# **Incarnation - Christmas Day**

O God, make speed to save us:

O Lord, make haste to help us.

Glory to the Father and to the Son, and to the Holy Spirit; as it was in the beginning, is now, and shall be forever. Amen.

## **Psalmody**

Let your loving-kindness, O Lord, be upon us, as we have put our trust in you.

### Opening - from Psalm 33

- The eye of the Lord is upon those who fear him;\* on those who wait upon his love.
- 2 To pluck their lives from death,\* and to feed them in time of famine.
- 3 Our soul waits for the Lord;\* he is our help and our shield.
- 4 Indeed, our heart rejoices in him\* for in his holy name we put our trust.

Glory to God, Source of all Being, Eternal Word and Holy Spirit; as it was in the beginning, is now, and shall be forever. Amen.

#### Psalm 89.19-37

- You spoke once in a vision and said to your faithful people:\*
  'I have set the crown upon a warrior and have exalted one chosen out of the people.
- 20 I have found David my servant;\* with my holy oil have I anointed him.
- 21 My hand will hold him fast\* and my arm will make him strong.

22 No enemy shall deceive him,\*
nor any wicked man bring him down.

- 23 I will crush his foes before him\* and strike down those who hate him.
- 24 My faithfulness and love shall be with him,\* and he shall be victorious through my name.
- 25 I shall make his dominion extend\* from the Great Sea to the River.
- 26 He will say to me, "You are my Father,\* my God, and the rock of my salvation."
- 27 I will make him my firstborn\* and higher than the kings of the earth.
- 28 I will keep my love for him for ever,\* and my covenant will stand firm for him.
- 29 I will establish his line for ever\* and his throne as the days of heaven.
- 30 If his children forsake my law\* and do not walk according to my judgements;
- 31 If they break my statutes\* and do not keep my commandments;
- 32 I will punish their transgressions with a rod\* and their iniquities with the lash;
- 33 But I will not take my love from him,\* nor let my faithfulness prove false.
- 34 I will not break my covenant,\*
  nor change what has gone out of my lips.
- 35 Once for all I have sworn by my holiness:\*
  "I will not lie to David.
- 36 His line shall endure for ever\* and his throne as the sun before me;

37 It shall stand fast for evermore like the moon,\* the abiding witness in the sky."

Glory to God, Source of all Being, Eternal Word and Holy Spirit; as it was in the beginning, is now, and shall be forever. Amen.

### Conclusion - from Philippians 2

- 1 Let this mind be in you which was in Christ Jesus\*
  The divine nature was his from the first.
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- 3 Taking the nature of man he was revealed in human form;\* he humbled himself and became obedient even to death, death on a cross.
- 4 Therefore God has raised him on high,\* and has given him a name above every other name.
- 5 So that in the name of Jesus every knee shall bow.\* in heaven, on earth, and in the depths.
- 6 And every tongue confess that Jesus Christ is Lord;\* to the glory of God the Father.

Glory to God, Source of all Being, Eternal Word and Holy Spirit; as it was in the beginning, is now, and shall be forever. Amen.

Let your loving-kindness, O Lord, be upon us, as we have put our trust in you.

## Readings

### **Silence**

# Response - from Psalm 89.27

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Higher than the kings of the earth.

My first-born.

Glory to the Father and to the Son and to the Holy Spirit.

I will make him my first-born.

## **Magnificat**

To us is born this day a Saviour, Christ the Lord.

My soul proclaims the greatness of the Lord my spirit rejoices in God my Saviour, for you, Lord, have looked with favour on your lowly servant. From this day all generations will call me blessed: You, the Almighty, have done great things for me

You, the Almighty, have done great things for me and holy is your name.

You have mercy on those who fear you from generation to generation.
You have shown strength with your arm and scattered the proud in their conceit, casting down the mighty from their thrones and lifting up the lowly.
You have filled the hungry with good things

and sent the rich away empty.
You have come to the aid of your servant Israel,
to remember the promise of mercy,
the promise made to our forebears,
to Abraham and his children for eyer.

