

SHEPHERD OF THE SPRINGS LUTHERAN CHURCH

THE OFFICE OF VESPERS FOR ADVENT

WEDNESDAY OF POPULUS SION

**“THE WORLD REFUSES TO
COME AND SEE JESUS”**

7:00 p.m.

December 10, 2025



[We rise]

Hymn of Invocation

“Oh, Blest the House” #862

Opening Sentences p. 229

PSALMODY p. 230

Psalm 56 Spoken responsively.

[Be seated]

READINGS

Prophecy **2 Kings 19:14-20**

[Hezekiah's Prayer]

O Lord, have mercy on us. **Thanks be to God!**

Epistle **Romans 1:16-32**

[God's Wrath on Unrighteousness]

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Gospel **St. John 9:1-41**

[A Man Born Blind Receives Sight]

O Lord, have mercy on us. **Thanks be to God!**

[We rise]

Responsory for Advent p. 230

[Be seated]

Office Hymn

“Jesus, Priceless Treasure” #743

Sermon

[We rise]

[Spoken] **CANTICLE p. 231**

Magnificat p. 231

[Be seated]

The offering is received

[We rise]

PRAYERS

Kyrie, Lord's Prayer p. 233

COLLECTS

O Lord, hear my prayer

And let my cry come to You.

Collect of the Day: Almighty God, our heavenly Father, Your mercies are new every morning; and though we deserve only punishment, You receive us as Your children and provide for all our needs of body and soul. Grant that we may heartily acknowledge Your merciful goodness, give thanks for all Your benefits, and serve You in willing obedience; through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, One God, now and forever.

Amen.

Collect for Peace p. 233

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Final Hymn

O Lord, How Shall I Meet You” #334