
Evening Prayer

Advent

Wednesday



Please join in with the words in **BOLD**.

Preparation:

We meet together with one purpose;

To prepare a place for Jesus.

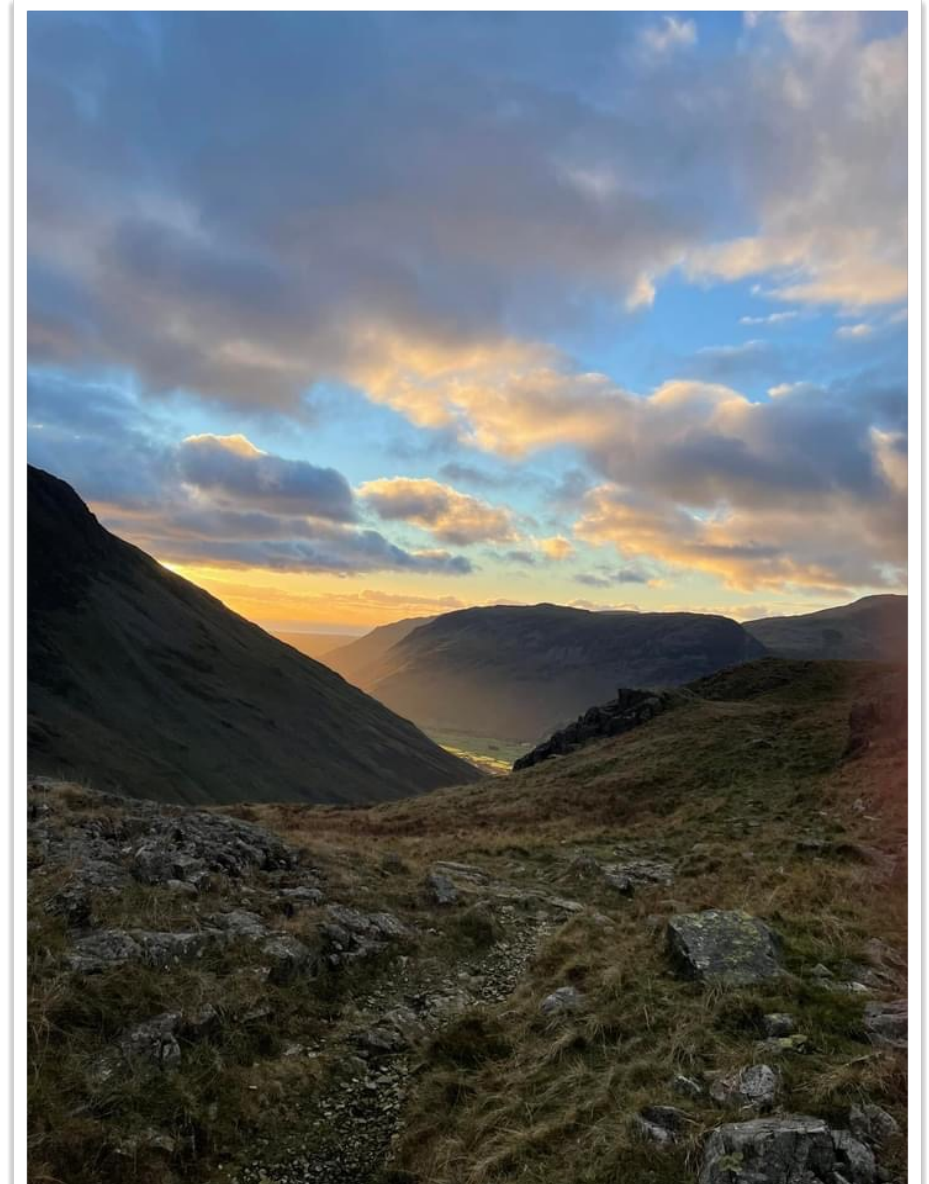
We do not know the time or day,

But we will be ready with open hearts.

Let us make a welcome here,

Let us make a welcome for Jesus.

Lord Jesus, we have gathered together this evening to prepare our hearts and minds to welcome you once more into our lives. We come with our joys and sorrows as we hold before you our day in a moment of quiet reflection.



Here is a place for you, Lord Jesus,
**Just as our hands have made
it ready, so make our hearts
ready to welcome you.
Be born again,
not in a manger, but in us.**

Make us your Bethlehem, where
God is personal and all things and all
people are made new.

Amen

*Reading and Reflection from Advent &
Christmas, waiting in Joyful Hope by
Catherine Upchurch.*



Let us pray (*prayer from reflection booklet*)

Amen

“Oh come, oh come, Emmanuel”
Come to our world with its cruelty
and hatred, its division and distrust,
it’s greed and its selfishness.

Come with your peace,

Transform our hearts

“ Oh come, oh come, thou Lord of
might.”

Come to those who act violently
and quell their anger.

Come to those who are oppressed
the weak and establish kindness.

