

### **Cosmic Creed—Questions—Advent**

Do you believe in God, Source and incarnating power of the immense cosmic space and time,  
who personally knows and cares about each person  
in the small and most intimate moments of our lives?

Do you believe in God who is intensely personal,  
Taking flesh in fathers, but is much more than fathers,  
Taking flesh in mothers, but is much more than mothers,  
who is ultimately MYSTERY  
and before whom we must stand wordless and in awe?

Do you believe in the divinely human Jesus, born of Mary,  
Who emerged from among us  
to open our eyes to the presence of God working in all creation?

Do you believe in Jesus as the special revelation of our knowledge of God,  
Who sometimes used images of women and mothers,  
Who sometimes used images of men and fathers,  
Who sometimes used images of birds, and trees, seeds and weeds  
To help us sense the incredible power and earthy intimacy of God's love?

Do you believe in Jesus as the one who called people beyond our personal wounds and illnesses  
to be witnesses of God's healing love, forgiveness and comfort?

Do you believe in Jesus who from the cross in agony found the strength to love and forgive those  
who betrayed, tortured, reviled and executed him,  
And who rose to offer comfort, love, forgiveness and hope  
And to entrust his mission to us?

Do you believe in the Holy Spirit of God  
Working in and through creation to forgive and comfort, heal and rebuild  
Communities of hope and love in universal solidarity?

Do you believe in the global community of faiths living in that Spirit,  
Invited to help bring the New Creation to birth in our time and on this Earth?

Do you believe that you are a part of this community in Christ's Spirit,  
called every day to spread this hope and comfort  
in rebuilding our communities, our Church, our nation, our world?

Are you willing and grateful to live in this Spirit all the days of your life and through your death and  
rebirth into everlasting life?

We, in and of your immense universe of cosmic time and space,  
give you our deepest thanks, our Loving God,  
through Christ our Lord and in the Living Spirit. Amen.