

“And the Word became flesh and lived among us,  
full of grace and truth, and we have seen his glory,  
the glory as of the Father’s only Son.” John 1:14

It is Christmas!

**A time for embrace -**

an embrace that warms the seed of love  
and allows active hope to blossom for a world of peace with justice,  
filled with grace and truth.

**A time for communion -**

creating spaces of welcome  
for the small and the fragile, in the simplicity of the manger.

**A time to proclaim salvation**

and to glorify God-with-us,  
present in protected children, respected women,  
dignified bodies, and restored Creation!

May the Christmas spirit awaken us to a faith shaped by love  
and renew in us the longing to help build a world of sisters and brothers.

In Jesus Christ, our Lord and Savior,  
we extend our heartfelt wishes for a blessed Christmas  
and a New Year filled with hope.

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