

Lenten Midweek Service 3

Holden Evening Prayer

March 11, 2026 6:30 PM

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Our Lenten devotions this year are based on this theme: “We are buried with Christ in His death so that we might live with Him in His resurrection. The old is gone. The new has come. Each day affords us a chance to die to self and live for Him. We contemplate those things that were put to death on the cross so that we might receive the blessings of new life in Christ.”

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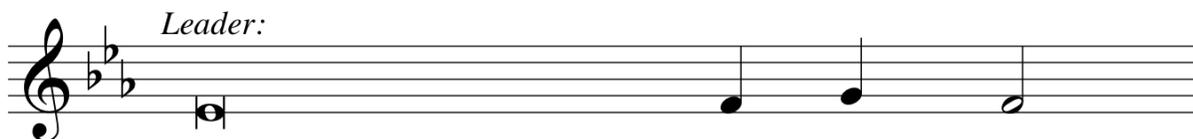
OPENING HYMN “The Lamb” LSB 547, sts. 1-5

INVOCATION

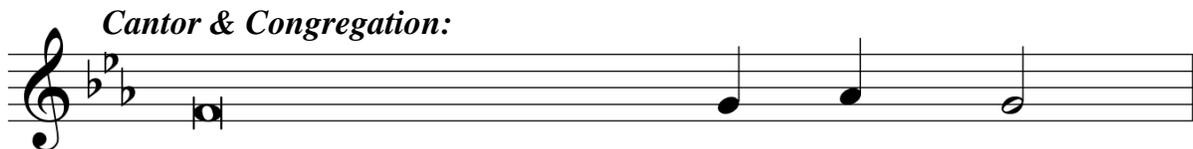
Pastor: We begin this evening in the name of God the Father, God the Son, and God the Holy Spirit.

Congregation: Amen.

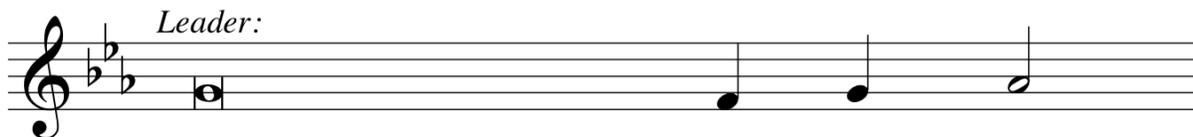
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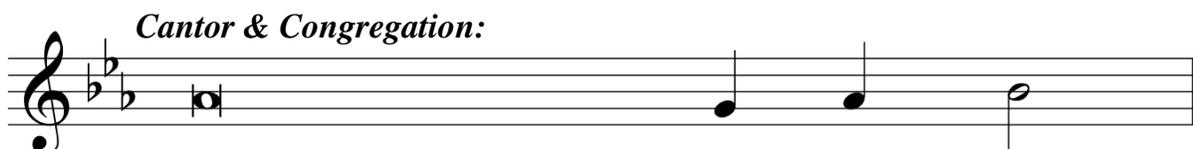
Jesus Christ, you are the light of the world;



the light no darkness can o - ver - come;

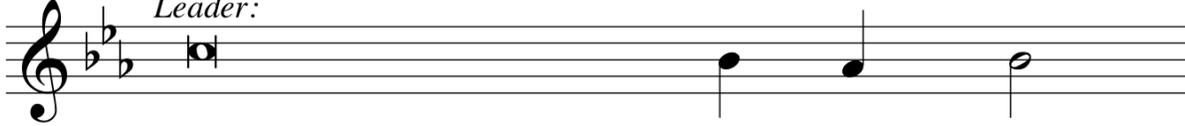


Stay with us now, for it is evening,



and the day is al - most over.

Leader:



Let your light scat - ter the darkness,

Cantor & Congregation:



and shine within your peo - ple here. —

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EVENING HYMN (sung to the tune of LSB 445)

1. Joyous light of heavenly glory, loving glow of God's own face,
You who sing creation's story, shine on every land and race.
Now as evening falls around us, we shall raise our songs to You,
God of daybreak, God of shadows, come and light our hearts anew.

2. In the stars that grace the darkness, in the blazing sun of dawn,
In the light of peace and wisdom, we can hear Your quiet song.
Love that fills the night with wonder, love that warms the weary soul,
Love that bursts all chains asunder, set us free and make us whole.

