

Versicles

LSB 235

L O Lord, o - pen my lips,

C and my mouth shall de - clare Your praise.

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.

C Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia.

Psalmody

L The King ascends to heaven. Al - le - lu - ia.

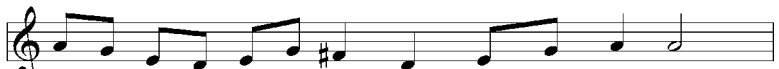
C O come, let us wor - ship Him.

Venite

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C O come, let us sing to the Lord;

let us make a joy - ful noise to the rock of our sal - va - tion.



I Let us come in - to His pres - ence with thanks - giv - ing;



let us make a joy - ful noise to Him with songs of praise.



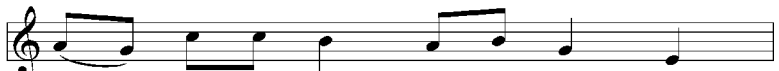
II For the Lord is a great God and a great king a - bove all gods.



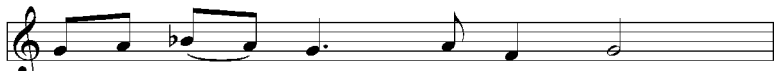
I In His hand are the depths of the earth;



the heights of the moun - tains are His al - so.



II The sea is His, for He made it;



and His hand formed the dry land.



I O come, let us wor - ship and bow down;



let us kneel be - fore the Lord, our mak - er.



II For He is our God, and we are the peo - ple



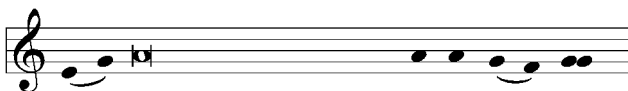
of His pas - ture and the sheep of His hand.



III 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.



L The King ascends to heaven. Al-le - lu - ia.



C O come, let us wor - ship Him.

Sit

539 Christ Is the World's Redeemer



1 Christ is the world's Re - deem - er, The lov - er of the pure,
2 Christ has our host sur - round - ed With clouds of mar - tyrs bright,
3 Down through the realm of dark - ness He strode in vic - to - ry,
△ 4 Glo - ry to God the Fa - ther, The un - be - got - ten One,



The font of heav'n-ly wis - dom, Our trust and hope se - cure,
Who wave their palms in tri - umph And fire us for the fight.
And at the hour ap - point - ed He rose tri - um - phant-ly.
All hon - or be to Je - sus, His sole - be - got - ten Son,



The ar - mor of His sol - diers, The Lord of earth and sky,
Then Christ the cross as - cend - ed To save a world un - done
And now, to heav'n as - cend - ed, He sits up - on the throne
And to the Ho - ly Spir - it— The per - fect Trin - i - ty.



Our health while we are liv - ing, Our life when we shall die.
And, suf - f'ring for the sin - ful, Our full re - demp - tion won.
Whence He had ne'er de - part - ed, His Fa - ther's and His own.
Let all the worlds give an - swer: A - men! So let it be.

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Readings

Reading

Acts 1:12–26

¹²Then [the apostles] returned to Jerusalem from the mount called Olivet, which is near Jerusalem, a Sabbath day's journey away. ¹³And when they had entered, they went up to the upper room, where they were staying, Peter and John and

James and Andrew, Philip and Thomas, Bartholomew and Matthew, James the son of Alphaeus and Simon the Zealot and Judas the son of James. ¹⁴All these with one accord were devoting themselves to prayer, together with the women and Mary the mother of Jesus, and his brothers.

¹⁵In those days Peter stood up among the brothers (the company of persons was in all about 120) and said, ¹⁶“Brothers, the Scripture had to be fulfilled, which the Holy Spirit spoke beforehand by the mouth of David concerning Judas, who became a guide to those who arrested Jesus. ¹⁷For he was numbered among us and was allotted his share in this ministry.” ¹⁸(Now this man bought a field with the reward of his wickedness, and falling headlong he burst open in the middle and all his bowels gushed out. ¹⁹And it became known to all the inhabitants of Jerusalem, so that the field was called in their own language Akeldama, that is, Field of Blood.) ²⁰“For it is written in the Book of Psalms,

“‘May his camp become desolate,
and let there be no one to dwell in it’;

and

“‘Let another take his office.’

