

522 Grant Peace, We Pray, in Mercy, Lord

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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HYMN 235:

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Soli Deo Gloria



“Glory and power be to Him who sits on the throne, and to the Lamb, forever and ever!”

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235 Praise the Almighty; My Soul, Adore Him

1 Praise the Al - might - y; my soul, a - dore him!
2 Pen - i - tent sin - ners, for mer - cy cry - ing,
3 Trust not in princ - es, they are but mor - tal;
4 Praise, all you peo - ple, the name so ho - ly

Yes, I will laud him un - til death. With songs and
Par - don and peace from him ob - tain; Ev - er the
Earth-born they are and soon de - cay. Vain are their
Of him who does such won-drous things! All that has

an - thems I'll come be - fore him As long as
wants of the poor sup - ply - ing, Their faith - ful
coun - sels at life's last por - tal When the dark
be - ing, to praise him sole - ly, With hap - py

he al - lows me breath. From him my life and
God he will re - main. He helps his chil - dren
grave will claim its prey. Since, then, no one can
heart its A - men sings! Chil - dren of God, with

all things came; Bless, O my soul, his ho - ly
in dis - tress, The wid - ows and the fa - ther -
help af - ford, Trust on - ly Christ, our God and
an - gel host Praise Fa - ther, Son, and Ho - ly

name. Al - le - lu - ia! Al - le - lu - ia!
less. Al - le - lu - ia! Al - le - lu - ia!
Lord. Al - le - lu - ia! Al - le - lu - ia!
Ghost! Al - le - lu - ia! Al - le - lu - ia!

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.

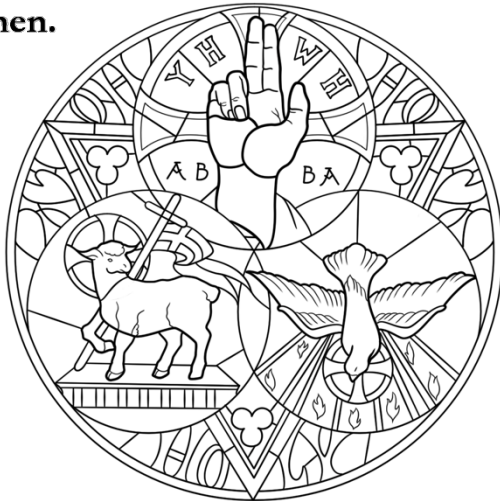


P Let us pray.

O God, from whom all holy desires, all good counsels, and all just works proceed; Give to 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 by You from the fear of our enemies, may pass our time in rest and quietness; 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.

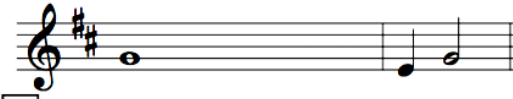


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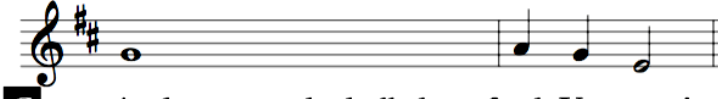
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Incipit (*It Begins*)

Stand.

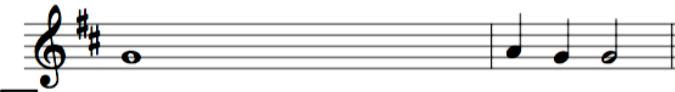


P O Lord, open my lips.



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.

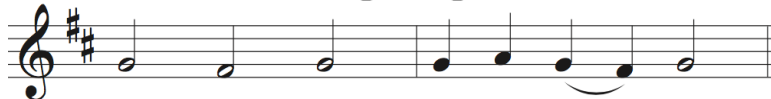
Psalm 70:1



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!


Psalm 8

Refrain



I will praise your name for - ev-er, my King and my God.

Psalm tone



O LORD, our Lord, how majestic is your name in all the earth!*

You have set your glory above the heavens.

