

COME, MESSIAH

(AN ADVENT CALL TO WORSHIP)

Two-part mixed voices and piano, with optional Flute and 6 Handbells

Based on
Isaiah 7:14, 9:6
Matthew 1:23

Featuring responsive readings for each Sunday of
Advent, concluding with Christmas Eve.

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Warmly (♩ = ca. 63)

Piano

mf

dim.

+FL +HB

5

Soprano/Alto
mp

Won - der - ful, Coun - sel - or, Might - y God, E - man - u - el, — God with us, the

Tenor/Bass
mp

-FL -HB +HB +FL -FL -HB

5

mp

10

cresc. *mf* *cresc.* *f*

great Mes - si - ah, Prince of Peace: — come to dwell! — ne, Mes -

cresc. *mf* *cresc.*

10

+FL +HB

cresc. *mf* *cresc.* *f*

Duration: ca. 2:30

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15

si - ah; long - a - wait - ed one; come, Mes - si - ah,

15 -HB +HB -FL -HB +FL +HB -HB +HB

20

God's own Son. Come and free us from our

20 -HB +HB -FL -HB

25

sins re - lease; We are wait - ing, Prince of Peace;

25 +FL +HB

cresc.

cresc.

cresc.

30 *mf*

Come, Mes - si - ah!

mf

30 *mf* -FL

35 +FL
-FL -HB

Responsive Reading begins here

dim. *p* (piano underscore)

41 *mp* On cue

repeat as needed

47 *mf*

Come, Mes - si - ah; long - a - wait - ed one; come Mes -

mf

47 +FL - +HB -FL -HB +HB +FL -HB

mf

52

cresc. *f*

si - ah, God's own Son. Come and free us

cresc. *f*

+HB -HB -FL +HB

57

dim.

from our sins re - le We are wait - ing, Prince of Peace:

dim.

-HB +FL +HB

dim.

63

mf *rit. e dim.*

Come, Mes - si - ah!

mf

mf *rit. e dim.*

-FL

Responsive Litany for Advent Candle Lighting

First Sunday of Advent

We light this candle to prepare for the coming Messiah. [light candle here]

Come, Messiah, we wait for you.

A voice of one calling: "In the wilderness, prepare the way for the LORD;
make straight in the desert a highway for our God.

Every valley shall be raised up, every mountain and hill made low;

the rough ground shall become level, the rugged places a plain.

And the glory of the LORD will be revealed, and all people will see it together.

For the mouth of the LORD has spoken." (Isaiah 40:3-5 NIV)

With eager expectation, we wait for God's glory to be revealed.

Come, Messiah, we wait for you.

Second Sunday of Advent

We light these candles to prepare for the coming Messiah. [light candles here]

Come, Messiah, we wait for you.

The people walking in darkness have seen a great light;

on those living in the land of deep darkness, light has dawned.

For to us a child is born,

to us a son is given,

and the government will be on his shoulders.

And he will be called

Wonderful Counselor, Mighty God, Everlasting Father, Prince of Peace. (Isaiah 9:2, 6 NIV)

With eager expectation, we wait for our darkness to turn to light.

Come, Messiah, we wait for you.

Third Sunday of Advent

We light these candles to prepare for the coming Messiah. [light candles here]

Come, Messiah, we wait for you.

A shoot will come up from the stump of Jesse;

from his roots a Branch will bear fruit.

The Spirit of the Lord will rest on him- the Spirit of wisdom and of understanding,

the Spirit of counsel and of might,

the Spirit of the knowledge and fear of the Lord—

and he will delight in the Lord. (Isaiah 11:1-3 NIV)

With eager expectation, we wait for the promise of salvation.

Come, Messiah, we wait for you.

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Fourth Sunday of Advent

We light this candle to prepare for the coming Messiah. [light candles here]
Come, Messiah, we wait for you.

How beautiful on the mountains
are the feet of those who bring good news,
who proclaim peace,
 who bring good tidings,
who proclaim salvation,
 who say, "Your God reigns!"
Now all the ends of the earth will see
the salvation of our God. (Isaiah 52:7, 10 NIV)

With eager expectation, we wait for peace and good news.
Come, Messiah, we wait for you.

Christmas Eve

We light these candles to celebrate the promise of Messiah. [light candles here]
Come, Messiah, we wait for you.

Joy to the world! The Lord has come!
Let earth receive her king!
 The Lord himself will give you a sign:
 The virgin will conceive and give birth to a son,
and will call him Immanuel, God with us.

With joyful hearts, we celebrate the birth of Jesus.
Joy to the world! Christ is born!

(based on Isaiah 7:14, and "Joy to the World", by Isaac Watts)

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