

Prayer for Hope

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Could this be the Advent when we notice
the in-breaking of your coming promises?

Promises full of blessing:

Of truth so clear, so bright
that every shadowy lie must flee away.

Of compassion so deep, so strong
that everyone is encircled in its embrace.

Of restoration so complete, so beautiful
that there is gladness everywhere.

And of justice so satisfying and so right,
that all will be well.

May this Advent be the new beginning,
as we learn to live by the light
of your coming promises.

Glimpsing the world through tears,
while also seeing something
sacred shining through too.

Our Truth. Our Light.

Our Promise incarnate.

Amen.