

Midweek Advent Service 2022

# Angels: Divine Messengers of Hope



North East Lutheran Parish  
Saskatchewan

## Evening Prayer

### Hymn # 352 – Let the Earth Now Praise the Lord VS 1-3

L The Spirit and the Church cry out:

C **Come, Lord Jesus.**

L All those who await His appearance pray:

C **Come, Lord Jesus.**

L The whole creation pleads:

C **Come, Lord Jesus.**

L Joyous light of glory:

C **of the immortal Father;**

**heavenly, holy, blessed Jesus Christ.**

**We have come to the setting of the sun,**

**and we look to the evening light.**

**We sing to God, the Father, Son, and Holy Spirit:**

**You are worthy of being praised**

**with pure voices forever.**

**O Son of God, O Giver of life:**

**the universe proclaims Your glory.**

### THANKSGIVING FOR LIGHT

L Blessèd are You, O Lord our God, king of the universe, who led Your people Israel by a pillar of cloud by day and a pillar of fire by night. Enlighten our darkness by the light of Your Christ; may His Word be a lamp to our feet and a light to our path; for You are merciful, and You love Your whole creation and we, Your creatures, glorify You, Father, Son, and Holy Spirit.

C **Amen.**

*Sit*

+ PSALMODY +

PSALM 141

**C Let my prayer rise before You as incense,  
the lifting up of my hands as the evening sacrifice.**

L O Lord, I call to You; come to me quickly;  
hear my voice when I cry to You.

**C Let my prayer rise before You as incense,  
the lifting up of my hands as the evening sacrifice.**

A Set a watch before my mouth, O Lord,  
and guard the door of my lips.

L Let not my heart incline to any evil thing;  
let me not be occupied in wickedness with evildoers.

A But my eyes are turned to You, O God;  
in You I take refuge.  
Strip me not of my life.

**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.  
Let my prayer rise before You as incense,  
the lifting up of my hands as the evening sacrifice.**

L Let us pray.  
Let the incense of our repentant prayer ascend before You,  
O Lord, and let Your loving-kindness descend on us that,  
with purified minds, we may sing Your praises with the  
Church on earth and the whole heavenly host and may  
glorify You forever.

**C Amen.**

+ READINGS +

*The Scripture is read*

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.**

SERMON – Hope in the Midst of the Unknown

**Hymn # 349 – Hark the Glad Sound**

OFFERING

+ PRAYER +

LITANY

L In peace let us pray to the Lord:

**C Lord, have mercy.**

L For the peace from above and for our salvation, let us pray to the Lord:

**C Lord, have mercy.**

L For the peace of the whole world, for the well-being of the Church of God, and for the unity of all, let us pray to the Lord:

**C Lord, have mercy.**

L For this holy house and for all who offer here their worship and praise, let us pray to the Lord:

**C Lord, have mercy.**

L For Synodical President Teuscher, for regional Pastor Habberstock, for all pastors and messengers in Christ, for all servants of the Church who labour in the name of Jesus, we pray for churches who are without a pastor in this season, and we pray for all people, let us pray to the Lord:

**C Lord, have mercy.**

L For King Charles and elected officials of our nation, for all public servants, for the government and those who protect us, that they may be upheld and strengthened in every good deed, let us pray to the Lord:

**C Lord, have mercy.**

L For those who work to bring peace, justice, health, and protection in this and every place, let us pray to the Lord:

**C Lord, have mercy.**

L For those who bring offerings, those who do good works in this congregation, those who toil, those who sing, and all the people here present who await from the Lord great and abundant mercy, let us pray to the Lord:

**C Lord, have mercy.**

L For favorable weather, for an abundance of the fruits of the earth, and for peaceful times, let us pray to the Lord:

**C Lord, have mercy.**

L For our deliverance from all affliction, wrath, danger, and need, let us pray to the Lord:

**C Lord, have mercy.**

L For . . . [*additional bids for prayer may be inserted here*] . . . let us pray to the Lord:

**C Lord, have mercy.**

*The prayers then continue:*

L For the faithful who have gone before us and are with Christ, we pray especially for the family of Nancy Knutson from Hudson Bay, who was laid to rest on Monday for her faith and the faith of all believers, let us give thanks to the Lord:

**C Alleluia.**

L Rejoicing in the fellowship of all the saints, let us commend ourselves, one another, and our whole life to Christ, our Lord:

**C To You, O Lord.**

Luther's Evening Prayer:

**C: I thank You, my heavenly Father, through Jesus Christ, Your dear Son, that You have graciously kept me this day; and I pray that You would forgive me all my sins where I have done wrong, and graciously keep me this night. For into Your**

**hands I commend myself, my body and soul, and all things. Let Your holy angel be with me, that the evil foe may have no power over me. Amen.**

#### LORD'S PRAYER

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

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.**

L Let us bless the Lord.

C **Thanks be to God.**

#### BENEDICTION

P The almighty and merciful Lord, the Father, the T Son, and the Holy Spirit, bless and preserve you.

C **Amen.**

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