Glory to God, Source of all Being, Eternal Word and Holy Spirit; as it was in the beginning, is now, and shall be forever. Amen.

To us is born this day a Saviour, Christ the Lord.

### **Prayers**

Lord, have mercy upon us. Christ, have mercy upon us. Lord, have mercy upon us.

Our Father in heaven,
hallowed be your name,
your kingdom come,
your will be done,
on earth as in heaven.
Give us today our daily bread.
Forgive us our sins
as we forgive those who sin against us.
Do not bring us to the time of trial,
but deliver us from evil.
For the kingdom, the power,
and the glory are yours,
now and for ever. Amen.

God our Father, whose Word has come among us in the Holy Child of Bethlehem, may the light of faith illumine our hearts and shine in our words and deeds; through him who is Christ the Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. **Amen.** 

Lord God almighty, come and dispel the darkness from our hearts, that in the radiance of your brightness we may know you, the only unfading light, glorious in all eternity. Amen.

Let us bless the Lord:

Thanks be to God!

The God of hope fill us with all joy and peace in believing: through the power of the Holy Spirit. Amen.

# Incarnation - Sunday, Tuesday, Thursday

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# **Psalmody**

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### Opening - from Psalm 33

- The eye of the Lord is upon those who fear him;\* on those who wait upon his love.
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- 3 Our soul waits for the Lord;\* he is our help and our shield.
- 4 Indeed, our heart rejoices in him\* for in his holy name we put our trust.

Glory to God, Source of all Being, Eternal Word and Holy Spirit; as it was in the beginning, is now, and shall be forever. Amen.

#### **Psalm 145**

- 1 I will exalt you, O God my King,\* and bless your name for ever and ever.
- Every day will I bless you\* and praise your name for ever and ever.
- 3 Great is the Lord and greatly to be praised;\* there is no end to his greatness.
- 4 One generation shall praise your works to another\* and shall declare your power.

5 I will ponder the glorious splendour of your majesty\* and all your marvellous works.

- They shall speak of the might of your wondrous acts,\* and I will tell of your greatness.
- 7 They shall publish the remembrance of your great goodness;\* they shall sing of your righteous deeds.
- 8 The Lord is gracious and full of compassion,\* slow to anger and of great kindness.
- 9 The Lord is loving to everyone\* and his compassion is over all his works.
- 10 All your works praise you, O Lord,\* and your faithful servants bless you.
- 11 They make known the glory of your kingdom\* and speak of your power;
- 12 That the peoples may know of your power\* and the glorious splendour of your kingdom.
- Your kingdom is an everlasting kingdom;\* your dominion endures throughout all ages.
- 14 The Lord is faithful in all his words\* and merciful in all his deeds.
- 15 The Lord upholds all those who fall;\* he lifts up those who are bowed down.
- 16 The eyes of all wait upon you, O Lord,\* and you give them their food in due season.
- 17 You open wide your hand\* and satisfy the needs of every living creature.
- 18 The Lord is righteous in all his ways\* and loving in all his works.
- 19 The Lord is near to those who call upon him,\* to all who call upon him faithfully.

20 He fulfils the desire of those who fear him,\* he hears their cry and helps them.

- 21 The Lord preserves all those who love him,\* but he destroys all the wicked.
- 22 My mouth shall speak the praise of the Lord;\*
  let all flesh bless his holy name for ever and ever.

Glory to God, Source of all Being, Eternal Word and Holy Spirit; as it was in the beginning, is now, and shall be forever. Amen.

#### **Conclusion - from Philippians 2**

- 1 Let this mind be in you which was in Christ Jesus\*
  The divine nature was his from the first.
- 2 Yet he did not grasp at equality with God;\* he emptied himself and became like a slave.
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- 6 And every tongue confess that Jesus Christ is Lord;\* to the glory of God the Father.
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# Readings

#### **Silence**

## Response - from Psalm 89.27

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My first-born.

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## **Antiphon**

#### Christmas

To us is born this day a Saviour,

Christ the Lord.

#### **Epiphany**

Glory to Christ,

who is preached amongst the nations and believed on in the world.

