

Three-Year Lectionary

SERIES C

FIRST SUNDAY IN ADVENT

Jeremiah 33:14–16
Psalm 25:1–10 (antiphon: v. 6)
1 Thessalonians 3:9–13
Luke 19:28–40
or Luke 21:25–36

Hymn of the Day

332 Savior of the nations, come

Hymns for the Readings

357 O come, O come, Emmanuel (OT)
706 Love in Christ is strong and living (E)
845 Where charity and love prevail (E)
350 Come, Thou precious Ransom, come (G1)
340/341 Lift up your heads, ye mighty gates (G1)
335 O bride of Christ, rejoice (G1)
334 O Lord, how shall I meet You (G1, G2)
343 Prepare the royal highway (G1)
351 Creator of the stars of night (G2)
353 Jesus came, the heav'ns adoring (G2)
336 Lo! He comes with clouds descending (G2)
968 My Lord, what a morning (G2)
897 O rejoice, ye Christians, loudly (G2)
508 The day is surely drawing near (G2)
348 The King shall come when morning dawns (G2)

Other Hymns

881 Christ, mighty Savior, Light of all creation
745 In God, my faithful God
673 Jerusalem, my happy home
674 Jerusalem, O city fair and high
672 Jerusalem the golden
339 Lift up your heads, you everlasting doors
554 O Jesus, King most wonderful
333 Once He came in blessing
331 The advent of our King
807 When morning gilds the skies

SECOND SUNDAY IN ADVENT

Malachi 3:1–7b
Psalm 66:1–12 (antiphon: v. 12b)
Philippians 1:2–11
Luke 3:1–14 (15–20)

Hymn of the Day

344 On Jordan's bank the Baptist's cry

Hymns for the Readings

351 Creator of the stars of night (OT)
349 Hark the glad sound (OT)
511 Herald, sound the note of judgment (OT, G)

359 Lo, how a rose e'er blooming (OT)
508 The day is surely drawing near (OT)
788 Forgive us, Lord, for shallow thankfulness (E)
695 Not for tongues of heaven's angels (E)
334 O Lord, how shall I meet You (E)
331 The advent of our King (E)
838 The saints in Christ are one in ev'ry place (E)
354 Arise, O Christian people (G)
518 By all Your saints in warfare (sts. 1, 15, 24, 3) (G)
345 Hark! A thrilling voice is sounding (G)
343 Prepare the royal highway (G)
936 Sing praise to the God of Israel (G)
346 When all the world was cursed (G)

Other Hymns

512 At the name of Jesus
646 Church of God, elect and glorious
872 Come, Thou bright and Morning Star
347 Comfort, comfort ye My people
816 From all that dwell below the skies
353 Jesus came, the heav'ns adoring
921 On what has now been sown
337 The night will soon be ending

THIRD SUNDAY IN ADVENT

Zephaniah 3:14–20
Psalm 85 (antiphon: v. 2)
Philippians 4:4–7
Luke 7:18–28 (29–35)

Hymn of the Day

345 Hark! A thrilling voice is sounding

Hymns for the Readings

849 Praise the One who breaks the darkness (OT)
331 The advent of our King (OT)
754 Entrust your days and burdens (E)
772 In holy conversation (E)
803 Joyful, joyful we adore Thee (E)
737 Rejoice, my heart, be glad and sing (E)
515 Rejoice, rejoice, believers (E, OT)
338 Come, Thou long-expected Jesus (G)
349 Hark the glad sound (G)
333 Once He came in blessing (G)
346 When all the world was cursed (G)

Other Hymns

354 Arise, O Christian people
347 Comfort, comfort ye My people
556 Dear Christians, one and all, rejoice
818 In Thee is gladness
353 Jesus came, the heav'ns adoring
870 Now that the daylight fills the sky

- 917 Savior, again to Thy dear name we raise
 636 Soul, adorn yourself with gladness
 602 The gifts Christ freely gives
 402 The only Son from heaven

FOURTH SUNDAY IN ADVENT

- Micah 5:2–5a
 Psalm 80:1–7 (antiphon: v. 7)
 Hebrews 10:5–10
 Luke 1:39–45 (46–56)

