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Vespers

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+ *In Nomine Jesu* +

Opening Hymn

The Night Will Soon Be Ending

LSB 337

Opening Versicles

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Psalm

Psalm 85 (ESV)

Antiphon vs 9

- P: Surely his salvation is near to those who | fear him,*
that glory may dwell | in our land.
- P: LORD, you were favorable | to your land;*
you restored the fortunes of | Jacob.
- C: **You forgave the iniquity of your | people;***
you covered | all their sin.
- P: You withdrew | all your wrath;*
you turned from your hot | anger.
- C: **Restore us again, O God of our sal- | vation,***
and put away your indignation | toward us!
- P: Will you be angry with us for- | ever?*
- Will you prolong your anger to all gener- | ations?
- C: **Will you not revive | us again,***
that your people may re- | joice in you?
- P: Show us your steadfast love, | O LORD,*
and grant us your sal- | vation.
- C: **Let me hear what God the | LORD will speak,***
for he will speak peace to his people, to his saints; but
let them not turn back to | folly.
- P: Surely his salvation is near to those who | fear him,*
that glory may dwell | in our land.
- C: **Steadfast love and faith- | fulness meet;***
righteousness and peace kiss each | other.

P: Faithfulness springs up | from the ground,*
and righteousness looks down | from the sky.
C: **Yes, the LORD will give | what is good,***
and our land will yield its | increase.
P: Righteousness will go be- | fore him*
and make his foot- | steps a way.

All: Glory be to the Father and | to the Son*
and to the Holy | Spirit;
as it was in the be|ginning,*
is now, and will be forever. | Amen.

P: Surely his salvation is near to those who | fear him,*
that glory may dwell | in our land.

Hymn

To Thee, Omniscient Lord of All

LSB 613

Reading

Luke 1:57-80 (ESV)

Now the time came for Elizabeth to give birth, and she bore a son. And her neighbors and relatives heard that the Lord had shown great mercy to her, and they rejoiced with her. And on the eighth day they came to circumcise the child. And they would have called him Zechariah after his father, but his mother answered, “No; he shall be called John.” And they said to her, “None of your relatives is called by this name.” And they made signs to his father, inquiring what he wanted him to be called. And he asked for a writing tablet and wrote, “His name is John.” And they all wondered. And immediately his mouth was opened and his tongue loosed, and he spoke, blessing God. And fear came on all their neighbors. And all these things were talked about through all the hill country of Judea, and all who heard them laid them up in their hearts, saying, “What then will this child be? For the hand of the Lord was with him.”

And his father Zechariah was filled with the Holy Spirit and prophesied, saying,

“Blessed be the Lord God of Israel, for he has visited and redeemed his people and has raised up a horn of salvation for us in the house of his servant David, as he spoke by the mouth of his holy prophets from of old, that we should be saved from our enemies and from the hand of all who hate us; to show the mercy promised to our fathers and to remember his holy covenant, the oath that he swore to our father Abraham, to grant us that we, being delivered from the hand of our enemies, might serve him without fear, in holiness and righteousness before him all our days. And you, child, will be called the prophet of the Most High; for you will go before the Lord to

prepare his ways, to give knowledge of salvation to his people in the forgiveness of their sins, because of the tender mercy of our God, whereby the sunrise shall visit us from on high to give light to those who sit in darkness and in the shadow of death, to guide our feet into the way of peace.”

And the child grew and became strong in spirit, and he was in the wilderness until the day of his public appearance to Israel.

Responsory *Advent* p. 230

Sermon *Advent: Absolution* John 20:23

Antiphon



P: O Wisdom, proceeding from the mouth of the Most High,
pervading and permeating all creation, mightily ordering | all
things:*

Come and teach us the way of | prudence.

Canticle *Magnificat* p. 231

Antiphon

Offering *Plate in the Narthex*

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Lord's Prayer p. 233

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P: Lord Jesus Christ, we implore You to hear our prayers and to
lighten the darkness of our hearts by Your gracious visitation;
for You live and reign with Father and the Holy Spirit, one
God, now and forever.

C: **Amen.**

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Benediction p. 234

Hymn *Once He Came in Blessing* LSB 333