

✠ Evening Prayer ✠

Lent 3

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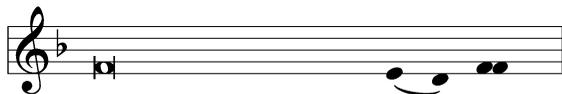


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Service of Light



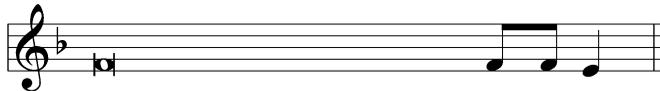
L Now is the time of God's fa - vor;



C now is the day of sal - va - tion.



L Turn us again, O God of our sal - va - tion,



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 lift - ed up.

Phos Hilaron

LSB 244



L Joy - ous light of glo - ry:



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



bles - sed 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

LSB 245

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

Psalm 141

LSB 245



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 Amen.



The Mighty One, God the LORD,
speaks and sum- | mons the earth*
from the rising of the sun to its | setting.

Out of Zion, the perfection of | beauty,*
God | shines forth.

Our God comes; he does not keep | silence;*
before him is a devouring fire,
around him a mighty | tempest.

He calls to the heav- | ens above*
and to the earth, that he may judge his | people:

“Gather to me my | faithful ones,*
who made a covenant with me by | sacrifice!”

The heavens declare his | righteousness,*
for God him- | self is judge!

“Hear, O my people, and I will speak;
O Israel, I will testify a- | gainst you.*
I am | God, your God.

Not for your sacrifices do I re- | buke you;*
your burnt offerings are continually be- | fore me.

I will not accept a bull | from your house*
or goats | from your folds.

For every beast of the for- | est is mine,*
the cattle on a | thousand hills.

I know all the birds | of the hills,*
and all that moves in the | field is mine.

“If I were hungry, I would not | tell you,*
for the world and its full- | ness are mine.

Do I eat the | flesh of bulls*
or drink the | blood of goats?

Offer to God a sacrifice of thanks- | giving,*
and perform your vows to the | Most High,

and call upon me in the day of | trouble;*
I will deliver you, and you shall glo- | rify me.”

But to the wicked | God says:*
“What right have you to recite my statutes
or take my covenant | on your lips?

For you hate | discipline,*
and you cast my words be- | hind you.

If you see a thief, you are | pleased with him,*
and you keep company with a- | dulterers.

“You give your mouth free rein for | evil,*
and your tongue | frames deceit.

You sit and speak against your | brother;*
you slander your own | mother’s son.

These things you have done, and I have been silent;
you thought that I was one | like yourself.*
But now I rebuke you and lay the charge be- | fore you.

“Mark this, then, you who for- | get God,*
lest I tear you apart, and there be none to de- | liver!

The one who offers thanksgiving as his sacrifice glo- | rifies me;*
to one who orders his way rightly
I will show the salva- | tion of God!”

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



7 O won - drous love, whose depth no heart hath sound - ed,
 8 O might - y King, no time can dim Thy glo - ry!
 9 For vain - ly doth our hu - man wis - dom pon - der—



That brought thee here, by foes and thieves sur - round - ed!
 How shall I spread a - broad Thy won - drous sto - ry?
 Thy woes, Thy mer - cy, still tran - scend our won - der.



All world - ly plea - sures, heed - less, I was
 How shall I find some wor - thy gifts to
 Oh, how should I do aught that could de -



try - ing While Thou wert dy - ing.
 prof - fer? What dare I of - fer?
 light Thee! Can I re - quite Thee?

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Readings

Reading

1 Timothy 2:1–8

¹First of all, then, I urge that supplications, prayers, intercessions, and thanksgivings be made for all people, ²for kings and all who are in high positions, that we may lead a peaceful and quiet life, godly and dignified in every way. ³This is good, and it is pleasing in the sight of God our Savior, ⁴who desires all people to be saved and to come to the knowledge of the truth. ⁵For there is one God, and there is one mediator between God and men, the man Christ Jesus, ⁶who gave himself as a ransom for all, which is the testimony given at the proper time. ⁷For this I was appointed a preacher and an apostle (I am telling the truth, I am not lying), a teacher of the Gentiles in faith and truth.

⁸I desire then that in every place the men should pray, lifting holy hands without anger or quarreling.

L O Lord, have mercy on us.

C Thanks be to God.



