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Grant peace, we pray, in mer - cy, Lord; Peace in our
time, oh, send us! For there is none on earth but you,
None oth - er to de - fend us. You on -
ly, Lord, can fight for us. A - men.

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Solus Christus



“The Law was given through Moses, but grace and truth came through Jesus Christ.”

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Dear Christians, One and All, Rejoice

1 Dear Chris - tians, one and all, re - joice, With
 2 Fast bound in Sa - tan's chains I lay; Death
 3 My own good works a - vailed me naught, No
 4 But God be - held my wretch - ed state Be -
 5 He spoke to his be - lov - ed Son: "Tis

ex - ul - ta - tion spring - ing, And, with u -
 brood - ed dark - ly o'er me. Sin was my -
 mer - it they at - tain - ing; My will a -
 fore the world's foun - da - tion, And, mind - ful
 time to have com - pas - sion. Then go, bright

nit - ed heart and voice And ho - ly rap - ture
 tor - ment night and day; In sin my moth - er
 gainst God's judg - ment fought, No hope for me re -
 of his mer - cies great, He planned my soul's sal -
 Jew - el of my crown, And bring man - kind sal -

sing - ing, Pro - claim the won - ders God
 bore me. Yet deep and deep - er still
 main - ing. My fears in - creased till sheer
 va - tion. A Fa - ther's heart he turned set
 va - tion. From sin and sor - row

has done, How his right arm the vic - t'ry
 I fell; Life had be - come a liv - ing
 de - spair Left naught but death to be my
 to me, Sought my re - demp - tion fer - vent -
 them free; Slay bit - ter death for them that

Benedicamus

P The Lord be with you.

C And with your spir-it.

P Bless we the Lord.

C Thanks be to God!

Benediction*2 Corinthians 13:14*

P The grace of our Lord ✠ Je - sus Christ, and the love of God,
 and the communion of the Holy Spi - rit be with you all.

C A - men.

Collect



P The Lord be with you.



C And with your spir-it.

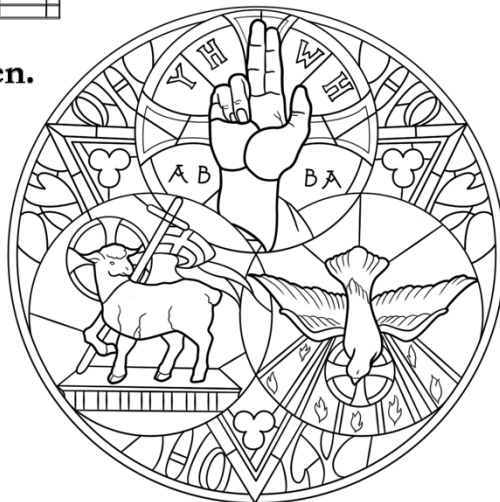


P Let us pray.

O Lord, our heavenly Father, almighty and everlasting God, Who has 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 the merits of Jesus Christ, our Savior, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, ever one God, world without end.



C A - men.



won. How dear - ly it has cost him!
hell, So firm - ly sin pos - sessed me.
share And hell to be my sen - tence.
ly; He gave his dear - est trea - sure.
they May live with you for - ev - er.”

6 The Son obeyed his Father’s will,
Was born of virgin mother,
And, God’s good pleasure to fulfill,
He came to be my brother.
No garb of pomp or pow’r he wore;
A servant’s form like mine he bore
To lead the devil captive.

8 “The foe shall shed my precious blood,
Me of my life bereaving.
All this I suffer for your good;
Be steadfast and believing.
Life shall from death the vict’ry win;
My innocence shall bear your sin,
And you are blest forever.

7 To me he spoke, “Hold fast to me—
I am your rock and castle.
Your ransom I myself will be;
For you I strive and wrestle.
For I am yours, your friend divine,
And evermore you shall be mine;
The foe shall not divide us.

9 “Now to my Father I depart,
The Holy Spirit sending
And, heav’nly wisdom to impart,
My help to you extending.
He will a source of comfort be,
Teach you to know and follow me,
And in all truth will guide you.

10 “What I on earth have lived and taught
Be all your life and teaching;
So shall my kingdom’s work be wrought
And honored in your preaching.
Take care that no one’s man-made laws
Should e’er destroy the gospel’s cause.
This final word I leave you.”

