

Midweek Advent Worship

Evening Prayer at Calvary



Gifts No One Wants...

But Messiah Receives

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Pre-service Music

EVENING PRAYER [SERVICE OF LIGHT]

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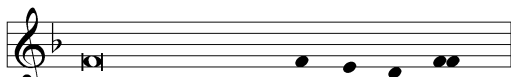
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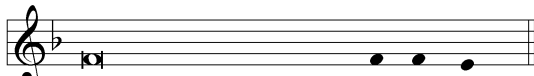
*Personal Prayers for worship can be found on
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THE SERVICE OF LIGHT

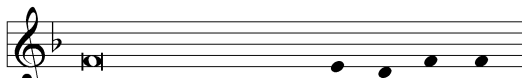
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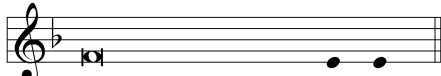
M: Jesus Christ is the light of the world,



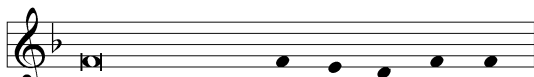
C: the light no darkness can o-ver-come.



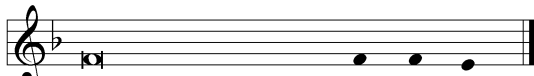
M: Stay with us, Lord, for it is eve-ning,



C: and the day is almost o-ver.



M: Be our light and scat-ter the dark-ness,



C: and hear our evening hymn of praise.

Candles may be lit as the hymn is sung.

HYMN

254 – The Day Full of Grace (st. 1,2)

Text: Scandinavian folk hymn, 15th century, abr., st. 1-2, 4; Mark A. Jeske, b. 1952, st. 3;

**The day full of grace, which we behold
Now gently to view ascending
As God's gracious promises unfold,
Good cheer to the saints is lending,
And children of light in ev'ry land
Rejoice that the night is ending.**

**How blest was that gracious midnight hour
When God in our flesh was given.
The Dayspring appeared in light and pow'r
And spread o'er the darkened heaven.
Then rose o'er the world that Sun divine
Who gloom from our hearts has driven.**

M Lord God, we thank you for this day of grace now drawing to a close. Stay with us and warm our hearts with your forgiving love in Christ. May your Word keep our faith burning brightly that we may walk in the light of your presence through the darkness of this world. Come and bless us as we worship you: Father, Son, and Holy Spirit.

C **Amen.**

BE SEATED



THE SERVICE OF THE WORD

LET MY PRAYER RISE BEFORE YOU

PSALM 141

C: Let my prayer rise be - fore you as in - cense, the lift - ing
up of my hands as the eve - ning sac - ri - fice. O Lord, I
call to you; come to me quick - ly; hear my voice when I
cry to you. Let my prayer rise be - fore you as in - cense,
the lift - ing up of my hands as the eve - ning sac - ri - fice.

The musical score is written on five staves in G major (one sharp) and common time. The melody is simple and melodic, with lyrics placed below the notes. The first line starts with a common time signature 'C:'. The piece ends with a double bar line.

M Let our prayers be acceptable in your sight. Come and help us in time of need that we may sing your praise in holy joy now and forever, through Jesus Christ, our Lord.

C Amen.

READING

2 Corinthians 5:16-21

We are reconciled to God because Jesus became "sin for us".

² CORINTHIANS 5:16 So from now on we regard no one from a worldly point of view. Though we once regarded Christ in this way, we do so no longer. ¹⁷Therefore, if anyone is in Christ, he is a new creation; the old has gone, the new has come! ¹⁸All this is from God, who reconciled us to himself through Christ and gave us the ministry of reconciliation: ¹⁹that God was reconciling the world to himself in Christ, not counting men's sins against them. And he has committed to us the message of reconciliation. ²⁰We are therefore Christ's ambassadors, as though God were making his appeal through us. We implore you on Christ's behalf: Be reconciled to God. ²¹God made him who had no sin to be sin for us, so that in him we might become the righteousness of God.