## **Magnificat**

My soul proclaims the greatness of the Lord

my spirit rejoices in God my Saviour,

for you, Lord, have looked with favour on your lowly servant.

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You, the Almighty, have done great things for me and holy is your name.

You have mercy on those who fear you

from generation to generation.

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You have filled the hungry with good things and sent the rich away empty.
You have come to the aid of your servant Israel, to remember the promise of mercy, the promise made to our forebears, to Abraham and his children for ever.

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your kingdom come,
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on earth as in heaven.
Give us today our daily bread.
Forgive us our sins
as we forgive those who sin against us.
Do not bring us to the time of trial,
but deliver us from evil.
For the kingdom, the power,
and the glory are yours,
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Almighty God, give us grace to know you more and more, that knowing we may love and loving we may praise, that the whole world may hear your name and worship you, through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.** 

Lord God almighty, come and dispel the darkness from our hearts, that in the radiance of your brightness we may know you, the only unfading light, glorious in all eternity. Amen.

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- 4 Indeed, our heart rejoices in him\* for in his holy name we put our trust.

Glory to God, Source of all Being, Eternal Word and Holy Spirit; as it was in the beginning, is now, and shall be forever. Amen.

#### **Psalm 110**

- The Lord said to my lord, 'Sit at my right hand,\* until I make your enemies your footstool.'
- 2 The Lord will send the sceptre of your power out of Zion,\* saying, 'Rule over your enemies round about you.
- Princely state has been yours from the day of your birth,\* in the beauty of holiness have I begotten you, like dew from the womb of the morning.'
- 4 The Lord has sworn and he will not recant:\*

  'You are a priest for ever after the order of Melchizedek.'

The Lord who is at your right hand will smite kings in the day of his wrath;\* he will rule over the nations.

- 6 He will heap high the corpses;\*
  he will smash heads over the wide earth.
- 7 He will drink from the brook beside the road;\* therefore he will lift high his head.

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### Conclusion - from Philippians 2

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  The divine nature was his from the first.
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### **Silence**

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Do not bring us to the time of trial,
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For the kingdom, the power,
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Jesus Christ, King of kings and Lord of lords, born as a man, exalted now on high, priest of the new covenant, judge who will come at the end of time, glory to you for ever and ever. **Amen.** 

Lord God almighty, come and dispel the darkness from our hearts, that in the radiance of your brightness we may know you, the only unfading light, glorious in all eternity. Amen.

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# **Incarnation - Saturday**

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#### Psalm 138

- I will give thanks to you, O Lord, with my whole heart;\* before the gods I will sing your praise.
- 2 I will bow down toward your holy temple and praise your name,\* because of your love and faithfulness;
- For you have glorified your name\* and your word above all things.
- 4 When I called, you answered me;\*
  you increased my strength within me.

5 All the kings of the earth will praise you, O Lord,\* when they have heard the words of your mouth.

- 6 They will sing of the ways of the Lord,\* that great is the glory of the Lord.
- 7 Though the Lord be high, he cares for the lowly;\* he perceives the haughty from afar.
- 8 Though I walk in the midst of trouble, you keep me safe;\* you stretch forth your hand against the fury of my enemies; your right hand shall save me.
- 9 The Lord will make good his purpose for me;\* O Lord, your love endures for ever; do not abandon the works of your hands.

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### **Conclusion - from Philippians 2**

- 1 Let this mind be in you which was in Christ Jesus\*
  The divine nature was his from the first.
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## **Antiphon**

#### **Christmas**

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### **Epiphany**

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your kingdom come,
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God of creation and fulfilment, help us to seek and discover your purposes, that we may become willing instruments of your grace, and that all the world may come to love and praise your name, in the kingdom of your Son Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.** 

Lord God almighty, come and dispel the darkness from our hearts, that in the radiance of your brightness we may know you, the only unfading light, glorious in all eternity. Amen.

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# **Incarnation - The Holy Name**

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- 4 Indeed, our heart rejoices in him\* for in his holy name we put our trust.

