

Jubilate

The primary theme of Advent is “expectation.” Blue, the English royal color, is increasingly used as the color of Advent to distinguish the mood of this season from that of Lent. The *Gloria* is omitted, to be resumed with greater joy on Christmas Eve. Eucharistic Prayer B is especially appropriate because of its emphasis on the Incarnation. During the Advent season the Penitential Order or the Great Litany may be used to begin the liturgy. The Great Litany (S-67) ends with the *Kyrie*, and the Eucharist begins with the salutation of the Collect of the Day. The Prayers of the People following the Creed may be omitted when the Litany is used. [The text of an Advent Litany is available upon request from Trinity Church, Bethlehem]
When an Advent wreath is used in the church, no special prayers or ceremonial elaboration beyond what is described on page 143 of the Prayer Book is desirable. At morning services the appropriate number of candles is lighted *before the service begins*. (See BOS, p. 30)

[hymns marked (*) are appropriate for use
between the epistle and gospel]

The First Sunday of Advent [Year B]

12/03/23

11	Awake, my soul, and with the sun
53	Once he came in blessing
58*	Lo! he comes with clouds descending
61*	“Sleepers wake!” A voice astounds us
68	Rejoice! rejoice, believers
70	Herald, sound the note of judgment
71	Hark! the glad sound! the Savior comes
73*	The King shall come when morning dawns
462	The Lord will come and not be slow
615	“Thy kingdom come!” on bended knee the passing ages pray

WLP

721	Signs of ending all around us
749	The tree of life my soul hath seen

Levas II

6	Christ is coming: Prepare the way
11	Prepare ye the way of the Lord

The Second Sunday of Advent

12/10/23

59*	Hark! A thrilling voice is sounding
65*	Prepare the way, O Zion
67*	Comfort, comfort ye my people
76*	On Jordan’s bank the Baptist’s cry
332	O God, unseen yet ever near
540	Awake, thou Spirit of the watchmen
542	Christ is the world’s true Light
601	O day of God, draw night
616	Hail to the Lord’s Anointed
640	Watchman, tell us of the night

WLP

724	People, look East
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Levas II

2	Oh, thou that tellest good tidings
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The Third Sunday of Advent

12/17/23

66 Come, thou long expected Jesus
79* Herald, sound the note of judgment
74 Blest be the King whose coming
76* On Jordan's bank the Baptist's cry
365 Come, thou Almighty King
444* Blessed be the God of Israel
462 The Lord will come and not be slow
539 O Zion haste, thy mission high fulfilling
597 O day of peace that dimly shines
679 Surely it is God who saves me

WLP

722 The desert shall rejoice
723 Isaiah the prophet has written of old

The Fourth Sunday of Advent

12/24/23

53 Once he came in blessing
56 O come, O come, Emmanuel
66* Come, thou long expected Jesus
73 The King shall come when morning dawns
264* The Word whom earth and sea and sky
265* The Angel Gabriel from heaven came
324* Let all mortal flesh keep silence
436 Lift up your heads, ye mighty gates
437* Tell out my soul, the greatness of the Lord
497 How bright appears the Morning Star

WLP

724 People, look East

Levas II

13 My Lord, what a morning

51 Salamu Maria

Having prepared faithfully during the season of Advent, we should celebrate with joy the full twelve days of Christmas. Christmas hymns and carols should be sung throughout this period. The *Gloria* is resumed, and Eucharistic Prayer B with its emphasis on the Incarnation is ideal for use throughout the Christmas and Epiphany seasons. The Book of Occasional Services provides two forms for a seasonal blessing on page 21, and also suggests an outline for a Vigil for Christmas Eve as a preface to a midnight Eucharist. On pages 34 and 35 there are prayers for a station at a Christmas crèche. Also provided is a form for a Christmas Festival of Lessons and Music, which may be celebrated during the twelve days of Christmas.

Christmas Eve/Day

79 O little town of Bethlehem
80 From heaven above to earth I come
81 Lo, how a Rose e'er blooming
82* Of the Father's love begotten
83 O come, all ye faithful
87 Hark! the herald angels sing
93 Angels from the realms of glory
94* While shepherds watched their flocks by night
96* Angels we have heard on high

102 Once in royal David's city
111 Silent night, holy night
115 What child is this, who, laid to rest

WLP

726 Where is this stupendous stranger?
748 From the dawning of creation

Levas II

21 Go, tell it on the mountain
23 Jesus came to earth from glory

Christmas I

12/31/23

89 It came upon the midnight clear
93 Angels from the realms of glory
91 Break forth, O beauteous heavenly light
98* Unto us a boy is born
99 Go tell it on the mountain
100* Joy to the world
105 God rest you merry, gentlemen
107* Good Christian friends, rejoice
109 The first Nowell
110 The snow lay on the ground

WLP

725 Shengye quing, shengye jing 23
794 Muchos resplandores 24

Levas II

Jesus came to earth in glory
There's a star in the east on Christmas morn

WLP

726 Where is this stupendous stranger?

Levas II

24 There's a star in the east

The Epiphany

01/06/24

7 Christ, whose glory fills the skies
117* Brightest and best of the stars
119 As with gladness
124* What star is this, with beams so bright
127 Earth has many a noble city
128* We three kings of Orient are
475 God himself is with us
496 How bright appears the Morning Star
543 O Zion, tune thy voice
544 Jesus shall reign where'er the sun

WLP

791 Peace before us, peace behind us

Levas II

87 More love to thee, O Christ

The Baptism of Christ [Epiphany 1]

01/07/24

If it is not possible to have baptisms on this day, provisions should be made for the renewal of Baptismal Vows during the liturgy. After the sermon the Celebrant and servers should go in procession to the font as a focal point for the renewal - (see hymn list for suggested hymns). At the font the Celebrant leads in the renewal of vows as on page 292ff. The following may replace the Easter Vigil introductory address to this rite:

Dear People of God: through our Baptism into the death and resurrection of Jesus Christ, we have been reborn into new life in him. I call upon you, therefore, as we celebrate his Baptism, to renew the solemn promises and

*vows of Holy Baptism, by which we once renounced Satan and all his works,
and promised to serve God faithfully in his holy Catholic Church.*

If desired, water may be poured into the font and blessed using the form on pp. 306-307. The people may be sprinkled with water as a further reminder of their baptism, using an evergreen branch.

