

2017 Advent Candle Lighting

Week 4: Love

As the people of God,
we search for love ...

[light the fourth Advent Candle]

As the people of God,
we cry out to the Key of David:

**Come quickly to make a home among us;
come quickly to lift us from our lowliness;
come quickly to proclaim greetings of love and
good favour.**

As the people of God,
we sing:

Sing: VU 1 – *O Come, O Come, Emmanuel* vs. 5

O come, O Key of David, come,
and open wide our heavenly home;
make safe the way that leads on high,
and close the path to misery.

Rejoice! Rejoice! Emmanuel
shall come to thee, O Israel.

Week 1 – Hope

As the people of God,
we search for hope...

[light the first Advent candle]

As the people of God,
we cry out to the Emmanuel, God-with-us:

**Come quickly to shine on us;
come quickly to brighten our path;
come quickly to restore our hope.**

As the people of God,
we sing:

Sing: VU 1 – *O Come, O Come, Emmanuel* vs. 1

O come, O come, Emmanuel,
and ransom captive Israel
that mourns in lowly exile here
until the Son of God appear.

Rejoice! Rejoice! Emmanuel
shall come to thee, O Israel.

Week 2: Peace

As the people of God,
we search for peace ...

[light the second Advent Candle]

As the people of God,
we cry out to the King of kings:

**Come quickly to comfort your people;
come quickly to share the good news of God's
presence with us;
come quickly to make a clear path for justice
and peace.**

As the people of God,
we sing:

Sing: VU 1 – *O Come, O Come, Emmanuel* vs. 7

O come, Desire of nations, bind
all peoples in one heart and mind;
O bid our sad divisions cease,
and be for us the Prince of Peace. R
 Rejoice! Rejoice! Emmanuel
 shall come to thee, O Israel.

Week 3: Joy

As the people of God,
we search for joy ...

[light the pink Advent Candle]

As the people of God,
we cry out to the Root of Jesse:

**Come quickly to inspire the dreamers;
come quickly to bind-up the broken-hearted;
come quickly to sing of God's holy work with
shouts of joy.**

As the people of God,
we sing:

Sing: VU 1 – *O Come, O Come, Emmanuel* vs. 4

O come, O Rod of Jesse's stem,
from every foe deliver them
that trust your mighty power to save,
and give them victory o'er the grave.
 Rejoice! Rejoice! Emmanuel
 shall come to thee, O Israel.