56 on 12/22/2014 UTC



**Josh Harris** My favorite tradition as a child was my mom's cinnamon rolls Christmas morning. As an adult I've come to love watching Christmas movies with my wife on Christmas Eve and Christmas Day!

at 16:41:36 on 12/22/2014 UTC



**Robbie Stewart** There's many. But putting the nativity scene up under the tree is one of the highlights.

at 16:43:48 on 12/22/2014 UTC



**Missy Mattox** Getting together with my sister and having pizza

at 16:43:55 on 12/22/2014 UTC



**Sue N Dave Woomer** Going to Hopelands Gardens with the family.

at 16:44:24 on 12/22/2014 UTC



**Gail Hannah** Turning out all the lights except Christmas ones and reading the Night Before Christmas by candlelight.

at 16:44:25 on 12/22/2014 UTC



**Stacie Gibson Chapman** Putting on pj's and riding through the neighborhood looking at Christmas decorations on Christmas Eve

at 16:48:33 on 12/22/2014 UTC



**Tammy Hudson** Christmas parties at both grandparents and Christmas morning breakfast

at 16:52:24 on 12/22/2014 UTC



**Maura Gable Moore** I have so many! Looking at Christmas lights, going to Christmas Eve mass then coming home to watch Christmas movies, and gathering with family on Christmas Day.

at 16:52:49 on 12/22/2014 UTC



**Tammy Denton Wood** Every Christmas morning I get up, look outside the window up at the sky and say "happy birthday Jesus."

at 16:53:45 on 12/22/2014 UTC



**Susan Lander LeBase** Reading the Christmas story and being with my entire family. Three generations of lovr.

at 16:59:52 on 12/22/2014 UTC



**Lisa M. Wood** Camping at any of the state parks in South Carolina!! We are going to Edisto Island this year! This is our second favorite state park. Our first is Hunting Island!! But we are

proud and love every state park we have been to in SC! Merry Christmas!!  
at 17:02:36 on 12/22/2014 UTC



**Heather Herdt** Hot chocolate, christmas pajamas, and twinkling lights.  
at 17:03:38 on 12/22/2014 UTC



**CE Henderson** Finding a new place to visit and making the plans.  
at 17:04:38 on 12/22/2014 UTC



**Gina Nicole** Italian dinner at mom's  
at 17:06:24 on 12/22/2014 UTC



**Helen Wilhite** I love my state parks!!!  
at 17:06:31 on 12/22/2014 UTC



**Lainey Head Lee** We eat dinner on Christmas Eve at IHOP. There are just 3 of us.  
at 17:07:39 on 12/22/2014 UTC



**Dawn Holloman Morris** Watching Christmas movies and enjoying my family  
at 17:08:13 on 12/22/2014 UTC



**Lisa McKenzie** Boy Scout Camping with 250 of our state's and nation's future leaders. Love teaching leave no trace and wilderness skills to the boys!  
at 17:12:10 on 12/22/2014 UTC



**Nancy Williams Higgs** On Christmas Eve a ride to look at Christmas lights then back home to a fire, traditional Christmas music and homemade snacks... I  
at 17:14:04 on 12/22/2014 UTC



**Kathleen McElwee Dille** With my family - 43 in my immediate family!!! I need a nice SC Park vacation!  
at 17:21:53 on 12/22/2014 UTC



**Stephanie Abdon Fulton** New jammies  
at 17:24:35 on 12/22/2014 UTC



**Randy Thompson** Love camping at state parks  
at 17:27:27 on 12/22/2014 UTC



**Dianna Hendricks** Christmas of old - grandma making each of us a pair of hand made PJ's and giving each of us kids a stuffed animal. We put the pj's on and had our picture taken in front of the tree.  
at 17:29:28 on 12/22/2014 UTC



**Lisa Atkins** Spending time with loved ones  
at 17:31:09 on 12/22/2014 UTC



**Shannon Gunter Pytel** Pick me! Winner, winner, campfire dinner ;)  
at 17:32:34 on 12/22/2014 UTC



**Stefanie Roy** Opening presents on Christmas Eve!  
at 17:32:49 on 12/22/2014 UTC



**Cheri Summers** When I was growing up my brothers and I used to listen to "The Cinnamon Bear" on cassette tape. Now I get to play it for my girls. It went from being on cassette, to CD's, to iPod. :)  
at 17:48:51 on 12/22/2014 UTC



