

# Glory to God

in the highest heaven,  
and on  
earth peace.

—Luke 2:14



ELCA World Hunger



Stir up your power, Lord Christ, and come. By your merciful protection alert us to the threatening dangers of our sins, and redeem us for your life of justice, for you live and reign with the Holy Spirit now and forever. Amen.



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"My heart shall sing of the day you bring. Let the fires of your justice burn. Wipe away all tears, for the dawn draws near, and the world is about to turn."  
—"Cantic of the Turning" (ELW723)



"Make me to know your ways, O Lord; teach me your paths. Lead me in your truth, and teach me, for you are the God of my salvation; for you I wait all day long" (Psalm 25:4-5).



"Awake! Awake, and greet the new morn, for angels herald its dawning. Sing out your joy, for soon he is born, behold! the Child of our longing."  
—"Awake! Awake, and Greet the New Morn" (ELW 242)



Stir up our hearts, Lord God, to prepare the way of your only Son. By his coming give to all people of the world the hope of your salvation; through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord. Amen.



"Longing for food, many are hungry. Longing for water, many still thirst. Make us your bread, broken for others, shared until all are fed."  
—"Christ, Be Our Light" (ELW715)



"Yet, O Lord, you are [as a parent to us]; we are the clay, and you are our potter; we are all the work of your hand" (Isaiah 64:8).



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"Sing praises to the Lord, for [the Lord] has done gloriously; let this be known in all the earth. Shout aloud and sing for joy, O royal Zion, for great in your midst is the Holy One of Israel" (Isaiah 12:5-6).



Protector God, comfort, protect and inspire us with hope for the future you have promised. Equip us to care for one another and all our neighbors, that all may know the joy of life abundant. Amen.



"In reply [John the Baptist] said to them, 'Whoever has two coats must share with anyone who has none; and whoever has food must do likewise'" (Luke 3:11).



"On Jordan's bank the Baptist's cry announces that the Lord is nigh; awake and hearken, for he brings glad tidings of the King of kings!"  
—"On Jordan's Bank the Baptist's Cry" (ELW 249)



Almighty God, your generous goodness comes to us new every day. By the work of your Spirit, lead us to acknowledge your goodness, give thanks for your benefits, and serve you in willing obedience, through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.



"En una cueva Jesús apareció, pero en el mundo está presente hoy. Vive en nuestros hermanos, con ellos está; y vuelve de nuevo a darnos libertad."  
—"Toda la Tierra" ("All Earth Is Hopeful") (ELW 266)



"By the tender mercy of our God, the dawn from on high will break upon us, to give light to those who sit in darkness and in the shadow of death, to guide our feet into the way of peace" (Luke 1:78-79).



"As the moon reflects the sun until the night's decrease, may we your healing light release, living peace, living peace, unto your holy dawn."  
—"As the Dark Awaits the Dawn" (ELW 261)



"O come, O Dayspring, come and cheer; O Sun of justice, now draw near. Disperse the gloomy clouds of night, and death's dark shadow put to flight. Rejoice! Rejoice! Emmanuel shall come to you, O Israel." —"O Come, O Come, Emmanuel" (ELW 257)



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Loving God, inflame us with a holy yearning for a just world where all are fed, that we may be part of the promise you are fulfilling in our midst. In your holy name, we pray. Amen.



"The spirit of the Lord God is upon me, because the Lord has anointed me; [the Lord] has sent me to bring good news to the oppressed, to bind up the brokenhearted, to proclaim liberty to the captives, and release to the prisoners" (Isaiah 61:1).