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Midweek Lent 5
Wednesday, March 24, 2021 – 6:30 p.m.

Evening Prayer

Stand

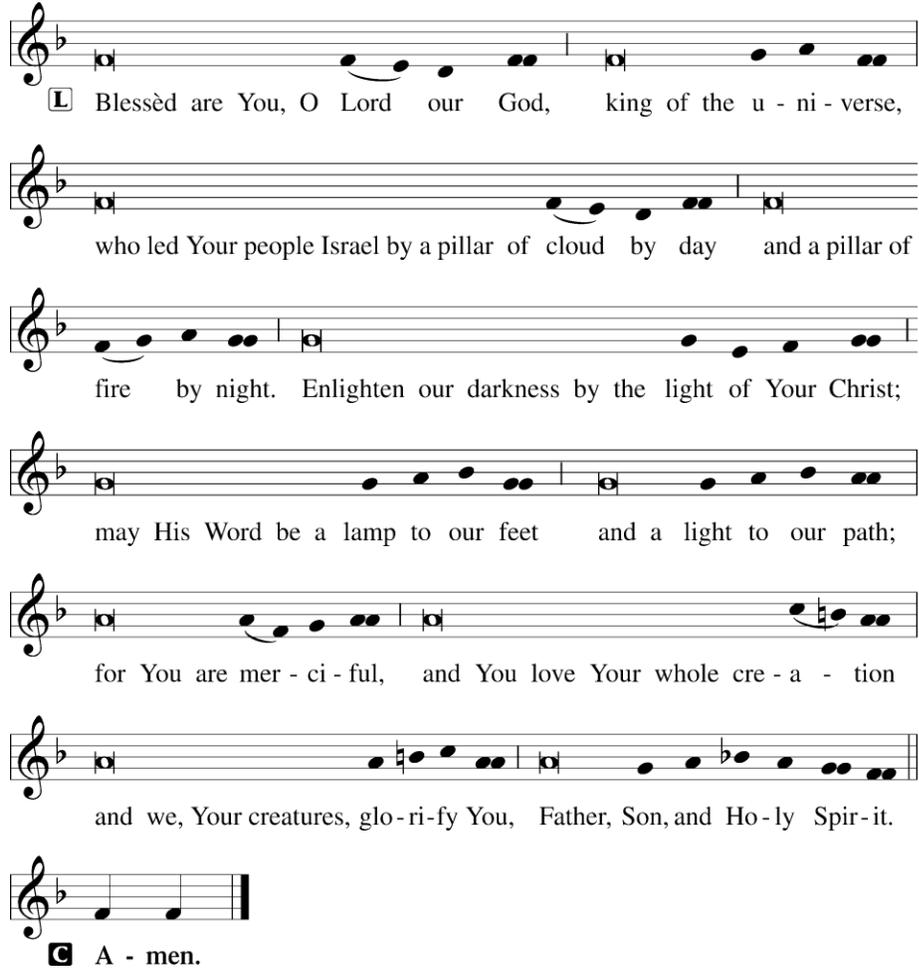
- L Now is the time of God's favor:
C now is the day of our salvation.
L Turn us again, O God of our salvation,
C that the light of Your face may shine on us.
L May your justice shine like the sun;
C and may the poor be lifted up.

Phos Hilaron

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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



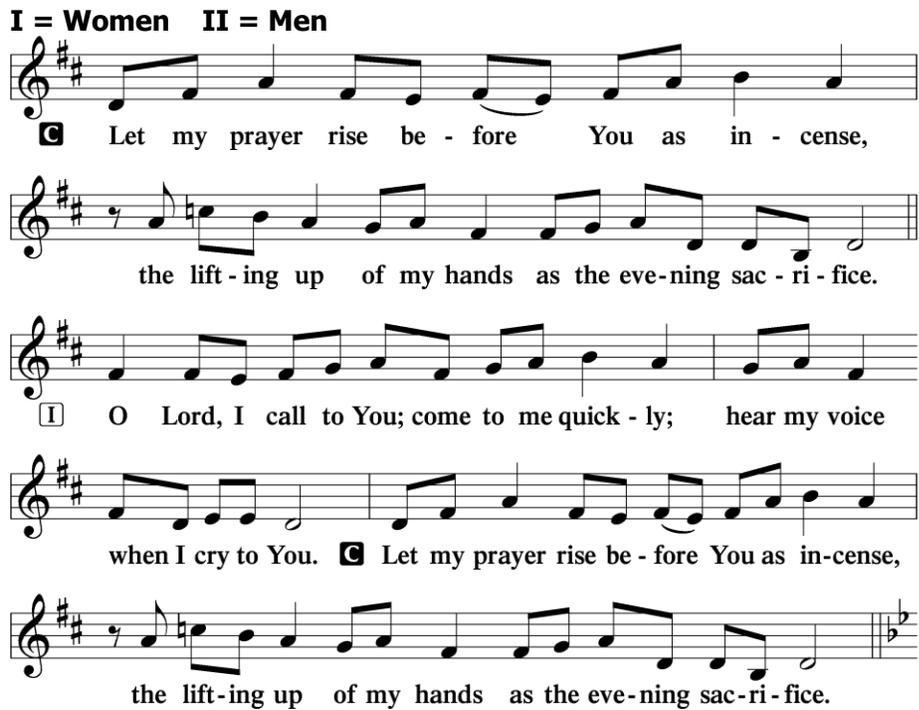
L Blessèd are You, O Lord our God, king of the u - ni - verse,
 who led Your people Israel by a pillar of cloud by day and a pillar of
 fire by night. Enlighten our darkness by the light of Your Christ;
 may His Word be a lamp to our feet and a light to our path;
 for You are mer - ci - ful, and You love Your whole cre - a - tion
 and we, Your creatures, glo - ri - fy You, Father, Son, and Ho - ly Spir - it.

