

Advent Morning Prayer Online Service Nov. 29, 2020

Introductory Responses

Restore us, O Creator of the stars of night;  
**show us the light of your countenance,  
and we shall be saved.**

Will you not give us life again,  
**so that your people may rejoice in you?**

Show us your mercy, O God,  
**and grant us your salvation.**

Blessed is the Christ who comes in your name!  
**Peace in heaven and glory in the highest.**

Blessed be God, Father, Son and Holy Spirit  
**Blessed be God for ever.**

**Opening Hymn: O Jesus, I Have Promised**

**O Jesus, I have promised  
to serve thee to the end;  
be thou forever near me,  
my Master and my friend:  
I shall not fear the battle  
if thou art by my side,  
nor wander from the pathway  
if thou wilt be my guide.**

**Oh let me feel thee near me:  
the world is ever near;  
I see the sights that dazzle,  
the tempting sounds I hear.  
My foes are ever near me,  
around me and within,  
but, Jesus, draw thou nearer,  
and shield my soul from sin.**

**O Jesus, thou hast promised  
to all who follow thee,  
that where thou art in glory**

**there shall thy servant be,  
and, Jesus, I have promised  
to serve thee to the end;  
oh give me grace to follow  
my Saviour and my friend.**

**O let me see thy footmarks  
and in them plant mine own:  
my hope to follow duly  
is in thy strength alone.  
O guide me, call me, draw me,  
uphold me to the end;  
and then in heaven receive me,  
my Saviour and my Friend.**

### **A reading from Isaiah 64:1-9**

Oh, that you would rend the heavens and come down, that the mountains would tremble before you! <sup>2</sup> As when fire sets twigs ablaze and causes water to boil, come down to make your name known to your enemies and cause the nations to quake before you! <sup>3</sup> For when you did awesome things that we did not expect, you came down, and the mountains trembled before you. <sup>4</sup> Since ancient times no one has heard, no ear has perceived, no eye has seen any God besides you, who acts on behalf of those who wait for him. <sup>5</sup> You come to the help of those who gladly do right, who remember your ways. But when we continued to sin against them, you were angry. How then can we be saved? <sup>6</sup> All of us have become like one who is unclean, and all our righteous acts are like filthy rags; we all shrivel up like a leaf, and like the wind our sins sweep us away. <sup>7</sup> No one calls on your name or strives to lay hold of you; for you have hidden your face from us and have given us over to our sins. <sup>8</sup> Yet you, LORD, are our Father. We are the clay, you are the potter; we are all the work of your hand. <sup>9</sup> Do not be angry beyond measure, LORD; do not remember our sins forever. Oh, look on us, we pray, for we are all your people.

The Word of the Lord.  
**Thanks be to God**

### **Psalm 80:1-7, 16-18**

1 Hear, O Shepherd of Israel, leading Joseph like a flock; \*

- shine forth, you that are enthroned upon the cherubim.**
- 2 In the presence of Ephraim, Benjamin, and Manasseh, \*  
**stir up your strength and come to help us.**
- 3 Restore us, O God of hosts; \*  
**show the light of your countenance, and we shall be saved.**
- 4 O Lord God of hosts, \*  
**how long will you be angered despite the prayers of your people?**
- 5 You have fed them with the bread of tears; \*  
**you have given them bowls of tears to drink.**
- 6 You have made us the derision of our neighbours, \*  
**and our enemies laugh us to scorn.**
- 7 Restore us, O God of hosts; \*  
**show the light of your countenance, and we shall be saved.**
- 16 Let your hand be upon the man of your right hand, \*  
**the son of man you have made so strong for yourself.**
- 17 And so will we never turn away from you; \*  
**give us life, that we may call upon your name.**
- 18 Restore us, O Lord God of hosts; \*  
**show the light of your countenance, and we shall be saved.**

**Glory to you, Lord Jesus Christ, our good shepherd; you have led us to the kingdom of your Father's love. Forgive our careless indifference to your loving care for all your creatures, and remake us in the likeness of your new and risen life. We ask this in your name. Amen**

#### **A reading from 1 Corinthians 1:3-9**

<sup>3</sup>Grace and peace to you from God our Father and the Lord Jesus Christ.<sup>4</sup>I always thank my God for you because of his grace given you in Christ Jesus. <sup>5</sup>For in him you have been enriched in every way—with all kinds of speech and with all knowledge—<sup>6</sup>God thus confirming our testimony about Christ among you. <sup>7</sup>Therefore you do not lack any spiritual gift as you eagerly wait for our Lord Jesus Christ to be revealed. <sup>8</sup>He will also keep you firm to the end, so that you will be blameless on the day of our Lord Jesus Christ. <sup>9</sup>God is faithful, who has called you into fellowship with his Son, Jesus Christ our Lord.

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**Thanks be to God**

## **Hymn: You Servants of the Lord**

**You servants of the Lord,  
Each in your calling wait,  
Observant of His heavenly Word,  
And watchful at His gate.**

**Let all your lamps be bright,  
And trim the golden flame,  
Attentive stand, as in His sight,  
For awesome is His Name.**

**Watch: 'tis your Lord's command,  
And while we speak He's near;  
Mark the first signal of His hand,  
And ready all appear.**

**How happy shall we be,  
If in His service found!  
He shall His Lord with rapture see,  
And be with honor crowned.**

**Christ shall the banquet spread  
With His own royal hand,  
And raise that faithful servant's head  
Amid the angelic band.**

The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to Mark 13:24-37  
**Glory to you, Lord Jesus Christ**

<sup>24</sup>“But in those days, following that distress, “the sun will be darkened, and the moon will not give its light; <sup>25</sup>the stars will fall from the sky, and the heavenly bodies will be shaken.”<sup>26</sup> “At that time people will see the Son of Man coming in clouds with great power and glory. <sup>27</sup> And he will send his angels and

gather his elect from the four winds, from the ends of the earth to the ends of the heavens.

