

WEEK 1

O Come, O Come, Emmanuel



Melody.....Veni, Emmanuel

O come, O come, Emmanuel,
And ransom captive Israel
That mourns in lonely exile here
Until the Son of God appear.
Rejoice! Rejoice! Emmanuel
Shall come to you, O Israel.

- L** *Isaiah declared that hope was on the way for God's people lost and abandoned.*
- C** There is hope for us, too, who are lost in sin and abandoned by the world.
- L** *Emmanuel has come.*
- C** He finds us where we are and makes us part of God's family through his birth in Bethlehem.
- L** *So we live in hope.*
- C** We live our lives for Jesus.

O come, O Wisdom from on high,
Who ordered all things mightily;
To us the path of knowledge show
And teach us in her ways to go.
Rejoice! Rejoice! Emmanuel
Shall come to you, O Israel.

- L** *We are guided in hope by the Christ Child,
who points us to heaven.*
- C** Come and lead us, Lord Jesus.
- L** *Jesus arrives to brighten our future and tell us
God loves us without end.*
- C** Come and be with us forever, Lord Jesus.

O come, O Bright and Morning Star,
And bring us comfort from afar!
Dispel the shadows of the night
And turn our darkness into light.
Rejoice! Rejoice! Emmanuel
Shall come to you, O Israel.

(Light one candle on the Advent wreath.)

HE COMES WITH HOPE

(Daily Bible readings for the first week in Advent.)

Sunday	Isaiah 7:10-17
Monday	John 1:14-18
Tuesday	Isaiah 61:1-4
Wednesday	Isaiah 49:24-26
Thursday	Isaiah 35:1-4
Friday	Proverbs 3:5-6
Saturday	Psalms 130:1-8