

Hope Lutheran Chapel

5709 Osage Beach Parkway

Osage Beach, MO 65065

Lutheran Church - Missouri Synod



MIDWEEK ADVENT SERVICE

December 20, 2023 6 pm

Service Schedule

10 a.m. Communion Worship Service

11 a.m. Fellowship

11:20 a.m. Sunday School/Adult Bible Study

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WE WELCOME you in the name of our Lord Jesus Christ. You are invited to open your heart to God's Word in Scripture, Sermon, and Song. Please sign our Record of Fellowship when passed during the Offering and introduce yourself to our Pastor upon leaving. **You are Always welcome here – this is your Father's House!** As we worship, we stand for some parts of the Liturgy. However, please feel free to remain seated if you prefer.

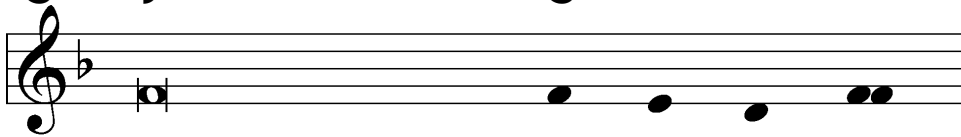
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Prelude

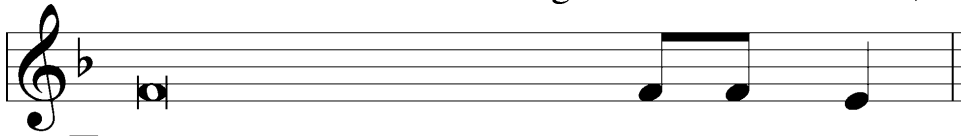
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Evening Prayer ~ Service of Light

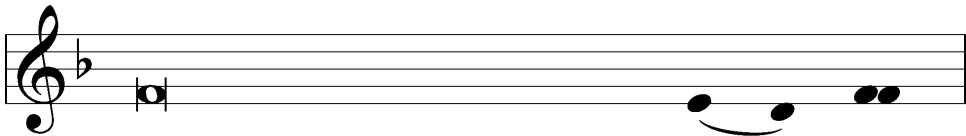
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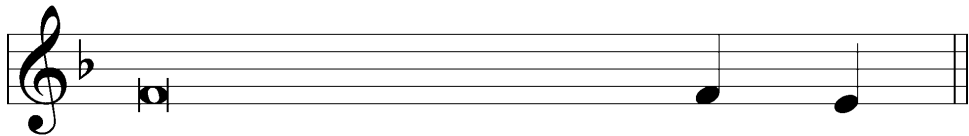
L Jesus Christ is the Light of the world,



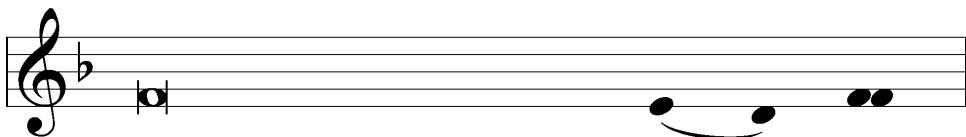
C the light no darkness can o - ver - come.



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 ~ Hymn of Light



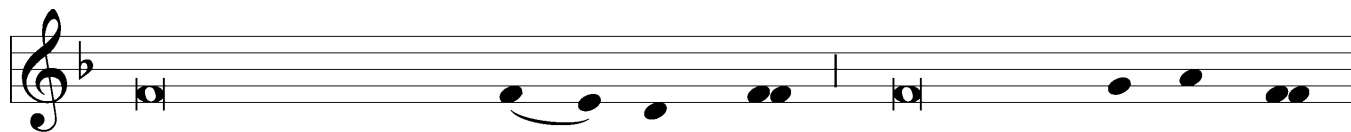
The image shows a musical score for the hymn "Phos Hilaron ~ Hymn of Light". It consists of ten staves of music in a single system, all written in a treble clef with a key signature of one flat (B-flat). The lyrics are written below the notes. The first staff is an instrumental introduction. The second staff begins with a square box containing the letter 'L' and the lyrics "Joy - ous light of glo - ry:". The third staff begins with a square box containing the letter 'C' and the lyrics "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." The fourth staff continues the lyrics: "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."

