

Words for Worship Sunday 4 January 2026

God of power and life,

you are the glory of all who believe in you.
Fill the world with your splendour
and show the nations the light of your truth:
Through Jesus Christ your Son our Lord,
who is alive and reigns
with you and the Holy Spirit
one God, now and forever.
Amen

The race that long in darkness pined

Has seen a glorious light;
The people dwell in day who dwelt
In death's surrounding night.

To us a Child of hope is born;
To us a Son is given;
Him shall the tribes of earth obey,
Him all the hosts of heaven.

His name shall be the Prince of Peace,
For evermore adored;
The Wonderful, the Counsellor,
The great and mighty Lord.

His power increasing still shall spread,
His reign no end shall know:
Justice shall guard his throne above,
And peace abound below.

We're waiting for the day when you come

The sound of praise together resounds
Every voice from beginning to end
Join the song

This story of our lives that we sing
Our God at work through history
Every voice from beginning to end
Join the song

Immanuel – God is with us

Praise to our king

Born to save us

Immanuel – God is with us

We're listening for the sound of your voice
Your word of truth in heart and in mind
Every voice from beginning to end
Join the song

The story of our saviour's great love
Our God becoming one of us
Every voice from beginning to end
Join the song

We sing glory; We sing glory be to God..

Peace on the earth
On all on whom his favour rests...

O Holy Night! The stars are brightly shining,
It is the night of our dear Saviour's birth.
Long lay the world in sin and error pining.
Till He appeared and the soul felt its worth.
The thrill of hope the weary world rejoices,
For yonder breaks the new and glorious morn.

*Fall on your knees! Oh, hear the angel voices!
O night divine, O night when Christ was born;
O night divine! O night, O night divine!*

Truly He taught us to love one another,
His law is love and His gospel is peace.
Chains shall he break,
for the slave is our brother.
And in his name all oppression shall cease.
Sweet hymns of joy in grateful chorus raise we,
Let all within us praise His holy name.

Christ is the Lord! O praise his name forever:
His power and glory ever more proclaim!
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In the bleak mid winter

Frosty wind made moan.
Earth stood hard as iron,
Water like a stone;
Snow had fallen, snow on snow,
Snow on snow
In the bleak midwinter,
Long ago.

Our God heaven cannot hold him,
Nor earth sustain;
Heaven and earth shall flee away
When he comes to reign:
In the bleak midwinter
A Stable place sufficed
The Lord God Almighty,
Jesus Christ.

Angels and archangels
May have gathered there;
Cherubim and seraphim
Thronged the air;
But only his mother
In her maiden bliss,
Worshipped the Beloved
With a kiss.

What can I give him,
Poor as I am?
If I were a shepherd,
I would bring a lamb;
If I were a wise man,
I would play my part;
Yet what I can I give him
Give my heart.

Lord I come, I confess

Bowing here, I find my rest
Without You, I fall apart
You're the one that guides my heart

Lord, I need You, oh, I need You
Every hour, I need You
My one defence, my righteousness
Oh God, how I need You

Where sin runs deep, Your grace is more
Where grace is found is where You are
And where You are, Lord, I am free
Holiness is Christ in me

So teach my song to rise to You
When temptation comes my way
And when I cannot stand, I'll fall on You
Jesus, You're my hope and stay

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Joy to the world; the Lord is come;

Let Earth receive her King;
Let every Heart prepare him room,
And Heav'n and nature sing (x3)

Joy to the Earth, the Saviour reigns,
Let all their Songs employ,
While fields and floods, rocks, hills and plains,
Repeat the sounding joy. (x3)

No more let sins and sorrows grow,
Nor thorns infest the ground;
He comes to make his blessings flow
Far as the curse is found. (x3)

He rules the world with truth and grace,
And makes the nations prove
The glories of his righteousness,
And wonders of his love. (x3)