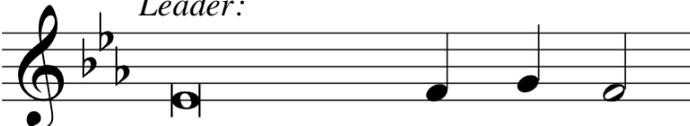
3. You who made the heaven's splendor, every dancing star of night,
Make us shine with gentle justice, let us each reflect Your light.
Mighty God of all creation, gentle Christ who lights our way,
Loving Spirit of salvation, lead us on to endless day.

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EVENING THANKSGIVING

(The following sentences are chanted responsively by Cantor, Leader and the congregation.)

Leader:



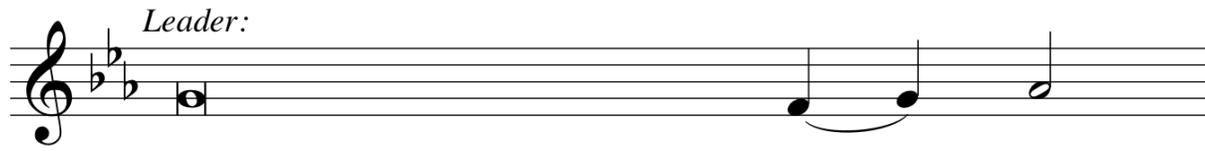
May God be with you all,

Cantor & Congregation:



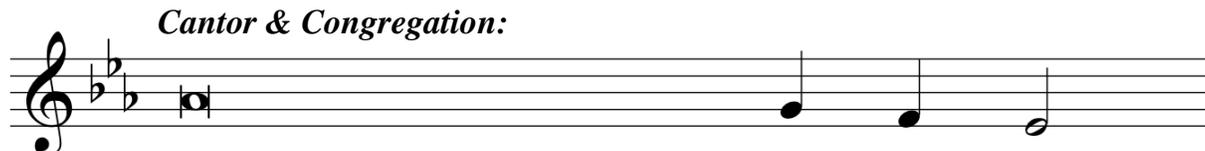
and al - so with you;

Leader:



Let us sing our thanks to ——— God,

Cantor & Congregation:



It is right to give God thanks and praise.

(Sung by Leader)

Blessed are you, Creator of the universe—from old you have led your people by night and day. May the light of your Christ make our darkness bright, for your Word and your presence are the light of our pathways, and you are the light and life of all creation.

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PSALMODY Psalm 141 *(sung by Leader, Cantor and the congregation)*

Let my prayer rise up like incense before you,
the lifting up of my hands as an offering to you.
O God, I call to you, come to me now;
O hear my voice when I cry to you.
Let my prayer rise up like incense before you,
the lifting up of my hands as an offering to you.
Keep watch within me God;
deep in my heart may the light of your love be burning bright.
Let my prayer rise up like incense before you,
the lifting up of my hands as an offering to you.
All praise to the God of all— Creator of life;
all praise be to Christ and the Spirit of love.
Let my prayer rise up like incense before you,
the lifting up of my hands as an offering to you.

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Pastor: Together, let us pray:

All: **Be our light in the darkness, O Lord, and in Your great mercy, defend us from all perils and dangers of this night; for the love of Your only Son, Jesus Christ, our Lord. Amen**

PASSION HISTORY READING: Mark 14:53-72

⁵³And they led Jesus to the high priest. And all the chief priests and the elders and the scribes came together. ⁵⁴And Peter had followed him at a distance, right into the courtyard of the high priest. And he was sitting with the guards and warming himself at the fire.

⁵⁵Now the chief priests and the whole Council were seeking testimony against Jesus to put him to death, but they found none. ⁵⁶For many bore false witness against him, but their testimony did not agree. ⁵⁷And some stood up and bore false witness against him, saying, ⁵⁸“We heard him say, ‘I will destroy this temple that is made with hands, and in three days I will build another, not made with hands.’”

⁵⁹Yet even about this their testimony did not agree. ⁶⁰And the high priest stood up in the midst and asked Jesus, “Have you no answer to make? What is it that these men testify against you?”

⁶¹But he remained silent and made no answer. Again the high priest asked him, “Are you the Christ, the Son of the Blessed?”

⁶²And Jesus said, “I am, and you will see the Son of Man seated at the right hand of Power, and coming with the clouds of heaven.”

⁶³And the high priest tore his garments and said, “What further witnesses do we need? ⁶⁴You have heard his blasphemy. What is your decision?” And they all

condemned him as deserving death.

⁶⁵And some began to spit on him and to cover his face and to strike him, saying to him, “Prophecy!” And the guards received him with blows.