Come with your Grace,

Transform our hearts



“Oh come, thou Rod of Jesse!”
Come to our nation and bless us
with peace and prosperity. Come
to the lost and the lonely and let
them know that they are valued and
loved by you. We bring before you
those who have asked for our
prayers this evening.....

Come with your comfort,
Transform our hearts

“ Oh come, thou Key of David!”
Come to your church, show each of
us how to serve you in our daily
lives as we pause before your
throne of Grace.....

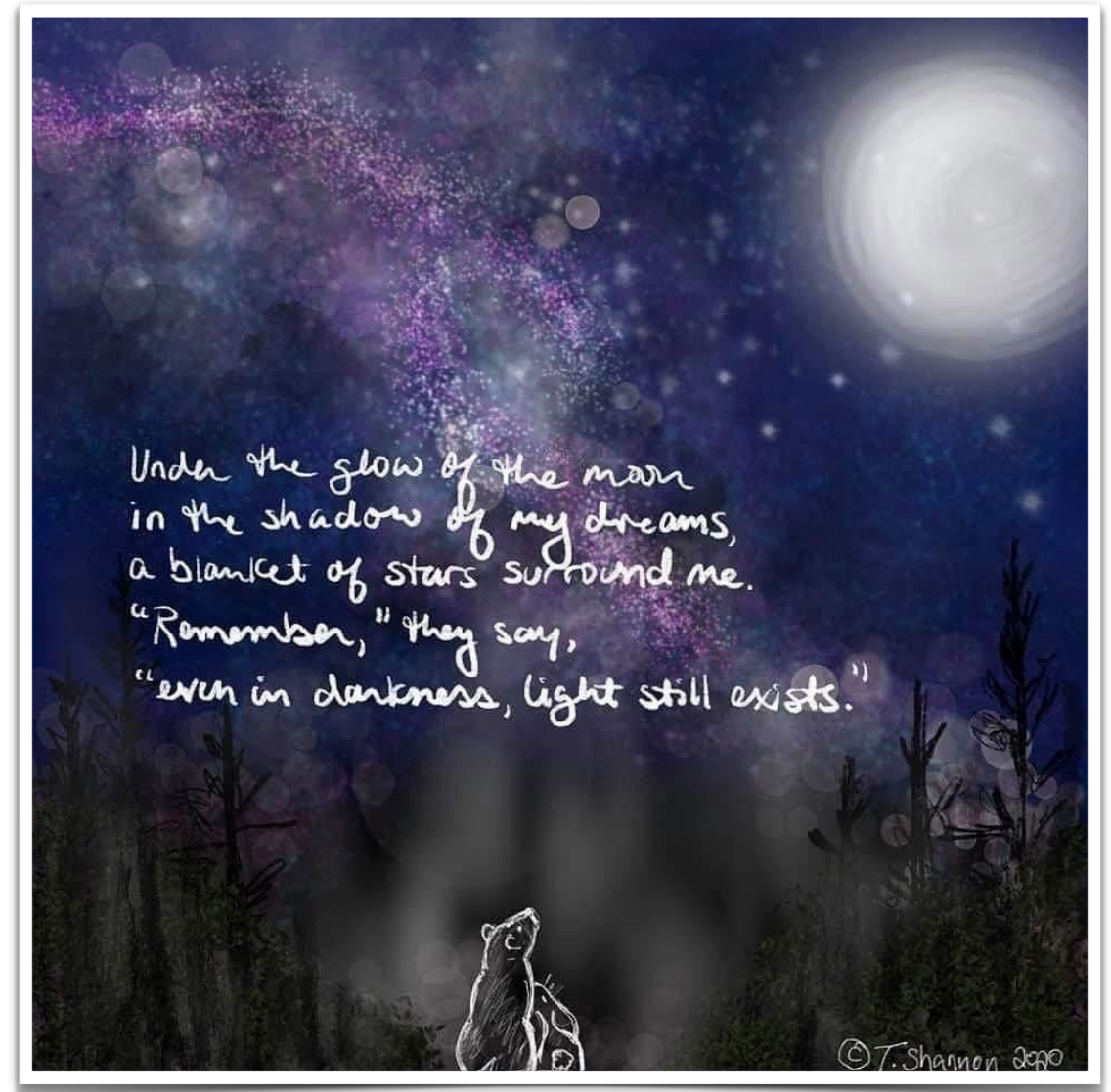
Come with your wisdom,
Transform our hearts



Almighty and eternal God, you are the God of all times and all places, of all peoples and all ages. We thank you for all who have gone before us in faith and are now at rest with you and we ask that you bring us, at the last, by your grace to be with them and you in the glory of your near presence.

Come with your promise,
Transform our hearts.

Merciful Father,
**Accept these prayers for the
sake of your son, Jesus
Christ our Lord. Amen.**



Let us join together to say the prayer that Jesus left us, using whatever version or language we are used to using.

Our Father....

May God Bless us this Advent and find us ready and prepared to welcome Jesus.

Amen

Let us live in peace and hope.

Thanks be to God

