WHITE MEMORIAL

Advent Evening Prayer

December 9, 2020 | 6:30 p.m.

PRELUDE

OPENING SENTENCES:

ONE: Jesus Christ is the light of the world, **ALL: the light no darkness can overcome.**

John 1:5, 8:12

Hymn 100 – *My Soul Cries Out with a Joyful Shout* (see page 2)

LIGHTING THE ADVENT WREATH - Alex Flynn and Family, leaders

ONE: As we light our second Advent candle ALL: we pray for the holy peace of God ONE: Come now, O Child of Mary. ALL: Come now, O Prince of Peace (brief silence) ALL: Amen.

Psalm 96: 1-9

NEW TESTAMENT LESSON

Luke 1:46, 50-53

MEDITATION

Hymn 304 – O Sing a New Song to the Lord (see page 4)

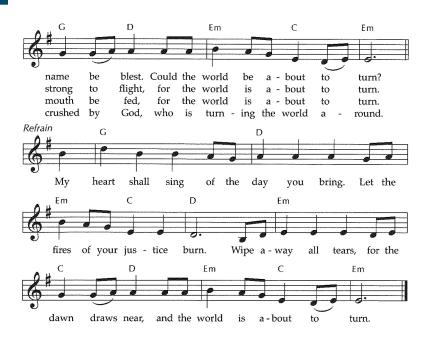
PRAYER AND THE LORD'S PRAYER

BENEDICTION

JESUS CHRIST: ADVENT



By employing an energetic Irish folk song for its melody, this ballad-like paraphrase of the *Magnificat*, Mary's song at her meeting with her relative Elizabeth (Luke 1:46-55), recaptures both the wonder and the faith of the young woman who first recognized what God was doing.





When this text appeared in *The Psalter*, 1912, it was titled "The Message of Redemption," a helpful reminder that the sung praise of God is a proclamation of "redeeming grace." The tune, created slightly later, is named with a French-derived word "gonfalon," meaning "banner."

TEXT: The New Metrical Version of the Psalms, 1909, alt. MUSIC: Percy C. Buck, 1918 GONFALON ROYAL

THE 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 debts, as we forgive our debtors; and lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For thine is the kingdom and the power and the glory, forever. Amen.

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Worship Leaders

Jim Ferry, Parish Associate Christopher Edmonston, Pastor Kirsten Homdrom, Associate Director of Music Jared Smith, baritone Karen Haneline, videographer

Advent Wreath Lighters

Alex Flynn and Family

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