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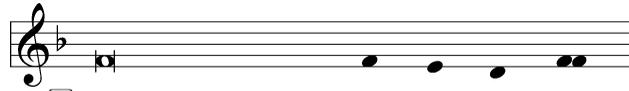
*21 October 2020 ~ Vespers*

*Please turn off all cell phones and pagers before entering the nave.  
If you need to leave the service please do so during the hymns.*

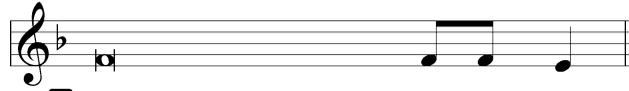
*The altar represents God's presence. It is fitting to act and speak  
Reverently when we enter the sanctuary / worship space.*

## Service of Light

*Stand*



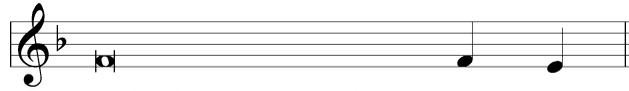
**L** Jesus Christ is the Light of the world,



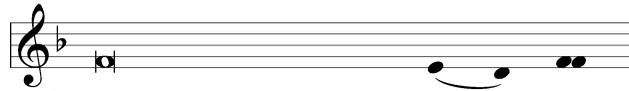
**C** the light no darkness can o - ver - come.



**L** Stay with us, Lord, for it is eve - ning,



**C** and the day is almost o - ver.



**L** Let Your light scatter the dark - ness



**C** and il - lu - mine Your Church.

## Phos Hilaron



**L** Joy - ous light of glo - ry:



**C** of the im - mor - tal Fa - ther; heav - en - ly, ho - ly,



bles - sed 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** 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*

### Psalmody

#### Psalm 141

**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.

**G** Amen.

## Additional Psalms

### Psalm

*Psalm 98*

<sup>1</sup>Oh sing to the LORD a new song,  
for he has done | marvelous things!\*

His right hand and his holy arm  
have worked salva- | tion for him.

<sup>2</sup>The LORD has made known his sal- | vation; \*  
he has revealed his righteousness in the sight of the | nations.

<sup>3</sup>He has remembered his steadfast love and faithfulness  
to the house of | Israel. \*

All the ends of the earth have seen  
the salvation | of our God.

<sup>4</sup>Make a joyful noise to the LORD, | all the earth; \*  
break forth into joyous song and sing | praises!

<sup>5</sup>Sing praises to the LORD | with the lyre, \*  
with the lyre and the sound of | melody!

<sup>6</sup>With trumpets and the sound | of the horn \*  
make a joyful noise before the | King, the LORD!

<sup>7</sup>Let the sea roar, and all that | fills it; \*  
the world and those who | dwell in it!

<sup>8</sup>Let the rivers clap their hands;  
let the hills sing for joy together

<sup>9</sup>be- | fore the LORD, \* for he comes  
to | judge the earth.

He will judge the world with | righteousness, \*  
and the peoples with | equity.

**▲ 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**

## Office Hymn

### LSB # 884 *Lord, Support Us All Day Long*



1 Lord, sup - port us all day long, Guide and strength - en.  
2 Be our light in dark - ness, Lord, Our de - fend - er;  
3 With Your pres - ence, Lord, draw near Those who la - bor  
4 Gra - cious Lord, we give You thanks, Praise and bless You,



Eve - ning comes, the world is hushed, Shad - ows length - en,  
In Your pres - ence per - ils all Must sur - ren - der.  
Through the night - time on be - half Of their neigh - bor.  
As the giv - er of all good We con - fess You.



Work is done, life's fe - vered pace Now has end - ed;  
Drive all dark sa - tan - ic snares From each dwell - ing;  
Grant them cour - age for each fear, Faith - ful car - ing;  
This past day we now com - mit To Your keep - ing



Christ, to You, our fi - nal rest Is com - mend - ed.  
Then, at peace, our hearts Your praise Will be tell - ing.  
Your com - pas - sion and Your love Tru - ly shar - ing.  
And en - trust to You the hours Of our sleep - ing.

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## Readings from Holy Scripture

### First Reading

*Hosea 13:4-8*

<sup>4</sup>But I am the LORD your God  
from the land of Egypt;  
you know no God but me,  
and besides me there is no savior.

