In Anticipation of Christ’s Coming

Lord and Father of all,
In anticipation and preparation for the coming of Christ,
help us rise each day to your mercy.
Teach us to practice resurrection,
to seek love and forgiveness and new life,
in our relationships and in our work,
in our play and through inevitable conflicts.
Help us bring peace to our busy, distracted world.

Lord and good Father to us all,
as you have filled our hands,
let us fill the hands of our neighbors,
that we may be replenished anew.
Remind us as the fields bloom again
that new life is available to us every day.
Help us each season,
to turn from the things that would distract us from you
and receive your resurrection blessings
So that we may be your good gift to others.

Amen