

## ADVENT ANTIPHONS

O friend of the lonely,  
You walk alongside us when no-one else wants to know.  
Come, fill our lives when all seems empty.

Hope of the world,  
Our only hope.  
Come into our dark and despairing world.

O Steadfast, faithful one,  
Who journeys with us through life's ups and downs.  
Come, now, take us by the hand and lead us on.

O Faithful companion,  
You will always support us.  
Come and guide us though the dark.

O Companion on life's journey.  
God with us, in our joys, and in our sorrows  
Come to us and bring us your light of hope.

O Creator of the Universe  
You have made all living things.  
Be with us as we journey through life.

O Constant guide,  
Who lights our way and gives us peace.  
Help us to be vessels for your warming light for all who  
cross our path as days shorten and we wait,  
sometimes in darkness, for the joy of the birth of your  
beloved Son.

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