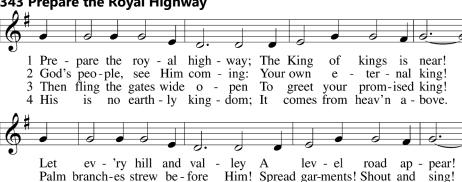
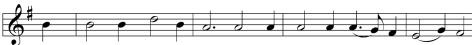
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Then greet the King of Glo-ry Fore-told in sa-cred sto-ry: God's prom-ise will not fail you! No more shall doubt as - sail lands, bow down be - fore Him! All a - dore Him! na - tions, now let your praise be sound-ing For kind-ness so a - bound-ing:

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Opening Versicles

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too should bring.

jus - tice, truth, and love.

- O Lord, open my lips,
- and my mouth will declare Your praise.
- Make haste, O God, to deliver me;
- make haste to help me, O Lord. Glory be to the Father and to the Son and to the Holy Spirit; as it was in the beginning, is now, and will be forever. Amen.

Psalm Psalm 70

Make haste, O God, to deliver me! O LORD, make haste to help me!

- Let them be put to shame and confusion who seek my life!
- Let them be turned back and brought to dishonor who desire my hurt!
- Let them turn back because of their shame who say, "Aha, Aha!" C
- May all who seek you rejoice and be glad in you!
- C May those who love your salvation say evermore, "God is great!"
- But I am poor and needy; hasten to me, O God!
- You are my help and my deliverer; O LORD, do not delay!

Reading *Zephaniah 3:14–20*

¹⁴Sing aloud, O daughter of Zion; shout, O Israel! Rejoice and exult with all your heart, O daughter of Jerusalem! ¹⁵The LORD has taken away the judgments against you; he has cleared away your enemies. The King of Israel, the LORD, is in your midst; you shall never again fear evil. ¹⁶On that day it shall be said to Jerusalem: "Fear not, O Zion; let not your hands grow weak. ¹⁷The LORD your God is in your midst, a mighty one who will save; he will rejoice over you with gladness; he will quiet you by his love; he will exult over you with loud singing. ¹⁸I will gather those of you who mourn for the festival, so that you will no longer suffer reproach. ¹⁹Behold, at that time I will deal with all your oppressors. And I will save the lame and gather the outcast, and I will change their shame into praise and renown in all the earth. ²⁰At that time I will bring you in, at the time when I gather you together; for I will make you renowned and praised among all the peoples of the earth, when I restore your fortunes before your eyes," says the LORD.

This is the Word of the Lord.

 \mathbf{C} Thanks be to God.

Reading Luke 21:25-36

²⁵[Jesus said:] "There will be signs in sun and moon and stars, and on the earth distress of nations in perplexity because of the roaring of the sea and the waves, ²⁶people fainting with fear and with foreboding of what is coming on the world. For the powers of the heavens will be shaken. ²⁷And then they will see the Son of Man coming in a cloud with power and great glory. ²⁸Now when these things begin to take place, straighten up and raise your heads, because your redemption is drawing near."

²⁹And he told them a parable: "Look at the fig tree, and all the trees. ³⁰As soon as they come out in leaf, you see for yourselves and know that the summer is already near. ³¹So also, when you see these things taking place, you know that the kingdom of God is near. ³²Truly, I say to you, this generation will not pass away until all has taken place. ³³Heaven and earth will pass away, but my words will not pass away.

³⁴"But watch yourselves lest your hearts be weighed down with dissipation and drunkenness and cares of this life, and that day come upon you suddenly like a trap. ³⁵For it will come upon all who dwell on the face of the whole earth. ³⁶But stay awake at all times, praying that you may have strength to escape all these things that are going to take place, and to stand before the Son of Man."

- A This is the Word of the Lord.
- Thanks be to God.





Sermon

Theme: He Will Return Text: Luke 21:25-36

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- L O Lord,
- C have mercy.
- L O Christ,
- C have mercy.
- L O Lord,
- C have mercy.

Lord's Prayer

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.

Apostles' Creed

G I believe in God, the Father Almighty, maker of heaven and earth.

And in Jesus Christ, His only Son, our Lord, who was conceived by the Holy Spirit, born of the virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, died and was buried. He descended into hell. The third day He rose again from the dead. He ascended into heaven and sits at the right hand of God the Father Almighty. From thence He will come to judge the living and the dead.

I believe in the Holy Spirit, the holy Christian Church, the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body, and the life + everlasting. Amen.

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- L Hear my prayer, O Lord;
- C let my cry come to You.
- **L** In the day of my trouble I call upon You,
- **C** for You answer me.
- L Hide Your face from my sins,
- **C** and blot out all my iniquities.
- L Create in me a clean heart, O God,
- **C** and renew a right spirit within me.
- Cast me not away from Your presence,and take not Your Holy Spirit from me.

- L Restore to me the joy of Your salvation,
- **C** and uphold me with a willing spirit.
- **L** Because Your steadfast love is better than life,
- my lips will praise You.
- **L** For You have been my help,
- and in the shadow of Your wings I will sing for joy.
- L Teach me Your way, O Lord, that I may walk in Your truth;
- **C** unite my heart to fear Your name.
- L I give thanks to You, O Lord my God, with my whole heart,
- **C** and I will glorify Your name forever.
- **L** May all who seek You rejoice and be glad in You.
- May those who love Your salvation say evermore, "God is great!"
- L Save Your people and bless Your heritage!
- **©** Be their shepherd and carry them forever.
- **L** Give ear, O Lord, to my prayer;
- **C** listen to my plea for grace.

Collect of the Day

Let us pray.

Lord Jesus Christ, we implore You to hear our prayers and to lighten the darkness of our hearts by Your gracious visitation; for You live and reign with the Father and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

- C Amen.
- I thank You, my heavenly Father, through Jesus Christ, Your dear Son, that You have graciously kept me this day; and I pray that You would forgive me all my sins where I have done wrong, and graciously keep me this night. For into Your hands I commend myself, my body and soul, and all things. Let Your holy angel be with me, that the evil foe may have no power over me. Amen.

Benedicamus LSB 287

- **L** Let us bless the Lord.
- C Thanks be to God.

Blessing LSB 287

- **L** The Lord bless us, defend us from all evil, and bring us to everlasting life.
- C Amen.





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