

1st Sunday after Christmas

December 26, 2021

8:30a

Morning Prayer p. 235

367 Angels from the Realms of Glory

1 An - gels from the realms of glo - ry, Wing your flight o'er
2 Shep - herds in the field a - bid - ing, Watch - ing o'er your
3 Sa - ges, leave your con - tem - pla - tions, Bright - er vi - sions
4 Saints be - fore the al - tar bend - ing, Watch - ing long in
△ 5 All cre - a - tion, join in prais - ing God the Fa - ther,

all the earth; Ye who sang cre - a - tion's sto - ry,
flocks by night, God with us is now re - sid - ing,
beam a - far; Seek the great De - sire of na - tions,
hope and fear, Sud - den - ly the Lord, de - scend - ing,
Spir - it, Son, Ev - er - more your voic - es rais - ing

Now pro - claim Mes - si - ah's birth.
Yon - der shines the In - fant Light.
Ye have seen His na - tal star.
In His tem - ple shall ap - pear.
To the e - ter - nal Three in One.

Refrain

Come and wor - ship, come and wor - ship;
Wor - ship Christ, the new - born King.

Versicles

L O Lord, o - pen my lips,
C and my mouth shall de - clare Your praise.
C Glo - ry be to the Fa - ther and to the Son and to the Ho - ly Spir - it;
as it was in the be - gin - ning, is now, and will be for - ev - er. A - men.
C Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia.

Psalmody

L Give glory to God, our light and our life.
C O come, let us wor - ship Him.

Venite (I & II) Sung by Pastor and Cantor)

C O come, let us sing to the Lord;

let us make a joy-ful noise to the rock of our sal-va - tion.

I Let us come in - to His pres - ence with thanks - giv - ing;

let us make a joy - ful noise to Him with songs of praise.

II For the Lord is a great God and a great king a - bove all gods.

I In His hand are the depths of the earth;

the heights of the moun - tains are His al - so.

II The sea is His, for He made it;

and His hand formed the dry land.

I O come, let us wor - ship and bow down;

let us kneel be - fore the Lord, our mak - er.

II For He is our God, and we are the peo - ple

of His pas - ture and the sheep of His hand.

C Glo-ry be to the Fa - ther and to the Son and to the Ho - ly Spir - it;

as it was in the be - gin - ning, is now, and will be for - ev - er. A - men.

L Give glory to God, our light and our life.

C O come, let us wor - ship Him.

Psalm

Psalm 111; antiphon: v. 9a, b

- P** Praise the Lord! I will give thanks to the Lord with my whole heart, in the company of the upright, in the congregation.
- C** **Great are the works of the Lord, studied by all who delight in them.**
- P** Full of splendor and majesty is his work, and his righteousness endures forever.
- C** **He has caused his wondrous works to be remembered; the Lord is gracious and merciful.**
- P** He provides food for those who fear him; he remembers his covenant forever.
- C** **He has shown his people the power of his works, in giving them the inheritance of the nations.**
- P** The works of his hands are faithful and just; all his precepts are trustworthy;
- C** **they are established forever and ever, to be performed with faithfulness and uprightness.**
- P** He sent redemption to his people; he has commanded his covenant forever. Holy and awesome is his name!
- C** **The fear of the Lord is the beginning of wisdom; all those who practice it have a good understanding. His praise endures forever!**

389 Let All Together Praise Our God



1 Let all to - geth - er praise our God Be - fore His
 2 He leaves His heav'n - ly Fa - ther's throne, Is born an
 3 With - in an earth - born form He hides His all - cre -
 4 He un - der - takes a great ex - change, Puts on our



glo - rious throne; To - day He o - pens heav'n a - gain To
 in - fant small, And in a man - ger, poor and lone, Lies
 at - ing light; To serve us all He hum - bly cloaks The
 hu - man frame, And in re - turn gives us His realm, His



give us His own Son, To give us His own Son.
 in a hum - ble stall, Lies in a hum - ble stall.
 splen - dor of His might, The splen - dor of His might.
 glo - ry, and His name, His glo - ry, and His name.

5 He is a servant, I a lord:
 How great a mystery!
 How strong the tender Christ Child's love!
 No truer friend than He,
 No truer friend than He.

6 He is the key and He the door
 To blessed paradise;
 The angel bars the way no more.
 To God our praises rise,
 To God our praises rise.

△ 7 Your grace in lowliness revealed,
 Lord Jesus, we adore
 And praise to God the Father yield
 And Spirit evermore;
 We praise You evermore.

Readings

Reading

Exodus 13:1–3a, 11–15

¹The LORD said to Moses, ²“Consecrate to me all the firstborn. Whatever is the first to open the womb among the people of Israel, both of man and of beast, is mine.”

