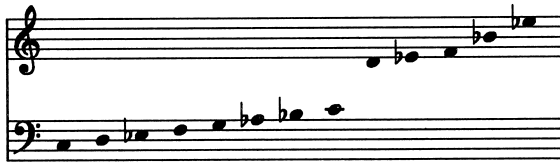


# Come, Lord Jesus, We Are Waiting

Bells used: 3 octaves (13 bells)



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1 Gently (♩=104) 2 3 4

Handbells

LV *p*

5 6

Handbells (stanzas 1&4)

Descant (stanza 4 only)

4. Come, Lord Je - sus.

Unison Choir and Congregation

1. Come, — Lord Je - sus, we are — wait - ing,  
4. Come, — Lord Je - sus, we are — pray - ing,

Keyboard

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## **SECOND SUNDAY IN ADVENT**

Reader 1: "I will listen to what the Lord God is saying, for God is speaking peace to faithful people and to those who turn their hearts to God. Truly, salvation is very near to those who fear God." (from Psalm 85)

Reader 2: As we light our second Advent Candle, we think of preparing our hearts so that we will be at peace, ready for the Christ child. We long for peace – in our hearts, our homes and our world. We will prepare by seeking peace with God first, then with all the people who make up our world.

Reader 3: Let us pray.  
Thank you for your promise that you will come, Lord. Let the seeds of peace that you have planted blossom in our lives so that there is room for you in all our busy-ness. Amen.

## **THIRD SUNDAY IN ADVENT**

Reader 1: "Rejoice always, pray constantly, give thanks in all circumstances; for this is the will of God in Christ Jesus for you." (from I Thessalonians 5)

Reader 2: The third Candle of Advent stands for joy. We are so happy Jesus came to be our Light that we can't help but tell others about Christmas in what we say and do. Our joy shows!

Reader 3: Let us pray.  
Dear God, we have joy from you and we share joy because of you. Help us to share the Light that comes at Christmas as we share this Advent light. Amen.

## **FOURTH SUNDAY IN ADVENT**

Reader 1: "Your love, O Lord, forever will I sing. Happy are the people who know the festal shout! They walk, O Lord, in the light of your presence." (from Psalm 89)

Reader 2: We light our fourth Advent Candle today, and sing aloud in celebration that Jesus was born and Jesus will come again. Let the light of Jesus, our Light, be our guide every day of our lives.

Reader 3: Let us pray.  
Lord Jesus, we have been watching and waiting. Our hearts and homes are ready for you, and we want your light to shine in us so others see your gift of love. Come, Lord Jesus, be with us today and always. Amen.

– Helen Stensrud

7 8 9

Come, Lord Je - sus. Come, Lord

Be — our Guest this Ad - vent day. Long - ing hearts watch  
Be — our Guest this Ad - vent day. Hope - ful hearts find

10 11 12 13

1. (on to m. 14) 4.

Je - sus, come, Je - sus, be — our Guest.

ea - ger - ly for Je - sus, who comes in love. Guest.  
room for — you, come, Je - sus, and be — our Guest.

1. (on to m. 14) 4.

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14 *mp* 15

2. Come, Lord Jesus, we are ready,

16 17 18

Be our Guest this Advent day. Loving hearts we

19 20 21

have prepared for Jesus, who gives us peace.