

Vespers

with Christmas Lessons and Carols

✠ *In Nomine Jesu* ✠

Prelude *Of the Father's Love Begotten*

Wilbur Held

Stand

Versicles - LSB 229

Sit

First Reading *Isaiah 11:1–6*

After the reading:

P O Lord, have mercy on us.

C **Thanks be to God.**

Hymn 359 *Lo, How a Rose E'er Blooming*

Stanza 1: Choir, setting by Michael Praetorius

Stanza 2: All

Stanza 3: Choir, setting by Hugo Distler

Stanza 4: All

Second Reading *Luke 1:26–38*

After the reading:

P O Lord, have mercy on us.

C **Thanks be to God.**

Hymn 356 *The Angel Gabriel from Heaven Came*

Stanza 1: All

Stanza 2: All

Stanza 3: Women only

Stanza 4: All

Third Reading *Luke 2:1–7*

After the reading:

P O Lord, have mercy on us.

C **Thanks be to God.**

Hymn 362 *O Sing of Christ*

Stanza 1: All
Stanza 2: Choir
Stanza 3: All, in harmony
Stanza 4: All

Fourth Reading *Luke 2:8–20*

After the reading:

P O Lord, have mercy on us.
C **Thanks be to God.**

Hymn 358 *From Heaven Above to Earth I Come (stanzas 1–7 only)*
The congregation stands at the conclusion of the hymn introduction.

Stanza 1: All
Stanza 2: Choir, setting by Hans Leo Hassler
Stanza 3: All
Stanza 4: Choir, setting by Walter Pelz
Stanza 5: All
Stanza 6: Choir, setting by Hans Leo Hassler
Stanza 7: All

Sit

Fifth Reading *Matthew 2:1–12*

After the reading:

P O Lord, have mercy on us.
C **Thanks be to God.**

Hymn 370 *What Child Is This*

Stanza 1: All
Stanza 2: Men only
Stanza 3: All

Sixth Reading *John 1:1–14*

After the reading:

P O Lord, have mercy on us.
C **Thanks be to God.**

Hymn 381 *Let Our Gladness Have No End*

- Stanza 1: All
Stanza 2: All
Stanza 3: Choir, setting by Carl Schalk
Stanza 4: All

Responsory

Verse

1. The Word became flesh and dwelt among us, full of grace and truth.
2. In the beginning was the Word, and the Word was with God, and the Word was God.
3. Glory be to the Father and to the Son and to the Holy Spirit.

Refrain



C We have seen His glor - ry, glory as of
the only Son from the Fa- ther

Homily

Stand

Magnificat — LSB 231

- C** All **I** Lectern side **II** Pulpit side

Kneel

Kyrie, Lord's Prayer, and Collects — LSB 233

Stand

Benedicamus and Benediction — LSB 234

Hymn 386 *Now Sing We, Now Rejoice*

Postlude *Now Sing We, Now Rejoice*

Norman Dello Joio

✠ *Soli Deo Gloria* ✠

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