



Unwrapping the

Gifts

Suggestions for Advent Midweek, 2018

The following propers are offered by LCMS Worship to parishes that observe midweek Advent services. The liturgy suggested is either Vespers or Evening Prayer. The first reading for each day is a messianic prophesy, and the second reading from Revelation reflects on how that prophesy came to fulfillment. The third reading traces the basic narrative of St. Luke's first chapter from the announcement of the birth of John the Baptist to the Annunciation of our Lord and concludes with the Visitation.

December 5:

Hymns: (Vespers Only) 888 O Gladsome Light, O Grace; (Office) 345 Hark! A thrilling Voice Is Sounding; (Closing) 349 Hark the Glad Sound

Psalm 80

Readings: Gen. 49:8–12; Rev. 5:1–14;
Luke 1:5–25

December 12:

Hymns: (Vespers Only) 891 O Light Whose Splendor; (Office) 351 Creator of the Stars of Night; (Closing) 352 Let the Earth Now Praise the Lord

Psalm 143

Readings: Deut. 18:15–18; Rev. 14:1–5;
Luke 1:26–38

December 19: Adam and Eve

Hymns: (Vespers Only) 890 O Blessed Light, O Trinity; (Office) 332 Savior of the Nations, Come; (Closing) 355 O Savior, Rend the Heavens Wide

Psalm 132

Readings: 2 Sam. 7:18–29; Rev. 11:19–12:6;
Luke 1:39–45