1 Our Fa - ther, who from heav'n a - bove Bids all of us to
 2 Your name be hal - lowed. Help us, Lord, In pu - ri - ty to
 3 Your king - dom come. Guard Your do - main And Your e - ter - nal
 4 Your gra - cious will on earth be done As it is done be -
 5 Give us this day our dai - ly bread, And let us all be



live in love As mem - bers of one fam - i - ly And
 keep Your Word, That to the glo - ry of Your name We
 righ - teous reign. The Ho - ly Ghost en - rich our day With
 fore Your throne, That pa - tient - ly we may o - bey Through -
 clothed and fed. Save us from hard - ship, war, and strife; In



pray to You in u - ni - ty, Teach us no thought - less words to
 walk be - fore You free from blame. Let no false teach - ing us per -
 gifts at - ten - dant on our way. Break Sa - tan's pow'r, de - feat his
 out our lives all that You say. Curb flesh and blood and ev - 'ry
 plague and fam - ine, spare our life, That we in hon - est peace may



say But from our in - most hearts to pray.
 vert; All poor de - lud - ed souls con - vert.
 rage; Pre - serve Your Church from age to age.
 ill That sets it - self a - gainst Your will.
 live, To care and greed no en - trance give.

Reading

Luke 11:1–13

¹Now Jesus was praying in a certain place, and when he finished, one of his disciples said to him, “Lord, teach us to pray, as John taught his disciples.” ²And he said to them, “When you pray, say:

“Father, hallowed be your name.

Your kingdom come.

³Give us each day our daily bread,

⁴and forgive us our sins,

for we ourselves forgive everyone who is indebted to us.

And lead us not into temptation.”

⁵And he said to them, “Which of you who has a friend will go to him at midnight and say to him, ‘Friend, lend me three loaves, ⁶for a friend of mine has arrived on a journey, and I have nothing to set before him’; ⁷and he will answer from within, ‘Do not bother me; the door is now shut, and my

children are with me in bed. I cannot get up and give you anything”? ⁸I tell you, though he will not get up and give him anything because he is his friend, yet because of his impudence he will rise and give him whatever he needs. ⁹And I tell you, ask, and it will be given to you; seek, and you will find; knock, and it will be opened to you. ¹⁰For everyone who asks receives, and the one who seeks finds, and to the one who knocks it will be opened. ¹¹What father among you, if his son asks for a fish, will instead of a fish give him a serpent; ¹²or if he asks for an egg, will give him a scorpion? ¹³If you then, who are evil, know how to give good gifts to your children, how much more will the heavenly Father give the Holy Spirit to those who ask him!”

L O Lord, have mercy on us.

C Thanks be to God.

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.

Hymn

Our Father, Who from Heaven Above

LSB 766

sts. 6–9



6 For - give our sins, Lord, we im - plore, That they may trou - ble
7 Lead not in - to temp - ta - tion, Lord, Where our grim foe and
8 From e - vil, Lord, de - liv - er us; The times and days are
9 A - men, that is, so shall it be. Make strong our faith in



us no more; We, too, will glad - ly those for - give Who
all his horde Would vex our souls on ev - 'ry hand. Help
per - il - ous. Re - deem us from e - ter - nal death, And,
You, that we May doubt not but with trust be - lieve That



hurt us by the way they live. Help us in our com - mu - ni -
us re - sist, help us to stand Firm in the faith, a might - y
when we yield our dy - ing breath, Con - sole us, grant us calm re -
what we ask we shall re - ceive. Thus in Your name and at Your



ty To serve each oth - er will - ing - ly.
host, Through com - fort of the Ho - ly Ghost.
lease, And take our souls to You in peace.
Word We say, “A - men, O hear us, Lord!”

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Canticle

Stand

Magnificat

LSB 248

Refrain



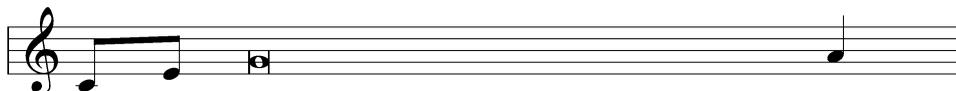
My soul mag-ni-fies the Lord, and my spir - it re -



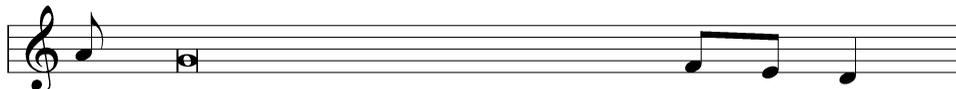
joic - es in God, my Sav - ior. My soul mag-ni-fies the



Lord, and my spir - it re - joic - es in God, my Sav - ior.