<sup>5</sup>It was I who knew you in the wilderness,  
in the land of drought;

<sup>6</sup>but when they had grazed, they became full,  
they were filled, and their heart was lifted up;

therefore they forgot me.

<sup>7</sup>So I am to them like a lion;  
like a leopard I will lurk beside the way.

<sup>8</sup>I will fall upon them like a bear robbed of her cubs;  
I will tear open their breast,  
and there I will devour them like a lion,  
as a wild beast would rip them open.

**L** O Lord, have mercy on us.

**C** Thanks be to God.

### Holy Gospel

*St. Luke 9:18-27*

<sup>18</sup>Now it happened that as he was praying alone, the disciples were with him. And he asked them, “Who do the crowds say that I am?” <sup>19</sup>And they answered, “John the Baptist. But others say, Elijah, and others, that one of the prophets of old has risen.” <sup>20</sup>Then he said to them, “But who do you say that I am?” And Peter answered, “The Christ of God.”

<sup>21</sup>And he strictly charged and commanded them to tell this to no one, <sup>22</sup>saying, “The Son of Man must suffer many things and be rejected by the elders and chief priests and scribes, and be killed, and on the third day be raised.”

<sup>23</sup>And he said to all, “If anyone would come after me, let him deny himself and take up his cross daily and follow me. <sup>24</sup>For whoever would save his life will lose it, but whoever loses his life for my sake will save it. <sup>25</sup>For what does it profit a man if he gains the whole world and loses or forfeits himself? <sup>26</sup>For whoever is ashamed of me and of my words, of him will the Son of Man be ashamed when he comes in his glory and the glory of the Father and of the holy angels. <sup>27</sup>But I tell you truly, there are some standing here who will not taste death until they see the kingdom of God.”

**L** O Lord, have mercy on us.

**C** Thanks be to God.

**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 of the Day

**LSB # 661** *The Son of God Goes Forth to War*



1 The Son of God goes forth to war A king - ly crown to gain.  
2 The mar - tyr first, whose ea - gle eye Could pierce be - yond the grave,  
3 A glo - rious band, the cho - sen few, On whom the Spir - it came,  
4 A no - ble ar - my, men and boys, The ma - tron and the maid,



His blood - red ban - ner streams a - far; Who fol - lows in His train?  
 Who saw his mas - ter in the sky And called on Him to save.  
 Twelve val - iant saints—their hope they knew And mocked the cross and flame.  
 A - round the Sav - ior's throne re-joice, In robes of light ar-rayed.



Who best can drink His cup of woe, Tri - um-phant o - ver pain,  
 Like Him, with par - don on His tongue In midst of mor - tal pain,  
 They met the ty - rant's bran-dished steel, The li - on's gor - y mane;  
 They climbed the steep as - cent of heav'n Through per - il, toil, and pain.



Who pa - tient bears his cross be - low— He fol - lows in His train.  
 He prayed for those who did the wrong— Who fol - lows in his train?  
 They bowed their necks their death to feel— Who fol - lows in their train?  
 O God, to us may grace be giv'n To fol - low in their train!

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Reading: *Large Catechism: 2<sup>nd</sup> Commandment*

*Stand/*

**Magnificat**



My soul mag - ni - fies the Lord, and my spir - it re -



joic - es in God, my Sav - ior. My soul mag - ni - fies the

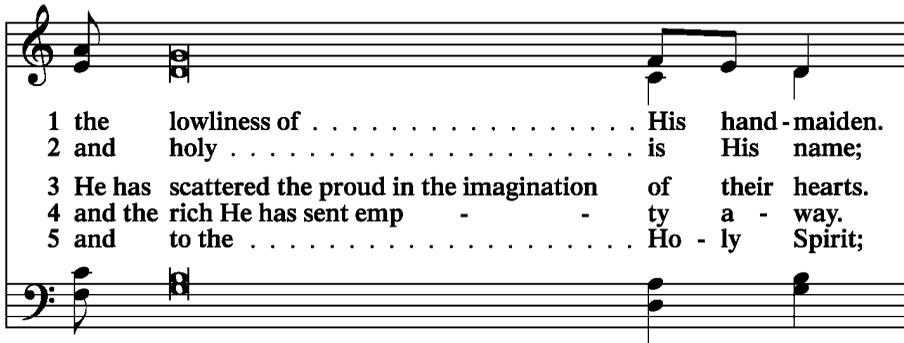


Lord, and my spir - it re - joic - es in God, my Sav - ior.