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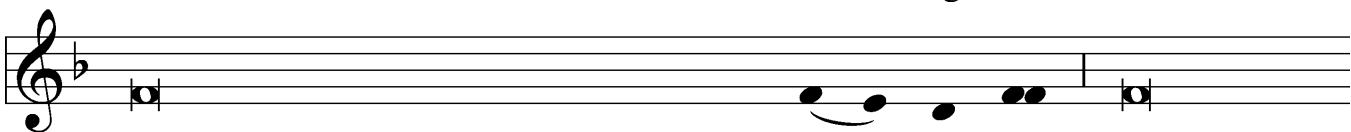
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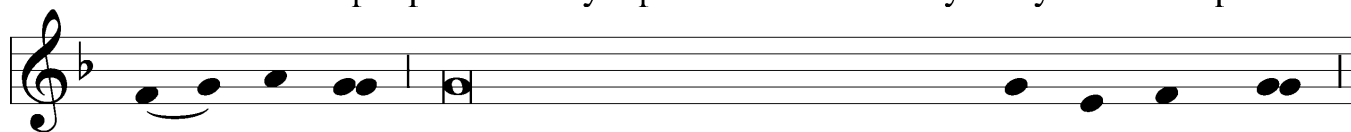
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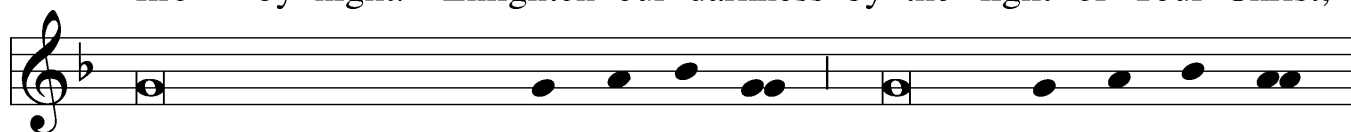
L Blessèd are You, O Lord our God, king of the u - ni - verse,



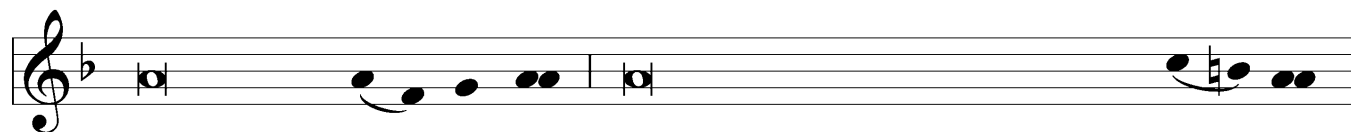
who led Your people Israel by a pillar of cloud by day and a pillar of



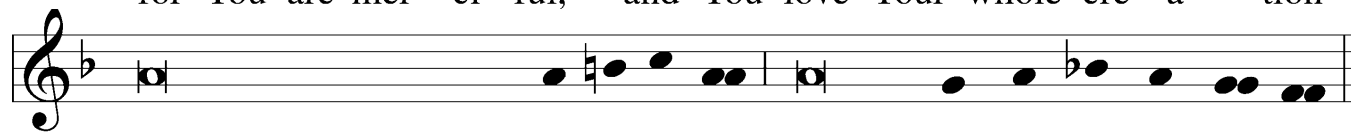
fire by night. Enlighten our darkness by the light of Your Christ;



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.

