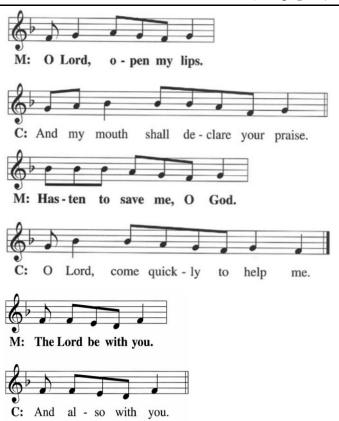


# Advent 2020

Jesus: The Son of Abraham, Matthew 1:1–2

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M: Lord God, you have brought us safely to this hour of evening prayer. We thank you for providing all that we need for body and life. Bless us who have gathered in your name. Forgive our sins. Speak to our hearts. Dispel our sorrows with the comfort of your Word, and receive our hymns of thanks and praise, through Jesus Christ, our living Savior, who reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

### C: Amen.

### **PSALM 141**



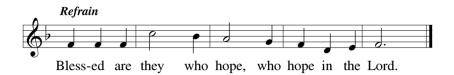
M: Let our prayers be acceptable in your sight. Come and help us in time of need that we may sing your praise in holy joy now and forever, through Jesus Christ, our Lord.

### C: Amen.

### THE WORD

# **PSALM OF THE DAY**

Psalm 42-43





As the deer pants for streams of <u>water</u>, so my soul pants for <u>you</u>, O <u>God</u>.

My soul thirst for God, for the living God.

Where can I go and meet with God?

Why are you downcast, O my soul?

Why so disturbed within me?

Put your hope in God,

for I will yet praise him, my Savior and my God.

### Refrain

Send forth your light and your truth, let them guide me; let them bring me to the place where you dwell.

Then will I go to the altar of God, my joy and my delight.

I will praise you with the harp. O God, my God.

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. Refrain

Silence for meditation

**LESSON** Luke 1:39-45

Elizabeth is pregnant and visits her relative, Mary. Even in the womb, Elizabeth's unborn child leaps for joy at the presence of the unborn Jesus. Elizabeth responds, "Blessed is she who believed that the Lord would fulfill his promises." We too, are blessed.

### SEASONAL RESPONSE

C: The Lord will come again in glory. The Spirit and the Church cry out: Come, Lord Jesus, come.

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# Let the Earth Now Praise the Lord



As a glorious king to reign, I with joy may see your face, Freely ransomed by your grace.

Text: Heinrich Held, 1620-59, abr.; tr. Catherine Winkworth, 1827-78, alt.

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### **DEVOTION**

Matthew 1:1-2

Jesus, The Son of Abraham

#### LORD'S PRAYER

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. Lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For thine is the kingdom and the power and the glory for ever and ever. Amen.

### PRAYER FOR PEACE

M: Lord God, all holy desires, all good counsels, and all just works come from You. Give to us, Your servants, that peace with the world cannot give, that our hearts may be set to obey Your commandments. Defend us also from the fear of our enemies that we may live in peace and quietness, through the merits of \*Jesus Christ our Savior; Who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

### C: Amen.

#### SONG OF SIMEON



#### BLESSING





### **CLOSING HYMN**

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Advent Midweek 1: Jesus: The Son of David, Matthew 1:1, 6
Advent Midweek 2: Jesus: The Son of Abraham, Matthew 1:1–2
Advent Midweek 3: Jesus: The Son of Scandal, Matthew 1:1, 3, 5–6
Advent Midweek 4: Jesus: The Son of Joseph, Matthew 1:16
Christmas Eve or Day: Jesus: The Son of Mary, Matthew 1:16

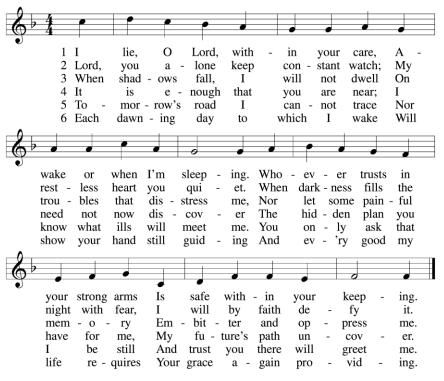
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# I Lie, O Lord, Within Your Care



- 7 Though troubles still may cloud my sky, I'll see beyond them shining
  A light to show some hidden way—
  A way of your designing.
- 8 Since you have gently touched my eyes, I'll sleep through tears of sorrow. Though long the night, my God, my friend, Will be my guide tomorrow.

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