C A - men.

Sit

Psalm 141

I = Women II = Men



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.

Psalm

Psalm 118:1–9, 19-29

P ¹Oh give thanks to the LORD, for | he is good; *
for his steadfast love endures for- | ever!

C ²Let | Israel say, *
"His steadfast love endures for- | ever."

P ³Let the house of | Aaron say, *
"His steadfast love endures for- | ever."

C ⁴Let those who fear the | LORD say, *
"His steadfast love endures for- | ever."

P ⁵Out of my distress I called | on the LORD;*
the LORD answered me and | set me free.

**C ⁶The LORD is on my side; I | will not fear.*
What can man | do to me?**

P ⁷The LORD is on my side as my | helper;*
I shall look in triumph on those who | hate me.

**C ⁸It is better to take refuge | in the LORD*
than to | trust in man.**

P ⁹It is better to take refuge | in the LORD*
than to trust in | princes.

**C ¹⁹Open to me the gates of | righteousness,*
that I may enter through them
and give thanks | to the LORD.**

P ²⁰This is the gate | of the LORD;*
the righteous shall enter | through it.

**C ²¹I thank you that you have | answered me*
and have become my sal- | vation.**

P ²²The stone that the builders re- | jected*
has become the | cornerstone.

**C ²³This is the LORD's | doing;*
it is marvelous | in our eyes.**

P ²⁴This is the day that the | LORD has made;*
let us rejoice and be | glad in it.

**C ²⁵Save us, we pray, | O LORD!*
O LORD, we pray, give | us success!**

P ²⁶Blessèd is he who comes in the name | of the LORD!*
We bless you from the house | of the LORD.

**C ²⁷The LORD is God,
and he has made his light to shine up- | on us.*
Bind the festal sacrifice with cords,
up to the horns of the | altar!**

P ²⁸You are my God, and I will give | thanks to you;*
you are my God; I will ex- | tol you.

**C ²⁹Oh give thanks to the LORD, for | he is good;*
for his steadfast love endures for- | ever!**

**ALL 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.**

446 Jesus, Greatest at the Table

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| <p>1 Jesus, greatest at the table,
The almighty Son of Man,
Laid aside His outer clothing,
Poured some water in a pan;
As the Twelve lay, hushed in silence,
He the servant's task began.</p> <p>2 Marvel how their Lord and teacher
Gently taught them not to vie
As He humbly knelt before them,
Dusty feet to wash and dry,
By His tender touch expressing
True compassion from on high.</p> | <p>3 Jesus took the role of servant
When upon that gruesome span,
For all human sin He suffered
As a vile and loathsome man;
On the cross poured out like water
To fulfill the Father's plan.</p> <p>4 Can we fathom such deep mercy?
Do we see what God has done?
Who can grasp this great reversal:
Love that gives His only Son?
Christ, the sinless for the sinners,
For the many dies the One.</p> |
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5 Jesus gave to His disciples
A commandment that was new:
"Show My love to one another,
Do as I have done for you;
All the world will know you love Me
As you love each other too."

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Reading

John 17:1–26

¹When Jesus had spoken these words, he lifted up his eyes to heaven, and said, "Father, the hour has come; glorify your Son that the Son may glorify you, ²since you have given him authority over all flesh, to give eternal life to all whom you have given him. ³And this is eternal life, that they know you the only true God, and Jesus Christ whom you have sent. ⁴I glorified you on earth, having accomplished the work that you gave me to do. ⁵And now, Father, glorify me in your own presence with the glory that I had with you before the world existed.