**Darby Neff Brass** Having a great wonderful dinner with family and friends!  
at 18:12:19 on 12/22/2014 UTC



**Michelle Crooker** Making cookies with my kiddos.

at 18:13:38 on 12/22/2014 UTC



**Luanne Fulcher Moore** Growing up we would spend the night next door at my nanny and granddaddy 's and my daddy worked shift work. Nanny would call my mom and dad when we woke up for the ok to all go in together to see what santa left. Oh how I miss those days and my nanny, granddaddy and my mom and dad. May you all make precious memorues.

at 18:18:13 on 12/22/2014 UTC



**Bryan Hullender** Our family opens two gifts each year on Christmas Eve. The kids get new pjs and a Christmas book and we read each one and the Christmas story before bedtime!

at 18:20:23 on 12/22/2014 UTC



**Matt Smelter** Hanging out with the lady and the dogs. Cooking and enjoying a relaxing day.

at 18:23:14 on 12/22/2014 UTC



**Gwen Austin** "Elephant" gift exchanges at my sister's annual Christmas parties.

at 18:25:58 on 12/22/2014 UTC



**Carolyn Toole Rushton** Hanging lights outside even still with grown children. Our house has to have lights outside... how else will santa know where to stop his sleigh!!! #santastophere

at 18:29:02 on 12/22/2014 UTC



**Karina McCollam** Riding the fire trucks with my Dad on Christmas Eve, passing out candy canes. Then coming home, snuggling into new Christmas jammies and listening to Mom read "The Night Before Christmas"

at 18:35:26 on 12/22/2014 UTC



**Andy Langston** A live Christmas tree

at 18:36:36 on 12/22/2014 UTC



**Gordon Ocker** Breakfast. Big

at 18:43:04 on 12/22/2014 UTC



**Gary Beggs** Being with family

at 18:46:07 on 12/22/2014 UTC



**Ann Mizell** open 1 gift on xmas eve. Then make cookies and hot chocolate

at 18:47:43 on 12/22/2014 UTC



**Barbara Ann Dubois** Is sharing the joy of Christmas by "adopting" a family & providing gifts for them ... It shows our children that Christmas is about giving

at 18:47:53 on 12/22/2014 UTC



**Dayna Frechette** We always eat chicken Alfredo for dinner on Christmas Dinner.

at 18:51:45 on 12/22/2014 UTC



**Amanda Parris** Christmas caroling is one of our family's favorite Christmas traditions!!!

at 18:52:20 on 12/22/2014 UTC



**Susan Martin Hollingsworth** Spending time with family at Mom's house (she's 91 and still going strong!).

at 18:53:56 on 12/22/2014 UTC



**Micah Hudson** Watching A Christmas Story while wrapping presents on Christmas Eve

at 18:57:05 on 12/22/2014 UTC



**Randy Black** Camping at the beach during the summer.

at 19:01:07 on 12/22/2014 UTC



**Gini Youmans** Gathering with family, playing games and eating. Then, without fail, before gifts, reading from the Bible about Jesus' birth. The real gift and reason for the celebration. Every Christmas eve. And I'm 39..... family tradition

at 19:05:13 on 12/22/2014 UTC



**Cooper Crews** Reading The Night Before Christmas on Christmas Eve with my family while drinking hot chocolate and eating cookies! and decorating the tree while listening to Christmas music and watching a Miracle on 34th Street with my mom.

at 19:10:54 on 12/22/2014 UTC



**Billy Quick** Every year my we have a birthday cake for "Baby Jesus" and sing Happy Birthday and our daughter blows out the candles. We started this when she was a baby and she is 16 this year- will be baking the cake tomorrow!

