

EVENING PRAYER

Service of Light

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Stand

- P** The Spirit and the Church cry out:
C **Come, Lord Jesus.**
P All those who await His appearance pray:
C **Come, Lord Jesus.**
P The whole creation pleads:
C **Come, Lord Jesus.**

**O Light Whose splendor thrills and gladdens
With radiance brighter than the sun,
Pure gleam of God's unending glory,
O Jesus, blest Anointed One;**

**As twilight hovers near at sunset,
And lamps are lit, and children nod,
In evening hymns we lift our voices
To Father, Spirit, Son: One God.**

**In all life's brilliant timeless moments,
Let faithful voices sing Your praise,
O Son of God, our Life Bestower,
Whose glory lightens endless days.**

- P** Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.
C It is right to give Him thanks and praise.
P Blessed 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

Psalm 141

- P** O Lord, I call upon You; hasten to me!
C **Give ear to my voice when I call to You!**
P Let my prayer be counted as incense before You,
C **and the lifting up of my hands as the evening sacrifice!**
P Set a guard, O Lord, over my mouth;
C **keep watch over the door of my lips!**
P do not let my heart incline to any evil, to busy myself with wicked deeds in company with men who work iniquity,
C **and let me not eat of the delicacies!**

P Let a righteous man strike me it is a kindness; let him rebuke me it is oil for my head; let my head not refuse it.

C **Yet my prayer is continually against their evil deeds.**

P When their judges are thrown over the cliff,

C **then they shall hear my words, for they are pleasant.**

P As when one plows and breaks up the earth,

C **So shall our bones be scattered at the mouth of Sheol.**

P But my eyes are toward You, O God, my Lord;

C **in You I seek refuge; leave me not defenseless!**

P Keep me from the trap that they have laid for me

C **and from the snare of evildoers!**

P Let the wicked fall into their own nets,

C **While I pass by safely.**

C **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.**

Hymn: The Only Son from Heaven

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1 The only Son from heaven,

Foretold by ancient seers,

By God the Father given,

In human form appears.

No sphere His light confining,

No star so brightly shining

As He, our Morning Star.

2 O time of God appointed,

O bright and holy morn!

He comes, the king anointed,

The Christ, the virgin-born,

Grim death to vanquish for us,

To open heav'n before us

And bring us life again.

3 O Lord, our hearts awaken

To know and love You more,

In faith to stand unshaken,

In spirit to adore,

That we, through this world moving,

Each glimpse of heaven proving,

May reap its fullness there.

△ 4 O Father, here before You

With God the Holy Ghost

And Jesus, we adore You,

O pride of angel host:

Before You mortals lowly

Cry, "Holy, holy, holy,

O blessed Trinity!"

Readings

The Holy Gospel

Luke 19:41–44

⁴¹And when He drew near and saw the city, He wept over it, ⁴²saying, **“Would that you, even you, had known on this day the things that make for peace! But now they are hidden from your eyes. ⁴³For the days will come upon you, when your enemies will set up a barricade around you and surround you and hem you in on every side ⁴⁴and tear you down to the ground, you and your children within you. And they will not leave one stone upon another in you, because you did not know the time of your visitation.”**

The Holy Gospel

John 11:30–36

³⁰Now Jesus had not yet come into the village, but was still in the place where Martha had met Him. ³¹When the Jews who were with her in the house, consoling her, saw Mary rise quickly and go out, they followed her, supposing that she was going to the tomb to weep there. ³²Now when Mary came to where Jesus was and saw Him, she fell at His feet, saying to Him, **“Lord, if You had been here, my brother would not have died.”** ³³When Jesus saw her weeping, and the Jews who had come with her also weeping, He was deeply moved in His Spirit and greatly troubled. ³⁴And He said, **“Where have you laid him?”** They said to Him, **“Lord, come and see.”** ³⁵Jesus wept. ³⁶So the Jews said, **“See how He loved him!”**

P 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.**

MAGNIFICAT

My soul rejoices, My spirit voices, Sing the greatness of the Lord! For God my Saviour Has shown me favour – Sing the greatness of the Lord! With praise and blessing, Join in confessing God Who is solely Mighty and Holy – Oh, sing the greatness of God the Lord! His tender mercy Shall rest securely On all who fear Him, Love and revere Him – Oh, sing the greatness of God the Lord! His arm now baring, His strength declaring – Sing the greatness of the Lord! The proud He scatters, Their rule He shatters – Sing the greatness of the Lord! Oppression halted; The meek exalted. Full are the hungry; Empty, the wealthy – Oh, sing the greatness of God the Lord! Here is the token All that was spoken To A-br’am’s offspring God is fulfilling – Oh, sing the greatness of God the Lord!

Stand

LITANY

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

C **Lord, have mercy.**

P 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.**

P For this Holy House and for all who offer here their worship and praise, let us pray to the Lord:

C **Lord, have mercy.**

P 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.**

P For our 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.**

P 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.

P 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.

P 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.

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

C Lord, have mercy.

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

C Alleluia.

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

Silence for individual prayer may follow.

P 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

P 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.

The Lord's Prayer

P Lord, remember us in Your Kingdom and teach us 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.

P Let us bless the Lord.

C Thanks be to God.

Sit

Offering

Sermon Hymn: Hark! A Thrilling Voice Is Sounding

LSB 345

- 1 Hark! A thrilling voice is sounding!
"Christ is near," we hear it say.
"Cast away the works of darkness,
All you children of the day!"
- 2 Startled at the solemn warning,
Let the earthbound soul arise;
Christ, its sun, all sloth dispelling,
Shines upon the morning skies.
- 3 See, the Lamb, so long expected,
Comes with pardon down from heav'n.
Let us haste, with tears of sorrow,
One and all, to be forgiv'n;
- 4 So, when next He comes in glory
And the world is wrapped in fear,
He will shield us with His mercy
And with words of love draw near.

- △ 5 Honor, glory, might, dominion
To the Father and the Son
With the ever-living Spirit
While eternal ages run!

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Sermon: The Man's Man...Why Would Jesus Cry?

Luke 19:41-44 and John 11:30-36

Kneel/Stand

PRAYER

P Lord God, You have call Your servants to ventures of which we cannot see the ending, by paths as yet untrodden, through perils unknown. Give us faith to go out with good courage, not knowing where we go but only that Your hand is leading us and Your love supporting us; through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, Who lives and reigns with the Father and the Holy Spirit, ever one God, world without end.

C Amen.

BLESSING

P The Almighty and Merciful Lord, the Father, the ✠ Son, and the Holy Spirit, bless and preserve us.

C Amen.

- 1 Come, Thou long-expected Jesus,
Born to set Thy people free;
From our fears and sins release us;
Let us find our rest in Thee.
Israel's strength and consolation,
Hope of all the earth Thou art,
Dear desire of ev'ry nation,
Joy of ev'ry longing heart.

- 2 Born Thy people to deliver;
Born a child and yet a king!
Born to reign in us forever,
Now Thy gracious kingdom bring.
By Thine own eternal Spirit
Rule in all our hearts alone;
By Thine all-sufficient merit
Raise us to Thy glorious throne.

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