Grades 3-8

Infant Holy, Infant Lowly

*Infant holy, infant lowly, for his bed a cattle stall;
Oxen lowing, little knowing Christ the child is Lord of all.
Swiftly winging angels singing, bells are ringing, tidings bringing:
Christ the child is Lord of all! Christ the child is Lord of all!*

*Flocks were sleeping, shepherds keeping vigil till the morning new
Saw the glory, heard the story, tidings of a gospel true.
Thus rejoicing, free from sorrow, praises voicing, greet the morrow:
Christ the child was born for you! Christ the child was born for you!*

CATECHETICAL READING

Second Article from the Large Catechism

Grades 3-8

Silent Night

*Silent night, holy night! All is calm, all is bright
Round yon virgin mother and child. Holy infant, so tender and mild,
Sleep in heavenly peace, sleep in heavenly peace.*

*Silent night, holy night! Shepherds quake at the sight.
Glories stream from heaven afar, heav'nly hosts sing, Alleluia!
Christ, the Savior, is born! Christ, the Savior, is born!*

*Silent night, holy night! Son of God, love's pure light
Radiant beams from thy holy face with the dawn of redeeming grace,
Jesus, Lord, at thy birth, Jesus, Lord, at thy birth.*

MESSAGE

ISAIAH 53:5 But he was pierced for our transgressions, he was crushed for our iniquities; the punishment that brought us peace was on him, and by his wounds we are healed. ⁶We all, like

sheep, have gone astray, each of us has turned to our own way; and the Lord has laid on him the iniquity of us all.

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Sin

THE SERVICE OF PRAYER

ANTHEM

Sung by Choir

Dawning Light of Our Salvation

Text: Wendell Kimbrough, b. 1983

Tune: Bruce Benedict, b. 1980

Text: © Wendell Kimbrough; tune: © 2021 Cardiphonia

*Long in darkness Israel wandered; Long in mortal shadows, we
Walked in bondage and self-pity, Trod in paths of sin and grief.
In the prophets' words He told us, Long the God of Israel spoke;
He alone in strength would save us From the hands of all our foes.*

Refrain

*Every valley be exalted! Every mountain be made plane!
Crooked ways repent and straighten; All creation bend in praise!*

*He shall raise a mighty Savior; Born of David's lineage, He
Comes in cov'nant love to claim us From our sins to set us free.
Light to those who dwell in darkness Life to those from death who flee
Joy unto the earth, and gladness, To your pathways dawning peace!*

Refrain

*Jesus, Lord, and mighty Savior, David's Son and yet his King,
Dawning light of our salvation, Of your saving pow'r we sing!
Stand, Oh lame, and dance ye broken, Know the Savior's healing grace;
Come, Oh deaf and hear him singing; Turn, Oh blind, behold his face!*

Refrain

ANNOUNCEMENTS AND MUSICAL OFFERING

*We appreciate the offerings given to support the work of
God's Kingdom here and throughout the world.*

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- 1. Set in the offering plate at the back of the sanctuary*
- 2. On the Calvary website: <https://calvarydallas.org/give/>*



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OFFERTORY

STAND

LORD, HAVE MERCY

M In the closing hours of this day, hear us as we pray, O Lord:



C: Lord, have mer - cy.

M For the well-being of people everywhere, for the growth of your church in all the world, and for the strengthening of all who serve and worship here, we pray, O Lord:



C: Christ, have mer - cy.

M For one another, young and old, for your blessings that come with every stage of life, and for joy in doing your will, we pray, O Lord:



C: Lord, have mer - cy.

M For our public servants who work day and night to bring protection, justice, learning, and health to this and every place, we pray to you, O Lord:



C: Lord, hear our prayer.

M For favorable weather and bountiful harvests, for clothing and food, for health of body, mind, and spirit, and for deliverance from all sin and every form of evil, we pray, O Lord:



C: Lord, hear our prayer.

M For the faithful who have gone before us, who have shared with us your good news, whose souls are now at rest in your heavenly kingdom, we give you thanks, O Lord:



C: Thanks be to God.

M In thanksgiving for your many and varied gifts to us, we now commend ourselves to your care. Be our shield and strength, O Lord.