⁶⁶And as Peter was below in the courtyard, one of the servant girls of the high priest came, ⁶⁷and seeing Peter warming himself, she looked at him and said, “You also were with the Nazarene, Jesus.”

⁶⁸But he denied it, saying, “I neither know nor understand what you mean.” And he went out into the gateway and the rooster crowed. ⁶⁹And the servant girl saw him and began again to say to the bystanders, “This man is one of them.”

⁷⁰But again he denied it. And after a little while the bystanders again said to Peter, “Certainly you are one of them, for you are a Galilean.” ⁷¹But he began to invoke a curse on himself and to swear, “I do not know this man of whom you speak.” ⁷²And immediately the rooster crowed a second time. And Peter remembered how Jesus had said to him, “Before the rooster crows twice, you will deny me three times.” And he broke down and wept.

Lector: This is the Word of the Lord.

Congregation: Thanks be to God.

SECOND READING 1 Corinthians 5:6-8

⁶Your boasting is not good. Do you not know that a little leaven leavens the whole lump? ⁷Cleanse out the old leaven that you may be a new lump, as you really are unleavened. For Christ, our Passover lamb, has been sacrificed. ⁸Let us therefore celebrate the festival, not with the old leaven, the leaven of

malice and evil, but with the unleavened bread of sincerity and truth.

Pastor: This is the Word of the Lord.

Congregation: Thanks be to God.

GOSPEL READING Matthew 14:22-33

²²Immediately [Jesus] made the disciples get into the boat and go before him to the other side, while he dismissed the crowds. ²³And after he had dismissed the crowds, he went up on the mountain by himself to pray. When evening came, he was there alone, ²⁴but the boat by this time was a long way from the land, beaten by the waves, for the wind was against them. ²⁵And in the fourth watch of the night he came to them, walking on the sea. ²⁶But when the disciples saw him walking on the sea, they were terrified, and said, "It is a ghost!" and they cried out in fear. ²⁷But immediately Jesus spoke to them, saying, "Take heart; it is I. Do not be afraid."

²⁸And Peter answered him, "Lord, if it is you, command me to come to you on the water." ²⁹He said, "Come." So Peter got out of the boat and walked on the water and came to Jesus. ³⁰But when he saw the wind, he was afraid, and beginning to sink he cried out, "Lord, save me." ³¹Jesus immediately reached out his hand and took hold of him, saying to him, "O you of little faith, why did you doubt?" ³²And when they got into the boat, the wind ceased. ³³And those in the boat worshiped him, saying, "Truly you are the Son of God."

Pastor: This is the Word of the Lord.

Congregation: Thanks be to God.

SERMON HYMN "My Faith Looks Up to Thee" LSB 702, sts. 1-4

SERMON "DYING TO DOUBT, LIVING BY FAITH"
The Rev. Rex Longshore

OFFERING "Easter Hallelujah" Sandy

ANNUNCIATION (*Cantor – Sierra Jacob*)

An angel went from God to a town called Nazareth
to a woman whose name was Mary.

The angel said to her, “Rejoice, O highly favored, for God is with you.

You shall bear a child, and his name shall be Jesus,
the Chosen One of God Most High.”

And Mary said, “I am the servant of my God, I live to do your will.”

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THE MAGNIFICAT (*Sung by Cantor and congregation*)

1. My soul proclaims your greatness, O God, and my spirit rejoices in you,
You have looked with love on your servant here, and blessed me all my life through.
Great and mighty are you, O Holy One, strong is your kindness evermore.
How you favor the weak and lowly one, humbling the proud of heart.
2. You have cast the mighty down from their thrones, and uplifted the humble of heart,
You have filled the hungry with wondrous things, and left the wealthy no part.
Great and mighty are you, O Faithful One, strong is your justice, strong your love,
As you promised to Sarah and Abraham, kindness forevermore.
3. My soul proclaims your greatness, O God, and my spirit rejoices in you,
You have looked with love on your servant here, and blessed me all my life through.

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PRAYER OF THE CHURCH**LORD’S PRAYER**

**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.**

CLOSING HYMN "Now the Light Has Gone Away" *LSB 887, sts. 1-5*

FINAL BLESSING *(to be chanted)*

Leader: *Cantor & Congregation:*

Let us bless our God: praise and thanks to you.

Leader:

May God, Cre - a - tor bless us and keep us, may

Christ be ev - er light for our lives, may the

Spir - it of Love be our guide and path, for

all of our days.

Cantor:

A - men.

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