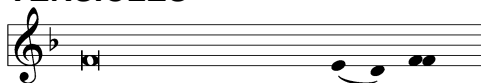


Immanuel Lutheran Church
Evening Prayer for Lent
Wednesday, March 29, 2023
6:30 PM
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The Cross Crosslet-Mission

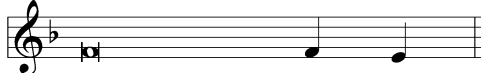
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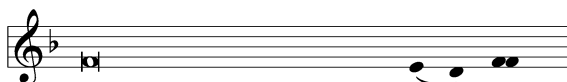
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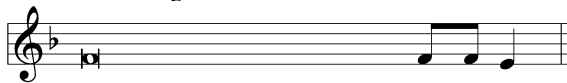
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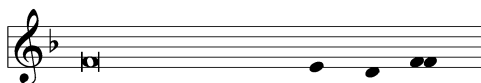
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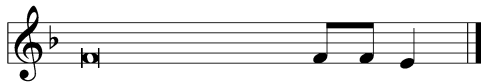
L Turn us again, O God of our sal - va - tion,



C that the light of Your face may shine on us.



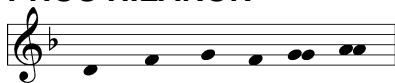
L May Your justice shine like the sun;



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,

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

LSB 245

[L] Blessèd are You, O Lord our God, king of the universe, 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 merciful, and You love Your whole creation and we, Your creatures, glorify You, Father, Son, and Holy Spirit.

[C] Amen.

(Sit)

+ 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.

PSALM PRAYER

- 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.

PASSION READING

Luke 24:45-47

- L** A reading from Luke, chapter 24.
Then he opened their minds to understand the Scriptures, and said
to them, "Thus it is written, that the Christ should suffer and on the
third day rise from the dead, and that repentance for the forgiveness
of sins should be proclaimed in his name to all nations, beginning
from Jerusalem.
- L** O Lord, have mercy on us.
- C** Thanks be to God.

READING

Ephesians 2:14-18

- L** A reading from Ephesians chapter 2.

For he himself is our peace, who has made us both one and has
broken down in his flesh the dividing wall of hostility by abolishing the law
of commandments expressed in ordinances, that he might create in
himself one new man in place of the two, so making peace, and
might reconcile us both to God in one body through the cross, thereby
killing the hostility. And he came and preached peace to you who
were far off and peace to those who were near. For through him we both
have access in one Spirit to the Father.

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

FINAL READING RESPONSE

LSB 247

- 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 835 ON GALILEE'S HIGH MOUNTAIN

- 1 On Galilee's high mountain
Christ gave the great command
In words of strength and promise
Which all can understand:
"All pow'r to Me is given
To do what I shall choose;
Therefore I send My children,
Their witness I will use."

- 2 The Lord who, born of Mary,
 Came down as man and died,
 Who preached to all who listened,
 For us was crucified—
 This Lord, our living brother,
 In pow'r at God's right hand,
 Has chosen us to carry
 His truth to ev'ry land.
- 3 His strength within my weakness
 Will make me bold to say
 How His redeeming power
 Transforms my stubborn clay;
 His touch of fire ignites me,
 With courage I am sent,
 My tongue-tied silence broken,
 With grace made eloquent.
- 4 And not alone to nations
 In faraway retreats,
 But ev'rywhere I broadcast
 His love through crowded streets:
 The lives that my life touches,
 However great or small—
 Let them through me see Jesus,
 Who served and saved us all.
- 5 That ev'ryone He chooses,
 For reasons of His own,
 Will find in Christ his calling
 To live His love alone.
 His presence always leads us
 Till time no more shall be;
 Christ's strength, His love, His comfort
 Give us His victory.
- 6 Lord, gather all Your children,
 Wherever they may be,
 And lead them on to heaven
 To live eternally
 With You, our loving Father,
 And Christ, our brother dear,
 Whose Spirit guards and gives us
 The joy to persevere.

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SERMON: The Missions Crosslet

OFFERING IS GATHERED

+ PRAYER +

(Stand)

LITANY

LSB 249

L In peace let us pray to the Lord:

C Lord, have mercy.

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, gracious 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 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 preserve you.

(Sit)

HYMN 531 HAIL, THOU ONCE DESPISED JESUS

- 1 Hail, Thou once despised Jesus!
Hail, Thou Galilean King!
Thou didst suffer to release us;
Thou didst free salvation bring.
Hail, Thou universal Savior,
Bearer of our sin and shame!
By Thy merit we find favor:
Life is given through Thy name.
- 2 Paschal Lamb, by God appointed,
All our sins on Thee were laid;
By almighty love anointed,
Thou hast full atonement made.
All Thy people are forgiven
Through the virtue of Thy blood;
Opened is the gate of heaven,
Reconciled are we with God.
- 3 Jesus, hail! Enthroned in glory,
There forever to abide;
All the heav'nly hosts adore Thee,
Seated at Thy Father's side.
There for sinners Thou art pleading;
There Thou dost our place prepare,
Ever for us interceding
Till in glory we appear.
- 4 Worship, honor, pow'r, and blessing
Thou art worthy to receive;
Highest praises, without ceasing,
Right it is for us to give.
Help, ye bright angelic spirits,
All your noblest anthems raise;
Help to sing our Savior's merits,
Help to chant Immanuel's praise!

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