Litany for Advent Week 4: Love

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Creator God, we have celebrated the hope, peace, and joy that come from You. And now we celebrate Love, which is from You, and is Your very nature.
God is Love.

You formed the universe out of the void, and breathed life into your creatures, all because of your great love.
In You, we live and move and have our being. We exist because of Your love.

Humanity rejected You. But because of your love you made a way to restore us to relationship with Yourself.
Love made a way. That love is Jesus Christ.

Jesus Christ, Immanuel, God-With-Us. Born of a virgin girl in a stable, laid in a manger, Jesus entered the world in humility and compassion.
Jesus lived, was crucified, died, and was resurrected from death, all for love.
Love has conquered death.

It is his example we live by: self-sacrificing love. And we know that "Love is patient, love is kind. It does not envy, it does not boast, it is not proud. It does not dishonor others, it is not self-seeking, it is not easily angered, it keeps no record of wrongs... "
"… Love does not delight in evil but rejoices with the truth. It always protects, always trusts, always hopes, always perseveres. Love never fails."

May our hearts be illumined with the light of Love....
And may we share Your love wherever we go.

Amen

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