at 19:13:49 on 12/22/2014 UTC



**Shirley Snipes** Getting all the kiddos together for Christmas crafts.

at 19:16:44 on 12/22/2014 UTC



**Bryn Harmer** Family and food!!!

at 19:18:29 on 12/22/2014 UTC



**Kim Caley** Christmas dinner with the whole family! :)

at 19:19:29 on 12/22/2014 UTC



**Murfee Lee** Fire pits and family

at 19:20:55 on 12/22/2014 UTC



**Jana Weatherford Debney** Memorizing Luke 2, the Christmas story, with my kids.

at 19:23:15 on 12/22/2014 UTC



**Maurica Wills Easler** Watching National Lampoon's Christmas Vacation with family, and seeing something new in it every year. :)

at 19:23:36 on 12/22/2014 UTC



**Stephanie Walker Yancey** We read A Christmas Carol every year and pick a different version to watch on TV.

at 19:55:12 on 12/22/2014 UTC



**Julie Phillips** Our extended family gets together to exchange gag gifts and had a big family meal. This year I got hemorrhoid cream.

at 19:59:35 on 12/22/2014 UTC



**Connie Kalriess Koprowicz** When all the gifts are opened and dinner is done, our family gathers around the table and plays games. That's my favorite time - lots of laughter and memories together :)

at 20:02:50 on 12/22/2014 UTC



**Mary Hawkins-Gray** I love when everyone goes through their stockings.

at 20:03:20 on 12/22/2014 UTC



**Lori Tokar** Trimming a Real Live Christmas Tree

at 20:05:33 on 12/22/2014 UTC



**Judy Barden Shelley** We have a fried oyster breakfast- a tradition that my mom brought from her native Virginia. What could be better?

at 20:11:16 on 12/22/2014 UTC



**Cheryl Henderson** I have 2 favorite Christmas traditions from my childhood. As a family we would make candies and other bake goods to give as gifts so every night from the first of December until the week of Christmas, the house would be filled with the wonderful smells of Christmas goodies and the kitchen full of laughter. Dad was a huge Christmas prankster/kid. The other was decorating the house. Every room had oil lamps that I got to light every night



as darkness fell. The house was always so festive because there were Christmas decorations all through the house, even down to the Christmas shower curtains, napkins, paper towels, and yes even TP.

at 20:12:05 on 12/22/2014 UTC



**Lorraine Veasel** Dinner at my sons house and watching the Grandkids open their presents,  
at 20:17:12 on 12/22/2014 UTC



**Tonya Traffie** Spending it at my mom and dads every year!  
at 20:23:26 on 12/22/2014 UTC



**Christy Turner Hannon** Christmas Eve church service with family, and just enjoying the peace of the service.  
at 20:24:58 on 12/22/2014 UTC



**Sheila Holmes Pennycuff** We pull out all the Christmas movies after Thanksgiving, and try to watch them all by Christmas. My favorites in no particular order - White Christmas, The Bishop's Wife, A Christmas Carol (George C Scott), Elf, and A Christmas Story!  
at 20:30:04 on 12/22/2014 UTC



**Jennifer Miller** Going to Mass on Christmas Eve  
at 20:30:16 on 12/22/2014 UTC



**Garry Pennycuff** Putting up the tree the day after Thanksgiving, all while playing Christmas music and wearing Santa Hats.  
at 20:31:58 on 12/22/2014 UTC



**Darlene Davis Stribling** Our Christmas tradition is making a reservation for a camp site in the summer. Then we look forward to it. It brightens these gloomy days.  
at 20:42:11 on 12/22/2014 UTC



**Christie Young** Drinking hot cocoa and listening to Christmas music while decorating the tree.  
at 20:42:20 on 12/22/2014 UTC



**Roy Burke** Having Family over for Christmas breakfast  
at 20:42:33 on 12/22/2014 UTC



**Daniel Allen** Get together with family.  
at 20:51:40 on 12/22/2014 UTC



**Kristi Parnell** Spending time with family and spreading holiday cheer.  
at 20:53:21 on 12/22/2014 UTC



**Darlene Pilgrim** My fav tradition is meeting at my mom and Daddy's with all brothers and their family and playing Dirty Santa ! So much fun !  
at 20:56:17 on 12/22/2014 UTC