²¹So one of the men who have accompanied us during all the time that the Lord Jesus went in and out among us, ²²beginning from the baptism of John until the day when he was taken up from us—one of these men must become with us a witness to his resurrection.” ²³And they put forward two, Joseph called Barsabbas, who was also called Justus, and Matthias. ²⁴And they prayed and said, “You, Lord, who know the hearts of all, show which one of these two you have chosen ²⁵to take the place in this ministry and apostleship from which Judas turned aside to go to his own place.” ²⁶And they cast lots for them, and the lot fell on Matthias, and he was numbered with the eleven apostles.

Reading Response

- P** O Lord, have mercy on us.
- C** Thanks be to God.

Reading

1 Peter 4:12–19; 5:6–11

¹²Beloved, do not be surprised at the fiery trial when it comes upon you to test you, as though something strange were happening to you. ¹³But rejoice insofar as you share Christ's sufferings, that you may also rejoice and be glad when his glory is revealed. ¹⁴If you are insulted for the name of Christ, you are blessed, because the Spirit of glory and of God rests upon you. ¹⁵But let none of you suffer as a murderer or a thief or an evildoer or as a meddler. ¹⁶Yet if anyone suffers as a Christian, let him not be ashamed, but let him glorify God in that name. ¹⁷For it is time for judgment to begin at the household of God; and if it begins with us, what will be the outcome for those who do not obey the gospel of God? ¹⁸And

“If the righteous is scarcely saved,
what will become of the ungodly and the sinner?”

¹⁹Therefore let those who suffer according to God's will entrust their souls to a faithful Creator while doing good. . . .

⁶Humble yourselves, therefore, under the mighty hand of God so that at the proper time he may exalt you, ⁷casting all your anxieties on him, because he cares for you. ⁸Be sober-minded; be watchful. Your adversary the devil prowls around like a roaring lion, seeking someone to devour. ⁹Resist him, firm in your faith, knowing that the same kinds of suffering are being experienced by your brotherhood throughout the world. ¹⁰And after you have suffered a little while, the God of all grace, who has called you to his eternal glory in Christ, will himself restore, confirm, strengthen, and establish you.

¹¹To him be the dominion forever and ever. Amen.

Reading Response

P O Lord, have mercy on us.

C Thanks be to God.

Reading

John 17:1–11

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.

⁶“I 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.”

Reading Response

P 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.**

Sermon

Canticle

Stand

Benedictus

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C Bless - ed be the Lord, the God of Is - ra - el;



He has come to His peo - ple and re - deemed them.



He has raised up for us a might - y Sav - ior,



born of the house of His ser - vant Da - vid.



Through His ho - ly proph - ets He prom - ised of old



that He would save us from our en - e - mies, from the hands of all who



hate us. He prom - ised to show mer - cy to our fa - thers



and to re - mem - ber His ho - ly cov - e - nant.



This was the oath He swore to our fa - ther A - bra - ham:



to set us free from the hands of our en - e - mies,



free to wor - ship Him with - out fear, ho - ly and



right - teous in His sight all the days of our life.



L You, my child, shall be called the proph - et of the Most High,



for you will go be - fore the Lord to pre - pare His way,
 to give His peo - ple knowl - edge of sal - va - tion by the for - give - ness
 of their sins. In the ten - der com - pas - sion of our God,
 the dawn from on high shall break up - on us
 to shine on those who dwell in dark - ness and the shad - ow of death
 and to guide our feet in - to the way of peace.
☐ 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.

Sit

Prayer

Kneel/Stand

Collects

Collect of the Day

L Let us pray.

O King of glory, Lord of hosts, uplifted in triumph far above all heavens, leave us not without consolation but send us the Spirit of truth whom You promised from the Father; for You live and reign with Him and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

C Amen.

Collect for Grace

L O Lord, our heavenly Father, almighty and everlasting God, You have safely brought us to the beginning of this day. Defend us in the same with Your mighty power and grant that this day we fall into no sin, neither run into any kind of danger, but that all our doings, being ordered by Your governance, may be righteous in Your sight; through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.



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.

Stand

Benedicamus

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Let us bless the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

Te Deum

All of you who were baptized into Christ have been clothed with Christ.

Al - le - lu - ia.