³Then Moses said to the people, “Remember this day in which you came out from Egypt, out of the house of slavery, for by a strong hand the LORD brought you out from this place. . . .

¹¹“When the LORD brings you into the land of the Canaanites, as he swore to you and your fathers, and shall give it to you, ¹²you shall set apart to the LORD all that first opens the womb. All the firstborn of your animals that are males shall be the LORD’s. ¹³Every firstborn of a donkey you shall redeem with a lamb, or if you will not redeem it you shall break its neck. Every firstborn of man among your sons you shall redeem. ¹⁴And when in time to come your son asks you, ‘What does this mean?’ you shall say to him, ‘By a strong hand the LORD brought us out of Egypt, from the house of slavery. ¹⁵For when Pharaoh stubbornly refused to let us go, the LORD killed all the firstborn in the land of Egypt, both the firstborn of man and the firstborn of animals. Therefore I sacrifice to the LORD all the males that first open the womb, but all the firstborn of my sons I redeem.’”

L O Lord, have mercy on us.

C Thanks be to God.

Reading

Colossians 3:12–17

¹²Put on then, as God’s chosen ones, holy and beloved, compassion, kindness, humility, meekness, and patience, ¹³bearing with one another and, if one has a complaint against another, forgiving each other; as the Lord has forgiven you, so you also must forgive. ¹⁴And above all these put on love, which binds everything together in perfect harmony. ¹⁵And let the peace of Christ rule in your hearts, to which indeed you were called in one body. And be thankful. ¹⁶Let the word of Christ dwell in you richly, teaching and admonishing one another in all wisdom, singing psalms and hymns and spiritual songs, with thankfulness in your hearts to God. ¹⁷And whatever you do, in word or deed, do everything in the name of the Lord Jesus, giving thanks to God the Father through him.

L O Lord, have mercy on us.

C Thanks be to God.

Reading

Luke 2:22–40

²²When the time came for their purification according to the Law of Moses, [Mary and Joseph] brought [Jesus] up to Jerusalem to present him to the Lord ²³(as it is written in the Law of the Lord, “Every male who first opens the womb shall be called holy to the Lord”) ²⁴and to offer a sacrifice according to what is said in the Law of the Lord, “a pair of turtledoves, or two young pigeons.” ²⁵Now there was a man in Jerusalem, whose name was Simeon, and this man was righteous and devout, waiting for the consolation of Israel, and the Holy Spirit was upon him. ²⁶And it had been revealed to him by the Holy Spirit that he would not see death before he had seen the Lord’s Christ. ²⁷And he came in the Spirit into the temple, and when the parents

brought in the child Jesus, to do for him according to the custom of the Law, ²⁸he took him up in his arms and blessed God and said, ²⁹“Lord, now you are letting your servant depart in peace, according to your word; ³⁰for my eyes have seen your salvation ³¹that you have prepared in the presence of all peoples, ³²a light for revelation to the Gentiles, and for glory to your people Israel.”

³³And his father and his mother marveled at what was said about him. ³⁴And Simeon blessed them and said to Mary his mother, “Behold, this child is appointed for the fall and rising of many in Israel, and for a sign that is opposed ³⁵(and a sword will pierce through your own soul also), so that thoughts from many hearts may be revealed.”

³⁶And there was a prophetess, Anna, the daughter of Phanuel, of the tribe of Asher. She was advanced in years, having lived with her husband seven years from when she was a virgin, ³⁷and then as a widow until she was eighty-four. She did not depart from the temple, worshiping with fasting and prayer night and day. ³⁸And coming up at that very hour she began to give thanks to God and to speak of him to all who were waiting for the redemption of Jerusalem.

³⁹And when they had performed everything according to the Law of the Lord, they returned into Galilee, to their own town of Nazareth. ⁴⁰And the child grew and became strong, filled with wisdom. And the favor of God was upon him.

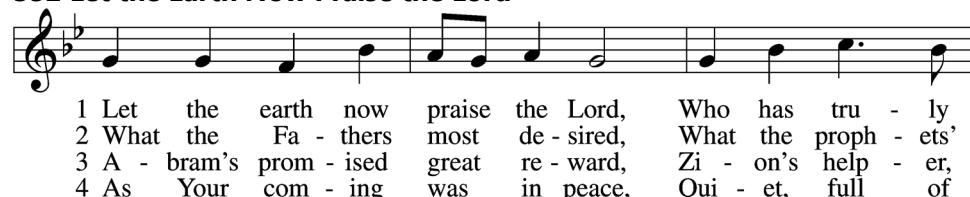
L O Lord, have mercy on us.

C Thanks be to God.