Psalm 141



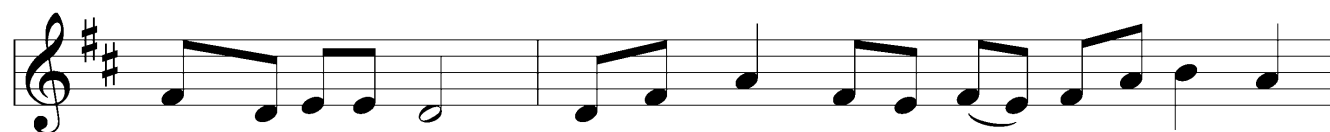
C Let my prayer rise be - fore You as in - cense,



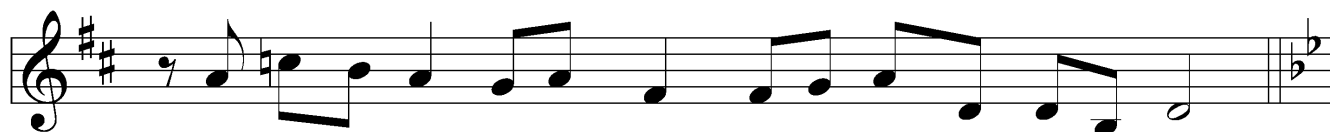
the lift - ing up of my hands as the eve - ning sac - ri - fice.



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.

P 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.

ADDITIONAL PSALMS

Psalm 51 antiphon vs 11

- P** Have mercy on me, O God,
C according to your steadfast love;
P according to your abundant mercy
C blot out my transgressions.
- P** Wash me thoroughly from my iniquity,
C and cleanse me from my sin!
- P** For I know my transgressions,
C and my sin is ever before me.
- P** Against you, you only, have I sinned
C and done what is evil in your sight,
P so that you may be justified in your words
C and blameless in your judgment.
- P** Behold, I was brought forth in iniquity,
C and in sin did my mother conceive me.
- P** Behold, you delight in truth in the inward being,
C and you teach me wisdom in the secret heart.
- P** Purge me with hyssop, and I shall be clean;
C wash me, and I shall be whiter than snow.
- P** Let me hear joy and gladness;
C let the bones that you have broken rejoice.
- P** Hide your face from my sins,
C and blot out all my iniquities.
- P** Create in me a clean heart, O God,
C and renew a right spirit within me.
- P** Cast me not away from your presence,
C and take not your Holy Spirit from me.
- P** Restore to me the joy of your salvation,
C and uphold me with a willing spirit.
- P** Then I will teach transgressors your ways,
C and sinners will return to you.

P Deliver me from bloodguiltiness, O God, O God of my salvation,
C and my tongue will sing aloud of your righteousness.

P O Lord, open my lips,
C and my mouth will declare your praise.

P For you will not delight in sacrifice, or I would give it;
C you will not be pleased with a burnt offering.

P The sacrifices of God are a broken spirit;
C a broken and contrite heart, O God, you will not despise.

P Do good to Zion in your good pleasure;
C build up the walls of Jerusalem;

P then will you delight in right sacrifices, in burnt offerings and whole burnt offerings;
C then bulls will be offered on your altar.

**All: 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.**

P Cast me not away from your presence,
C and take not your Holy Spirit from me.

Hymn - *We All Believe in One True God*

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1 We all believe in one true God,
Who created earth and heaven,
The Father, who to us in love
Has the right of children given.
He in soul and body feeds us;
All we need His hand provides us;
Through all snares and perils leads us,
Watching that no harm betide us.
He cares for us by day and night;
All things are governed by His might.

2 We all believe in Jesus Christ,
His own Son, our Lord, possessing
An equal Godhead, throne, and might,
Source of ev'ry grace and blessing;
Born of Mary, virgin mother,

By the power of the Spirit,
Word made flesh, our elder brother;
That the lost might life inherit,
Was crucified for all our sin
And raised by God to life again.

3 We all confess the Holy Ghost,
Who, in highest heaven dwelling
With God the Father and the Son,
Comforts us beyond all telling;
Who the Church, His own creation,
Keeps in unity of spirit.
Here forgiveness and salvation
Daily come through Jesus' merit.
All flesh shall rise, and we shall be
In bliss with God eternally.
Amen.