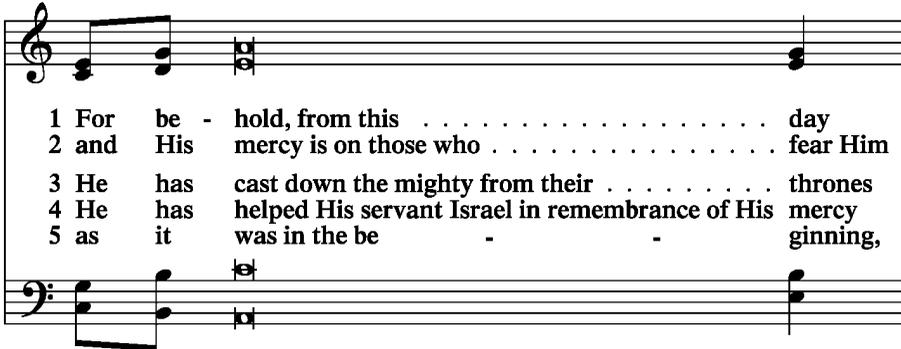


- 1 For \_\_\_\_\_ He has re - garded
- 2 For the Mighty One has done great things to . . . . . me,
- 3 He has shown strength with His . . . . . arm;
- 4 He has filled the hungry with good . . . . . things,
- 5 Glo - ry be to the Father and to the . . . . . Son

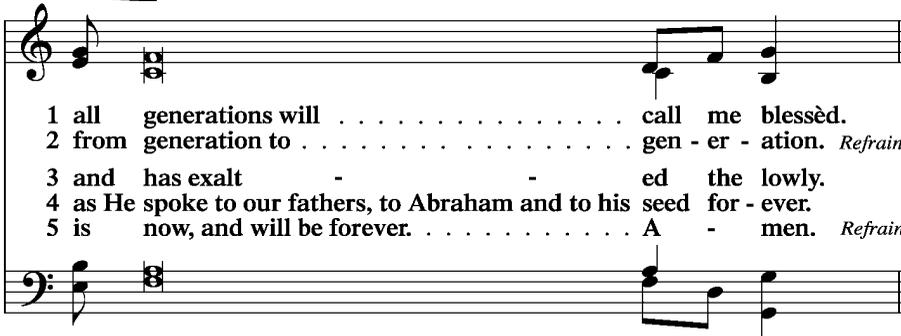




1 the lowliness of . . . . . His hand-maiden.  
 2 and holy . . . . . is His name;  
 3 He has scattered the proud in the imagination of their hearts.  
 4 and the rich He has sent empty a-way.  
 5 and to the . . . . . Holy Spirit;



1 For behold, from this . . . . . day  
 2 and His mercy is on those who . . . . . fear Him  
 3 He has cast down the mighty from their . . . . . thrones  
 4 He has helped His servant Israel in remembrance of His mercy  
 5 as it was in the beginning,



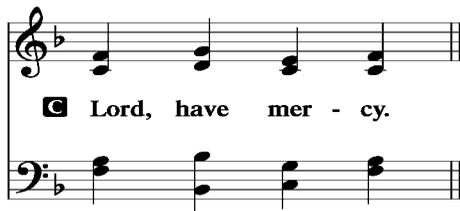
1 all generations will . . . . . call me blessed.  
 2 from generation to . . . . . generation. *Refrain*  
 3 and has exalted the lowly.  
 4 as He spoke to our fathers, to Abraham and to his seed for ever.  
 5 is now, and will be forever. . . . . Amen. *Refrain*

**Litany**

*The congregation's response may begin just as the leader's petition ends so that the word "Lord" is sung simultaneously by both leader and congregation.*



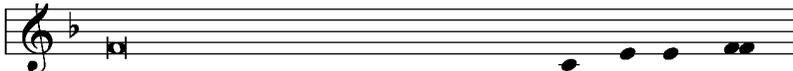
**L** In peace let us pray to the Lord:



**C** Lord, have mer - cy.

- 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:

Common: **C** Al - le - lu - ia.  
Lent: **C** Thanks be to God.

**L** Help, save, comfort, and defend us, gra - cious 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

**L** Taught by our Lord and trusting in 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,**