Hymn of the Day

- 357 O come, O come, Emmanuel

Hymns for the Readings

- 361 O little town of Bethlehem (OT)
 384 Of the Father's love begotten (OT)
 373 See amid the winter's snow (OT)
 342 What hope! An Eden prophesied (OT)
 564 Christ sits at God's right hand (E)
 530 No temple now, no gift of price (E)
 431 Not all the blood of beasts (E)
 934 My soul now magnifies the Lord (G)
 820 My soul, now praise your Maker (G)
 933 My soul rejoices (G)
 935 Tell out, my soul, the greatness of the Lord (G)
 356 The angel Gabriel from heaven came (G)
 346 When all the world was cursed (G)

Other Hymns

- 354 Arise, O Christian people
 336 Lo! He comes with clouds descending
 814 O bless the Lord, my soul
 797 Praise the Almighty, my soul, adore Him
 332 Savior of the nations, come
 928 Song of Hannah
 670 Ye watchers and ye holy ones

THE NATIVITY OF OUR LORD

Christmas Eve

- Isaiah 7:10–14
 Psalm 110:1–4 (antiphon: v. 2a)
 1 John 4:7–16
 Matthew 1:18–25

Hymn of the Day

- 359 Lo, how a rose e'er blooming

Hymns for the Readings

- 383 A great and mighty wonder (OT)
 352 Let the earth now praise the Lord (OT, G)
 357 O come, O come, Emmanuel (OT)
 356 The angel Gabriel from heaven came (OT)
 362 O sing of Christ, whose birth made known (E)
 384 Of the Father's love begotten (E)
 382 We praise You, Jesus, at Your birth (E)
 361 O little town of Bethlehem (G)
 376 Once in royal David's city (G)
 373 See amid the winter's snow (G)

Other Hymns

- 364/365 Away in a manger
 375 Come, your hearts and voices raising
 386 Now sing we, now rejoice
 377 On Christmas night all Christians sing
 332 Savior of the nations, come
 363 Silent night, holy night
 370 What child is this, who, laid to rest

THE NATIVITY OF OUR LORD

Christmas Midnight

- Isaiah 9:2–7
 Psalm 96 (antiphon: v. 2)
 Titus 2:11–14
 Luke 2:1–14 (15–20)

Hymn of the Day

- 358 From heav'n above to earth I come

Hymns for the Readings

- 378 Break forth, O beauteous heav'nly light (OT)
 338 Come, Thou long-expected Jesus (OT)
 888 O gladsome Light, O grace (OT)
 343 Prepare the royal highway (OT)
 412 The people that in darkness sat (OT)
 385 From east to west (E, G)
 368 Angels we have heard on high (G)
 380 Hark! The herald angels sing (G)
 393 Infant holy, infant lowly (G)
 372 O Jesus Christ, Thy manger is (G)
 363 Silent night, holy night (G)
 369 Where shepherds lately knelt (G)

Other Hymns

- 360 All my heart again rejoices
 364/365 Away in a manger
 366 It came upon the midnight clear
 621 Let all mortal flesh keep silence
 379 O come, all ye faithful
 377 On Christmas night all Christians sing

THE NATIVITY OF OUR LORD

Christmas Dawn

- Isaiah 62:10–12
 Psalm 98 (antiphon: v. 2)
 Titus 3:4–7
 Luke 2:(1–14) 15–20

Hymn of the Day

- 375 Come, your hearts and voices raising

Hymns for the Readings

- 387 Joy to the world (OT)
 343 Prepare the royal highway (OT)
 556 Dear Christians, one and all, rejoice (sts. 1, 4–6, 10) (E)
 392 God loves me dearly (E)
 362 O sing of Christ, whose birth made known (E)

- 374 Gentle Mary laid her child (G)
 388 Go tell it on the mountain (G)
 372 O Jesus Christ, Thy manger is (G)
 361 O little town of Bethlehem (G)
 373 See amid the winter's snow (G)
 369 Where shepherds lately knelt (G)