OLD TESTAMENT LESSON

Ezekiel 36:22-29

“So tell Israel, ‘The Lord GOD says this: I'm not doing this for you, O Israel, but for My holy name that you have defiled among the people wherever you went. I will make holy My great name that you have defiled among the nations. Then those nations will know I am the LORD, says the Lord GOD, when I let them see how I make Myself holy among you. I will take you from these nations, gather you from all the countries, and bring you to your own land. *I will sprinkle clean water on you to cleanse you from all your uncleanness.* I will also cleanse you from all your idols. I will give you a new heart and put a new spirit in you. I will take out of your flesh the heart of *stone* and give you *a heart of flesh*. I will *put My Spirit in you* and move you to follow My orders and carefully keep My laws. You will live in the land I gave your fathers and *be My people, and I will be your God.* I will save you from all your uncleanness. I will call for the grain and make it plentiful and lay no famine on you. ”

P O Lord, have mercy on us.

C Thanks be to God.

EPISTLE LESSON

Galatians 5:16-26

I say, follow the Spirit, and you will not do what the flesh wants. What the flesh wants is against the Spirit, and what the Spirit wants is against the flesh, because they are opposed to each other and so keep you from doing what you want to do. But if the Spirit leads you, you are not under the Law. Now, you know the works of the flesh. They are: sexual sin, uncleanness, wild living, worshiping of idols, witchcraft, hate, wrangling, jealousy, anger, selfishness, quarreling, divisions, envy, drunkenness, carousing, and the like. I warn you, as I did before, those who do such things will have no share in God's kingdom. But the Spirit produces love, joy, peace. He makes us patient, kindly, good, faithful, gentle, and gives us self-control. There's no law against such things. But if we belong to Christ Jesus, we have crucified the flesh with its passions and desires. If we live by the Spirit, let us also follow the Spirit. Let us not become conceited, challenge one another and become jealous of one another.

P O Lord, have mercy on us.

C Thanks be to God.

HOLY GOSPEL LESSON

John 16:4-15

"I told you this so that nothing will upset your faith. You will be put out of the synagogue. Yes, the time will come when anyone who murders you will think he's serving God. Men will do these things because they didn't get to know the Father or Me. But I told you this so that when it happens you'll remember I told you about it. I didn't tell you this at first, because I was with you.

"Now I'm going to Him Who sent Me, and none of you asks Me, 'Where are You going?' But because I told you this, you are very sad. But I tell you the truth, it's good for you that I go away. If I don't go away, the Comforter will not come to you. But if I go, I'll send Him to you. He will come and convict the world of sin, righteousness, and judgment: of sin because they don't believe in Me; of righteousness because I'm going to the Father and you won't see Me any more; of judgement because the ruler of this world is judged.

"I have much more to tell you, but it would be too much for you now. When the Spirit of truth comes, He will lead you into the whole truth. What He will say will not come from Himself, but He'll speak what He hears and tell you what is coming. He will glorify Me, because He'll take from what is Mine and tell it to you. Everything the Father has is Mine. That is why I said, 'He from what is Mine and will tell it to, you.'

P O Lord, have mercy on us.

C Thanks be to God.

Silence for reflection on God's Word

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.

SERMON

"God the Holy Spirit"

The Creed - Third Article *LSB 322*

Stand



1 My soul now mag - ni - fies the Lord; My spir - it
 2 For He a - lone who shows such might Has done a -
 3 His arm is strong; His strength is great. He scat - ters
 4 He feeds the hun - gry as His own; The wealth - y



leaps for joy in Him. He keeps me in His kind re -
 maz - ing things to me. His mer - cy flows; His name like
 those of proud in - tent And casts them down from high es -
 leave with emp - ty hands. He gives His help to Is - ra -



gard, And I am blest for time to come.
 light Re - mains in light time per - pet - ual - ly.
 taste, Then gives the low His nour - ish - ment.
 el; His gra - cious prom - ise al - ways stands.

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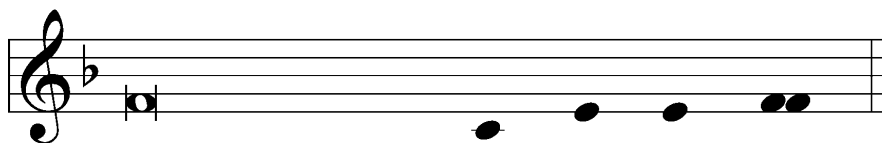
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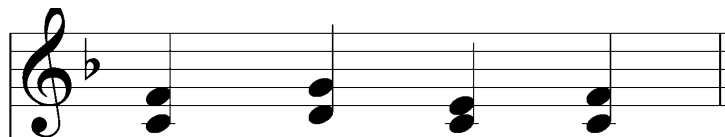
Litany (sing responses)

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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*], 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.

