

Vespers Lent 2
March 16, 2022 7:00 p.m.

PRELUDE

At the ringing of the bell, the people stand as the lighted candle is carried into the nave.

SERVICE OF LIGHT

Versicles

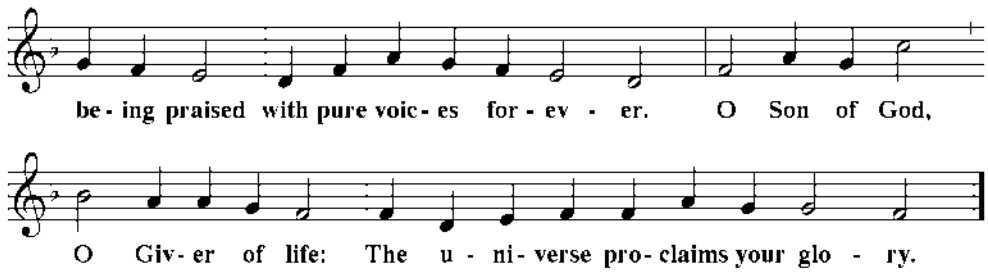


Phos Hilaron

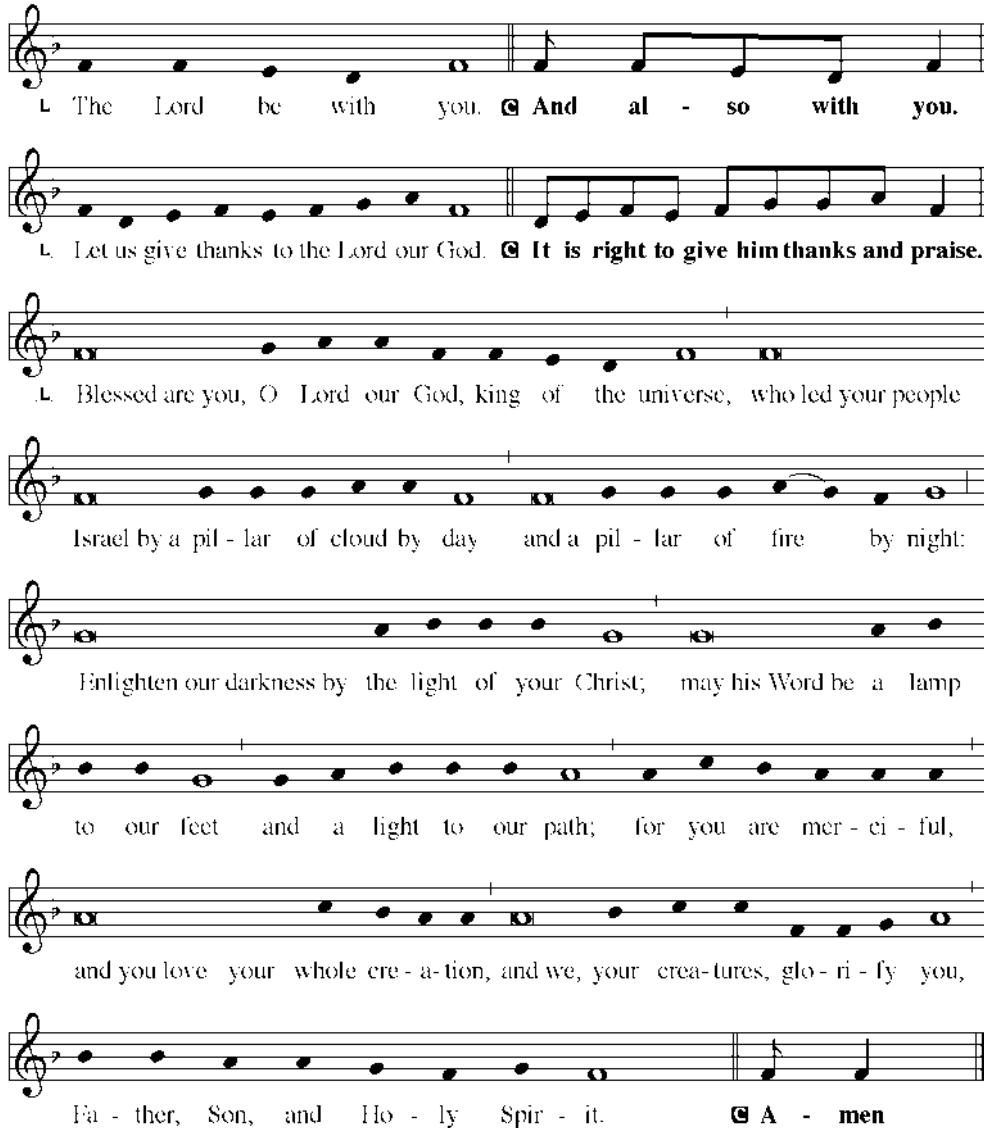
Joyous Light of Glory



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Thanksgiving for Light

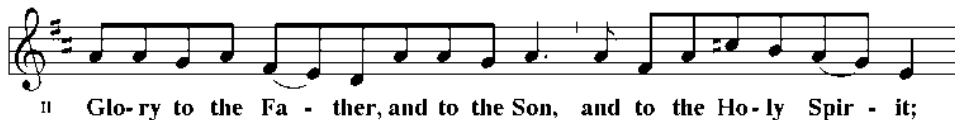


Sit

PSALMODY

Psalm 141

Sung by all



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Silence for meditation.

PSALM PRAYER

Let the incense of our repentant prayer ascend before you, O Lord, and let your lovingkindness descend upon 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 and ever.

Amen

PSALM 100 *Sung by Cantor*

- ¹ Be joyful in the LORD, | all you lands;*
serve the LORD with gladness and come before his presence | with a song.
- ² Know this: The LORD him- | self is God;*
he himself has made us, and we are his;
we are his people and the sheep | of his pasture.
- ³ Enter his gates with thanksgiving; go into his | courts with praise;*
give thanks to him and call up- | on his name.
- ⁴ For the LORD is good; his mercy is | everlasting;*
and his faithfulness endures from | age to age.

PSALM PRAYER

God our Father, you have created us as your people and you sustain us with your hand. Help us always to give you thanks, for you alone are worthy of thanksgiving and praise and honor now and forever.

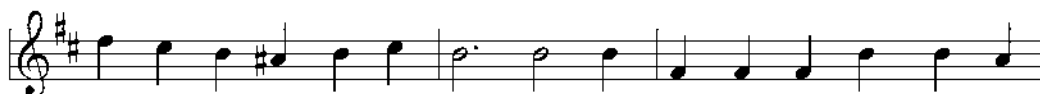
Amen.

Stand
EVENING HYMN

A Multitude Comes from East and West (LBW 313)



1 A mul - ti - tude comes from the east and the west to
2 O God, let us hear when our shep - herd shall call in
3 All tri - als shall be like a dream that is past; for -
