

**December 6, 2023** 6:45 pm



# **EVENING PRAYER**

SERVICE OF LIGHT	LSB 243
<b>PHOS HILARON</b> ~ (Hymn of Light)	LSB 244
THANKSGIVING FOR LIGHT	LSB 245
Sit	
PSALMODY	Psalm 141 LSB 245-246
PRAYER	

Let us pray:
Let the incense of our repentant prayer ascend before You, O Lord, and let Your loving-kindness descend on us that, with purified minds, we may sing Your praises with the Church on earth and the whole heavenly host and may glorify You forever.

C Amen.

### **OFFICE HYMN**

### **OLD TESTAMENT READING**

<sup>7</sup>For thus says the LORD: "Sing aloud with gladness for Jacob, and raise shouts for the chief of the nations; proclaim, give praise, and say, 'O LORD, save your people, the remnant of Israel.' <sup>8</sup>Behold, I will bring them from the north country and gather them from the farthest parts of the earth, among them the blind and the lame, the pregnant woman and she who is in labor, together; a great company, they shall return here. <sup>9</sup>With weeping they shall come, and with pleas for mercy I will lead them back, I will make them walk by brooks of water, in a straight path in which they shall not stumble, for I am a father to Israel, and Ephraim is my firstborn. <sup>10</sup>"Hear the word of the LORD, O nations, and declare it in the coastlands far away; say, 'He who scattered Israel will

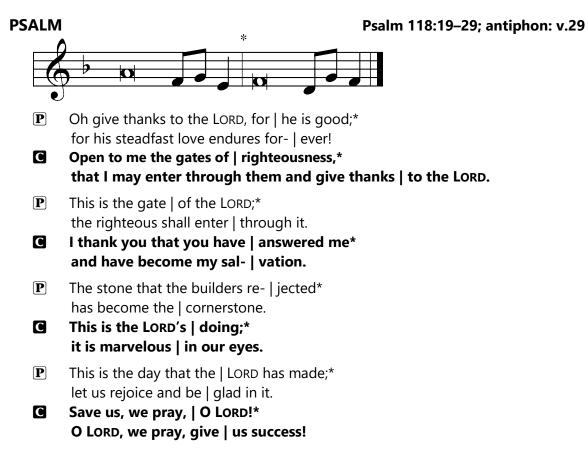
Jeremiah 31:7–14

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gather him, and will keep him as a shepherd keeps his flock.' <sup>11</sup>For the LORD has ransomed Jacob and has redeemed him from hands too strong for him. <sup>12</sup>They shall come and sing aloud on the height of Zion, and they shall be radiant over the goodness of the LORD, over the grain, the wine, and the oil, and over the young of the flock and the herd; their life shall be like a watered garden, and they shall languish no more. <sup>13</sup>Then shall the young women rejoice in the dance, and the young men and the old shall be merry. I will turn their mourning into joy; I will comfort them, and give them gladness for sorrow. <sup>14</sup>I will feast the soul of the priests with abundance, and my people shall be satisfied with my goodness, declares the LORD."

**P** This is the Word of the Lord.



Thanks be to God.

C

- Blessèd is he who comes in the name | of the LORD!\* We bless you from the house | of the LORD.
- The LORD is God, and he has made his light to shine up- | on us.\* Bind the festal sacrifice with cords, up to the horns of the | altar!
- You are my God, and I will give | thanks to you;\* you are my God; I will ex- | tol you.
- A Glory be to the Father and | to the Son\* and to the Holy | Spirit; as it was in the be- | ginning,\* is now, and will be forever. | Amen.
- Oh give thanks to the LORD, for | he is good;\* for his steadfast love endures for- | ever!

Stand

## **GOSPEL READING**

### Mark 11:1-11

Now when they drew near to Jerusalem, to Bethphage and Bethany, at the Mount of Olives, Jesus sent two of his disciples and said to them, "Go into the village in front of you, and immediately as you enter it you will find a colt tied, on which no one has ever sat. Untie it and bring it. If anyone says to you, 'Why are you doing this?' say, 'The Lord has need of it and will send it back here immediately.'" And they went away and found a colt tied at a door outside in the street, and they untied it. And some of those standing there said to them, "What are you doing, untying the colt?" And they told them what Jesus had said, and they let them go. And they brought the colt to Jesus and threw their cloaks on it, and he sat on it. And many spread their cloaks on the road, and others spread leafy branches that they had cut from the fields. And those who went before and those who followed were shouting, "Hosanna! Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord! Blessed is the coming kingdom of our father David! Hosanna in the highest!"

