

Prayers of the People, Second Sunday of Advent – Dec. 5, 2021

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Intercessor: Let us pray for the church and for the world.

I am confident of this, that the one who began a good work among you will bring it to completion by the day of Jesus Christ. Prepare your hearts for his arrival, praying, “Fill the valleys, make low the hills, **Come, great Redeemer, come.**”

Merciful God, increase our love to overflowing. Make your Church pure and blameless that we may greet with joy the coming of our Lord Jesus Christ. We pray for Michael, our Presiding Bishop, Mark, our Diocesan Bishop, Arthur and William, our assisting Bishops, and for Mother Rose Anne, our Rector. In the Anglican Cycle of Prayer, pray for the Anglican Church of Burundi. In the Diocese of Ohio, pray for the South Central Mission Area: St. Matthew’s Church, Ashland, The Rev. Kay N. Ashby, Rector; Harcourt Parish, Gambier, The Rev. Rachel Kessler, Priest-in-Charge; Grace Church, Mansfield, The Rev. Joseph L. Ashby, Rector, The Rev. Daniel Longworth Orr, Associate Rector. Fill the valleys, make low the hills.

People: Come, great Redeemer, come.

Intercessor: Merciful God, we long for the light of hope to break into our world, to shine on those who dwell in darkness and the shadow of death, to guide us into the way of peace. Fill the valleys, make low the hills.

People: Come, great Redeemer, come.

Intercessor: Merciful God, give us grace to heed the warnings of those calling us to be better servants of your creation. We thank you for all you have made, especially those things that sustain and better our lives. Fill the valleys, make low the hills.

People: Come, great Redeemer, come.

Intercessor: Merciful God, you lead us with joy; you delight in our joy. You clothe us in beauty. We give you thanks for your tender care. We thank you for the birthday of Pat Newyear. Fill the valleys, make low the hills.

People: Come, great Redeemer, come.

Intercessor: Merciful God, you remember your children. You do not leave us in sorrow or affliction. Crown your children with glory; clothe them with righteousness. We pray for Jo, Phyllis Speidel, Aaron Lephart, Valerie Lephart, John and Joyce Hoste, Gerald Brothers, Shirley Wilkes, Catalina, Ray, Beth, Janet, Bill, Chris, Matthew, Janice, Rosemary, Judith Junda, Marilyn Taylor, Linda Woessner, Sheila Smith, Deb Baumgartner, Peggy Burkacki, George and Sandy Luther, the missionaries kidnapped in Haiti, Sarah, Brad, Arlenda, Kinley, and Kaitlyn. Fill the valleys, make low the hills.

People: Come, great Redeemer, come.

Intercessor: Merciful God, you have raised up for us salvation through your Son. Keep us, with all your saints, in the eternal life of Christ. We pray for add Geoff Thrall, Jack Keefer, and Elizabeth Daniel. Fill the valleys, make low the hills.

***People:* Come, great Redeemer, come.**

The celebrant adds a concluding Collect.