

CONCORDIA SEMINARY
Chapel of St. Timothy and St. Titus
The Second Week of Advent, A.D. 2021

Monday, December 6

Responsive Prayer 2

Commemoration of Nicholas of Myra, Pastor

Pre-service Music

Stand

Opening Versicles

LSB 285

Sit

Reading

Luke 12:35–40

Hymn

LSB 334 “O Lord, How Shall I Meet You”
The cantor sings stanzas 1 and 3

Sermon

Stand

Litany for Advent

L O Lord:
C **have mercy upon us.**

L O Christ:
C **have mercy upon us.**

L O Lord:
C **have mercy upon us.**

L O Christ:
C **hear us.**

L O God, the Father of us all and of our Lord Jesus Christ, You set the hour of His passion, and have determined the day of this world’s judgment:
C **have mercy upon us.**

L O God, the Son, You came as this world’s Savior and will come again as this world’s Judge:
C **have mercy upon us.**

L O God, the Holy Spirit, You encourage our souls and convict the world:
C **have mercy upon us.**

L O Holy Trinity, One God, the hope of all the ends of the earth and of the farthest seas:
C **have mercy upon us.**

L From loss of hope and lack of zeal;
From dissipation and drunkenness and the cares of this life;

From growing weary and from wearying You;
From greed and covetousness;
From war and violence;
From illness and famine;
From frost and cold and coldness of heart:

C Good Lord, deliver us.

L By the mystery of Your holy Incarnation;
By the compassion of Your ministry among us;
By the patient waiting for and the faithful acceptance of Your hour;
By Your victory over Death and Grave;
By Your revelation of the Father and Your gift of the Spirit:

C Help us, our Emmanuel.

L As we wait; as we watch; as we work; as we hope:

C Help us, our Emmanuel.

L We poor, weak-handed, feeble-kneed, heavy-hearted sinners beg You:

C To hear us, O Lord our Righteousness;

L To make of Your church a voice crying out in our world's wilderness;
to make us levelers of mountains, fillers of valleys—straighteners of Your path;
to proclaim in and through us knowledge of salvation to Your people in this and every land;

to open our eyes that we might see, feed, welcome, clothe, and visit Your brothers and sisters, from greatest to least:

C We beg You to hear us, O Lord our Righteousness;

L To protect Your people in every place where they serve You;
to destroy the works of the devil;
to keep us steadfast in Your Word;
to prepare us to receive You in faith as You come to us now;
to prepare us to welcome You in joy when You come again:

C We beg You to hear us, O Lord our Righteousness;

L To guide our nations, our leaders, and our feet into the way of peace;
to grant a safe and joyful homecoming to the traveler and to the homeless;
to guard the orphan and the widow, the expectant mother and the aged;
to heal the sick and comfort the dying;
to “smite us and save us all”:*

C We beg You to hear us, O Lord our Righteousness;

L O Lamb of God, You take away the sin of the world:
C have mercy upon us.

L O Lamb of God, You take away the sin of the world:
C have mercy upon us.

L O Lamb of God, You take away the sin of the world:

C Come! Be our peace!

C 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.

L O Lord, our years grow long and our time short: let the Advent cries of Your prophets rouse us from our heavy-lidded hearing of Your Word. Let us hear Your Word today and repent, bowing heads and hearts before You. Let us do Your Word today, amending our lives, not waiting for a tomorrow that may not come. Let us bring an end now to this foolish love of our own mischief, let us abandon without a backward glance the unfruitful works of darkness. Inspire us with a new watchfulness to seize every opportunity for good and to put on at last the whole armor of light. Reckon us among that great throng who work for their Lord, loins girded, lamps burning, until the night passes and the true Light shines. Let us sing the new song, following You, Good Shepherd and Lamb of God, wherever You go, loving wherever You love, doing whatever You ask, until the perfect day dawns and night is no more.†

C Amen.

L May the God of ☩ peace sanctify us wholly, and may our spirit, soul, and body be preserved blameless unto the coming of our Lord Jesus Christ.

C Amen. Come, Lord Jesus.

Post-service Music

* From G. K. Chesterton's "O God of Earth and Altar," printed as Hymn 784 in *Worship Supplement* (1969).

† This concluding collect is freely adapted from Eric Milner-White's "Advent," page 16 in *My God My Glory* (London: Triangle, 1994).

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In the Lord's Service

Preacher
Liturgists
Cantor
Viola
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Seminarist Michael Wilke
Rebecca Vieker
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