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INTRODUCTORY PRAYER

Celebrant:

As the shades of night lengthen, and the season of Advent begins, we prepare ourselves for the return of our Lord, Jesus Christ. My friends, may we come to know Him truly, deeply and fully, so that when He returns, He will find us eager students and faithful disciples.

Reading:

Isaiah 40:3-5

A voice cries out:

‘In the wilderness prepare the way of the Lord,
make straight in the desert a highway for our God.

Every valley shall be lifted up,
and every mountain and hill be made low;
the uneven ground shall become level,
and the rough places a plain.

Then the glory of the Lord shall be revealed,
and all people shall see it together,
for the mouth of the Lord has spoken.’

Intercession:

To the God who has come to earth as a child, prepare us for your return, and hear our humble prayers: Come, Lord Jesus
O Wisdom, come with knowledge and understanding, that we may know you and love you. R.

O Key of David, come with grace for our time of suffering, that we might follow in your footsteps. R. O Dawn of the East, come with the Power of your Resurrection, and be with us at our end. R.

O Emmanuel, come at the time of our death, that in death, we may attain the resurrection. R.

At the Saviours Command ... or Our Father...