When I consider your heavens,*
the work of your fingers,
what is man that you are mindful of him,*
the Son of Man that you care for him? *Refrain*

You made him a little lower than the heavenly beings*
and crowned him with glory and honor.

You made him ruler over the works of your hands;*
you put everything under his feet.

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 We beseech Your Glorious Name, O Lord, which is great, wonderful, and holy, that
as You created the beasts of the field for the service of men, so You would create
C man to delight in Your service; through Jesus Christ our Lord
Amen.

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

Romans 11:33-36

P *Brethren*, Oh, the depth of the riches both of the wisdom and knowledge of God! How unsearchable *are* His judgments and His ways past finding out!

“For who has known the mind of the Lord?
Or who has become His counselor?”
“Or who has first given to Him
And it shall be repaid to him?”

For of Him and through Him and to Him *are* all things, to whom *be* glory forever. Amen.

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.

Magnificat

St. Luke 1:46-55 (*see insert*)



Psalm 115



Not unto us, O Lord, not unto us but to your name be the glory,
because of your love and faithfulness.
Why do the nations say, “Where is their God?”
Our God is in heaven; he does whatever pleases him.

The Lord remembers us and will bless us:

**He will bless the house of Israel,
he will bless those who fear the Lord—
small and great alike.**

Refrain

May the Lord make you increase,
both you and your children.
May you be blessed by the Lord,
the Maker of heaven and earth.

**The highest heavens belong to the Lord,
but the earth he has given to man.**

**It is not the dead who praise the Lord,
it is we who extol the Lord, both now and forevermore.**

**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 O God, unspeakable Name of Trinity, who awed the streams of Jordan with the glory of Your light, grant that You may never suffer those who You have washed and renewed in Holy Baptism to be defiled with the idols of image-worship; who lives and reigns, Father, Son, and Holy Spirit, ever one God, world without end.

C Amen.

Psalm 148

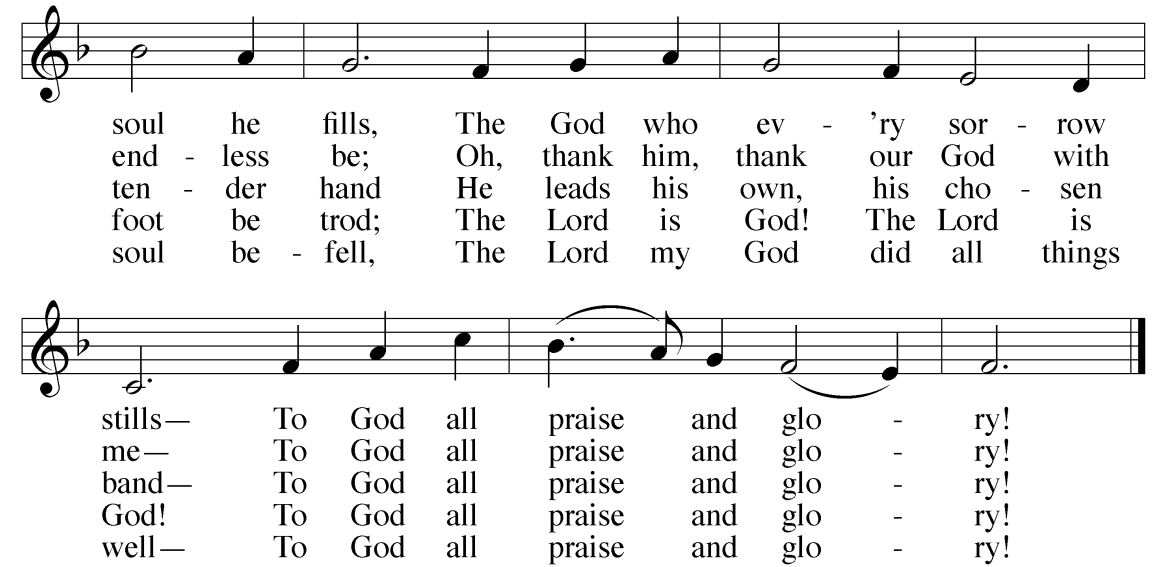


Praise the Lord from the heavens,
praise him in the heights above.