4 The heav - ens shall ring with an an - them more grand than



sit at the feast of sal - va - tion with A - bra - ham, I - saac, and
ac - cents per - sua - sive and ten - der, that while there is time we make
got - ten all trou - ble and mourn - ing. All ques - tions and doubts have been
ev - er on earth was re - cord - ed; the blest of the Lord shall re -



Ja - cob, the blest, o - bey - ing the Lord's in - vi -
haste, one and all, and find him, our might - y de -
an - swered at last, when ris - es the light of that
ceive at his hand the crown to the vic - tors a -



ta - tion.
fend - er. Have mer - cy up - on us, O Je - sus!
morn - ing.
ward - ed.

READING Luke 14:15-23

¹⁵One of the dinner guests, on hearing this, said to him, "Blessed is anyone who will eat bread in the kingdom of God!" ¹⁶Then Jesus said to him, "Someone gave a great dinner and invited many. ¹⁷At the time for the dinner he sent his slave to say to those who had been invited, 'Come; for everything is ready now.' ¹⁸But they all alike began to make excuses. The first said to him, 'I have bought a piece of land, and I must go out and see it; please accept my regrets.' ¹⁹Another said, 'I have bought five yoke of oxen, and I am going to try them out; please accept my regrets.' ²⁰Another said, 'I have just been married, and therefore I cannot come.' ²¹So the slave returned and reported this to his mas-

ter. Then the owner of the house became angry and said to his slave, 'Go out at once into the streets and lanes of the town and bring in the poor, the crippled, the blind, and the lame.' ²²And the slave said, 'Sir, what you ordered has been done, and there is still room.' ²³Then the master said to the slave, 'Go out into the roads and lanes, and compel people to come in, so that my house may be filled.

