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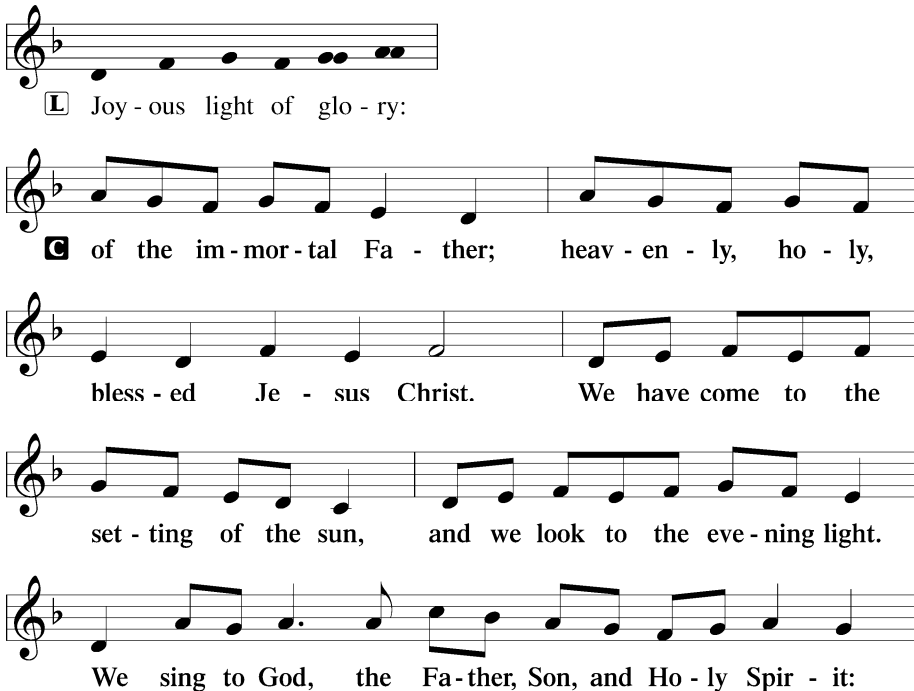
✠ IN THE NAME OF JESUS ✠

SERVICE OF LIGHT

Stand

- L** Now is the time of God's favor:
C now is the day of salva- | tion.
- L** Turn us again, O God of our salvation:
C that the light of your face may shine on | us.
- L** May your justice shine like the sun:
C and may the poor be lifted | up.

Phos Hilaron – Hymn of Light



L Joy - ous light of glo - ry:

C of the im - mor - tal Fa - ther; heav - en - ly, ho - ly,

bless - ed Je - sus Christ. We have come to the

set - ting of the sun, and we look to the eve - ning light.

We sing to God, the Fa - ther, Son, and Ho - ly Spir - it:

You are wor - thy of be - ing praised with pure voic - es for -
 ev - er. O Son of God, O Giv - er of life:
 the u - ni - verse pro - claims Your glo - ry.

Thanksgiving for Light

L Blessèd are You, O Lord our God, king of the u - ni - verse,
 who led Your people Israel by a pillar of cloud by day and a pillar of
 fire by night. Enlighten our darkness by the light of Your Christ;
 may His Word be a lamp to our feet and a light to our path;
 for You are mer - ci - ful, and You love Your whole cre - a - tion
 and we, Your creatures, glo - ri - fy You, Father, Son, and Ho - ly Spir - it.
C A - men.

PSALMODY

Sit

Psalm 141



C Let my prayer rise be - fore You as in - cense,



the lift - ing up of my hands as the eve - ning sac - ri - fice.



I O Lord, I call to You; come to me quick - ly; hear my voice



when I cry to You. **C** Let my prayer rise be - fore You as in - cense,



the lift - ing up of my hands as the eve - ning sac - ri - fice.



II Set a watch be - fore my mouth, O Lord, and guard the door of my lips.



I Let not my heart in - cline to an - y e - vil thing;



let me not be oc - cu - pied in wick - ed - ness with e - vil - do - ers.



II But my eyes are turned to You, O God; in You I take ref - uge.

Strip me not of my life. **[C]** Glo-ry be to the Fa - ther and
to the Son and to the Ho - ly Spir - it; as it was in
the be - gin - ning, is now, and will be for - ev - er. A - men.
Let my prayer rise be - fore You as in - cense,
the lift - ing up of my hands as the eve - ning sac - ri - fice.

[L] Let us pray.

Let the incense of our repentant prayer ascend before You, O Lord, and let Your loving-kindness descend on us that, with purified minds, we may sing Your praises with the Church on earth and the whole heavenly host and may glorify You forever.



[C] A - men.

Psalm 32

Psalm 32:1-2, 5, 7, 11; antiphon: Ps. 32:1-2



Blessèd is the one whose transgression is for- | given,
whose sin is | covered.*

**Blessèd is the man against whom the LORD counts no in- | iquity,*
and in whose spirit there is | no deceit.**

I acknowledged my sin to you, and I did not cover my in- | iquity;
I said, "I will confess my transgressions to the LORD," and you forgave the iniquity | of my sin.*

You are a hiding place for me; you preserve me from | trouble;*
you surround me with shouts of de- | liverance.