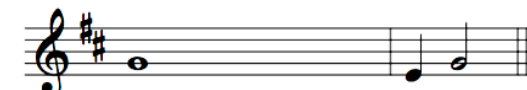
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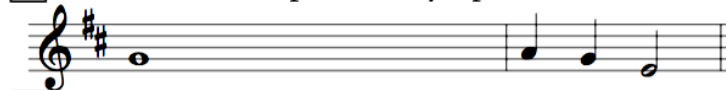
✠ MATINS ✠

Incipit (*It Begins*)

Stand.

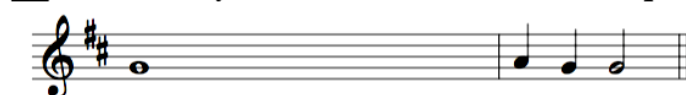


P O Lord, open my lips.

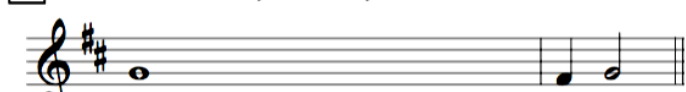


C And my mouth shall show forth Your praise.

Psalm 51:15



P Make haste, O God, to de - liv - er me.



C Make haste to help me, O Lord.

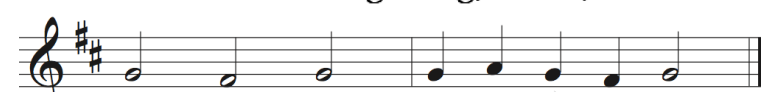
Psalm 70:1



All Glory be to the Father, and to the Son, and__ to_ the Ho-ly Ghost:



As it was in the beginning, is now, and ev-er shall be: world with-out



end. A - men. Al - le - lu - ia!

Kyrie, Eleison (*Lord, have mercy*)

St. Matthew 20:30; Psalm 6:2



Ky - ri - e, e - lei - son. Chri - ste, e - lei - son. Ky - ri - e, e - lei - son.

Pater, Noster (*Our Father*)

St. Matthew 6:9-13; St. Luke 11:2-4

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. Amen.



SERMON

St. John 1:1-17

P In the beginning was the Word, and the Word was with God, and the Word was God. He was in the beginning with God. All things were made through Him, and without Him nothing was made that was made. In Him was life, and the life was the light of men. And the light shines in the darkness, and the darkness did not comprehend it.

There was a man sent from God, whose name was John. This man came for a witness, to bear witness of the Light, that all through him might believe. He was not that Light, but was sent to bear witness of that Light. That was the true Light which gives light to every man coming into the world.

He was in the world, and the world was made through Him, and the world did not know Him. He came to His own, and His own did not receive Him. But as many as received Him, to them He gave the right to become children of God, to those who believe in His name: who were born, not of blood, nor of the will of the flesh, nor of the will of man, but of God.

And the Word became flesh and dwelt among us, and we beheld His glory, the glory as of the only begotten of the Father, full of grace and truth.

John bore witness of Him and cried out, saying, “This was He of whom I said, ‘He who comes after me is preferred before me, for He was before me.’”

And of His fullness we have all received, and grace for grace. For the law was given through Moses, but grace and truth came through Jesus Christ. No one has seen God at any time. The only begotten Son, who is in the bosom of the Father, He has declared Him.

After the Sermon (Please Stand):

Pax Votum

Philippians 4:7

P The peace of God which surpasses all understanding guard your hearts and minds through faith in ☩ Christ Jesus.

C Amen.

Te Deum Laudamus

ELH 45 (see insert)

Invitatory

Psalm 95

P But grace and truth came through Je - sus Christ.

C O come, let us wor- ship Him.

St. John 1:17b

1. O come, let us sing to the Lord:
3. For the Lord is a great God,
5. The sea is His, for He made it:
8. Glory be to the Father and to the Son

1. Let us make a joyful noise to the rock of our sal-va - tion.
3. and a great King a-bove all gods.
5. and his hands form-ed the dry land.
8. And to the Ho - ly Ghost.

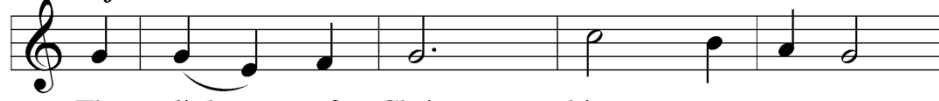
2. Let us come before His presence with thanks- giv - ing,
4. In His hand are the deep places of the earth:
6. O come, let us worship and bow__ down:
>> 7. For He is our God;
8. As it was in the beginning, is now, and ever shall__ be:

2. and make a joyful noise to Him with psalms.
4. the strength of the hills is His al - so.
6. let us kneel before the Lord our Mak - er. (7)>

>> 7. and we are the people of his pasture, and the sheep of His__ hand.
8. World with- out end. A - men.

