

The Order of Vespers

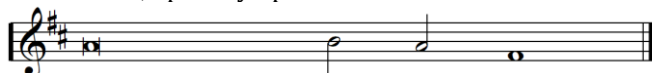
for the week of Trinity 17

Hymn

Lo! He Comes with Clouds Descending (back page)

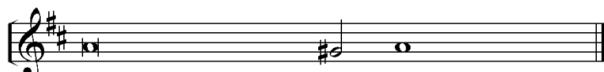
Stand

V O Lord, open my lips.



R And my mouth will de-clare Your praise.

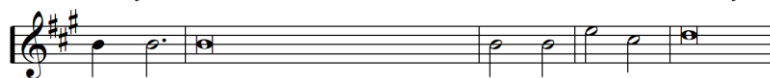
V Make haste, O God, to deliver me.



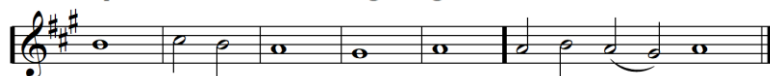
R Make haste to help me, O Lord.



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 56

The verses are spoken antiphonally between the Pastor and Congregation.

P (*Antiphon*) In God I have put my trust; I will not be afraid. What can man do to me?

Be merciful to me, O God, for man would swallow me up;

Fighting all day he oppresses me.

My enemies would hound me all day,

For there are many who fight against me, O Most High.

Whenever I am afraid,

I will trust in You.

In God—I will praise His word!

In God I have put my trust;

I will not fear.

What can flesh do to me?

All day they twist my words;

All their thoughts are against me for evil.

They gather together, they hide, they mark my steps,

When they lie in wait for my life.

Shall they escape by iniquity?

In anger cast down the peoples, O God!

You number my wanderings;

Put my tears into Your bottle;

Are they not in Your book?

When I cry out to You,

Then my enemies will turn back;

This I know, because God is for me.

In God—I will praise His word!

In the LORD—I will praise His word!

In God I have put my trust; I will not be afraid.

What can man do to me?

Vows made to You are binding upon me, O God;

I will render praises to You,

For You have delivered my soul from death.

Have You not kept my feet from falling,

That I may walk before God

In the light of the living?

Glory be to the Father, and to the Son, *

and to the Holy Spirit;

as it was in the beginning, is now, and ever shall be, *

forevermore. Amen.

P (*Antiphon* In God I have put my trust; I will not be afraid. What can man do to me?)

Sit

First Lesson

1 Samuel 2:1-10

After each Lesson:

P O Lord, have mercy upon us.



R Thanks be to You, O Lord!

Second Lesson

Revelation 19:11-21

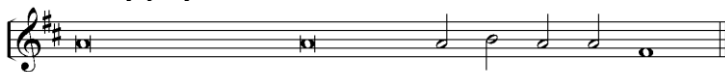
Hymn

TLH #219 – The Head that Once Was Crowned with Thorns

Sermon

Stand

V Let my prayer be set before You as incense.



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

The Canticle

The Nunc Dimittis — Luke 2:29-32



Lord, now | You | let Your servant | de- | part | in | peace, *
accord- | ing | to | Your | word:
For | my | eyes have seen | Your | sal- | va- | tion, *
Which You have prepared before the face | of | all | peo- | ples;
A | — | Light for enlighten- | ing | the | Gen- | tiles, *
and for glory to Your | peo- | ple | Is- | rael.
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



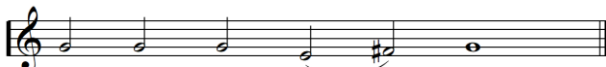
C Lord, have mer- cy up-on us. Christ, have mer- cy up-on us.



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 † Jesus Christ and the love of God and the communion of the Holy Spirit be with you all.

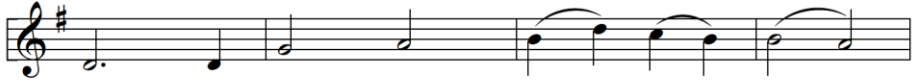


R A - men.

Lo! He Comes with Clouds Descending



1 Lo! He comes with clouds de - scend - ing,
2 Ev - 'ry eye shall now be - hold Him
3 Those dear to - kens of his pas - sion
4 Yea, a - men, let all a - dore Thee



Once for ev - 'ry sin - ner slain;
Robed in dread - ful maj - es - ty;
Still his daz - zling bod - y bears,
High on Thine e - ter - nal throne;



Thou - sand, thou - sand saints at - tend - ing
Those who once de - spised and sold Him,
Cause of end - less ex - ul - ta - tion
Sav - ior, take the pow'r and glo - ry,



Swell the tri - umph of His train:
Pierced and nailed Him to the tree,
To his ran - somed wor - ship - ers.
Claim the king - dom for Thine own!



Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia, al - le -
Deep - ly wail - ing, deep - ly wail - ing, deep - ly
With what rap - ture, with what rap - ture, with what
Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia, al - le -



lu - ia! Christ ap - pears on earth to reign.
wail - ing, Shall their true Mes - si - ah see.
rap - ture, Gaze we on those glo - rious scars!
lu - ia! Ev - er - last - ing God, come down!