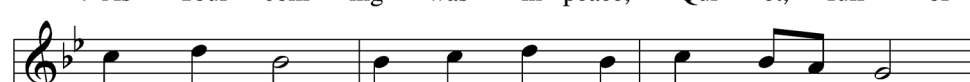
L In many and various ways, God spoke to His people of old by the prophets.

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

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1 Let the earth now praise the Lord, Who has tru - ly,
 2 What the Fa - thers most de - sired, What the proph - ets',
 3 A - bram's prom - ised great re - ward, Zi - on's help - er,
 4 As Your com - ing was in peace, Qui - et, full of



kept His word And at last to us did send
 heart in - spired, What they longed for man - y a year,
 Ja - cob's Lord— Him of two - fold race be - hold—
 gen - tle - ness, Let the same mind dwell in me



Christ, the sin - ner's help and friend.
 Stands ful - filled in glo - ry here.
 Tru - ly came, as long fore - told.
 Which is Yours e - ter - nal - ly.

5 Bruise for me the serpent's head
 That, set free from doubt and dread,
 I may cling to You in faith,
 Safely kept through life and death.

6 Then when You will come again
 As the glorious king to reign,
 I with joy will see Your face,
 Freely ransomed by Your grace.

Sermon

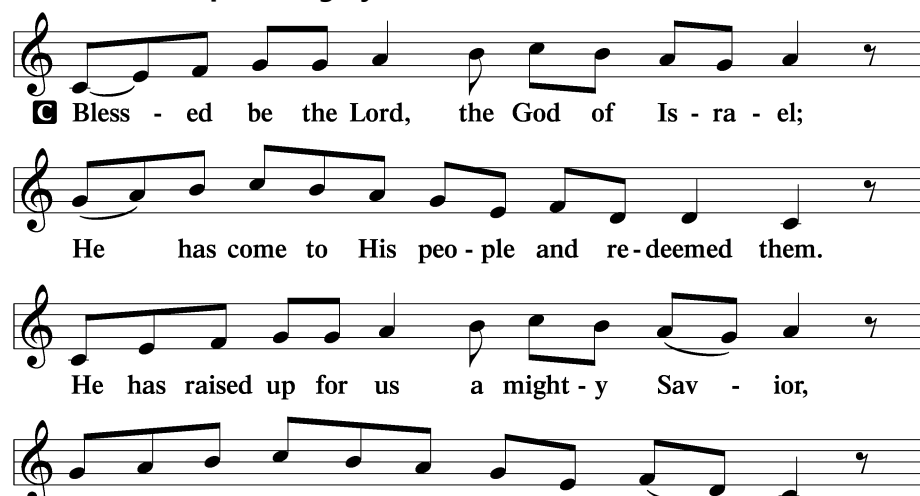
Sermon Theme: Leftovers

Text: Luke 2:22-40

Canticle

Benedictus (**L** part sung by Cantor)

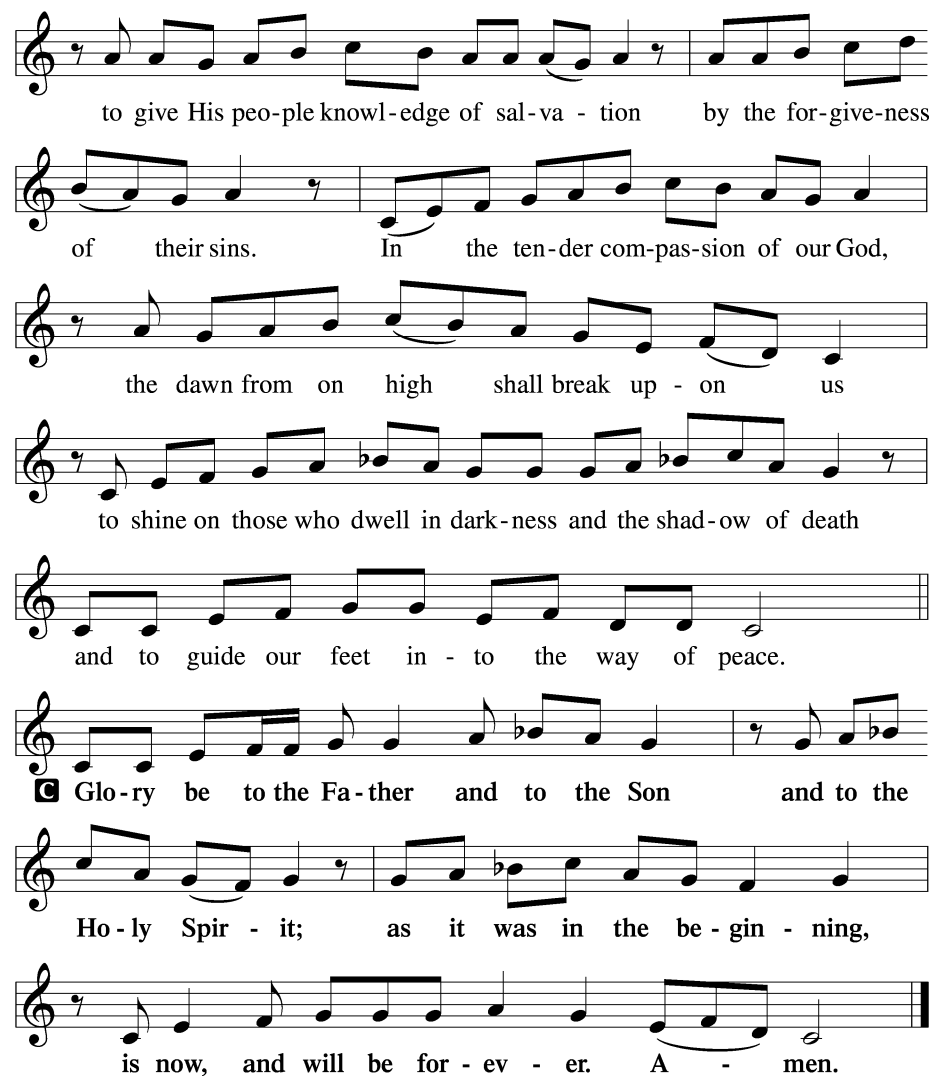
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C Bless - ed be the Lord, the God of Is - ra - el;
 He has come to His peo - ple and re - deemed them.
 He has raised up for us a might - y Sav - ior,
 born of the house of His ser - vant Da - vid.



