

## **Eucharistic Prayers for Advent, Year B**

*These brief eucharistic prayers are drawn from the themes and imagery of the lectionary texts for the season of Advent, Year B. Note that there are four options in each of the three sections that make up the body of the prayer; these are to be used as indicated on the appropriate Sunday in Advent. In this format, the Words of Institution should be used at the Invitation to the Table or the Breaking of the Bread.*

The Lord be with you.

**And also with you.**

Lift up your hearts.

**We lift them to the Lord.**

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

**It is right to give our thanks and praise.**

It is truly right and our greatest joy to give you thanks and praise,  
O Lord our God, creator and ruler of the universe.

(Advent 1) The heavens tremble and the mountains quake at your presence.  
Although we have forsaken you, you have never forgotten us:  
you are the potter and we are the clay, the work of your hand.

(Advent 2) The grass withers and the flower fades, but your word stands forever.  
You speak tenderly to your people, with tidings of peace and comfort.  
Like a shepherd, you feed us and gather us in your arms.

(Advent 3) You are good news to the oppressed, healing for the brokenhearted,  
freedom to the captive, and comfort for those who mourn.  
Now the time has come at last to proclaim the year of your favor.

(Advent 4) Since the time when you brought your people Israel out of Egypt  
you have been our shepherd, leading us and traveling among us.  
Now, as you promised, you have established for us an eternal home.

Therefore we praise you,  
joining our voices with choirs of angels  
with prophets, apostles, and martyrs,  
and with all the faithful of every time and place  
who forever sing to the glory of your name:

**Holy, holy, holy Lord,  
God of power and might,  
heaven and earth are full of your glory.  
Hosanna in the highest.  
Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord.  
Hosanna in the highest.**

You are holy, O God of majesty,  
and blessed is Jesus Christ, your Son, our Lord.

(Advent 1) Christ Jesus is our grace and peace, the Word that we proclaim,  
the source of all our strength, and the giver of every good gift.  
In Christ's body, we have received fellowship with you, our God.

- (Advent 2) Baptized by John, Jesus came to be our way in the wilderness,  
to wash us clean from the dust of death and the stain of sin,  
and to pour out the power of the Holy Spirit among us.
- (Advent 3) Jesus Christ is the true light that the prophets foretold,  
He has come into the world to enlighten everyone  
so that we might testify to your saving power and love.
- (Advent 4) Born in a humble home, to a virgin named Mary,  
Jesus came to rule over the house of Jacob forever—  
for with you, O God, nothing is impossible.

Remembering your gracious acts in Jesus Christ,  
we take from your creation this bread and this wine  
and joyfully celebrate his dying and rising,  
as we await the day of his coming.  
With thanksgiving, we offer our very selves to you  
to be a living and holy sacrifice, dedicated to your service.

Great is the mystery of faith:

**Christ has died,  
Christ is risen,  
Christ will come again.**

Gracious God, pour out your Holy Spirit upon us  
and upon these your gifts of bread and wine,  
that the bread we break and the cup we bless  
may be the communion of the body and blood of Christ.  
By your Spirit, unite us with Christ  
and with your church in all the world.

- (Advent 1) Keep us awake until the hour of Christ's coming,  
when the sun and moon and stars will fall from heaven  
and you will gather up the faithful from the ends of the earth.
- (Advent 2) Help us to repent and live in peace with you and with one another,  
watching and praying your new heavens and new earth  
where righteousness and justice will be at home.
- (Advent 3) Teach us to rejoice and give thanks always, to pray without ceasing,  
to follow the Spirit, heed the prophets, and hold fast to what is good,  
so that we may be holy and whole at the coming of our Lord.
- (Advent 4) Strengthen us by the power of the gospel of Jesus Christ  
so that we may be obedient to your commandments  
and proclaim the mystery of our faith to all the nations.

Through Christ, with Christ, in Christ, in the unity of the Holy Spirit,  
all glory and honor are yours, almighty God, now and forever.

**Amen.**