

# PREFACE I OF ADVENT

## The two comings of Christ

It is truly right and just, our duty and our sal-va-tion, al-ways and  
everywhere to give you thanks, Lord, holy Father, almighty and e-  
-ter-nal God, through Christ our Lord. For he assumed at his first  
coming the lowliness of hu-man flesh, and so fulfilled the design  
you formed long a-go, and opened for us the way to e - ter-nal  
sal-va-tion, that, when he comes again in glo-ry and maj-es-ty  
and all is at last made man-i-fest, we who watch for that day  
may inherit the great promise in which now we dare to hope. And  
so, with Angels and Archangels, with Thrones and Do-min-ions,  
and with all the hosts and Pow-ers of heav-en, we sing the hymn  
of your glo-ry, as without end we ac-claim: