Midweek Advent 2
December 10, 2025

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

Psalm *Psalm 34:1–8*

[1]I will bless the LORD at all times;
his praise shall continually be in my mouth.
[2]My soul makes its boast in the LORD;
let the humble hear and be glad.
[3]Oh, magnify the LORD with me,
and let us exalt his name together!
[4]I sought the LORD, and he answered me
and delivered me from all my fears.
[5]Those who look to him are radiant,
and their faces shall never be ashamed.
[6]This poor man cried, and the LORD heard him
and saved him out of all his troubles.
[7]The angel of the LORD encamps
around those who fear him,
and delivers them.
[8]Oh, taste and see that the LORD is good!
Blessèd is the man who takes refuge in him!

940 Holy God, We Praise Thy Name *sts. 1–2, 4–5*

1 Holy God, we praise Thy name;
Lord of all, we bow before Thee.
All on earth Thy scepter claim,
All in heav'n above adore Thee.
Infinite Thy vast domain,
Everlasting is Thy reign.

2 Hark! The glad celestial hymn
Angel choirs above are raising;
Cherubim and seraphim,
In unceasing chorus praising,
Fill the heav'ns with sweet accord:
Holy, holy, holy Lord!

4 Thou art King of Glory, Christ;
Son of God, yet born of Mary.
For us sinners sacrificed,
As to death a Tributary,
First to break the bars of death,
Thou hast opened heav'n to faith.

△ **5 Holy Father, holy Son,**
Holy Spirit, three we name Thee;
Though in essence only one,
Undivided God we claim Thee
And, adoring, bend the knee
While we own the mystery.

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Reading *Genesis 32:22–30*

L A reading from Genesis, chapter 32.

L O Lord, have mercy on us.
C **Thanks be to God.**

Reading *Philippians 2:5–11*

L A reading from Philippians, chapter 2.

L O Lord, have mercy on us.
C **Thanks be to God.**

Reading *Matthew 1:18–25*

L A reading from Matthew, chapter 1.

L O Lord, have mercy on us.
C **Thanks be to God.**

Responsory (Advent) *LSB 230*

L 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.**
L 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.**
L 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.**

Sermon "The Jesse Tree: Jacob"

900 Jesus! Name of Wondrous Love *sts. 1–4*

1 Jesus! Name of wondrous love,
Name all other names above,
Unto which must ev'ry knee
Bow in deep humility.

2 Jesus! Name decreed of old,
To the maiden mother told,
Kneeling in her lowly cell,
By the angel Gabriel.

3 Jesus! Name of priceless worth
To the fallen of the earth
For the promise that it gave,
"Jesus shall His people save."

4 Jesus! Name of mercy mild,
Given to the holy Child
When the cup of human woe
First He tasted here below.

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Offering

Prayer

Kyrie *LSB 233*

C Lord, have mercy;
Christ, have mercy;
Lord, have mercy.

Lord's Prayer

C 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.

Collects

L O Lord, hear my prayer.
C And let my cry come to You.

Collect of the Day

P Stir up our hearts, O Lord, to make ready the way of Your only-begotten Son, that by His coming we may be enabled to serve You with pure minds; through the same Jesus Christ, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

Collect for Peace

L O God, from whom come all holy desires, all good counsels, and all just works, give to us, Your servants, that peace which the world cannot give, that our hearts may be set to obey Your commandments and also that we, being defended from the fear of our enemies, may live in peace and quietness; through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.
C Amen.

Benedicamus *LSB 234*

L Let us bless the Lord.
C Thanks be to God.

Benediction *LSB 234*

P The grace of our Lord ✠ Jesus Christ and the love of God and the communion of the Holy Spirit be with you all.
C Amen.

348 The King Shall Come When Morning Dawns *sts. 1–3, 5*

1 The King shall come when morning dawns
And light triumphant breaks,
When beauty gilds the eastern hills
And life to joy awakes.

2 Not as of old a little child,
To bear and fight and die,
But crowned with glory like the sun
That lights the morning sky.

3 Oh, brighter than the rising morn
When Christ, victorious, rose
And left the lonesome place of death
Despite the rage of foes.

5 The King shall come when morning dawns
And light and beauty brings.
Hail, Christ the Lord! Your people pray:
Come quickly, King of kings!

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