**Laura Parr** Going for a hike in Hitchcock Woods with my husband and three boys to celebrate nature during the Christmas Season  
at 21:19:36 on 12/22/2014 UTC



**Jennifer Gail Easler** Christmas light sight seeing  
at 21:34:55 on 12/22/2014 UTC



**Alexandria Gagnon** Making homemade cookies with my boys



at 21:35:03 on 12/22/2014 UTC



**Patrice Robson** Celebrating Jesus' Birthday with a birthday party!!! (Mallory)

at 21:35:27 on 12/22/2014 UTC



**Patrice Robson** Seeing what Santa brought on Christmas morning. (Morgan)

at 21:36:02 on 12/22/2014 UTC



**Patrice Robson** Watching Christmas movies on the couch with my family! (me)

at 21:36:27 on 12/22/2014 UTC



**Patrice Robson** Reading Christmas books like The Polar Express and Snowmen at Night to my children. (B)

at 21:37:12 on 12/22/2014 UTC



**Cassandra Menning** Our Christmas season officially begins when we see Santa at the end of the Macy's thanksgiving parade ..... Regardless of whether holiday music starts on radios, or Christmas displays appear our herald of the season is that moment 🎅

at 21:38:36 on 12/22/2014 UTC



**Tammy Schmitt Rourke** every year we seem to keep adding to the family tradition...but they all are my favorites...family means everything to me!!!

at 22:07:11 on 12/22/2014 UTC



**Brian Parr** Everyone gets new PJs to wear to bed on Christmas Eve!

at 22:09:37 on 12/22/2014 UTC



**Kim Smith** Opening one present on Christmas Eve.

at 22:19:13 on 12/22/2014 UTC



**Robin Hillyer-Miles** Making my husband open the front door and holler "Night Night Santy Claus" after we get the stockings stuffed just like my daddy did for us as kids.

at 22:21:08 on 12/22/2014 UTC



**Katie Silvanic** Getting the whole family together! No matter what happens throughout the year, we always gather for a nice dinner, lots of drinks, and fun games!

at 22:25:27 on 12/22/2014 UTC



**Donna Ridolfino** When my boys were small, we found a tiny plastic giraffe under our tree. Noone knows where it came from. We call it the Christmas giraffe and we take turns hiding it

somewhere in the house during the holiday season, if you find it you rehide it.  
at 22:31:15 on 12/22/2014 UTC



**Kelly Gordon Peeples** Visiting Saluda Shoals to see the lights.  
at 22:36:18 on 12/22/2014 UTC



**Kelly Moore Spencer** Christmas eve at my daughters after church. Watching Clamations, PeeWees Christmas and playing Wii.  
at 22:37:30 on 12/22/2014 UTC



**Tina Hardin Stephens** Making cookies with the kids  
at 22:41:33 on 12/22/2014 UTC



**Kim Murrell** Listening to mother read the Christmas story from the bible.  
at 22:48:26 on 12/22/2014 UTC



**Morgan Rackley** My favorite tradition is watching crazy Christmas movies together as a family. While we're sitting there watching were having fun. Christmas isn't about the presents but about the people.  
at 22:55:22 on 12/22/2014 UTC



**Kayla Rackley** I love our annual cookie party!!  
at 22:56:45 on 12/22/2014 UTC



**Karen Kinard Walsh** Taking "goodies" to our fireman & police officers. Those whom give so much of themselves.  
at 22:59:43 on 12/22/2014 UTC



**Lauren Garner** Spending time with family and celebrating my birthday on Christmas Eve!  
at 23:04:38 on 12/22/2014 UTC



**John C. Gresham** White Elephant gift exchange with my camping friends!  
at 23:04:38 on 12/22/2014 UTC



**Sara Kauffman** Watching Its A Wonderful Life!  
at 23:07:01 on 12/22/2014 UTC



**Donna Lyerly** Going to my in-laws on Christmas day to eat and open presents.  
at 23:09:33 on 12/22/2014 UTC



**Christy Carrol Salsberg** Eating sausage casserole Christmas morning!  
at 23:15:18 on 12/22/2014 UTC



**Kathy DiPietrantonio** Driving around on Christmas eve looking at all the lights  
at 23:17:15 on 12/22/2014 UTC



**Jennifer Quick Howard** On Christmas Eve, we snuggle up and read a new Christmas book. They are all wonderful, touching reads and over the last ten years our children have built a beautiful collection, each with a handwritten note from mom and dad.  
at 23:23:16 on 12/22/2014 UTC



