

EVENING PRAYER

Monday - First Week of Advent

Leader: God, come to my assistance.

Congregation: - Lord, make haste to help me.

Leader: Glory to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Spirit:

Congregation: - as it was in the beginning, is now, and will be forever.

All: Amen. Alleluia.

PSALMODY

All: **Antiphon 1:** *The Lord looks tenderly on those who are poor*

Psalm 11

L In the Lord I have taken my refuge.
How can you say to my soul:
"Fly like a bird to its mountain.

C See the wicked one bracing his bow;
he is fixing his arrows on the string
to ambush the upright by stealth.
Foundations once destroyed,
what can the just do?"

L The Lord is in his holy temple,
the Lord, whose throne is in heaven.
His eyes look down on the world;
his gaze tests the people of the earth.

C The Lord tests the just and the wicked;
the lover of violence he hates.
He sends fire and brimstone on the wicked;
he sends a scorching wind as their lot.

L The Lord is just and loves justice;
the upright will see his face.

C Glory to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Spirit:
L - as it was in the beginning, is now, and will be for ever.

Psalm Prayer: Lord God, you search the hearts of all, both the good and the wicked. May those who are in danger for love of you, find security in you now, and, in the day of judgment, may they rejoice in seeing you face to face.

ALL Antiphon 1 *The Lord looks tenderly on those who are poor.*

Second Psalm sung by the DeAngelos

ALL Antiphon 2 *God chose us in his Son to be his adopted children.*

Canticle - Ephesians 1:3-10

L Praised be the God and Father
of our Lord Jesus Christ,
who has bestowed on us in Christ
every spiritual blessing in the heavens.

C God chose us in him before the world began
to be holy and blameless in his sight,

L He predestined us
to be his adopted sons through Jesus Christ,
such was his will and pleasure,
that all might praise the glorious favor
he has bestowed on us in his beloved.

C In him and through his blood, we have been redeemed,
and our sins forgiven,
so immeasurably generous
is God's favor to us.

L God has given us the wisdom
to understand fully the mystery,
the plan he was pleased
to decree in Christ.

C A plan to be carried out

in Christ, in the fullness of time,
to bring all things into one in him,
in the heavens and on earth

L Glory to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Spirit
C - as it was in the beginning, is now, and will be for ever.

ALL Antiphon 2 *God chose us in his Son to be his adopted children.*

READING *Philippians 3:20b-21*

We eagerly await the coming of our Savior, the Lord Jesus Christ. He will change our lowly body to conform with his glorified body by the power that enables him also to bring all things into subjection to himself.

RESPONSORY

L Come and set us free, Lord God of power and might.
C - Come and set us free, Lord God of power and might.
L Let your face shine upon us and we shall be saved,
C - Lord God of power and might.
L Glory to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Spirit,
C - Come and set us free, Lord God of power and might.

MAGNIFICAT *ALL STAND AND RECITE TOGETHER*

Antiphon: *The angel of the Lord brought God's message to Mary, and she conceived by the power of the Holy Spirit, alleluia.*

My soul proclaims the greatness of the Lord,
my spirit rejoices in God my Savior
for he has looked with favor on his lowly servant.

From this day all generations will call me blessed:
the Almighty has done great things for me,
and holy is his Name.

He has mercy on those who fear him
in every generation.

He has shown the strength of his arm,
he has scattered the proud in their conceit.

He has cast down the mighty from their thrones,
and has lifted up the lowly.

He has filled the hungry with good things,
and the rich he has sent away empty.

He has come to the help of his servant Israel
for he has remembered his promise of mercy,
the promise he made to our fathers,
to Abraham and his children for ever.

Glory to the Father, and to the Son,
and to the Holy Spirit:
as it was in the beginning, is now,
and will be forever. Amen.

The angel of the Lord brought God's message to Mary, and she conceived by the power of the Holy Spirit, alleluia.

INTERCESSIONS

L We cry to the Lord, who will come to bring us salvation.

ALL *Come, Lord, and save us.*

L Lord Jesus Christ, our God, Savior of all,

C – come swiftly and save us.

L Lord, by your coming into this world,

C – free us from the sin of the world.

L You came from the Father,

C – show us the path that leads to him.

L You were conceived by the Holy Spirit,

C – by your word renew the same spirit in our hearts.

L You became incarnate from the Virgin Mary,

C – free our bodies from corruption.

L Lord, be mindful of all men,

C – who from the beginning of time have placed their trust in you

Our Father...

PRAYER

**Keep us alert, we pray, O Lord our God,
as we await the advent of Christ your Son,
so that, when he comes and knocks,
he may find us watchful in prayer
and exultant in his praise.**

**Who lives and reigns with you in the unity of the Holy Spirit,
one God, forever and ever.**