

## Prayers from the "Faces of Christ" retreat

Lord of creation,  
Of night and of day,  
Lord of the manger,  
Lord of the hay,

Newborn Lord  
In the cold of night,  
Infant mild  
God's great light

My heart is filled  
With love for You  
Enough to love  
Your children, too.

Amen

Father in Heaven, help me to know that  
Each face in the crowd is seen by You  
Each voice in my ear is heard by You  
Each person I meet is loved by You  
So that I may love them, too

Amen

Lord, give me the strength to be weak,  
To turn my other cheek,  
To greet anger with gentleness.  
Help me not to win, but to love,  
Not to be served, but to serve,  
For Your sake, not mine.

Amen

I am humbled in the light of Your presence  
Made small by the gift of Your grace  
I rejoice each time that I serve You  
In the neighbors who show me Your face

Amen

Joyful, I adore You  
In the early morning sun.

Joyful, I adore You  
When the working day is done.

Joyful for the graces  
That I know I don't deserve.

Joyful, I can see You  
In the neighbors that I serve.

Amen

Let me be Your ears, O Lord.  
To hear the suffering cry.

Let me be Your eyes, O Lord,  
To see in them Your face.

Let me be Your lips, O Lord,  
To offer words of love.

Let me be Your arms, O Lord,  
To comfort and embrace.

Amen

Lord, You are my shelter from the storm  
And I will not be afraid, for You are with me.  
And when the rain falls on my neighbors  
You are the umbrella I can share.  
And they will not be afraid, for we are with  
them.

Amen