

## People, Look East

1. People, look east. The time is near  
of the crowning of the year.  
Make your house fair as you are able,  
trim the hearth and set the table.  
People, look east and sing today:  
Love, the Guest, is on the way.

2. Furrows, be glad. Though earth is  
bare,  
one more seed is planted there:  
Give up your strength the seed to  
nourish,  
that in course the flower may flourish.  
People, look east and sing today:  
Love, the Rose, is on the way.

3. Stars, keep the watch. When night is  
dim,  
one more light the bowl shall brim,  
shining beyond the frosty weather,  
bright as sun and moon together.  
People, look east and sing today:  
Love, the Star, is on the way.

4. Angels, announce with shouts of  
mirth  
him who brings new life to earth.  
Set every peak and valley humming  
with the word, the Lord is coming.  
People, look east and sing today:  
Love, the Lord, is on the way.

*The United Methodist Hymnal Number 202*  
*Text: Eleanor Farjeon, 1928*  
*Music: Trad. French carol; harm. by Martin Shaw,*  
*1928*  
*Tune: BESANCON, Meter: 87.98.87*

## Come, Thou Long Expected Jesus

1. Come, thou long expected Jesus,  
born to set thy people free;  
from our fears and sins release us,  
let us find our rest in thee.  
Israel's strength and consolation,  
hope of all the earth thou art;  
dear desire of every nation,  
joy of every longing heart.

2. Born thy people to deliver,  
born a child and yet a King,  
born to reign in us forever,  
now thy gracious kingdom bring.  
By thine own eternal spirit  
rule in all our hearts alone;  
by thine all sufficient merit,  
raise us to thy glorious throne.

*The United Methodist Hymnal Number 196*  
*Text: Charles Wesley, 1707-1788*  
*Music: Rowland H. Pritchard; harm. from The*  
*English Hymnal*  
*Tune: HYFRYDOL, Meter: 87.87 D*

## Praise God, from Whom All Blessings Flow

Praise God, from whom all  
blessings flow;  
praise him, all creatures here  
below;  
praise him above, ye heavenly host;  
praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost.  
Amen.

*The United Methodist Hymnal Number 095*  
*Text: Thomas Ken*  
*Music: Attr. to Louis Bourgeois*

## The Lord's Prayer

Our Father, who art in Heaven,  
hallowed be thy name. Thy  
kingdom come, thy will be done,  
on earth as it is in heaven. Give us  
this day our daily bread; and  
forgive us our trespasses as we  
forgive those who trespass against  
us. Lead us not into temptation, but  
deliver us from evil, For thine is the  
kingdom and the power and the  
glory forever. Amen

## O Come, O Come, Emmanuel

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

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

2. O come, thou Wisdom from on  
high,  
and order all things far and nigh;  
to us the path of knowledge show  
and cause us in her ways to go.  
(Refrain)

3. O come, O come, great Lord of  
might,  
who to thy tribes on Sinai's height  
in ancient times once gave the law  
in cloud and majesty and awe.  
(Refrain)

4. O come, thou Root of Jesse's  
tree,  
an ensign of thy people be;  
before thee rulers silent fall;  
all peoples on thy mercy call.  
(Refrain)

5. O come, thou Key of David,  
come,  
and open wide our heavenly home.  
The captives from their prison free,  
and conquer death's deep misery.  
(Refrain)

6. O come, thou Dayspring, come  
and cheer  
our spirits by thy justice here;  
disperse the gloomy clouds of  
night,  
and death's dark shadows put to  
flight.  
(Refrain)

## O Come, O Come, Emmanuel (continued)

7. O come, Desire of nations bind  
all peoples in one heart and mind.  
From dust Thou brought us forth to  
life;  
deliver us from earthly strife.  
(Refrain)

*The United Methodist Hymnal Number 211*  
*Text: Henry Sloane Coffin & Laurence Hull*  
*Siookey*  
*Music: 15th cent. French; arr. and harm. by*  
*Thomas Helmore, 1811-1890*  
*Tune: VENI EMMANUEL, Meter: LM with*  
*Refrain*

## Be Thou My Vision

1. Be thou my vision, O Lord of my  
heart;  
naught be all else to me, save that  
thou art.  
Thou my best thought, by day or by  
night,  
waking or sleeping, thy presence  
my light.

2. Be thou my wisdom, and thou  
my true word;  
I ever with thee and thou with me,  
Lord;  
thou and thou only, first in my  
heart,  
great God of heaven, my treasure  
thou art.

3. Great God of heaven, my victory  
won,  
may I reach heaven's joys, O bright  
heaven's Sun!  
Heart of my own heart, whatever  
befall,  
still be my vision, O Ruler of all.

*The United Methodist Hymnal Number 451*  
*Text: Ancient Irish; trans. by Mary E. Byrne,*  
*1880-1931; versed by Eleanor H. Hull, 1860-*  
*Music: Trad. Irish melody; harm. by Carlton R.*  
*Young, 1963*  
*Tune: SLANE, Meter: 10 10.9 10*