



Come Lord Jesus

The First Week Of Advent

Celebrant: Anticipation grows within us.

Community: *The day of Your incarnation is near.*

Celebrant: There is no wound in the world that will not be healed.

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Celebrant: There is no darkness nor shadow that will be untouched by light.

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Celebrant: There is no evil on earth that will not be uncovered; no authority that will not kneel.

Community: *The day of Your incarnation is near.*

Celebrant: In this first week of Advent, we sing with the prophets.

Community: *That One will come who will right the world.*

Celebrant: In this first week of Advent, we shout with the children.

Community: *Hosanna, the Lord delivers us from fear.*

Celebrant: In this first week of Advent, we pray with believers around the world.

Community: *Come Lord Jesus, come.*

ALL: Lord, we prepare the ground of our hearts for this Advent season. Once again, we reclaim Your work within us and in Your world, to make all things new. The story of advent reminds us that when You come there is transformation and healing. You transformed lives then, You transform our lives now, and You will transform all things on the Day of Your return. We look forward to this great Day, when all creation will be made new.

We prepare our hearts in this Advent season by praying, listening, singing and responding to Your coming. With the ancients who awaited You, we say "Living Lord, come among us."

Amen.

Readings For The First Week Of Advent

(From The Book Of Common Prayer)

Old Testament Reading

Isaiah 64:1-9a

New Testament Reading

1 Corinthians 1:1-9

Gospel Reading

Mark 13:(24-32)33-37

Psalms Reading

Psalm 80 or 80:1-7