

Evening Prayer

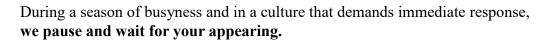
December 4, 2024 6:30 p.m.

Opening

Litany Stand

Blessed be God, the eternal 4 One-in-Three, who was, and is, and is to come.

Blessed be God forever and ever.



In the midst of anxiety, chaos, and fear, we pause and trust that your hand is leading us.

Uncertain about the future and weighed down with worries in the present, we pause and know your presence fully.

Pause

Come, O Christ, and set us free.

Come, Emmanuel, bring in your reign of justice and peace.

Gathering Hymn O Come, O Come, Emmanual Stanzas 1-3

Thanksgiving for Darkness and Light

The Lord be with you. And also with you.

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God. It is right to give our thanks and praise.

We give you thanks, O God...





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Psalmody

Psalm 25:1-10

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¹ To | you, O Lord, I lift | up my soul.

² My God, I put my trust in you; let me not be | put to shame, nor let my enemies triumph | over me.

³ Let none who look to you be | put to shame; rather let those be put to shame | who are treacherous.

⁴ Show me your | ways, O Lord, and teach | me your paths.

⁵ Lead me in your truth and teach me,

for you are the God of my salvation; in you have I trusted all | the day long.

⁶ Remember, O Lord, your compas- sion and love, for they are from everlasting.

⁷Remember not the sins of my youth and | my transgressions; remember me according to your steadfast love and for the sake of your good- | ness, O Lord.

⁸ You are gracious and up-|right, O Lord; therefore you teach sinners | in your way.

⁹ You lead the low- | ly in justice and teach the low- | ly your way.

¹⁰ All your paths, O Lord, are steadfast | love and faithfulness to those who keep your covenant and your | testimonies.



Psalm Prayer

Word

Preparing for a Word

Reading 1 Thessalonians 3:9-13

People in the assembly may circle words or phrases as the lesson is read.

One minute of silence follows the reading.

⁹ How can we thank God enough for you in return for all the joy that we feel before our God because of you? ¹⁰ Night and day we pray most earnestly that we may see you face to face and restore whatever is lacking in your faith.

¹¹ Now may our God and Father himself and our Lord Jesus direct our way to you. ¹² And may the Lord make you increase and abound in love for one another and for all, just as we abound in love for you. ¹³ And may he so strengthen your hearts in holiness that you may be blameless before our God and Father at the coming of our Lord Jesus with all his saints.

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Stand



Prayers





All are invited to come forward to light a candle for the world, this neighborhood, those in need, those they love, or for themselves.

Lord's Prayer

Stand

Our Mother,
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 forever. Amen.



Blessing

Sending Song

Come, Thou Long-Expected Jesus

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Sending

In the night, Christ is present. Go with the peace that passes all understanding. **Thanks be to God.**

The greeting of peace may be shared by all with a word or gesture of peace, mindful of consent before handshakes or hugs.

Confirmation students stay in the sanctuary and come to the front rows.

