

With the shepherds of Bethlehem

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help us, oh Lord,
to stand in vigil on the eve of your Coming,
to run with haste to meet you,
to see your face in the faces of others
and to wake from our sleep
as a new world is being born.

With the angels of Bethlehem
help us, oh Lord,
to tell the whole world of your presence
God is with us!
Let us create peace amongst people
and work for justice amongst nations.

With Jesus, the infant Christ
help us, oh Lord,
to cherish the hope that is born at Advent,
to hear the calling of your people,
to nurture the seeds of your Kingdom
and through our actions
to be messengers of your love
in building communities of service and prayer.

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