

LAS POSADOS Prayers

*A prayer to be used at the beginning or at the end of the gathering.
If wished, a candle may be lit.*

*Today we share / have shared a meal / friendship / fellowship
with our family/ our friends,
remembering the day
that the special child was born.*

Together we light the Christ Candle as a sign that God has been born here with us.

Light a candle – and hold a few moments of silence

With the birth of Jesus
a light comes into the world,
a light of Peace and Hope.
Thank you God
for your gifts of Peace and Hope,
we pray that we are able to look after these gifts wisely
and use them in our home and community.

How dark outside!
but see -- a star's in the sky;
Mary and Joseph are passing by.
So let's light a candle to welcome them
as they go on their way to Bethlehem.
O God,
as light comes from this candle,
may the blessing of Jesus Christ come to us,
warming our hearts and
brightening our way.
May Christ our Saviour bring life
into the darkness of this world,
and to us, as we wait for his coming.

O Jesus Christ,
Emmanuel, come and dwell with us.
Desire of all nations;
Gift to every generation,
Come, make your home with us.
All nations, everybody,
is waiting for you,
Jesus, come to us.

O Jesus Christ, Prince of Peace,
come and save your people.
Joy of every heart,
Strength of those who are poor,
come quickly to help us.

Prince of Peace,
teach the lion and the little lamb,
teach the cat and the mouse,