



## Lectionary Readings

2 Samuel 7:1-11, 16 God reveals, through the prophet Nathan, that God's presence will continue to be with David and with his descendants.

Luke 1:47-55 Mary's soul magnifies the Lord and rejoices in God's works of mercy and justice.

or

Psalms 89:1-4, 19-26 The psalmist remembers God's covenant with David and the promise of God's presence with David's descendants.

Romans 16:25-27 Paul blesses the church in Rome in the name of God, who was and still is working in the world.

Luke 1:26-38 The angel Gabriel visits Mary and tells her that she will conceive a son who will be the Son of God.

## Call to Worship

Greetings, God's beloved ones, God is with you this day.

**Let us sing of God's steadfast love and tell of God's mercy.**

Favored ones, God calls us to worship and to ponder.

**Let us, with all the heavens and the earth, declare God's wonders.**

Servants of God, the Holy One is present with us, now and always.

**Let us tell of God's faithfulness to all generations.**

## Hymns for the Day

	PH	EH	ELW	UMH	NCH	VU	STF	SNC	TFBF	HFTG
<b>Hymns of Praise</b>										
O Come, O Come Emmanuel	9	56	257	211	116	1				
<b>Old Testament</b>										
Hail to the Lord's Anointed		616	311	203	104	30				
At the Name of Jesus	148	435	416			335				
Blessed Be the God of Israel	601, 602	444	250, 552	209		901		104		
<b>Epistle</b>										
All Glory Be to God on High	133	421	410	82			2033	115, 116		
Creator of the Stars of Night	4	60	245	692						
This Is the Good News	598									
<b>Gospel</b>										
The Angel Gabriel from Heaven Came	16	265								
To a Maid Engaged to Joseph	19					14				
My Soul Does Magnify the Lord	600	437, 438	251, 573	198	119	899			168	
Tomorrow Christ Is Coming						27				
One Wedding Dress Long Put Away										10
<b>Communion</b>										
O Word of God Incarnate	327	632		598	315					
You Satisfy the Hungry Heart	521		484	629		478				
<b>Sending</b>										
People, Look East	12		248	202		9				
Sleepers, Wake!	17	61, 62	436	720		711				
As the Dark Awaits the Dawn			261							
<b>Important Hymns from Other Sources</b>										
This Holy Covenant, Sylvia Dunstan, <i>In Search of Hope and Grace</i> GIA								173		

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## Prayer of Confession

**God of surprises, we pretend not to hear your messengers calling our names.**

**We look away, sure that there must be a mistake, for we are afraid to believe that you would trust us to bear you into the world.**

**We are just ordinary people trying to get by.**

**We wish you would choose someone else.**

**Have mercy on us, O Most High.**

**Help us to believe with Mary.**

**Send your Spirit upon us, that we may indeed live for the sake of Jesus Christ, your Son, our Savior.**

## Canticle Settings

**Luke 1:47-55 Metrical**

"My Soul Proclaims with Joy" NMP 32

"My Soul Proclaims with Wonder" SNC 102

"Song of Mary" PH 600

## Responsorial

"My Soul Proclaims the Greatness of the Lord" PP1 103

"My Soul Proclaims Your Greatness" PCY2 57

"My Soul Rejoices in my God" PRCL 15

## Psalm 89:1-4, 19-26 Metrical

"From Age to Age I will Proclaim" NMP 140

"Love will Be our Song Forever" TP 89

## Responsorial

"Forever I Will Sing" LP 18

"Praise the Lord" TPP 89

"Your Love, O Lord" PP2 67

## Contemporary Songs

"Like a Guest" John Thornburg/Jane Marshall  
*What Gift Can We Bring*

"Nothing Is Impossible with God" James Chepponis GIA, G-4922

"With God All Things Are Possible" John Bell/Graham Maule  
*Heaven Shall Not Wait*

"Forever I Will Sing" Marty Haugen  
*Psalms for the Church Year (Celebration), Vol. 1, GIA*

"He Became Poor" John Bell/Graham Maule  
*Love From Below, Innkeepers and Light Sleepers*

"Justice in the Womb" John Bell  
*Innkeepers and Light Sleepers*

"Star-Child" Shirley Erena Murray/Carlton Young  
*Sing the Faith*

"Star-Child" Shirley Erena Murray/David Haas GIA,  
G-5206; *Gather Comprehensive*

## Global Songs

"Let the People Know" (Sudan) GP1 56

"Maranatha" (Philippines) SBTL 38

"Ososo (Come Now, O Prince of Peace)" (Korea)  
SNC 209, STB 241, SBTL 23

## Anthems for Larger Choirs

"He Comes to Us as One Unknown" John Ferguson, AUG 0800656008, SATB

"Canticle of Faithfulness" Daniel Bird, HP F992, SATB

"The Annunciation" Paul Christiansen, AUG 1124, SATB

"The Joy of Mary" Donald Neuen HIN HMC-531,  
SATB with opt. brass

## Anthems for Smaller/Youth Choirs

"Advent Prayer" Hopson, Aug (978-0-8006-5846-5),  
2-part mixed, keyboard, opt. solo

"Lo, How a Rose is Growing" Martinson, Aug (978-0-8006-7243-0), 2-part mixed or SAB, organ

"Maria Walks Amid the Thorn" Distler, Con (98-2306), SAB

## Anthems for Children's Choirs

"The Angel Gabriel" Arr. John Raymond Howell,  
opt. 2-part, BH OCT6256

"Jesus Christ the Apple Tree" Daniel Pinkham,  
guitar/handbells, ECS 4446

"Light the Candle" Carl Schalk, MSM 50-0006

"Nova, Nova!" Michael Bedford, flute/tambourine,  
CGA 838

## Handbell Music

"Savior of the Nations, Come," Arr. Cathy Moglebust, CG, #CGB300, 3, 4, or 5 oct. with opt. chime tree/wind chime, triangle, and finger cymbals, L2



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# Lectionary Aids, Continued

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“Let All Mortal Flesh Keep Silence” Arr. Carol Lynn Mizell, CG, #CGB301, 3-4 oct. with hammered dulcimer or other solo instrument or handchimes, L2

“Two Ancient Carols: Lo, How a Rose, Coventry Carol” Arr. Martha Lynn Thompson, Composers Music Company, CP7024, 3-5 oct., L2

“O Come, O Come, Emmanuel” Arr. Carl Wiltse, STSGM143, 5-7 oct., (L3)

“O Come, O Come, Emmanuel” Raney/Sherman, HP2298, 4-7 oct., opt. hand chimes, (L4 )

## Organ Music

“Creator of the Stars of Night” Gerald Near, *Chantworks*, PP (Aureole Ed.) (E-M)

“Mighty Creator of the Stars” Marcel Dupré, *Sixteen Chorales*, HWG (E)

“Hymnus” (Conditor Alme Siderum), Jacques Lemmens, *Organ Music for the Christmas Season*, DP (E+)

“Wachet auf, ruft uns die Stimme” Max Reger, *30 Chorale Preludes*, PE (M+)

“Chorale Improvisation on Wachet auf” Paul Manz, *The AGO 90th Anniversary Anthology of American Organ Music*, OUP (M)