

An Advent Prayer

In praise and thanksgiving,
let us rejoice as we await our Saviour,
Christ the Lord,
God-with-us,
Prince of peace.

For all the oracles of the prophets foretold him; the Virgin Mary longed for him with love beyond all telling;
John the Baptist sang of his coming and proclaimed his presence when he came.

It is by his gift that we already rejoice at the mystery of his nativity, so that he may find us watchful in prayer and exultant in his praise.

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