Through His ho - ly proph - ets He prom - ised of old
that He would save us from our en - e - mies, from the hands of all who
hate us. He prom - ised to show mer - cy to our fa - thers
and to re - mem - ber His ho - ly cov - e - nant.
This was the oath He swore to our fa - ther A - bra - ham:
to set us free from the hands of our en - e - mies,
free to wor - ship Him with - out fear, ho - ly and
righ - teous in His sight all the days of our life.
[L] You, my child, shall be called the proph - et of the Most High,
for you will go be - fore the Lord to pre - pare His way,



to give His peo - ple knowl - edge of sal - va - tion by the for - give - ness
of their sins. In the ten - der com - pas - sion of our God,
the dawn from on high shall break up - on us
to shine on those who dwell in dark - ness and the shad - ow of death
and to guide our feet in - to the way of peace.
[C] Glo - ry be to the Fa - ther and to the Son and to the
Ho - ly Spir - it; as it was in the be - gin - ning,
is now, and will be for - ev - er. A - men.

Presentation of our Offerings & Gifts to the Lord

781 We Give Thee But Thine Own

1 We give Thee but Thine own, What - e'er the gift may be;
2 May we Thy boun - ties thus As stew - ards true re - ceive

All that we have is Thine a - lone, A trust, O Lord, from Thee.
And glad - ly, as Thou bless - est us, To Thee our first-fruits give!

Prayer

Collects

Petitions ending in...

- P** Lord, in Your mercy,
G hear our prayer.

Collect of the Day

- L** Let us pray.
O God, our Maker and Redeemer, You wonderfully created us and in the incarnation of Your Son yet more wondrously restored our human nature. Grant that we may ever be alive in Him who made Himself to be like us; through Jesus Christ, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.
- G** Amen.

Collect for Grace

- L** O Lord, our heavenly Father, almighty and everlasting God, You have safely brought us to the beginning of this day. Defend us in the same with Your mighty power and grant that this day we fall into no sin, neither run into any kind of danger, but that all our doings, being ordered by Your governance, may be righteous in Your sight; through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.
- G** Amen.

Lord's Prayer

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- L** Taught by our Lord and trusting His promises, we are bold to pray:
G 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

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L Let us bless the Lord.

G Thanks be to God.

Benediction

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P The al - mighty and merciful Lord, the Father,
the ☩ Son, and the Holy Spirit, bless and pre - serve you.

G A - men.

390 Let Us All with Gladsome Voice



1 Let us all with glad-some voice Praise the God of heav - en,
2 To this vale of tears He comes, Here to serve in sad - ness,
3 We are rich, for He was poor; Is not this a won - der?
4 Christ, our Lord and Sav - ior dear, Be Thou ev - er near us.



Who, to bid our hearts re - joice, His own Son hath giv - en.
That with Him in heav'n's fair homes We may reign in glad - ness.
There-fore praise God ev - er - more Here on earth and yon - der.
Grant us now a glad new year. A - men, Je - sus, hear us.

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