Other Hymns

- 378 Break forth, O beauteous heav'nly light
 393 Infant holy, infant lowly
 379 O come, all ye faithful
 813 Rejoice, O pilgrim throng
 391 Rejoice, rejoice this happy morn
 382 We praise You, Jesus, at Your birth

THE NATIVITY OF OUR LORD

Christmas Day

- Isaiah 52:7–10
 Psalm 2 (antiphon: v. 7)
 Hebrews 1:1–6 (7–12)
 John 1:1–14 (15–18)

Hymn of the Day

- 382 We praise You, Jesus, at Your birth

Hymns for the Readings

- 338 Come, Thou long-expected Jesus (OT)
 388 Go tell it on the mountain (OT)
 387 Joy to the world (OT)
 834 O God, O Lord of heaven and earth (OT, G)
 516 Wake, awake, for night is flying (OT)
 367 Angels from the realms of glory (E)
 380 Hark! The herald angels sing (E)
 381 Let our gladness have no end (G)
 546 O Jesus so sweet, O Jesus so mild (G)
 403 O Savior of our fallen race (G)
 384 Of the Father's love begotten (G, E)
 332 Savior of the nations, come (G)

Other Hymns

- 383 A great and mighty wonder
 360 All my heart again rejoices
 393 Infant holy, infant lowly
 621 Let all mortal flesh keep silence
 389 Let all together praise our God
 371 Let our gladness banish sadness
 391 Rejoice, rejoice this happy morn
 373 See amid the winter's snow
 624 The infant priest was holy born
 370 What child is this, who, laid to rest

FIRST SUNDAY AFTER CHRISTMAS

- Exodus 13:1–3a, 11–15
 Psalm 111 (antiphon: v. 9a, b)
 Colossians 3:12–17
 Luke 2:22–40

Hymn of the Day

- 389 Let all together praise our God

Hymns for the Readings

- 530 No temple now, no gift of price (OT)
 936 Sing praise to the God of Israel (OT)
 798 The God of Abraham praise (OT)
 646 Church of God, elect and glorious (E)
 706 Love in Christ is strong and living (E)
 386 Now sing we, now rejoice (E)
 897 O rejoice, ye Christians, loudly (E)
 813 Rejoice, O pilgrim throng (E)
 796 When in our music God is glorified (E)
 845 Where charity and love prevail (E)
 367 Angels from the realms of glory (G)
 338 Come, Thou long-expected Jesus (G)
 806 Give thanks with a grateful heart (G)
 519 In His temple now behold Him (G)
 938 In peace and joy I now depart (G)
 937 Lord, bid Your servant go in peace (G)
 332 Savior of the nations, come (G)

Other Hymns

- 358 From heav'n above to earth I come
 374 Gentle Mary laid her child
 352 Let the earth now praise the Lord
 924 Lord, dismiss us with Your blessing
 372 O Jesus Christ, Thy manger is
 891 O light whose splendor thrills and gladdens
 384 Of the Father's love begotten
 675 Oh, what their joy and their glory must be
 624 The infant priest was holy born
 402 The only Son from heaven
 981 To Your temple, Lord, I come
 795 Voices raised to You we offer
 382 We praise You, Jesus, at Your birth

SECOND SUNDAY AFTER CHRISTMAS

- 1 Kings 3:4–15
 Psalm 119:97–104 (antiphon: v. 99)
 Ephesians 1:3–14
 Luke 2:40–52

Hymn of the Day

- 410 Within the Father's house

Hymns for the Readings

- 850 God of grace and God of glory (OT)
 696 O God, my faithful God (OT)
 523 O Word of God incarnate (OT, G)
 686 Come, Thou Fount of ev'ry blessing (E)
 556 Dear Christians, one and all, rejoice (sts. 1, 5–7, 10) (E)
 395 O Morning Star, how fair and bright (E)
 602 The gifts Christ freely gives (E)
 399 The star proclaims the King is here (E)
 401 From God the Father, virgin-born (G)
 384 Of the Father's love begotten (G)
 862 Oh, blest the house whate'er befall (G)
 376 Once in royal David's city (G)
 589 Speak, O Lord, Your servant listens (G)
 402 The only Son from heaven (G)