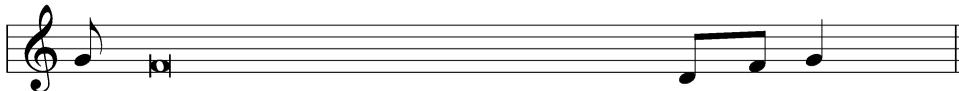
- 1 For _____ He has re - - - - - garded
- 2 For the Mighty One has done great things to me,
- 3 He has shown strength with His arm;
- 4 He has filled the hungry with good things,
- 5 Glo - ry be to the Father and to the Son



- 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 blessèd.
 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*

Sit

Prayer

Stand

Litany (Lent)

LSB 249

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 [*names of synodical and district presidents*], 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 [*name of president or monarch*], 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.

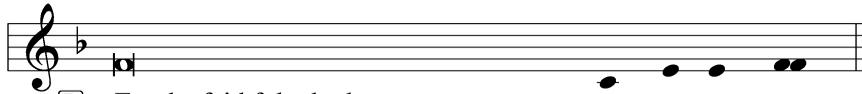
L For our deliverance from all affliction, wrath, danger, and need, let us pray to the Lord:

C Lord, have mercy.

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

C Lord, have mercy.

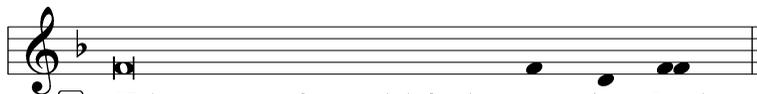
The prayers then continue:



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

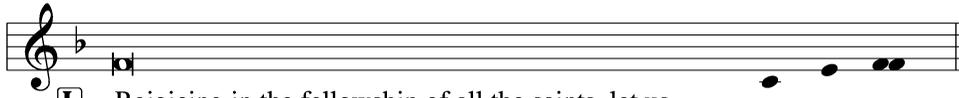


C Thanks be to God.



L Help, save, comfort, and defend us, gra - cious Lord.

Silence for individual prayer may follow.



L Rejoicing in the fellowship of all the saints, let us commend ourselves, one another, and our whole life to Christ, our Lord:



C To You, O Lord.

Collect for Lent 3 & Other Collects

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.

C Amen.

Lord's Prayer

LSB 251

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.

Stand

Benedicamus

LSB 252



L Let us bless the Lord.



C Thanks be to God.

Benediction

LSB 252



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



C A - men.

Closing Hymn

All Praise to Thee, My God, This Night

LSB 883



1 All praise to Thee, my God, this night For all the
2 For - give me, Lord, for Thy dear Son, The ill that
3 Teach me to live that I may dread The grave as
4 Oh, may my soul in Thee re - pose, And may sweet



bles - sings of the light. Keep me, O keep me,
I this day have done, That with the world, my -
lit - tle as my bed. Teach me to die that
sleep mine eye - lids close, Sleep that shall me more



King of kings, Be - neath Thine own al - might - y wings.
self, and Thee, I, ere I sleep, at peace may be.
so I may Rise glo - rious at the awe - full day.
vig - 'rous make To serve my God when I a - wake!

5 When in the night I sleepless lie,
My soul with heav'nly thoughts supply;
Let no ill dreams disturb my rest,
No pow'rs of darkness me molest.

△ 6 Praise God, from whom all blessings flow;
Praise Him, all creatures here below;
Praise Him above, ye heav'nly host:
Praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost.

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Lent 2023

“Singing the Catechism”

“Lent is a penitential season especially because and insofar as it is a catechetical season.”

(Lutheran Service Book: Companion to the Services, p. 229)

For this year’s catechesis at our Lenten Evening Prayer services, we will sing and explore Martin Luther’s catechetical hymns. Such “preaching in song,” as Luther called it, deepens our faith in God’s saving Gospel and our Christian life.

All Evening Prayer services begin at **7:00 p.m.**

March 1 – Lent 1 Midweek

“These Are the Holy Ten Commands” (LSB 581)

March 8 – Lent 2 Midweek

“We All Believe in One True God” (LSB 954)

March 15 – Lent 3 Midweek

“Our Father, Who from Heaven Above” (LSB 766)

March 22 – Lent 4 Midweek

“To Jordan Came the Christ, Our Lord” (LSB 406)

March 29 – Lent 5 Midweek

“From Depths of Woe I Cry to Thee” (LSB 607)

April 6 – Holy (Maundy) Thursday

“O Lord, We Praise Thee” (LSB 617)

“St. Paul ... exhorted the Colossians [3:16] to sing spiritual songs and Psalms heartily unto the Lord, so that God’s Word and Christian teaching might be instilled and implanted in many ways. Therefore I, too, ... have with the help of others compiled several hymns, so that the holy Gospel which now by the grace of God has risen anew may be set forth and given free course.” (Luther’s Works, AE, p. 316, translation altered)