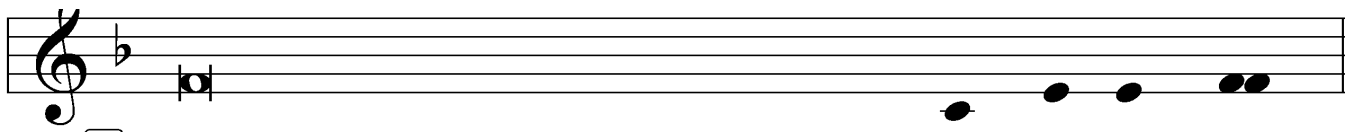
L For our deliverance from all affliction, wrath, danger, and need, let us pray to the Lord:

C Lord, have mercy.

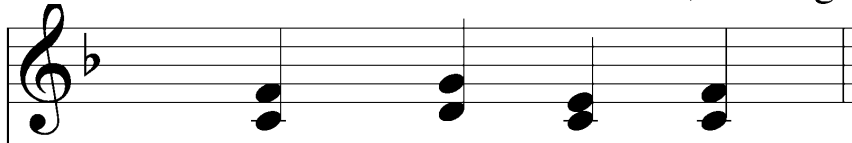
L For . . . [*additional bids for prayer may be inserted here*] . . . let us pray to the Lord:

C Lord, have mercy.

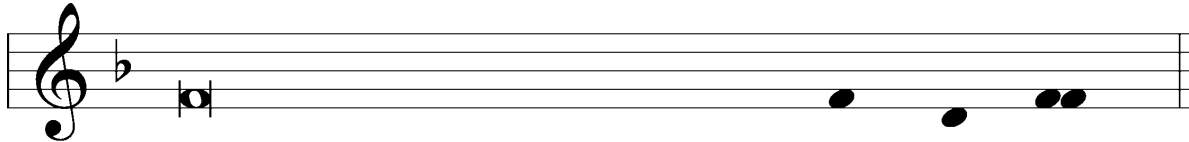
The prayers then continue:



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

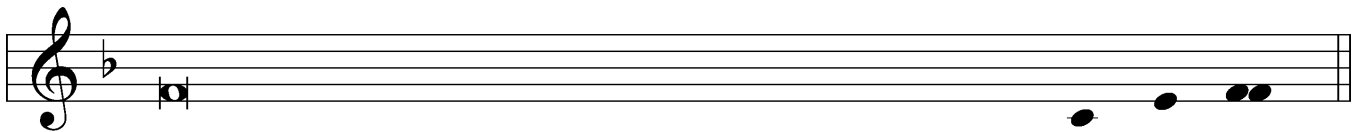


Common: **C** Al - le - lu - ia.



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 and Collect of the Day

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.

P 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.

The Lord's Prayer

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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.

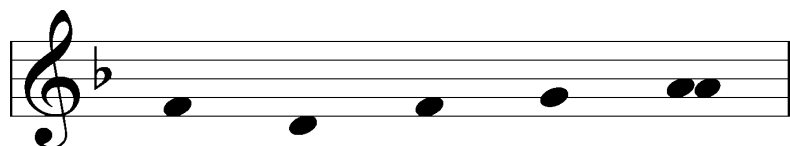
Luther's Evening Prayer

C 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.