Praise him, all his angels,
praise him, all his heavenly hosts.

Praise him, sun and moon,
praise him, all you shining stars.

Refrain



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236 All Praise to God Who Reigns Above



1 All praise to God who reigns a - bove, The
2 I cried to him in time of need: Lord
3 The Lord will not for - sake his flock, His
4 All who con - fess Christ's ho - ly name, To
5 Then come be - fore his pres - ence now And



God of all cre - a - tion, The God of
God, oh, hear my call - ing! For death he
cho - sen gen - er - a - tion; He is their
God give praise and glo - ry! All who the
ban - ish fear and sad - ness; To your Re -



won - ders, pow'r, and love, The God of
gave me life in - deed And kept my
ref - uge and their rock, Their peace and
Fa - ther's pow'r pro - claim, To God give
deem - er pay your vow And sing with



our sal - va - tion! With heal - ing balm my
feet from fall - ing. For this my thanks shall
their sal - va - tion. As with a moth - er's
praise and glo - ry! All i - dols un - der
joy and glad - ness. Though great dis - tress my

Praise the Lord from the earth,
lightning and hail, stormy winds that do his bidding,
**you mountains and all hills, fruit trees and all cedars,
wild animals and all cattle, small creatures and flying birds,**
kings of the earth and all rulers on earth,
young men and maidens, old men and children.

Refrain

Let them praise the name of the Lord,
for his splendor is above the earth and the heavens.

**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, supreme and most high power of the heavenly dwellings, who is the object of praise from the zeal of the angels, and takes pleasure also in the worship of men, not as needing us for anything, but to find room in us for displaying Your goodness; grant unto Your servants that as all things which we behold were created by Your command, so what You command may be observed under Your keeping; through Jesus Christ, our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, ever one God, world without end..

C Amen.

Lesson

Revelation 5

P And I saw in the right *hand* of Him who sat on the throne a scroll written inside and on the back, sealed with seven seals. Then I saw a strong angel proclaiming with a loud voice, “Who is worthy to open the scroll and to loose its seals?” And no one in heaven or on the earth or under the earth was able to open the scroll, or to look at it.

So I wept much, because no one was found worthy to open and read the scroll, or to look at it. But one of the elders said to me, “Do not weep. Behold, the Lion of the tribe of Judah, the Root of David, has prevailed to open the scroll and to loose its seven seals.”

And I looked, and behold, in the midst of the throne and of the four living creatures, and in the midst of the elders, stood a Lamb as though it had been slain, having seven horns and seven eyes, which are the seven Spirits of God sent out into all the earth. Then He came and took the scroll out of the right hand of Him who sat on the throne.

Now when He had taken the scroll, the four living creatures and the twenty-four elders fell down before the Lamb, each having a harp, and golden bowls full of incense, which are the prayers of the saints. And they sang a new song, saying:

“You are worthy to take the scroll,
And to open its seals;
For You were slain,
And have redeemed us to God by Your blood
Out of every tribe and tongue and people and nation,
And have made us kings and priests to our God;
And we shall reign on the earth.”

Then I looked, and I heard the voice of many angels around the throne, the living creatures, and the elders; and the number of them was ten thousand times ten thousand, and thousands of thousands, saying with a loud voice:

“Worthy is the Lamb who was slain
To receive power and riches and wisdom,
And strength and honor and glory and blessing!”

And every creature which is in heaven and on the earth and under the earth and such as are in the sea, and all that are in them, I heard saying:

“Blessing and honor and glory and power
Be to Him who sits on the throne,
And to the Lamb, forever and ever!”

Then the four living creatures said, “Amen!” And the twenty-four elders fell down and worshiped Him who lives forever and ever.

