

*A Collect for Advent*

Keep us, O Lord,  
while we tarry on this earth,  
in a serious seeking after you,  
and in an affectionate walking with you,  
every day of our lives;  
that when you come,  
we may be found not hiding our talent,  
nor serving the flesh,  
nor yet asleep with our lamp unfurnished,  
but waiting and longing for our Lord,  
our glorious God for ever.

**Amen.**

*The Lord's Prayer*

Our Father in heaven  
hallowed be your name.  
Your kingdom come, your will be done  
on earth as in heaven.  
Give us today our daily bread.  
Forgive us our sins  
as we forgive those who sin against us.  
Lead us not into temptation.  
But deliver us from evil.  
For the kingdom, the power and the glory are yours, now and  
forever. Amen.

May the Lord make us ready for his coming in glory. Amen.

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## A Daily Prayer Service for Advent

O come, o come, Emmanuel!

O God, make speed to help us  
O God, make haste to help us.  
Your words have I hidden in my heart,  
that I should not sin against you.

*A hymn of praise*

Saviour eternal,  
life of the world unfailing,  
light everlasting  
and our true redemption.

Taking our humanity  
in your loving freedom,  
you rescued our lost earth  
and filled the world with joy.

By your first advent justify us,  
by your second, set us free:  
that when the great light dawns  
and you come as judge of all,  
we may be robed in immortality  
and ready, Lord, to follow  
in your footsteps blest, wherever they may lead.

Day	Psalm
Sunday	82
Monday	13
Tuesday	14
Wednesday	54
Thursday	70
Friday	75
Saturday	85

Glory to the Father and to the Son  
and to the Holy Spirit.  
As it was in the beginning, is now  
and shall be forever. Amen

*A short Bible reading*

Sunday	Revelation 22:17,20,21
Monday	Isaiah 11:1-4
Tuesday	Mark 1:1-5
Wednesday	Luke 12:35-37
Thursday	Mark 13:34-end
Friday	Romans 13:11-end
Saturday	Luke 1:35-38
Any day	Isaiah 40:1-11

Take a time to think over the reading. What stands out to you?  
What does the promise of the coming Saviour mean to you?  
What hope might God have for the world, today?

*Prayer You may like to use this or your own prayers. There are also special prayers for this time of pandemic, which you could also include in your time of prayer.*

Watchful at all times,  
let us pray for strength  
to stand with confidence  
before our Maker and Redeemer.

That God may bring in his kingdom with justice and mercy...

That God may establish among the nations his sceptre of  
righteousness...

That we may seek Christ in the scriptures  
and recognize him in the breaking of the bread...

That God may bind up the broken-hearted, restore the sick  
and raise up all who have fallen...

That the light of God's coming may dawn  
on all who live in darkness and the shadow of death...

That, with all the saints in light,  
we may shine forth as lights for the world.  
Let us commend the world,  
which Christ will judge,  
to the mercy and protection of God. Amen