

Advent

SIGNS OF HOPE

Tune: CASWALL
F. Filitz (1804-76)

1. Signs of hope in nature
Come like godwits' flight
Raising with cicadas
Songs within the night.
2. Flaking bark of Matai,
Fuchsia's bursting buds,
Point to Summer flowerings
Set within God's love.
3. When Pohutukawa
Tinges green with red,
Fire will soon envelop
All its verdant head.
4. Signs of hope in people
Flash from lively eyes:
Warmth and tears and touching
Help new hope arise.
5. So Christ comes in Advent
Healing broken dreams,
Bathing all our sorrows,
Binding Earth's extremes.
6. "Come into the sunlight
Where you all belong;
Share Christ's feast of caring,
Sing the Gospel song."
7. "Justice for Earth's peoples,
Peace for one and all,
Oneness in God's loving!"
Sounds the Advent call.

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