*Be glad in the LORD, and rejoice, O | righteous,**
and shout for joy, all you up- | right in heart!

Glory be to the Father and | to the Son*
and to the Holy | Spirit;
as it was in the be- | ginning,*
is now, and will be forever. | Amen.

*Blessèd is the one whose transgression is for- | given,**
whose sin is | covered.

Blessèd is the man against whom the LORD counts no in- | iquity,*
and in whose spirit there is | no deceit.

Office Hymn

“Take My Life and Let It Be”



1 Take my life and let it be Con-se - crat - ed, Lord, to Thee;
2 Take my hands and let them move At the im - pulse of Thy love;
3 Take my voice and let me sing Al-ways, on - ly for my King;
4 Take my sil - ver and my gold, Not a mite would I with - hold;



Take my mo - ments and my days, Let them flow in cease - less praise.
Take my feet and let them be Swift and beau - ti - ful for Thee.
Take my lips and let them be Filled with mes - sag - es from Thee.
Take my in - tel - lect and use Ev - 'ry pow'r as Thou shalt choose.

5 Take my will and make it Thine,
It shall be no longer mine;
Take my heart, it is Thine own,
It shall be Thy royal throne.

6 Take my love, my Lord, I pour
At Thy feet its treasure store;
Take myself, and I will be
Ever, only, all for Thee.

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READING

Reading from Holy Scripture – The Passion of Our Lord Jesus Christ, Part IV

- L** O Lord, have mercy upon us.
- C** Thanks be to God.

Reading Response

- L** In many and various ways, God spoke to His people of old by the prophets.
- C** But now in these last days, He has spoken to us by His Son.

Sermon – Theme: “Be transformed by the renewal of your mind” (Romans 12:2)

Texts for consideration for Wednesday in the Week of Lent 4

“...And know his will and approve what is excellent, because you are instructed from the law” (Romans 2:18).

“Do not be conformed to this world, but be transformed by the renewal of your mind, that by testing you may discern what is the will of God, what is good and acceptable and perfect” (Romans 12:2).

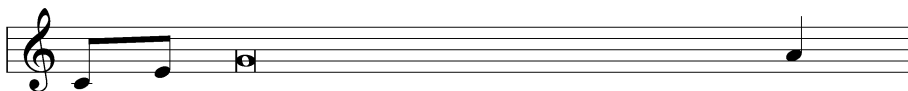
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Stand

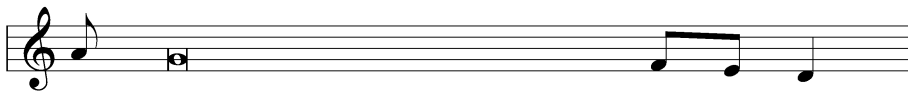
Magnificat – Song of Mary

Refrain

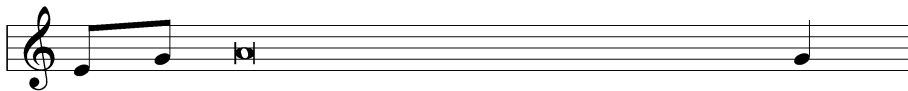
C My soul mag-ni-fies the Lord, and my spir - it re -
joic - es in God, my Sav - ior. My soul mag-ni-fies the
Lord, and my spir - it re - joic - es in God, my Sav - ior.



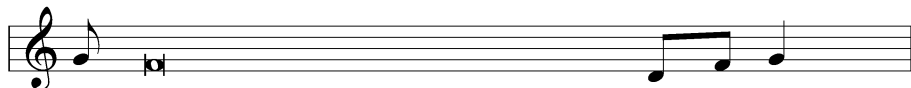
- 1 For _____ He has re - - - - - garded
2 For the Mighty One has done great things to me,
3 He has shown strength with His arm;
4 He has filled the hungry with good things,
5 Glo - ry be to the Father and to the Son



- 1 the lowliness of His hand - maiden.
2 and holy is His name;
3 He has scattered the proud in the imagination of their hearts.
4 and the rich He has sent emp - - - - - ty a - way.
5 and to the Ho - ly Spirit;



- 1 For be - hold, from this day
2 and His mercy is on those who fear Him
3 He has cast down the mighty from their thrones
4 He has helped His servant Israel in remembrance of His mercy
5 as it was in the be - - - - - ginning,



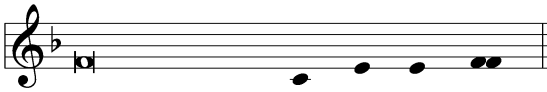
- 1 all generations will call me blessed.
2 from generation to gen - er - ation. *Refrain*
3 and has exalt - - - - - ed the lowly.
4 as He spoke to our fathers, to Abraham and to his seed for - ever.
5 is now, and will be forever. A - men. *Refrain*

PRAYER

Kneel

Litany

The congregation's response may begin just as the leader's petition ends so that the word "Lord" is sung simultaneously by both leader and congregation.



