

The Order of Vespers

for the Epiphany of our Lord (*observed*)

Hymn

TLH #127 - As with Gladness Men of Old

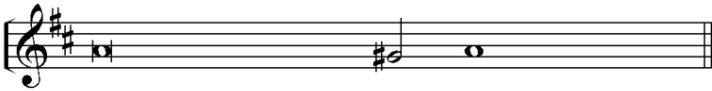
Stand

V O Lord, open my lips.

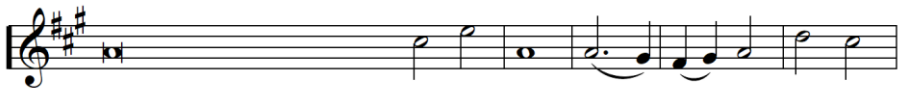


R And my mouth will de-clare Your praise.

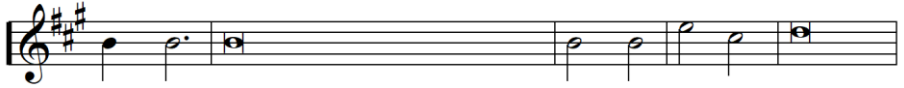
V Make haste, O God, to deliver me.



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!

Sit

Hymn

TLH #343 – How Lovely Shines the Morning Star (st. 1-4)

First Lesson

Isaiah 60:1-12

After each Lesson:

P O Lord, have mercy upon us.

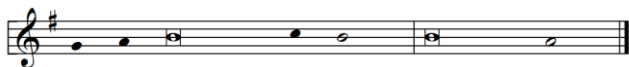


R Thanks be to You, O Lord!

Second Lesson

Matthew 2:1-12

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.

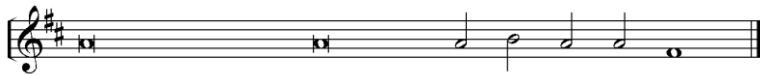
Hymn

TLH #343 – How Lovely Shines the Morning Star (st. 5-7)

Sermon

Stand

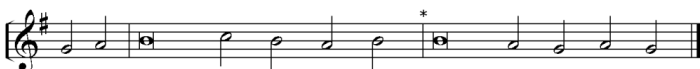
▣ Let my prayer be set before You as incense.



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

The Canticle

The Magnificat — 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- | 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; *

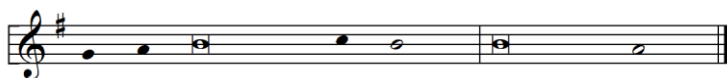
As He spoke to our fathers, to Abraham, and to his | seed | for- | ev- | er.

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.



O Lord, | — **Have mercy upon | us.**
 O Christ, | — **Have mercy upon | us.**
 O Lord, | — **Have mercy upon | us.**

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.

I believe in God, the Father Almighty, Maker of heaven and earth. And in Jesus Christ, His only Son, our Lord; who was conceived by the Holy Spirit, born of the Virgin Mary; suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, died and was buried; He descended into hell; the third day He rose again from the dead; He ascended into heaven and sits at the right hand of God the Father Almighty; from there He shall come to judge the living and the dead. I believe in the Holy Spirit; the holy Christian Church, the communion of saints; the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body; and the life everlasting. Amen.

Blessed are | You, O Lord God of our | fathers:

And greatly to be praised and glorified forev- | er.

Let us bless the | Father and the Son and the Holy | Spirit:

We praise and magnify Him forev- | er.

Blessed are | You, O Lord, in the firmament of | heaven:

And greatly to be praised and glorified and highly exalted forev- | er.

The al- | mighty and merciful Lord bless and pre- | serve us.

A- | men.

Grant us Your | favor, O Lord, | this night:

To keep us without | sin.

O | Lord, have mercy up- | on us:

Have mercy upon | us.

O | Lord, let Your mercy be up- | on us:

As our trust is in | You.

Hear my | prayer, | O Lord:

And let my cry come unto | You.

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.