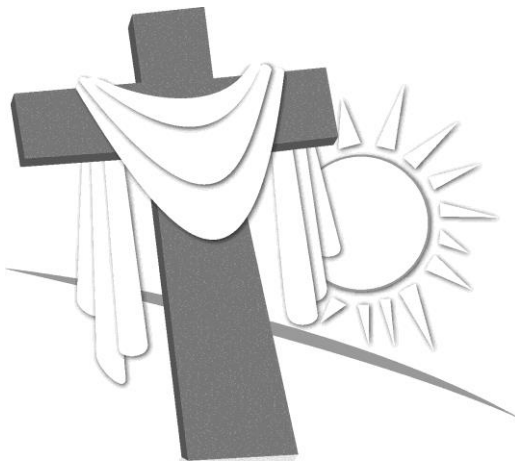


C: A - men.

THE LORD'S PRAYER

C Our Father in heaven,
hallowed be your name,
your kingdom come,
your will be done
on earth as in heaven.
Give us today our daily bread.

**Forgive us our sins,
as we forgive those
who sin against us.
Lead us not into temptation,
but deliver us from evil.
For the kingdom, the power,
and the glory are yours
now and forever. Amen.**



**“...the LORD has
laid on him the
iniquity of us all.”**

Isaiah 53:6b

ADVENT HYMN

11 – Comfort, Comfort All My People



1 "Com - fort, com - fort all my peo - ple; Speak of peace,"
 2 All their sins our God will par - don, Blot - ting out
 3 John the Bap - tist's voice is cry - ing In the des -
 4 Straight - en out the crook - ed high - way; Make the rough -



so says our God. "Com - fort those who sit in dark - ness,
 each dark mis - deed; All that well de - serve his an - ger
 ert far and near, Call - ing peo - ple to re - pent - ance
 er plac - es plain. Let your hearts be true and hum - ble,



Groan - ing from their sor - rows' load. Speak to all
 He no more will see or heed. They have suf -
 For the king - dom now is here. Oh, that warn -
 Read - y for his ho - ly reign. For the glo -



Je - ru - sa - lem Of the peace that waits for them;
 fered man - y a day; Now their griefs have passed a - way.
 ing cry o - bey! Now pre - pare for God a way;
 ry of the Lord Now o'er earth is spread a - broad,



Tell them that their sins I cov - er,
 God will change their ach - ing sad - ness
 Let the val - leys rise to meet him
 And all flesh shall see the to - ken



That their war - fare now is o - ver."
 In - to ev - er - spring - ing glad - ness.
 And the hills bow down to greet him.
 That his word is nev - er bro - ken.

Text: Johannes Olearius, 1611–84; tr. Catherine Winkworth, 1827–78, alt.
 Tune: FREU DICH SEHR (87 87 77 88) *Trente quatre Pseaumes de David*, Geneva, 1551.

PRAYER FOR PEACE

M Lord God, all holy desires, all good counsels, and all just works come from you. Give to us, your servants, that peace which the world cannot give, that our hearts may be set to obey your commandments. Defend us also from the fear of our enemies that we may live in peace and quietness, through the merits of Jesus Christ our Savior, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

C Amen.

SONG OF SIMEON



C: In peace, Lord, you let your ser - vant now de - part



ac - cord - ing to your word. For my eyes have seen



your sal - va - tion, which you have pre - pared for ev - 'ry



peo - ple, a light to light - en the Gen - tiles



and the glo - ry of your peo - ple Is - ra - el.

BLESSING



M: The grace of our Lord + Je - sus Christ and the love of God



and the fellowship of the Holy Spir - it be with you all.



C: A - men.

BE SEATED

CLOSING HYMN

595 – Before the Ending of the Day



1 Be - fore the end - ing of the day,
2 From e - vil dreams de - fend our sight,
3 O Fa - ther, this we ask be done



Cre - a - tor of the world, we pray.
From all the ter - rors of the night,
Through Je - sus Christ, your on - ly Son,



Your grace and peace to us al - low
From all de - lud - ing thoughts that creep
Whom with the Spir - it we a - dore



And guard and keep your peo - ple now.
On heed - less minds dis - armed by sleep.
For - ev - er and for - ev - er - more.



A - men.

Text: Latin hymn, c. 6th century; tr. John M. Neale, 1818–66, alt.
Tune: JAM LUCIS (LM) Plainsong melody.