

Advent

The way we are
is the way we were--
improved...
The way we will be
is the way we are--
improved...

Life is process
marked by ellipses...
affirming what we know
and what we don't...
uncertain often
but never unsure...

a sacred gift
we share together...
each one free
and each one bound...
each one blessing
and each one blest...

Often without rhyme,
but not without reason...
past and present
join in foretaste...
Advent ellipses
transform all others...

We are invited
to light candles...
in life's darkness...
"Prepare the way
of the Lord in
the wilderness!"

God is the same
yesterday, today,
and forever...
"Bless the Lord
and forget not
all his benefits..."

"Be not afraid..."
"It is your Father's
good pleasure
to give you

the kingdom...."
Hallelujah!! Amen!

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