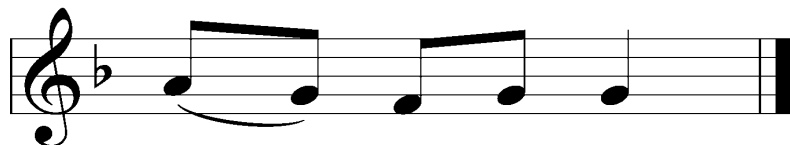
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Benedicamus through Benediction

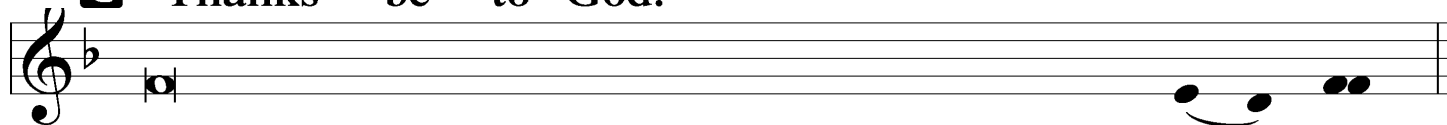
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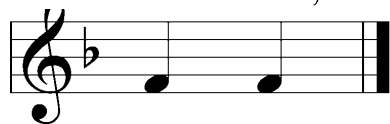
L Let us bless the Lord.



C Thanks be to God.



L The almighty and merciful Lord,
the Father, the ✠ Son, and the Holy Spirit, bless and pre - serve us.



C A - men.

Sit

Hymn - *Let the Earth Now Praise the Lord*

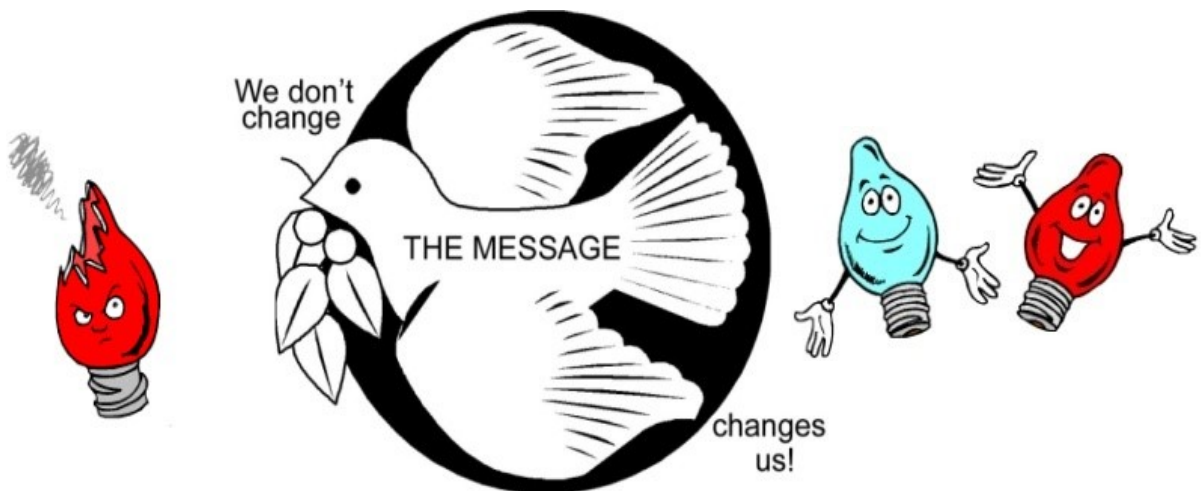
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- 1 Let the earth now praise the Lord,
Who has truly kept His word
And at last to us did send
Christ, the sinner's help and friend.
- 2 What the fathers most desired,
What the prophets' heart inspired,
What they longed for many_a year,
Stands fulfilled in glory here.
- 3 Abram's promised great reward,
Zion's helper, Jacob's Lord—
Him of twofold race behold—
Truly came, as long foretold.
- 4 As Your coming was in peace,
Quiet, full of gentleness,
Let the same mind dwell in me
Which is Yours eternally.
- 5 Bruise for me the serpent's head
That, set free from doubt and dread,
I may cling to You in faith,
Safely kept through life and death.
- 6 Then when You will come again
As the glorious king to reign,
I with joy will see Your face,
Freely ransomed by Your grace.

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ANNOUNCEMENTS

ORGAN POSTLUDE



Christmas Eve

Candlelit Communion Service 6 pm



Christmas Morning

Communion Service 10 am



Christmas Day
Worship Service

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