Note: Holy Baptism may be celebrated at other times during the Epiphany season, but once Lent begins, all baptisms should be “saved up” for the Great Vigil of Easter.

76 On Jordan’s bank
120* The sinless one to Jordan came
121* Christ, when for us you were baptized
135* Songs of thankfulness and praise
370 I bind unto myself today
403 Let all the world in every corner sing
448 O love how deep, how broad, how high
508* Breathe on me, breath of God
509 Spirit divine, attend our prayers
616* Hail to the Lord’s Anointed

WLP

766 You’re called by name
770 O God of gentle strength

Levas II

134 Take me to the water
141 Shall we gather at the river

Epiphany 2-B

01/14/24

5 O splendor of God’s glory bright
7 Christ, whose glory fills the skies
126* The people who in darkness walked
135* Songs of thankfulness and praise
439 What wondrous love is this
448 O love, how deep, how broad, how high
518 Christ is made the sure foundation
525 The Church’s one foundation
542 Christ is the world’s true Light
656 Blest are the pure in heart

WLP

734 You laid aside your rightful reputation
749 The tree of life my soul hath seen

Levas II

166 Grant me a blessing

Epiphany 3-B

01/21/24

8 Morning has broken
51 We the Lord’s people, heart and voice uniting
135 Songs of thankfulness and praise
371 Thou, whose almighty word
457 Thou art the Way, to thee alone
473 Lift high the cross, the love of Christ proclaim
505* O Spirit of Life, O Spirit of God
528* Lord, you give the great commission
530* Spread, O spread, thou mighty word
661* They cast their nets in Galilee

WLP

757 Will you come and follow me
 807 Put down your nets and follow me

Levas II

151 One bread, one body
 181 Amazing grace!

Epiphany 4-B**01/28/24**

379 God is Love, let heaven adore him
 389 Let us, with a gladsome mine
 414 God, my King, thy might confessing
 421 All glory be to God on high
 429* I'll praise my Maker while I've breath
 448* O love, how deep, how broad, how high
 470* There's a wideness in God's mercy
 578 O God of love, O King of peace
 616 Hail to the Lord's Anointed

WLP**Levas II**

115 Spirit of the living God, fall on me

Epiphany 5-B**02/04/24**

47 On this day, the first of days
 50 This is the day the Lord hath made
 343* Shepherd of souls, refresh and bless
 371 Thou, whose almighty word
 439 What wondrous love is this, O my soul
 482 Lord of all hopefulness, Lord of all joy
 508* Breathe on me, Breath of God
 511 Holy Spirit, ever living
 531 O Spirit of the living God
 567* Thine arm, O Lord, in days of old

WLP

772 O Christ, the healer
 773 Heal me, hands of Jesus

Levas II**Last Epiphany-B****02/11/24**

122* Alleluia, song of gladness
 129 Christ upon the mountain peak
 137* O wondrous type! O vision fair
 390 Praise to the Lord!
 403 Let all the world in every corner sing
 427 When morning gilds the skies
 460 Alleluia! sing to Jesus!
 477 All praise to thee, for thou, O King divine
 618 Ye watchers and ye holy ones
 619 Sing alleluia forth in duteous praise

*"Farewell
 to
 Alleluia"*

WLP

777 Sing alleluias forth in duteous praise
 809 We adore you, Lord, we love you

Levas II

58 The Lord is my light
 75 Jesu, Joy of our desiring

The following are NOT NEEDED in 2024

The Holy Name of our Lord Jesus Christ

98 Unto us a boy is born
107 Good Christian friends, rejoice
112 In the bleak mid winter
248* To the Name of our salvation
252* Jesus! Name of wondrous love!
435* At the Name of Jesus
450* All hail the power of Jesus' Name!
477 All praise to thee, for thou, O King divine
680 O God, our help in ages past
690 Guide me, O thou great Jehovah

WLP

748 From the dawning of creation
782 Gracious Spirit, give your servants*

Levas II

63 Glorious is the name of Jesus
78 Blessed be the name!

Christmas II

82 Of the Father's love begotten
93 Angels from the realms of glory
102 Once in royal David's city
124 What star is this, with beams so bright?
421 All glory be to God on high
439 What wondrous love is this
480* When Jesus left his Father's throne
497* How bright appears the Morning Star
517 How lovely is thy dwelling place
587* **Our father, by whose name**

Epiphany 6-B

7 Christ, whose glory fills the skies
74 Blest be the King whose coming
139* When Jesus went to Jordan's stream
360* Only begotten, Word of God eternal
390 Praise to the Lord, the Almighty
412 Earth and all stars, loud rushing planets
470 There's a wideness in God's mercy
475 God himself is with us
546* Awake, my soul, stretch every nerve
573 Father eternal, Ruler of creation

WLP

727 As panting deer desire the waterbrooks
774 From miles around the sick ones came

Levas II