**Ellen Jansen** Reading the Christmas story on Christmas Eve by a warm fire. And when possible, attending a Christmas Eve church service.  
at 23:25:36 on 12/22/2014 UTC



**Dawn Rae Davis** On Christmas Eve we as a family drive around with Christmas music playing and singing along while looking at everyone lights. Then up really early Christmas morning to see the joy in the kids eyes.  
at 23:31:45 on 12/22/2014 UTC



**Erica Benjamin Smith** Unwrapping one gift on Christmas Eve.

at 23:36:25 on 12/22/2014 UTC



**Melissa Turner Baker** seafood on christmas eve!

at 23:36:37 on 12/22/2014 UTC



**Cathy Adair Easter** Riding around looking at Christmas lights with my family

at 23:38:10 on 12/22/2014 UTC



**Lisa Daniel Payne** We love camping at a state park over our break. We've always been to the mountains (Table rock or Devils Fork), but this year we're at Hunting island! We just had a baby in August, so we're excited to continue the tradition with him. This is his 3rd trip to a state park!

at 23:39:34 on 12/22/2014 UTC



**Patty Harr Carter** To me the best tradition of all is spending valuable time with family. In this busy day and time those precious moments are pushed aside due to "Life" while on Christmas Eve and Christmas day we slow down and enjoy what is most valuable our family and remembering the most precious gift of all Jesus Christ.

at 23:45:48 on 12/22/2014 UTC



**Lynn Hudson Waldrop** Riding around liking at Christmas lights

at 23:46:39 on 12/22/2014 UTC



**Lorraine Poschke Mitchell** Having my whole family together and we always watch the Christmas tory

at 23:48:41 on 12/22/2014 UTC



**Summer Strickland** We go to the \$1 store the week of Christmas and my son takes turns picking out gifts for my husband and I. It's fun because we are all in the store trying to stay away from each other. Best part for him is he has all the say in what is picked out, whether it's pink gloves for dad or a sword toy for mom.

at 23:52:48 on 12/22/2014 UTC



**Jeff Horn** Hiding a cookie till Easter.

at 0:02:11 on 12/23/2014 UTC



**Patrick Barber** When we were kids our family friends would bring there kids, and we would go carolling, and earning money for the Ronald McDonald House its one of my earliest Christmas memories.

at 0:13:17 on 12/23/2014 UTC



**Maggie Moore Hapeshis** Christmas Eve service...singing silent night and lighting candles

at 0:13:56 on 12/23/2014 UTC



**Terri Barber** Driving around to find Christmas lights

at 0:16:13 on 12/23/2014 UTC



**Rebecca Lynch Triplett** My favorite tradition started when I was dating my husband. We went with his parents to cut down a real Christmas tree. We have done it every year since with my in laws. 13 years!

