The Order of Vespers

for the Circumcision & Name of Our Lord



Psalmody

Psalm 8

The verses are spoken antiphonally between the Pastor and Congregation.

 ● (Antiphon) O LORD, what is man, that you are mindful of him? And the son of man, that you pay attention to him?

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

Yes, your splendor is exalted above the heavens.

Out of the mouth of babes and infants you have appointed praise

because of your foes, to thwart the enemy and the avenger.

When I behold your heavens, the works of your fingers,

the moon and the stars, which you have made, what is man, that you are mindful of him?

And the son of man, that you pay attention to him?

For you made him inferior to the angels for a little while,

but you crown him with glory and honor.

You make him ruler over the works of your hands;

you have placed all things under his feet:

Sheep and cattle together,

and also the beasts of the field,

the birds of the air, and the fish of the sea,

all that traverses the paths of the seas.

O LORD, our Lord,

how majestic is your name in all the earth!

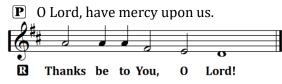
- Glory | be to the Father, and to | the Son, * and to the Holy | Spirit;
- as it | was in the beginning, is now, and ever | shall be, * forevermore. A- | men.

Sit

First Lesson

Galatians 3:23-29

After each Lesson:



Second Lesson

Responsory



- The Word became flesh and dwelt among us, and we beheld His glory, the glory as of the only begotten of the | Father,
- **G** Full of | grace and truth.
- In the beginning was the Word, and the Word was with God, and the Word | was God.
- G Full of | grace and truth.
- **P** Glory be to the Father and to the Son and to the Holy | Spirit.
- **G** Full of | grace and truth.

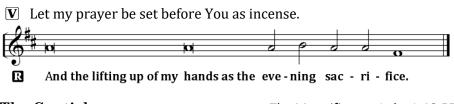
Luke 2:21

Sermon

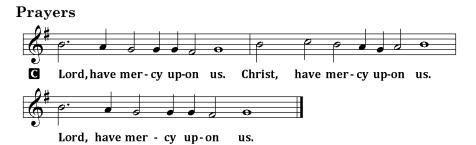
Hymn

TLH #301 – He that Believes and Is Baptized

Stand



The Canticle The Magnificat — Luke 1:46-55 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- | èd. 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- | cv; * 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.

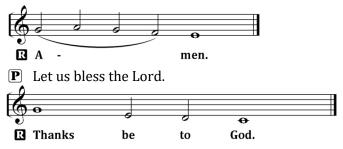


C Our Father, who art in heaven, hallowed be Thy name. Thy kingdom come. Thy will be done on earth as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread. And forgive us our trespasses, as we forgive those who trespass against us. And lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For Thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory, forever and ever. Amen.

P The Lord be with you.



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



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