<sup>28</sup> “Now learn this lesson from the fig tree: As soon as its twigs get tender and its leaves come out, you know that summer is near. <sup>29</sup> Even so, when you see these things happening, you know that it<sup>[b]</sup> is near, right at the door. <sup>30</sup> Truly I tell you, this generation will certainly not pass away until all these things have happened. <sup>31</sup> Heaven and earth will pass away, but my words will never pass away

<sup>32</sup> “But about that day or hour no one knows, not even the angels in heaven, nor the Son, but only the Father. <sup>33</sup> Be on guard! Be alert! You do not know when that time will come. <sup>34</sup> It’s like a man going away: He leaves his house and puts his servants in charge, each with their assigned task, and tells the one at the door to keep watch.

<sup>35</sup> “Therefore keep watch because you do not know when the owner of the house will come back—whether in the evening, or at midnight, or when the rooster crows, or at dawn. <sup>36</sup> If he comes suddenly, do not let him find you sleeping. <sup>37</sup> What I say to you, I say to everyone: ‘Watch!’”

The Gospel of Christ  
**Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ.**

**Sermon: The Rev. Jeffrey Mackie-Deernsted, St. Paul’s, Dawson City**

**Affirmation of Faith**  
*The Apostles’ Creed*

**I believe in God,  
the Father almighty,  
creator of heaven and earth.  
I believe in Jesus Christ, his only Son, our Lord.  
He was conceived by the power of the Holy  
Spirit and born of the Virgin Mary.  
He suffered under Pontius Pilate,  
was crucified, died, and was buried.  
He descended to the dead.  
On the third day he rose again.  
He ascended into heaven,  
and is seated at the right hand of the Father.  
He will come again**

**to judge the living and the dead.  
I believe in the Holy Spirit, the holy catholic Church,  
the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins,  
the resurrection of the body, and the life everlasting. Amen.**

### **The Litany**

In the Anglican Cycle of Prayer we pray for the people and clergy of the Lusitanian Church, The Rt. Rev. Jorge Pina Cabral, Bishop of the Lusitanian Church.

In the Yukon Cycle of Prayer we pray for, Patti Tetlich, Yukon Apostolate; Bishop's School of Yukon Ministries, the Diocesan Youth Ministry, PWRDF Diocesan Representative, Betty Davidson and Blanche Buckle, Diocesan ACW President and all ACW Members.

We pray for Bishop Lesley Wheeler-Dame and Eric Dame. We ask you to bless and strengthen her in all things.

We pray for all those who are affected, in any way, with Covid-19. Bless all those who mourn.

In joyful expectation let us pray to God, our Saviour and Redeemer.

O Wisdom from the mouth of the Most High, you reign over all things to the ends of the earth: come and teach us how to live.

**Lord Jesus, come soon.**

O Head of the house of Israel, you appeared in the fire of the burning bush and you gave the law on Sinai: come with outstretched arm and ransom us.

**Lord Jesus, come soon.**

O Branch of Jesse standing as a sign among the nations, all rulers will keep silence before you and all peoples will summon you to their aid: come, set us free and delay no more.

**Lord Jesus, come soon.**

O Key of David and sceptre of the house of Israel, you open and none can shut; you shut and none can open: come and free the captives from prison.

**Lord Jesus, come soon.**

O Morning Star, bright Sun of righteousness: come and enlighten all who dwell in darkness and the shadow of death.

**Lord Jesus, come soon.**

O Emmanuel, hope of the nations: come and save us, O Anointed One.

**Lord Jesus, come soon.**

**God of justice and peace, from the heavens you rain down mercy and kindness, so that all on earth may stand in awe and wonder before your marvellous deeds. Raise our heads in expectation, so that we may yearn for the coming of your Christ and stand without blame before him, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit for ever and ever. Amen.**

### **The Lord's Prayer**

Awaiting his coming in glory and gathering our prayers and praises into one, let us pray as our Saviour taught us,

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. Save us from the time of trial, and deliver us from evil. For the kingdom, the power, and the glory are yours, now and for ever. Amen.

Blessing

### **Final Hymn: Just As I Am**

**Just as I am, without one plea  
But that Thy blood was shed for me  
And that Thou bid'st me come to Thee  
O Lamb of God, I come! I come**

**Just as I am, poor, wretched, blind  
Sight, riches, healing of the mind  
Yea, all I need, in Thee to find  
O Lamb of God, I come, I come!**

**Just as I am, though tossed about  
With many a conflict, many a doubt  
Fighting and fears within without  
O Lamb of God, I come, I come**

**Just as I am, and waiting not  
to rid my soul of one dark blot  
to thee whose blood can cleanse each spot  
O Lamb of God, I come, I come**

**Just as I am, thy love unknown  
Has broken every barrier down  
Now to be thine, yea, thine alone,  
O Lamb of God, I come, I come!**

The Dismissal

Let us bless the Lord.

**Thanks be to God.**

May Christ, when he comes, find us watching and waiting. Amen.