

The Order of Vespers

for the Festival of the Conversion of St. Paul

Wednesday, January 25, 2023

Hymn

By All Your Saints in Warfare (see insert)

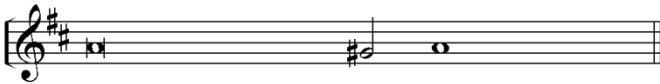
Stand

P O Lord, open my lips.

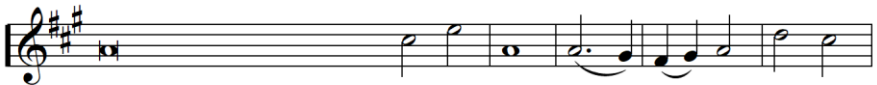


R And my mouth will de-clare Your praise.

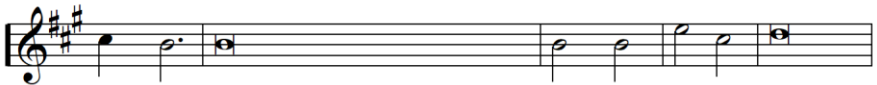
P Make haste, O God, to deliver me.



R Make haste to help me, O Lord.



Glory be to the Father and to the Son and to the Ho - ly



Spir-it; as it was in the beginning, is now and ev - er shall be,



for - ev - er - more. A - men. Al - le - lu - ia!

Psalmody

Psalm 43

The verses are sung antiphonally between the Pastor and Congregation.



P *(Antiphon)* Send out your light and | your truth;
let | them lead me.

Vindicate me, | O God,
and defend my cause against an ungod- | ly people,
from the deceitful and un- | just man
de- | liver me!

For you are the God in whom I take | refuge;
why have you re- | jected me?

Why do I go about | mourning
because of the oppression of the | enemy?

Send out your light and | your truth;
let | them lead me;

let them bring me to your ho- | ly hill
and to | your dwelling!

Then I will go to the altar | of God,
to God my ex- | ceeding joy,
and I will praise you with | the lyre,
O | God, my God.

Why are you cast down, O | my soul,
and why are you in turmoil | within me?

Hope in God; for I shall again | praise him,
my salvation | and my God.

Glory | be to the Father, and to | the Son, *
and to the Ho- | ly Spirit;
as it | was in the beginning, is now, and ever | shall be, *
forever- | more. Amen.

P (*Antiphon*) Send out your light and | your truth;
let | them lead me.

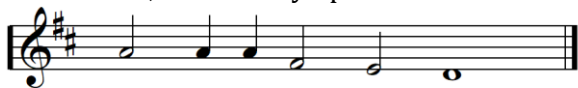
Sit

First Lesson

Acts 9:1-22

After each Lesson:

P O Lord, have mercy upon us.

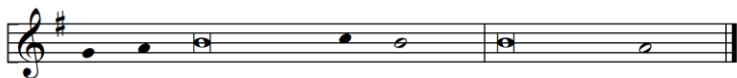


R Thanks be to You, O Lord!

Second Lesson

Matthew 19:27-30

Responsory



Arise, shine, for your light | has come

And the glory of the Lord has risen upon | you.

And Gentiles will walk in your light, and kings in the brightness that
rises up- | on you.

And the glory of the Lord has risen upon | you.

Glory be to the Father and to the Son and to the Holy | Spirit.

And the glory of the Lord has risen upon | you.

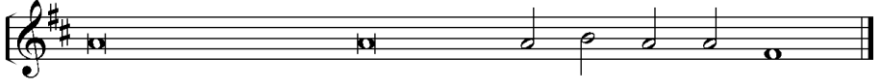
Hymn

TLH #498 – Rise, Thou Light of Gentile Nations

Sermon

Stand

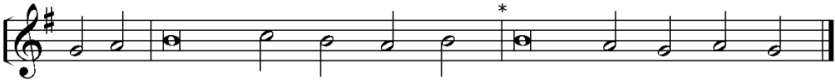
P Let my prayer be set before You as incense.



☒ And the lifting up of my hands as the eve - ning sac - ri - fice.

The Canticle

The Magnificat



My — | soul | magni- | fies | the | Lord, *

And my spirit rejoices in | God | my | Sav- | ior.

For — | He | has | re- | gard- | ed *

the lowly estate of | His | hand- | maid- | en:

For, be- | hold | from this time | forth *

all generations will | call | me | bless- | ed.

For — | He who is mighty has | done to | me | great | things; *

and ho- | ly | is | His | name.

And His | mercy is on | those | who | fear | Him *

from generation to | gen- | er- | a- | tion.

He has | shown | strength | with | His | arm; *

He has scattered the proud in the imagi- | nation | of | their | hearts.

He has | put down the | mighty | from | their | seats, *

and exalted those | of | low | de- | gree.

He has | filled the | hungry | with | good | things; *

and the rich He has | sent a- | way | emp- | ty.

He has | come to the aid of His servant Israel, in remembrance | of | His

| mer- | cy; *

As He spoke to our fathers, to Abraham, and to his | seed | for- | ev- |

er.

Glo-ry | be to the Father, | and | to | the | Son, *

and to the | Ho- | ly | Spir- | it;

As it | was in the beginning, is now, and | ev- | er | shall | be, *

forev- | er- | more. | A- | men.

Prayers



C Lord, have mer - cy up-on us. Christ, have mer - cy up-on us.



Lord, have mer - cy up-on us.

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.

P The Lord be with you.



R And with your spir - it.

The Pastor says one or more Collects. After each, the congregation sings:



R A - men.

P Let us bless the Lord.



R Thanks be to God.

P The grace of our Lord T Jesus Christ and the love of God and the communion of the Holy Spirit be with you all.



R A - men.