Psalm 72

Refrain



The light of Christ shines up - on us.



Praise his glo - ri - ous name.

Psalm Tone



Endow the King with your justice, O God,
the royal son with your righteousness.
He will defend the afflicted among the people
and save the children of the needy.

**He will endure as long as the sun,
as long as the moon, through all generations.
He will be like rain falling on a mown field,
like showers watering the earth.**

Refrain



The light of Christ shines up - on us.



Praise his glo - ri - ous name.

5. Christ is the Way, the Light, the Door,
The Truth and Life eternal,
The Father's Word and Counselor,
To conquer pow'rs infernal;
To us He sends
True confidence
To trust awake or sleeping,
No pow'r or might
Can snuff His light
Or steal us from His keeping.
6. Accurst and godless is the one
Who looks for consolation
In other men and not the Son,--
He will not find salvation;
He that will claim
Another name
Than Christ's to justify him
Will soon be found
In torment bound
When Satan comes to try him.

7. He who makes God his Hope and Trust
Shall never be confounded;
None who build on this Rock are lost;
Though ev'rywhere surrounded
By daring foes
And trying woes,
His faith yet stands unshaken.
He will stand sure;
He will endure
And never be forsaken.

Lazarus Spengler, a Lutheran hymnist also famous for designing the Luther Rose, wrote this hymn in 1524. It became one of the Kernlieder ("core hymns") of the Lutheran Church and was incorporated into the earliest of Lutheran hymnals. The hymn also has "confessional status," as it is authoritatively cited by the Book of Concord:

"We believe, teach, and confess that original sin is not a slight, but so deep a corruption of human nature that nothing healthy or uncorrupt has remained in man's body or soul, in his inner or outward powers, but, as the Church sings: 'Through Adam's fall is all corrupt, Man's nature and his being' (FC:Ep 1:8).

Durch Adams Fall ist ganz verderbt
L. Spengler, 1479-1534

DURCH ADAMS FALL
Strassburg, 1525

Through Adam's Fall Is All Corrupt



1. Through A - dam's fall is all cor - rupt, Man's na - ture and his be - ing;
2. The clev - er ser - pent lied to Eve So that her rea - son doubt - ed
3. Just as an - oth - er's guilt once brought, In A - dam, con - dem - na - tion;
4. While we were still God's sin - ful foes His Son to us was giv - en,



This poi - son now de - scends to us, And leaves no hope of heal - ing
And would in God no more be - lieve; His Word she plain - ly flou - ted;
So by an - oth - er's grace is wrought, In Christ, a full re - demp - tion.
Was cru - ci - fied, died, and a - rose, and went a - gain to Heav - en.



With - out God's grace, which saves our race From the great des - o - la -
Thus death came in and for our sin A re - me - dy God gave
And as we all, by A - dam's Fall, To death be - came sub - ject -
From death now we are ren - dered free In Christ a - lone re - ly -



tion the Ser - pent wrought when Eve he brought To rouse God's in - dig - na - tion.
us And sent our race the Throne of Grace, His on - ly Son, to save us.
ed, So al - so God, through Je - sus' Blood, cor - rup - tion has cor - rect - ed.
ing By Him as - sured, the Fa - ther's Word, What fear is there in dy - ing?

All kings will bow down to him
and all nations will serve him.
All nations will be blessed through him,
and they will call him blessed.

May his name endure forever;

may it continue as long as the sun.

Praise be to the Lord God, who alone does marvelous deeds.

May the whole earth be filled with his glory.

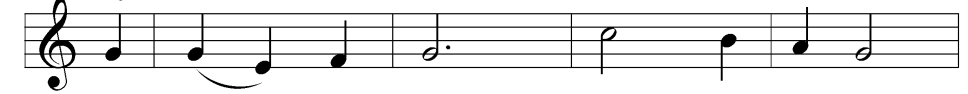
Glory be to the Father and to the Son

and to the Holy Spirit,

as it was in the beginning,

is now, and will be forever. Amen.

Refrain



The light of Christ shines up - on us.



Praise his glo - ri - ous name.

P

O Lord, to Whom all the kings and nations bow down, Who with Your unconquered power and through Your heavenly pity, came to save the poor and the mighty, and frail mankind from the sway of the ancient enemy; seeing that we are far from You, and in need of Your mercies, that we are subject to his unrighteousness, tied and bound with the chains of our sins, let Your lovingkindness deliver us now from his service, restore us to You, and keep us safely with You, that we, who confess ourselves redeemed by Your mercy, may hereafter glory in the gifts attained in Your bounty; who lives and reigns with the Father and the Holy Spirit, ever one God, world without end.