⁶I have manifested your name to the people whom you gave me out of the world. Yours they were, and you gave them to me, and they have kept your word. ⁷Now they know that everything that you have given me is from you. ⁸For I have given them the words that you gave me, and they have received them and have come to know in truth that I came from you; and they have believed that you sent me. ⁹I am praying for them. I am not praying for the world but for those whom you have given me, for they are yours. ¹⁰All mine are yours, and yours are mine, and I am glorified in them. ¹¹And I am no longer in the world, but they are in the world, and I am coming to you. Holy Father, keep them in your name, which you have given me, that they may be one, even as we are one. ¹²While I was with them, I kept them in your name, which you have given me. I have guarded them, and not one of them has been lost except the son of destruction, that the Scripture might be fulfilled. ¹³But now I am coming to you, and these things I speak in the world, that they may have my joy fulfilled in themselves. ¹⁴I have given them your word, and the world has hated them because they are not of the world, just as I am not of the world. ¹⁵I do not ask that you take them out of the world, but that you keep them from the evil one. ¹⁶They are not of the world, just as I am not of the world. ¹⁷Sanctify them in the truth; your word is truth. ¹⁸As you sent me into the world, so I have sent them into the world. ¹⁹And for their sake I consecrate myself, that they also may be sanctified in truth.

²⁰I do not ask for these only, but also for those who will believe in me through their word, ²¹that they may all be one, just as you, Father, are in me, and I in you, that they also may be in us, so that the world may believe that you have sent me. ²²The glory that you have given me I have given to them, that they may be one even as we are one, ²³I in them and you in me, that they may become perfectly one, so that the world may know that you sent me and loved them even as you loved me. ²⁴Father, I desire that they also, whom you have given me, may be with me where I am, to see my glory that you have given me because you loved me before the foundation of the world. ²⁵O righteous Father, even though the world does not know you, I know you, and these know that you have sent me. ²⁶I made known to them your name, and I will continue to make it known, that the love with which you have loved me may be in them, and I in them."

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.

Sermon

"Lessons Learned on Maundy Thursday: John 17"

Stand

960 Isaiah, Mighty Seer in Days of Old

I - sa-iah, might-y seer in days of old, The Lord of all in spir-it
did be-hold High on a loft-y throne, in splen-dor bright, With robes that
filled the tem-ple courts with light. A-bove the throne were flam-ing ser-a-phim;
Six wings had they, these mes-sen-gers of Him. With two they veiled their
fac-es as was right, With two they hum-bly hid their feet from sight,
And with the oth-er two a-loft they soared; One to the oth-er
called and praised the Lord: "Ho-ly is God, the Lord of Sab-a-oth!
Ho-ly is God, the Lord of Sab-a-oth! Ho-ly is God, the Lord of
Sab-a-oth! His glo-ry fills the heav-ens and the earth!" The beams and lin-tels
trem-bled at the cry, And clouds of smoke en-wrapped the throne on high.

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Offering

Jesus, Grant That Balm and Healing – Jan O. Bender

(Your offering can be left in the large brown box at the back of the nave,
mailed into the Church Office at 945 Terrace Drive, Elm Grove, WI 53122, or
given through the online Vanco link at the bottom of the www.EGL.org website.)

Stand

Litany

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 Matthew Harrison and John Wille, 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 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

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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.**

Benedicamus

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L Let us bless the Lord.

C Thanks be to God.

Benediction

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P The almighty and merciful Lord, the Father, the ☩ Son, and the Holy Spirit, bless and preserve you.

C Amen.

Closing Hymn

884 Lord, Support Us All Day Long

1 Lord, support us all day long,
Guide and strengthen.
Evening comes, the world is hushed,
Shadows lengthen,
Work is done, life's fevered pace
Now has ended;
Christ, to You, our final rest
Is commended.

3 With Your presence, Lord, draw near
Those who labor
Through the nighttime on behalf
Of their neighbor.
Grant them courage for each fear,
Faithful caring:
Your compassion and Your love
Truly sharing.

2 Be our light in darkness, Lord,
Our defender;
In Your presence perils all
Must surrender.
Drive all dark satanic snares
From each dwelling;
Then, at peace, our hearts Your praise
Will be telling.

4 Gracious Lord, we give You thanks,
Praise and bless You,
As the giver of all good
We confess You.
This past day we now commit
To Your keeping
And entrust to You the hours
Of our sleeping.

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Postlude

Jesus, Grant That Balm and Healing – George T. Miles

ALTAR PARAMENTS: Purple paraments suggest the somber, solemn mood of this penitential season while the symbols of torture bring to mind Christ's suffering and death to save us.