And he entered Jerusalem and went into the temple. And when he had looked around at everything, as it was already late, he went out to Bethany with the twelve.

In many and various ways, God spoke to His people of old by the prophets.

**G** But now in these last days, He has spoken to us by His Son.

# SERMON

Stand

### **THE MAGNIFICAT**~~ (Song of Mary)

### OFFERING

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**L** For the peace from above and for our salvation, let us pray to the Lord:

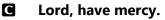
## **G** Lord, have mercy.

- **I** For the peace of the whole world, for the well-being of the Church of God, and for the unity of all, let us pray to the Lord:
- **C** Lord, have mercy.
- **L** For this holy house and for all who offer here their worship and praise, let us pray to the Lord:
- **C** Lord, have mercy.
- **L** For Matthew Harrison, our Synod president, Justin Panzer, our district president, for all pastors in Christ, for all servants of the Church, and for all the people, let us pray to the Lord:
- **G** Lord, have mercy.



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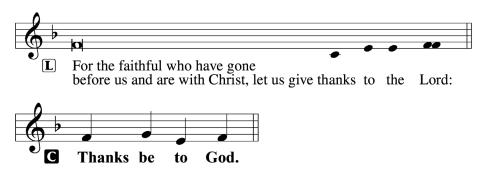
- **L** For President Biden, for all public servants, for the government and those who protect us, that they may be upheld and strengthened in every good deed, let us pray to the Lord:
- **G** Lord, have mercy.
- **I** For those who work to bring peace, justice, health, and protection in this and every place, let us pray to the Lord:
- **G** Lord, have mercy.
- **L** For those who bring offerings, those who do good works in this congregation, those who toil, those who sing, and all the people here present who await from the Lord great and abundant mercy, let us pray to the Lord:

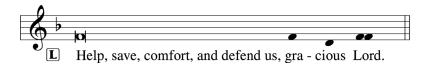


- **L** For favorable weather, for an abundance of the fruits of the earth, and for peaceful times, let us pray to the Lord:
- **G** Lord, have mercy.
- L For our deliverance from all affliction, wrath, danger, and need, let us pray to the Lord:
- **G** Lord, have mercy.
- L C
  - For ... [additional bids for prayer may be inserted here] ... let us pray to the Lord:

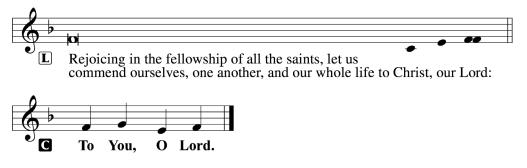
#### Lord, have mercy.

The prayers then continue:





Silence for individual prayer may follow.



## COLLECT FOR PEACE

- O God, from whom come all holy desires, all good counsels, and all just works, give to us, Your servants, that peace which the world cannot give, that our hearts may be set to obey Your commandments and also that we, being defended from the fear of our enemies, may live in peace and quietness; through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.
- C Amen.

#### LORD'S PRAYER

Matthew 6:9-13

- **P** Lord, remember us in Your Kingdom and teach us to pray:
- Our Father who art in heaven, hallowed be Thy name, Thy kingdom come, Thy will be done on earth as it is in heaven; give us this day our daily bread;

and forgive us our trespasses as we forgive those who trespass against us; and lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil.

For Thine is the kingdom and the power and the glory forever and ever. Amen.

#### **BENEDICAMUS/BENEDICTION**

- **P** Let us bless the Lord.
- **G** Thanks be to God.
- P The almighty and merciful Lord, the Father, the + Son, and the Holy Spirit, bless and preserve you.
- C Amen.

## **CLOSING HYMN**

### Lift Up Your Heads, You Everlasting Doors

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# SERVING THE LORD AND US TODAY:

Preaching	Vicar Nathan Harkins
Liturgist	Pastor Joel Schultz
Organist	Lauran Delancy



Please join us next week for our Midweek Advent Service.

# WEDNESDAY, DECEMBER 13

Advent Supper – Fellowship Hall 5:30pm – 6:15pm Midweek Advent Service – **6:45pm** (Hymn sing 6:30pm - 6:45pm) This O Antiphons service focuses on the hymn "O Come, O Come Emmanuel."

Psalm 103:1