



Loving Lord, we praise you for all we have to rejoice in at Christmas, this special reminder year by year of your coming to us in Jesus.

Come to us now and help us to keep you at the centre of all our preparations and celebrations.

We remember all those in special need -

The poor, the sick, the lonely and sad, the homeless, the helpless, the oppressed and persecuted:

All those for whom life is hard and the future seems bleak

Reach out to them in love, and give them something to celebrate this Christmas time.

Come to them, come to us, come to all

Send us on our way, rejoicing in the Good News of Jesus,

And praising you for the wonder of your love.

Amen