

Rejoice: A Prayer for the Christmas Season

Pastor: "Good Christian friends, rejoice!" for we come into the presence of God who has visited and comforted God's people.

PEOPLE: We give you thanks, Emmanuel, in this Christmas season when the spirit of the newborn Christ reigns among us.

Pastor: Our hearts rejoice, creator God, because the sins and sorrows of this world crumble under the wonders of your love.

PEOPLE: Our souls rejoice, Comforting God, because the One by whom and for whom all things exist welcomes us as brothers and sisters of Jesus.

Pastor: Our voices rejoice, Loving God, because the Word became flesh and dwelled among us, full of grace and truth.

PEOPLE: With heart and soul and voice, we rejoice as we lift our voices in prayer to you, Almighty God, that the Word was and is Light and Life to all, and the darkness cannot overcome it.

Pastor: Thanks be to our light-bringing, life-giving God who comes to us in the Savior, Jesus Christ, and invites us to pray together.....

The Lord's Prayer

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