

This Is My Son

Wednesday in Advent 2

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Beulah, North Dakota

✠ In the Name of Jesus ✠

VESPERS

Opening Sentences

O Lord, open my lips,
and my mouth will declare Your praise.

Make haste, O God, to deliver me;

Make haste to help me, O Lord.

**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.**

Praise to You, O Christ, King who comes to save us.

Psalm 25 (antiphon: Psalm 146:3, 5)

Put not your trust in princes,

in a son of man, in whom there is no salvation.

Blessèd is he whose help is the God of Jacob,

whose hope is in the LORD his God.

To You, O LORD,

I lift up my soul.

O my God, in You I trust;

let me not be put to shame; let not my enemies exult over me.

Indeed, none who wait for You shall be put to shame;

they shall be ashamed who are wantonly treacherous.

Make me to know Your ways, O LORD;

teach me Your paths.

Lead me in Your truth and teach me,

for You are the God of my salvation; for You I wait all the day long.

Remember Your mercy, O LORD, and Your steadfast love,

for they have been from of old.

Remember not the sins of my youth or my transgressions;

according to Your steadfast love remember me,

for the sake of Your goodness, O LORD!

Good and upright is the LORD;

therefore He instructs sinners in the way.

He leads the humble in what is right,

and teaches the humble His way.

All the paths of the LORD are steadfast love and faithfulness,

for those who keep His covenant and His testimonies.

For Your name's sake, O LORD,

pardon my guilt, for it is great.

Who is the man who fears the LORD?

Him will He instruct in the way that He should choose.

His soul shall abide in well-being.

and his offspring shall inherit the land.

The friendship of the LORD is for those who fear Him,

and He makes known to them His covenant.

My eyes are ever toward the LORD,
for He will pluck my feet out of the net.

Turn to me and be gracious to me,
for I am lonely and afflicted.

The troubles of my heart are enlarged;
bring me out of my distresses.

Consider my affliction and my trouble,
and forgive all my sins.

Consider how many are my foes,
and with what violent hatred they hate me.

Oh, guard my soul, and deliver me!
Let me not be put to shame, for I take refuge in You.

My integrity and uprightness preserve me,
for I wait for You.

Redeem Israel, O God,
out of all his troubles.

**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.**

Put not your trust in princes,
in a son of man, in whom there is no salvation.

Blessèd is he whose help is the God of Jacob,
whose hope is in the LORD his God.

Office Hymn # 350

Scripture Lessons

Genesis 16

Galatians 4:21-5:1

Luke 3:1-9

After each reading:

O Lord, have mercy on us.

Thanks be to God.

Responsory for Advent

Behold, the days are coming, says the Lord, when I will raise up for David a righteous Branch.

This is the name by which He will be called:

The Lord Is Our Righteousness.

In His days Judah will be saved, and Israel will dwell securely.

This is the name by which He will be called:

The Lord Is Our Righteousness.

Glory be to the Father and to the Son and to the Holy Spirit.

This is the name by which He will be called:

The Lord Is Our Righteousness.

Sermon: This Is My Son: Ishmael

Canticle Hymn # 933

Offering

Kyrie

Lord, have mercy;
Christ have mercy;
Lord, have mercy.

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; 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.

Collects

O Lord, hear my prayer.
And let my cry come to You.

Collect of the Day

Almighty God, You have granted precious and great promises to all who believe, all things that pertain to life and godliness. Focus our faith on the knowledge of Him who has called us to His own glory that we may be Your true sons and daughters in Your eternal kingdom; through Jesus Christ, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

Amen.

Additional Collects of Intercession and Thanksgiving

Collect

Lord God, You demonstrated Your might and grace by providing Your servants Abraham and Sarah with a son of Your own promise. Guide our faith to be always in the true Son of Abraham, Your only Son, Jesus, the promise of our salvation and life, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

Amen.

Collect for Peace

O God, from whom come all holy desires, all good counsels, and all just works, give to us Your servants, that peace which the world cannot give, that our hearts may be set to obey Your commandments and also that we, being defended from the fear of our enemies, may live in peace and quietness; through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

Amen.

Benedicamus

Let us bless the Lord.
Thanks be to God.

Benediction

The grace of our Lord ✠ Jesus Christ and the love of God and the communion of the Holy Spirit be with you all.

Amen.

Closing Hymn # 352

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