L In peace let us pray to the Lord:



C Lord, have mer - cy.

L For the peace from above and for our salvation, let us pray to the Lord:

C Lord, have mercy.

L For the peace of the whole world, for the well-being of the Church of God, and for the unity of all, let us pray to the Lord:

C Lord, have mercy.

L For this holy house and for all who offer here their worship and praise, let us pray to the Lord:

C Lord, have mercy.

L For Bishop Harrison and Bishop Hardy, for all pastors in Christ, for all servants of the Church, and for all the people, let us pray to the Lord:

C Lord, have mercy.

L For President Trump, for all public servants, for the government and those who protect us, that they may be upheld and strengthened in every good deed, let us pray to the Lord:

C Lord, have mercy.

L For those who work to bring peace, justice, health, and protection in this and every place, let us pray to the Lord:

C Lord, have mercy.

L For those who bring offerings, those who do good works in this congregation, those who toil, those who sing, and all the people here present who await from the Lord great and abundant mercy, let us pray to the Lord:

C Lord, have mercy.

L For favorable weather, for an abundance of the fruits of the earth, and for peaceful times, let us pray to the Lord:

C Lord, have mercy.

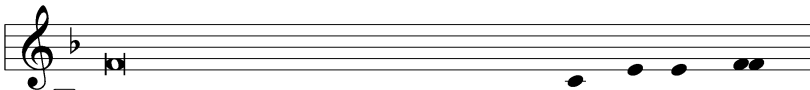
L For our deliverance from all affliction, wrath, danger, and need, let us pray to the Lord:

C Lord, have mercy.

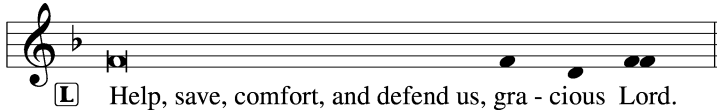
L For . . . [additional bids for prayer may be inserted here] . . . let us pray to the Lord:

C Lord, have mercy.

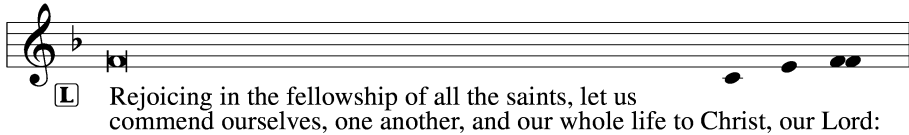
The prayers then continue:



L For the faithful who have gone before us and are with Christ, let us give thanks to the Lord:



Silence for individual prayer may follow.



Collect For Peace

- L** O God, from whom come all holy desires, all good counsels, and all just works, give to us, Your servants, that peace which the world cannot give, that our hearts may be set to obey Your commandments and also that we, being defended from the fear of our enemies, may live in peace and quietness; through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.



Lord's Prayer

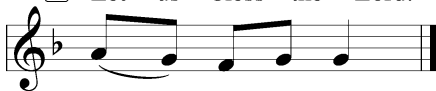
- L** Taught by our Lord and trusting His promises, we are bold to pray:

- C** **Our Father who art in heaven,**
hallowed be Thy name,
Thy kingdom come,
Thy will be done on earth
as it is in heaven;
give us this day our daily bread;
and forgive us our trespasses
as we forgive those
who trespass against us;
and lead us not into temptation,
but deliver us from evil.
For Thine is the kingdom
and the power and the glory
forever and ever. Amen.

Benedicamus

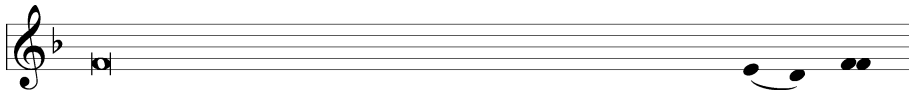


L Let us bless the Lord.



C Thanks be to God.

Benediction



P The almighty and merciful Lord,
the Father, the ✠ Son, and the Holy Spirit, bless and pre - serve you.



C A - men.

Hymn at the Retiring Procession

“O Dearest Jesus, What Law Hast Thou Broken”

(Stanzas 10-12) LSB 439



10 Yet un - re - quit - ed, Lord, I would not leave Thee;
11 But since my strength will nev - er - more suf - fice me
12 I'll think up - on Thy mer - cy with - out ceas - ing,



I will re - nounce what - e'er doth vex or grieve Thee
To cru - ci - fy de - sires that still en - tice me,
That earth's vain joys to me no more be pleas - ing;



And quench with thoughts of Thee and prayers most
To all good deeds O let Thy Spir - it
To do Thy will shall be my sole en -



low - ly All fires un - ho - ly.
win - me And reign with - in me!
deav - or Hence - forth for - ev - er.

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✠ TO GOD ALONE BE GLORY ✠

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