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### Psalm 122, 123, 124 and 125

- 1 I was glad when they said to me,\* 'Let us go to the house of the Lord.'
- Now our feet are standing\* within your gates, O Jerusalem.
- 3 Jerusalem is built as a city\* that is at unity with itself.
- 4 To which the tribes go up, the tribes of the Lord,\* the assembly of Israel, to praise the name of the Lord.

5 For there are the thrones of judgement,\* the thrones of the house of David.

- 6 Pray for the peace of Jerusalem:\*
  'May they prosper who love you.
- 7 Peace be within your walls\* and quietness within your towers.
- 8 For my brethren and companions' sake,\*
  I pray for your prosperity.
- 9 Because of the house of the Lord our God,\* I will seek to do you good.'
- 1 To you I lift up my eyes,\* to you enthroned in the heavens.
- As the eyes of servants look to the hand of their masters,\* and the eyes of a maid to the hand of her mistress,
- 3 So our eyes look to the Lord our God,\* until he show us his mercy.
- 4 Have mercy upon us, O Lord, have mercy,\* for we have had more than enough of contempt,
- 5 Too much of the scorn of the indolent rich,\* and of the derision of the proud.
- If the Lord had not been on our side,\* let Israel now say;
- 2 If the Lord had not been on our side,\* when enemies rose up against us;
- 3 Then would they have swallowed us up alive\* in their fierce anger toward us;
- 4 Then would the waters have overwhelmed us\* and the torrent gone over us;
- 5 Then would the raging waters\* have gone right over us.

- 6 Blessed be the Lord!\*
  he has not given us over to be a prey for their teeth.
- We have escaped like a bird from the snare of the fowler;\* the snare is broken, and we have escaped.
- 8 Our help is in the name of the Lord,\* the maker of heaven and earth.
- 1 Those who trust in the Lord are like Mount Zion,\* which cannot be moved, but stands fast for ever.
- 2 The hills stand about Jerusalem;\* so does the Lord stand round about his people, from this time forth for evermore.
- The sceptre of the wicked shall not hold sway over the land allotted to the just,\*
  so that the just shall not put their hands to evil.
- 4 Show your goodness, O Lord, to those who are good\* and to those who are true of heart.
- As for those who turn aside to crooked ways, the Lord will lead them away with the evildoers;\* but peace be upon Israel.

Glory to God, Source of all Being, Eternal Word and Holy Spirit; as it was in the beginning, is now, and shall be forever. Amen.

### **Conclusion - from Philippians 2**

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4 Therefore God has raised him on high,\* and has given him a name above every other name.

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## Readings

#### **Silence**

## Response - from Psalm 89.27

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# **Magnificat**

To us is born this day a Saviour,

Christ the Lord.

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You have mercy on those who fear you from generation to generation.
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## **Prayers**

Lord, have mercy upon us. Christ, have mercy upon us. Lord, have mercy upon us.

Our Father in heaven,
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Forgive us our sins
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Do not bring us to the time of trial,
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For the kingdom, the power,
and the glory are yours,
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Lord, your name resounds with the event of love: as your flesh is marked with a sign of unbroken covenant, may we be blessed by the grace of your body, utterly human, mysteriously divine; through Jesus Christ, the name by which we are saved. **Amen.** 

Lord God almighty, come and dispel the darkness from our hearts, that in the radiance of your brightness we may know you, the only unfading light, glorious in all eternity. Amen.

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# **Incarnation - Epiphany**

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## **Psalmody**

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### Opening - from Psalm 33

- 1 The eye of the Lord is upon those who fear him;\* on those who wait upon his love.
- 2 To pluck their lives from death,\*
  and to feed them in time of famine.
- 3 Our soul waits for the Lord;\* he is our help and our shield.
- 4 Indeed, our heart rejoices in him\* for in his holy name we put our trust.

Glory to God, Source of all Being, Eternal Word and Holy Spirit; as it was in the beginning, is now, and shall be forever. Amen.

