



*All is calm
All is bright*

Lessons & Carols

Prince of Peace

A Celebration of Lessons and Carols

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Welcome

Opening Prayer:

L: The Lord be with you. **All: And also with you**

Leader: Good God, you have filled us with the new light of the Word who became flesh and lived among us. Let the light of our faith shine in all we do; we ask this through your son, Jesus Christ our Lord. **All: Amen**

Word

First Reading: Isaiah 9.2-7

“Lo, How a Rose e’er Blooming” ELW 272

Second Reading: Micah 5.2-5

“O Little Town of Bethlehem” ELW 279

Third Reading: Luke 1.26-35, 38

“Angels We Have Heard on High” ELW 289

Fourth Reading: Luke 2.1-7

“Away in a Manger” ELW 277

Fifth Reading: Luke 2.8-16

“It Came Upon the Midnight Clear” ELW 282

Sixth Reading: Luke 2.21-36

“Hark! The Herald Angels Sing” ELW 270

Seventh Reading: Matthew 2.1-11

“We Three Kings of Orient Are” WOV (blue) 646

Eighth Reading: Matthew 2.13-18

“What Child Is This” ELW 296

Ninth Reading: John 1.1-14

“Good Christian Friends, Rejoice” ELW 288

Prayer of the Church (response: Hear us, O God, **All: Your mercy is great.**)

Joining our voices with the song of the angels, let us pray for the whole church, the world, and all who are in need.

A brief silence.

Night and day, all creation praises you, O God. Strengthen your church across nations, denominations, and traditions. Fill us with wisdom and unify our proclamation of your forgiveness and mercy.
Hear us, O God. **Your mercy is great.**

The nations are upheld by your hand, O God. Cause righteousness and praise to spring forth, inspiring leaders to serve with compassion and integrity. Send your spirit of discernment upon the legislators grappling with complex decisions for the sake of the common good.
Hear us, O God. **Your mercy is great.**

Send the spirit of your Son into our hearts, O God. Come quickly to hearts that race with fear, hearts that break with grief, and hearts that long for wholeness. Reveal your power to heal and save.
Hear us, O God. **Your mercy is great.**

Let us depart in peace O God, according to your word. For (*John, apostle and evangelist, and*) all your saints, we give you thanks. Prepare our salvation in the sight of all your witnesses of every time and place.
Hear us, O God. **Your mercy is great.**

God of mercy, come quickly to us with grace upon grace as we lift these and all our prayers to you, in the name of Jesus.
Amen.

The Lord's Prayer: L: Let us pray together in the words that Jesus taught us:

ALL: 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.

Announcements

Benediction:

L: May you be filled with the wonder of Mary, the obedience of Joseph, the joy of the angels, the eagerness of the shepherds, the determination of the wise men, and the peace of the Christ child.

May Almighty God, Father, Son, and Holy Spirit, bless you now and forever.

All: Amen.

Closing Hymn: "The Bells of Christmas" ELW 298

Dismissal L: Go in peace. Serve the Lord.

ALL: Thanks be to God.