

University Hills Lutheran Church

Wednesday, December 1, 2021

Midweek Advent 1

Opening Versicles

- P: O Lord, open my lips.
C: **and my mouth will declare Your praise.**
P: Make haste, O God, to deliver me;
C: **make haste to help me, O Lord.**

C: **Glory be 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. Praise to You, O Christ, King who comes to save us.**

Hymn: "Come, Thou Long-Expected Jesus" # 338

Holden Evening Prayer, pp. 2-7

Service of Light

Psalmody, Readings and Canticles

Scripture Readings

Old Testament: - Psalm 2

- ¹ Why do the nations rage
and the peoples plot in vain?
² The kings of the earth set themselves,
and the rulers take counsel together,
against the LORD and against his Anointed, saying,
³ "Let us burst their bonds apart
and cast away their cords from us."
⁴ He who sits in the heavens laughs;
the Lord holds them in derision.
⁵ Then he will speak to them in his wrath,
and terrify them in his fury, saying,
⁶ "As for me, I have set my King
on Zion, my holy hill."
⁷ I will tell of the decree:
The LORD said to me, "You are my Son;
today I have begotten you.
⁸ Ask of me, and I will make the nations your heritage,
and the ends of the earth your possession.
⁹ You shall break them with a rod of iron
and dash them in pieces like a potter's vessel."

P: This is the Word of the Lord.

C: **Thanks be to God.**

Stand

Holy Gospel: Luke 1:26-38

²⁶ In the sixth month the angel Gabriel was sent from God to a city of Galilee named Nazareth, ²⁷ to a virgin betrothed to a man whose name was Joseph, of the house of David. And the virgin's name was Mary. ²⁸ And he came to her and said, "Greetings, O favored one, the Lord is with you!" ²⁹ But she was greatly troubled at the saying, and tried to discern what sort of greeting this might be. ³⁰ And the angel said to her, "Do not be afraid, Mary, for you have found favor with God. ³¹ And behold, you will conceive in your womb and bear a son, and you shall call his name Jesus. ³² He will be great and will be called the Son of the Most High. And the Lord God will give to him the throne of his father David, ³³ and he will reign over the house of Jacob forever, and of his kingdom there will be no end."³⁴ And Mary said to the angel, "How will this be, since I am a virgin?" ³⁵ And the angel answered her, "The Holy Spirit will come upon you, and the power of the Most High will overshadow you; therefore the child to be born will be called holy—the Son of God. ³⁶ And behold, your relative Elizabeth in her old age has also conceived a son, and this is the sixth month with her who was called barren. ³⁷ For nothing will be impossible with God." ³⁸ And Mary said, "Behold, I am the servant of the Lord; let it be to me according to your word." And the angel departed from her.

P: This is the Gospel of the Lord

C: **Praise to you, O Christ**

Responsory for Advent

P: Behold, the days are coming, says the LORD, when I will raise up for David a righteous Branch.

C: **This is the name by which He will be called: The LORD Is Our Righteousness.**

P: In His days Judah will be saved, and Israel will dwell securely.

C: **This is the name by which He will be called: The LORD Is Our Righteousness.**

P: Glory be to the Father and to the Son and to the Holy Spirit

C: **This is the name by which He will be called: The LORD Is Our Righteousness.**

Hymn: "The Angel Gabriel from Heaven Came" # 356

Sermon

Offering

(We continue with Holden Evening Prayer on page 8 with the response below)

Leader: The Light shines in the darkness.

All: and the darkness has not overcome it.

The Annunciation (page 8)

The Magnificat (page 8)

Litany and Prayers (pp. 10-11)

Leader: Taught by our Lord and trusting His promises we are bold to pray:

All: Our Father who art in heaven,

Hallowed by 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.

Leader: Let us bless the Lord.

All: Thanks be to God.

Leader: The almighty and merciful Lord, the Father, the Son,
and the Holy Spirit, bless us and preserve us.

All: Amen.

Hymn: "Christ, Mighty Savior" # 881