#### Psalm 96

- 1 Sing to the Lord a new song;\* sing to the Lord, all the whole earth.
- 2 Sing to the Lord and bless his name;\* proclaim the good news of his salvation from day to day.
- 3 Declare his glory among the nations\* and his wonders among all peoples.
- For great is the Lord and greatly to be praised;\* he is more to be feared than all gods.

As for all the gods of the nations, they are but idols;\*
but it is the Lord who made the heavens.

- 6 Oh, the majesty and magnificence of his presence!\*
  Oh, the power and the splendour of his sanctuary!
- 7 Ascribe to the Lord, you families of the peoples;\* ascribe to the Lord honour and power.
- 8 Ascribe to the Lord the honour due his name;\* bring offerings and come into his courts.
- 9 Worship the Lord in the beauty of holiness;\*
  let the whole earth tremble before him.
- Tell it out among the nations: 'The Lord is king!\* he has made the world so firm that it cannot be moved; he will judge the peoples with equity.'
- 11 Let the heavens rejoice, and let the earth be glad; let the sea thunder and all that is in it;\* let the field be joyful and all that is therein.
- 12 Then shall all the trees of the wood shout for joy before the Lord when he comes,\* when he comes to judge the earth.
- 13 He will judge the world with righteousness\* and the peoples with his truth.

Glory to God, Source of all Being, Eternal Word and Holy Spirit; as it was in the beginning, is now, and shall be forever. Amen.

### Conclusion - from Philippians 2

- 1 Let this mind be in you which was in Christ Jesus\* The divine nature was his from the first.
- Yet he did not grasp at equality with God;\* he emptied himself and became like a slave.

Taking the nature of man he was revealed in human form;\* he humbled himself and became obedient even to death, death on a cross.

- 4 Therefore God has raised him on high,\* and has given him a name above every other name.
- 5 So that in the name of Jesus every knee shall bow.\* in heaven, on earth, and in the depths.
- 6 And every tongue confess that Jesus Christ is Lord;\* to the glory of God the Father.

Glory to God, Source of all Being, Eternal Word and Holy Spirit; as it was in the beginning, is now, and shall be forever. Amen.

Let your loving-kindness, O Lord, be upon us, as we have put our trust in you.

## Readings

#### **Silence**

## Response - from Psalm 89.27

I will make him my first-born.

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Higher than the kings of the earth.

My first-born.

Glory to the Father and to the Son and to the Holy Spirit. I will make him my first-born.

## **Magnificat**

Glory to Christ,

who is preached amongst the nations and believed on in the world.

My soul proclaims the greatness of the Lord my spirit rejoices in God my Saviour, for you, Lord, have looked with favour on your lowly servant.

From this day all generations will call me blessed: You, the Almighty, have done great things for me and holy is your name.

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You have mercy on those who fear you from generation to generation.
You have shown strength with your arm and scattered the proud in their conceit, casting down the mighty from their thrones and lifting up the lowly.
You have filled the hungry with good things and sent the rich away empty.
You have come to the aid of your servant Israel, to remember the promise of mercy,

the promise made to our forebears, to Abraham and his children for ever.

Glory to God, Source of all Being, Eternal Word and Holy Spirit; as it was in the beginning, is now, and shall be forever. Amen.

Glory to Christ, who is preached amongst the nations and believed on in the world.

# **Prayers**

Lord, have mercy upon us. Christ, have mercy upon us. Lord, have mercy upon us.

Our Father in heaven,
hallowed be your name,
your kingdom come,
your will be done,
on earth as in heaven.
Give us today our daily bread.
Forgive us our sins
as we forgive those who sin against us.
Do not bring us to the time of trial,
but deliver us from evil.

For the kingdom, the power, and the glory are yours, now and for ever. Amen.

We worship you God of glory, in the beauty of holiness, and we joyfully proclaim your just and righteous rule, established for all, through your Son Jesus Christ the Lord. **Amen.** 

Lord God almighty, come and dispel the darkness from our hearts, that in the radiance of your brightness we may know you, the only unfading light, glorious in all eternity. Amen.

Let us bless the Lord:

Thanks be to God!

The God of hope fill us with all joy and peace in believing: through the power of the Holy Spirit. Amen.