C

Amen.

Psalm 110

Refrain



Psalm Tone



The Lord says to my Lord: “Sit at my right hand
until I make your enemies a footstool for your feet.”
The Lord will extend your mighty scepter from Zion;
you will rule in the midst of your enemies.

The Lord has sworn and will not change his mind:
“You are a priest forever, in the order of Melchizedek.”
The Lord is at your right hand;
he will crush kings on the day of his wrath.

Refrain



Therefore, as through one man’s offense *judgment came* to all men, resulting in condemnation, even so through one Man’s righteous act *the free gift came* to all men, resulting in justification of life. For as by one man’s disobedience many were made sinners, so also by one Man’s obedience many will be made righteous.

Moreover the law entered that the offense might abound. But where sin abounded, grace abounded much more, so that as sin reigned in death, even so grace might reign through righteousness to eternal life through Jesus Christ our Lord.



Lesson

Romans 5

P *Brethren:* Having been justified by faith, we have peace with God through our Lord Jesus Christ, through whom also we have access by faith into this grace in which we stand, and rejoice in hope of the glory of God. And not only *that*, but we also glory in tribulations, knowing that tribulation produces perseverance; and perseverance, character; and character, hope. Now hope does not disappoint, because the love of God has been poured out in our hearts by the Holy Spirit who was given to us.

For when we were still without strength, in due time Christ died for the ungodly. For scarcely for a righteous man will one die; yet perhaps for a good man someone would even dare to die. But God demonstrates His own love toward us, in that while we were still sinners, Christ died for us. Much more then, having now been justified by His blood, we shall be saved from wrath through Him. For if when we were enemies we were reconciled to God through the death of His Son, much more, having been reconciled, we shall be saved by His life. And not only *that*, but we also rejoice in God through our Lord Jesus Christ, through whom we have now received the reconciliation.

Therefore, just as through one man sin entered the world, and death through sin, and thus death spread to all men, because all sinned— (For until the law sin was in the world, but sin is not imputed when there is no law. Nevertheless death reigned from Adam to Moses, even over those who had not sinned according to the likeness of the transgression of Adam, who is a type of Him who was to come. But the free gift *is* not like the offense. For if by the one man's offense many died, much more the grace of God and the gift by the grace of the one Man, Jesus Christ, abounded to many. And the gift *is* not like *that which came* through the one who sinned. For the judgment *which came* from one *offense resulted* in condemnation, but the free gift *which came* from many offenses *resulted* in justification. For if by the one man's offense death reigned through the one, much more those who receive abundance of grace and of the gift of righteousness will reign in life through the One, Jesus Christ.)

He will judge the nations, heaping up the dead
and crushing the rulers of the whole earth.
He will drink from a brook beside the way;
therefore he will lift up his head.

**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.**

Refrain



P O God, begotten before the morning star, who was before the beginning of every creature, we pray and beseech you that as You, sitting at the right hand of the Father, have put Your enemies under Your feet, so You may make us meet for Your service, doing away with the dominion of sin; who lives and reigns with the same Father and the Holy Spirit, ever one God, world without end.

C **Amen.**

Psalm 118

Refrain



Al - le - lu - ia! Al-le-lu - ia! Give thanks to God. He



gives us the vic - to-ry through Je - sus Christ our Lord. Al - le -



lu-ia! Al-le-lu-ia! Give thanks to God. Give thanks to God.

Psalm Tone



The Lord is my strength and my song;
he has become my salvation.

**“The Lord’s right hand is lifted high;
the Lord’s right hand has done mighty things!”**

I will not die but live,
and will proclaim what the Lord has done.

Refrain

I will give you thanks, for you answered me;
you have become my salvation.

**The stone the builders rejected has become the capstone;
the Lord has done this, and it is marvelous in our eyes.**

This is the day the Lord has made;
let us rejoice and be glad in it.

**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.**

Refrain

P O most merciful God, consolation of our troubles, who sprinkles the tabernacles of the righteous with joy and gladness, exalt Your Church with the power of Your mighty right hand, that it may become the gate of righteousness, and so bind itself together with the steadfast corner-stone as to shine with the glory of Your resurrection; Who lives and reigns with the Father and the Holy Spirit, ever one God, world without end.

C **Amen.**