

# The Daily Office: Morning Prayer



*The Fourth Week of Advent  
2024*



THE EPISCOPAL CHURCH OF  
**St. John in the  
Wilderness**

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# Morning Prayer at St. John in the Wilderness *Advent-Christmas 2024*

*Welcome to Morning Prayer at The Episcopal Church of St. John in the Wilderness. We are glad you are here. Please enter in silence and prepare your Book of Common Prayer by marking the Psalms and Canticles outlined below. Here are a few other instructions:*

- Before the service, mark your Psalm for the day using the chart on the next page, then turn to page 79 where we will begin with the Confession during Lent.
- Stand and sit with the Officiant.
- Turn the page after each section is finished.
- The Psalm is said responsively by whole verse.
- Simply listen to the readings.
- A Canticle is said after each reading. During the readings, turn ahead to the Canticle listed in the chart so we can stand and say it together after the reading concludes.
- Following the 2nd Canticle, we will continue with the Apostles Creed on page 96, and then follow along from there while the Officiant says three collects.
- We will use the contemporary version of the Lord's prayer.

*So glad you are here! This can take a while to learn, but it's worth the time. Let us know if you have any questions.*

**December 23**

**Monday in the Fourth Week of Advent**

Psalm 61, 62 (pg 668, 669) † Psalm 112, 115 (pg 755, 757)  
Canticle 9 (pg 86)  
Canticle 19 (pg 94)

**December 24**

**Christmas Eve**

Psalm 45, 46 (pg 647, 649) † Psalm 89:1-29 (pg 713)  
Canticle 10 (pg 86)  
Canticle 18 (pg 93)

**December 25**

**Christmas Day**

Psalm 2, 85 (pg 586, 708) †  
Psalm 110:1-5(6-7), 132 (pg 753, 785)  
Canticle 12 (pg 88)  
Canticle 19 (pg 94)

**December 26**

**Thursday after Christmas Day**

Psalm 28, 30 (pg 619, 621) † Psalm 118 (pg 760)  
Canticle 8 (pg 85)  
Canticle 20 (pg 94)

**December 27**

**Friday after Christmas Day**

Psalm 97, 98 (pg 726, 727) † Psalm 145 (pg 801)  
Canticle 10 (pg 86)  
Canticle 18 (pg 93)

**December 28**

**Saturday after Christmas Day**

Psalm 2, 26 (pg 586, 616) † Psalm 19, 126 (pg 606, 782)  
Canticle 12 (pg 88)  
Canticle 19 (pg 94)

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## *An Order of Service*

*Please follow the instructions above. This order may be helpful to be aware of as you move through the service.*

- Opening Sentence (pg 76)**
- Confession (pg 79)**
- Invitatory (pg 80)**
- Venite or Jubilate (pg 82) *or***
- Christ our Passover (pg 83)**
- Psalm (see table)**
- First Reading (Epistle - *just listen*)**
- Canticle (see table)**
- Second Reading (Gospel - *just listen*)**
- Canticle (see table)**
- Apostles' Creed (pg 96)**
- The Prayers (pg 97)**
- Suffrages (pg 97 or 98 - *listen for first line*)**
- The Collect of the Day (*listen*)**
- Collect (pg 98-100 - *Officiant chooses*)**
- Collect for Mission (pg 100-101 - *Officiant chooses*)**
- General Thanksgiving (pg 101) *or***
- Prayer of St. Chrysostom (pg 102)**
- Dismissal (pg 102)**
- Closing Sentence (pg 102)**

*For your information:*

*The Psalms for the service are found in the Daily Office Lectionary, which begins on page 936 in the Book of Common Prayer. We are in Year Two. The Canticles are chosen from the table on page 144.*