at 0:21:25 on 12/23/2014 UTC



**Ray Steele** Watching "A Chrirstmas Story" with good old Ralphie.

at 0:25:32 on 12/23/2014 UTC



**Pam Fowler** watching the Christmas specials on TV, especially Charlie Brown

at 0:32:36 on 12/23/2014 UTC



**Linda Cook** Counting how many wake-ups until Christmas. Down to three more!

at 0:35:29 on 12/23/2014 UTC



**Bryn Sarvis Rice** Getting together for five Christmases with my family!

at 0:37:52 on 12/23/2014 UTC



**Karen Leonard Marlowe** Mom and dad letting my brother and I open one gift earlier than Christmas :)

at 0:38:40 on 12/23/2014 UTC



**Mary Wood** Our family wagilia or family dinner on Christmas eve.. this year 42 of us!!

at 0:45:08 on 12/23/2014 UTC



**Brad Riddell** Simply stated: God, family, and camping.

at 0:51:18 on 12/23/2014 UTC



**Veronika Hyte** We would love to take our children camping at a beautiful SC state park!

at 0:53:51 on 12/23/2014 UTC



**Virginia Rackley Scates** Celebrating the birth of our Lord and Savior with family and friends.

at 0:57:11 on 12/23/2014 UTC



**K Addie Sexton Rolfs** Making Christmas sweets!!

at 0:57:11 on 12/23/2014 UTC



**Manella Calhoun** State Parks - the best gift ever!

at 1:13:18 on 12/23/2014 UTC



**South Carolina State Parks** Susan Vess Mcabee, you are our randomly selected winner for a state park prize pack! Congrats! Please email us your mailing address at gdavenport@scprt.com Thanks!

at 1:21:09 on 12/23/2014 UTC



**Kathy Bagwell** Baking sugar cookies and decorating a gingerbread house.

at 1:25:02 on 12/23/2014 UTC



**Susan Vess Mcabee** Oh my goodness !!! Thank you so much !!!! I have NEVER won anything !! :-)

at 2:04:58 on 12/23/2014 UTC



**Melanie Lewis Wyrick** Attending Christmas Eve church services.

at 2:06:53 on 12/23/2014 UTC



**Kathy Schmitt** Coming home for Christmas & spending it with my family (:

at 2:51:42 on 12/23/2014 UTC



**Donna Pittman** Kids opening Christmas pajama presents on Christmas Eve. Made the mistake of giving something different one year when they were grown. Sadly they had not brought their own pajamas since they were expecting new ones! Oops!

at 3:26:47 on 12/23/2014 UTC



**Mia Guinther** North Myrtle Beach SC condo with friends

at 3:45:24 on 12/23/2014 UTC



**Rebecca King** We love attending our Singing Christmas Tree at First Baptist of Georgetown, we always try to bring family or friends who have not seen such a beautiful program...this was the 25th year that we have carried out this tradition.

at 11:44:19 on 12/23/2014 UTC



**Judy Whittaker** Everyone getting in the car to drive around to look at Christmas lights and singing along with carols on the radio

at 11:55:56 on 12/23/2014 UTC





**Tanya Morris Bailes** Watching Charlie Brian Christmas!

at 13:36:01 on 12/23/2014 UTC



**Virginia A Robinson** Being with my family. This year my daughter and son-in-law are joining us for the first time in five years. Enjoying it!

at 13:39:15 on 12/23/2014 UTC



**Cherie Compton** All of the family has a Christmas stocking, which everyone puts little treats into. This is one of our favorite things, because the funniest things get put into these stockings!

at 14:23:11 on 12/23/2014 UTC



**Terry Cook** Our Christmas tradition has been in our family since my grandmother was a little girl. It revolves around breakfast on Christmas morning. The star of breakfast is oyster stew. I remember so well the first time my daddy put an oyster in my mouth when I was a very small child. My dad carried this tradition to new heights in his lifetime and was oyster stew and a huge breakfast for family and friends pretty much all of Christmas day. We lost both my Grandmother(96) and my daddy(74) this year. This tradition IS my Christmas and is something I look forward to all year.

Terry Cook

at 20:13:43 on 12/23/2014 UTC



**Deb Zimmerman** Baking cookies with my girls.

at 21:45:15 on 12/23/2014 UTC



**Barbra Lever Schulke** Hanging out with family

at 23:46:36 on 12/23/2014 UTC



**Karen Bedenbaugh Britt** Lunch at Chinese Restaurant on Christmas with my son.

at 0:23:32 on 12/24/2014 UTC



**Jennifer Piasecki Washko** My family is Polish and for Christmas Eve dinner we make pierogies, about 200 of them.

at 0:44:05 on 12/24/2014 UTC



**Kim Reynolds Hursey** Making cookies

at 0:59:43 on 12/24/2014 UTC



**Trina Kathleen Conner** We always let the kids open their gifts from one another on Christmas Eve :)

at 1:06:40 on 12/24/2014 UTC



**Heidi Dreier** We reserve a cabin at Table Rock State Park & the kids pack games & crafts they want to play after we climb the mountain. My husband makes a fire and we have hot cocoa while we admire the scenery

at 1:11:39 on 12/24/2014 UTC