

**Prayers of the People**  
**Advent 11**  
**December 4, 2022**

Watchful at all times, let us pray for strength to stand with confidence before our Maker and Redeemer, we especially pray for Bishop Sam, Bishop, for the Western Newfoundland Synod Office Staff, and for those worshipping in The Reformed Episcopal Church in Spain, let us pray to the Lord: **Lord, have mercy.**

That God may bring in God's kingdom with justice and mercy, let us pray to the Lord: **Lord, have mercy.**

That God may establish among the nations a scepter of righteousness, let us pray to the Lord: **Lord, have mercy.**

That we may seek Christ in the Scriptures and recognize him in the breaking of the bread, let us pray to the Lord: **Lord, have mercy.**

That God may bind-up the broken hearted, restore the sick, especially those on the Ascension Prayer Cycle, and raise up all who have fallen, let us pray to the Lord: **Lord, have mercy.**

That the light of God's coming may dawn on all who live in darkness and the shadow of death, especially we pray for Reverend Eileen Irish, Robert Lymburner and Phil Holwell, let us pray to the Lord: **Lord, have mercy.**

That, with all the saints in light, we may shine forth as lights for the world, let us pray to the Lord: **Lord, have mercy.**

We commend ourselves and all for whom we pray to the mercy and protection of our heavenly Father: **Lord, have mercy.**

**Almighty God,**  
**as your blessed Son Jesus Christ**  
**first came to seek and to save the lost;**  
**so may he come again to find in us**  
**the completion of his redeeming work;**  
**for he is now alive and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, God for**  
**ever and ever. Amen.**

**ASCENSION PRAYER CYCLE:** Aden, Ambrose, Amelia, Amy, Angela, Ann, Annie, Aubrey, Audrey, Barbara, Bettina, Beverly, Brenda, Brian, Berdina, Brandon, Callum, Carl, Cathy, Christina, Cindy, Claire, Clarence, Connie, Daisy, Debra, Delilah, Dennis, Derrick, Don, Donna, Doreen, Dot, Douglas, Dulcie, Ed, Edie, Elaine, Elizabeth, Emily, Erin, Evelyn, Frances, Frederick, Fred, Frank, Flo, Garrett, Gary, George, Gerald, Gerry, Glen, Harry, Ike, Ingrid, Ira, Irene, Jack, Janet, Jason, Jenny, Josephine, Joan, Junior, Kent, Kevin, Kim, Kyle, Leo, Leonie, Lewis, Linda, Lori, Louise, Luke, Marie, Marsha, Marion, Maxwell, Melvin, Michael, Michelle, Mike, Mona, Nancy, Nicole, Oskar, Pam, Peter, Randell, Rochelle, Rodney, Rose, Ruth, Sadie, Sam, Scott, Sean, Shirley, Stephen, Susan, Tina, Todd, Tom, Tony, Valerie, Wayne.

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**A CANDLE IS BURNING**

*A candle is burning, a flame warm and bright,  
a candle of hope in December's dark night.  
While angels sing blessings from heaven's starry sky,  
our hearts we prepare now for Jesus is nigh.*

*A candle is burning, a candle of peace,  
a candle to signal that conflict must cease:  
For Jesus is coming to show us the way;  
a message of peace humbly laid in the hay.*

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**I HEAR THE PROPHET CALLIN' (Choir Anthem)**

I hear the prophet callin', "Prepare the way of the Lord."  
Come and make straight the way in the desert. A highway for our God.  
Come and make straight the way in the desert.  
Prepare the way of the Lord. Prepare the way of the Lord.  
I hear Isaiah callin', "Fear not, your God will come."  
I hear Isaiah callin', "fear not, your God will come."  
Then will the eyes of the blind be opened. The ears of the deaf will hear.  
And then the mute will shout for joy – the mute will shout for joy.  
They'll be shouting for joy. They'll be shouting for joy.  
And the desert will be joyful and blossom as a rose. And the desert will  
be joyful and blossom as a rose.  
We shall rejoice with joy and singing and see the glory of God.  
We shall rejoice with joy and singing and see the glory of God, and see  
the glory of God.  
I hear the prophet callin', "Prepare the way of the Lord."