

Flourishing as the Friends of Jesus (who really like jazz!)

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*Therefore, you must be ready,
for the Son of Man is coming at an unexpected hour.
(Matt 24:44)*

Christians around the world
are entering into a time of the year we call Advent.
It's a time when we remember all the hopes and dreams
the God acknowledged and addressed
by coming in human flesh in Jesus, the Christ.

In communities around the world,
people have a choice between hope and fear,
between harmony and division,
between acceptance and dismissal,
between love and hate.

As I listen to this great jazz every week,
I'm constantly inspired by the resilience
of the musicians who compose and improvise these tunes
in good times and bad, in times of hope and times of fear.
They come to know and realize their hopes and dreams
through their music.
And we are energized by their resilience.

In such an experience, I see the unexpected coming of Jesus
nourishing us over and over again.