On the first day of the week, very early in the morn - ing,

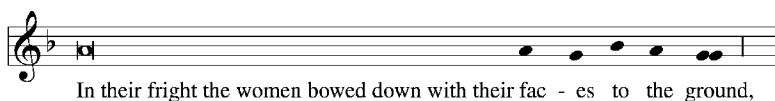
the women took the spices they had prepared and went to the tomb.

They found the stone rolled a - way from the tomb, but when they

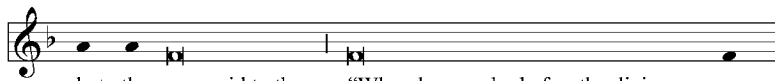
entered, they did not find the body of the Lord Je - sus.

While they were wondering a - bout this, suddenly two men in

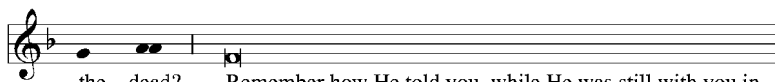
clothes that gleamed like lightning stood be - side them.



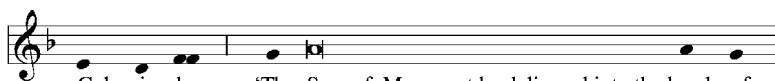
In their fright the women bowed down with their fac - es to the ground,



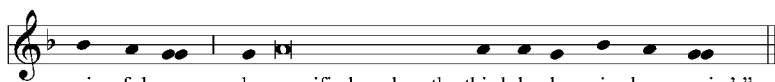
but the men said to them, "Why do you look for the living a - mong



the dead? Remember how He told you, while He was still with you in



Gal - i - lee: "The Son of Man must be delivered into the hands of



sin - ful men, be crucified, and on the third day be raised a - gain.' "



☐ You are God; we praise You. You are the Lord; we ac-claim You.



You are the e - ter - nal Fa - ther; all cre - a - tion wor - ships You.



To You all an - gels, all the pow'rs of heav - en, cher - u - bim and ser - a -



phim, sing in end - less praise: Ho - ly, ho - ly,




ho - ly Lord, God of pow'r and might, heav - en and



earth are full of Your glo - ry. The glo - rious com - pa - ny



of a - pos - tles praise You. The no - ble fel - low - ship of prop - hets



praise You. The white-robed ar-my of mar-tyrs praise You.




Through-out the world the ho-ly Church ac-claims You:



Fa-ther, of maj-es-ty un-bound-ed; Your true and on-ly Son,



wor-thy of all wor-ship; and the Ho-ly Spir-it, ad-vo-cate and guide.



You, Christ, are the king of glo-ry, the e-ter-nal Son of the




Fa-ther. When You be-came man to set us



free, You did not spurn the vir-gin's womb.



You o-ver-came the sting of death and o-pened the




king-dom of heav-en to all be-liev-ers. You are seat-ed at



God's right hand in glo-ry. We be-lieve that You will



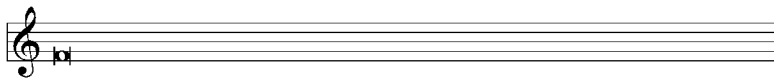
come and be our judge. Come, then, Lord, and



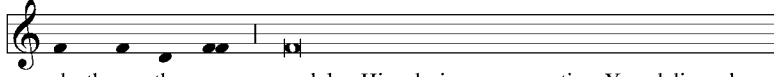
help Your peo-ple, bought with the price of Your own blood, and



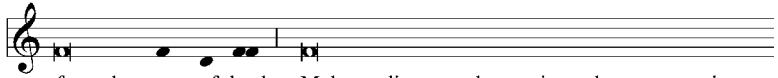
bring us with Your saints to glo - ry ev - er - last - ing.




L O God, for our redemption You gave Your only Son to suffer



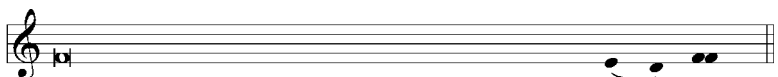
death on the cross, and by His glorious resurrection You delivered us



from the power of death. Make us die every day to sin so that we may rise to



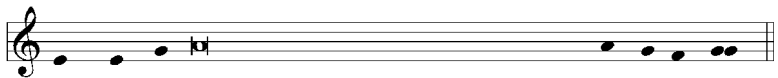
live with Christ for - ev - er; who lives and reigns with You



and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for - ev - er.



A - men.



L The Lord al - mighty bless us and direct our days and our deeds in His peace.



A - men.

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