

The Order of Vespers

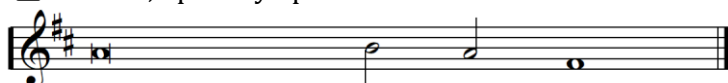
for the week of Trinity 23

Hymn

TLH #383 – *Seek Where Ye May to Find a Way*

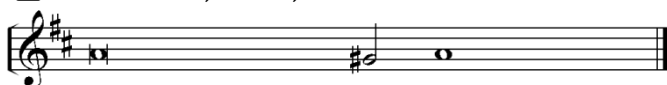
Stand

V O Lord, open my lips.

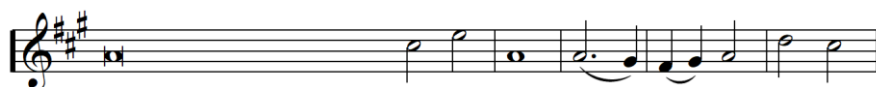


R And my mouth will de-clare Your praise.

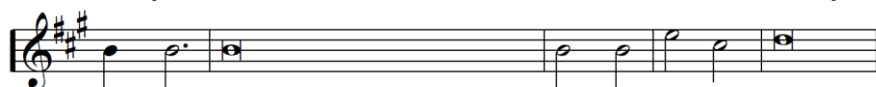
V Make haste, O God, to deliver me.



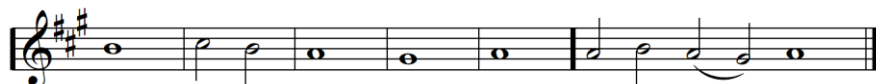
R Make haste to help me, O Lord.



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,



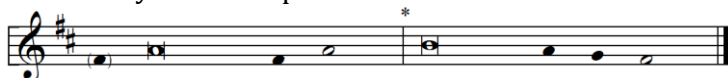
for - ev - er - more. A - men. Al - le - lu - ia!

Psalmody

Psalm 31c

The verses are chanted antiphonally between the Pastor and Congregation.

P (*Antiphon*) Be strong and of good courage,
all you who hope in the LORD.



Let me not be ashamed, O LORD; for I have called upon you.

Let the wicked be ashamed, and let them be silent | in the grave.

Let the lying lips be put to silence,

who, in their pride, speak arrogantly and contemptuously against the | right- -eous.

Oh, how great is your goodness, which you have stored up for those
who fear you;
**which you have shown before the children of man to those who
take re- | fuge in you!**

_You hide them from the pride of man in the hiding-place of your
presence;

you tuck them away in a shelter from | quarrelling tongues.

Blessed be the LORD,

**for he has shown me his wonderful kindness in a strong | ci -
ty.**

_For I said in my haste, I am cut off from your sight.

**But you heard the voice of my supplications when I | cried to
you.**

Oh, love the LORD, all you his saints, for the LORD preserves the
faithful,

but he fully repays the one who acts | proud- -ly.

_Be strong and of good courage,

all you who hope | in the LORD.

_Glory be to the Father, and to | the Son, *

and to the Holy | Spir_it;

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

Forever- | more. Amen.

P (*Antiphon*)_Be strong and of good courage,
all you who hope in the LORD.

Sit

First Lesson

Mark 12:41-44

After each Lesson:

P O Lord, have mercy upon us.



R Thanks be to You, O Lord!

Second Lesson

Isaiah 63:11-19

Hymn

TLH #528 – If God Himself Be For Me (st. 1-6)

Sermon

Stand

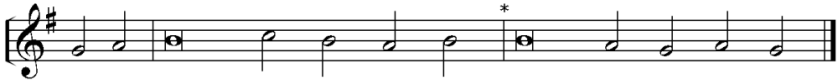
V Let my prayer be set before You as incense.



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.