HOMILY

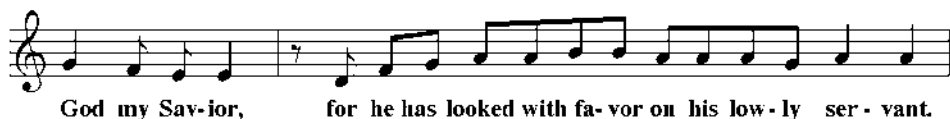
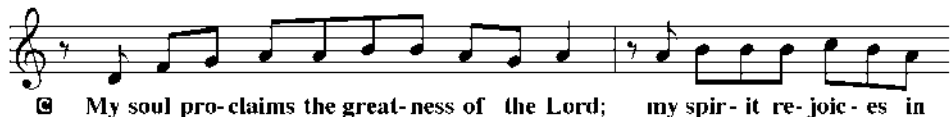
Rev. Bill Snyder

Stand

GOSPEL CANTICLE

Magnificat

Sung by all



hun-gry with good things, and the rich he has sent a - way emp - ty.

He has come to the help of his ser - vant Is - ra - el,

for he has re-mem-bered his prom-ise of mer-cy, the prom-ise he

made to our fa - thers, to A - bra - ham and his chil - dren for - ev - er.

Glo - ry 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

THE LITANY

In peace, let us pray to the Lord.

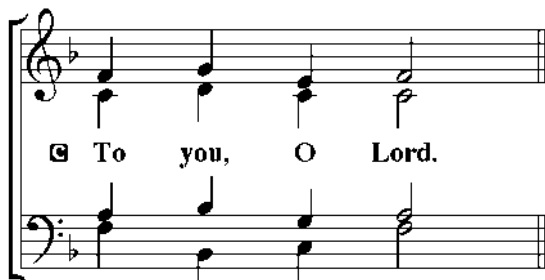
Lord, have mercy.

Following each petition the congregation responds singing “Lord, have mercy.”

Help, save, comfort, and defend us, gracious Lord.

Silence for meditation

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



PRAYER FOR PEACE

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 the merits of Jesus Christ our Savior, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, God forever.

Amen

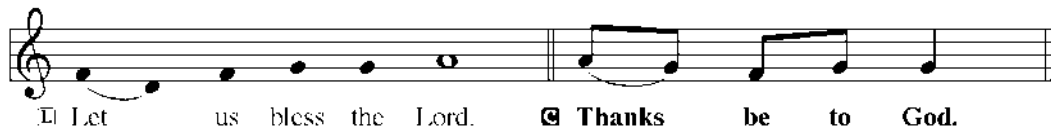
THE LORD'S PRAYER

**Our Father, who art in heaven, hallowed be thy name,
thy kingdom come, thy will be done, on earth as it is in heaven.**

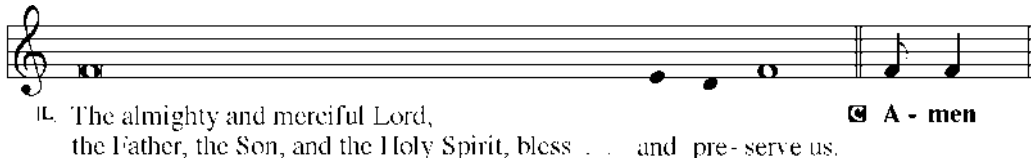
**Give us this day our daily bread; and forgive us our trespasses,
as we forgive those who trespass against us;
and lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil.**

For thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory, forever and ever. Amen.

BENEDICAMUS *A brief silence is kept.*



BLESSING



POSTLUDE