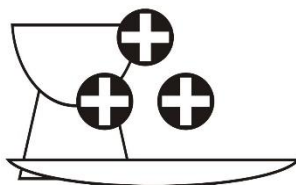


EVENING PRAYER



APRIL 30, 2020

8:00 PM



TRINITY EVANGELICAL LUTHERAN CHURCH
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In the Name of Jesus

Service of Light

P: In the Name of the Father and of the ☩ Son and of the Holy Spirit.

C: Amen

P: Jesus Christ is the Light of the world,

C: the light no darkness can overcome.

P: Stay with us, Lord, for it is evening,

C: and the day is almost over.

P: Let Your light scatter the darkness

C: and illumine Your Church.

P: Now is the time of God's favor;

C: now is the day of salvation.

P: Turn us again, O God of our salvation,

C: that the light of Your face may shine on us.

P: May Your justice shine like the sun;

C: and may the poor be lifted up.

Phos Hilaron (*Evening Prayer*)

P: Joyous light of glory:

C: of the immortal Father;

heavenly, holy, blessed Jesus Christ.

We have come to the setting of the sun,

and we look to the evening light.

We sing to God, the Father, Son, and Holy Spirit:

You are worthy of being praised

with pure voices forever.

O Son of God, O Giver of life:

the universe proclaims Your glory.

Proclamation Hymn: O Light Whose Splendor

LSB 891

1 O Light whose splen - dor thrills and glad - dens
2 As twi - light hov - ers near at sun - set,
With ra - diance bright - er than the sun,
And lamps are lit, and chil - dren nod,
Pure gleam of God's un - end - ing glo - ry,
In eve - ning hymns we lift our voic - es
O Je - sus, blest A - noint - ed One;
To Fa - ther, Spir - it, Son: one God.

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Prayer of the Day

P: The Lord be with you.

C: And also with you.

P: Let us pray...

Blessed are You, O Lord, our God, king of the universe, who led Your people Israel by a pillar of cloud by day and a pillar of fire by night. Enlighten our darkness by the light of Your Christ; may His Word be a lamp to our feet and a light to our path; for You are merciful, and You love Your whole creation and we, Your creatures, glorify You—Father, ✠ Son, and Holy Spirit.

C: Amen.

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Psalm 141

Refrain (Congregation):

***“Let my prayer rise up like incense before you,
the lifting up of my hands as an offering to you. (2X)”***

Cantor:

**O God, I call to you, come to me now;
O hear my voice when I cry to you.**

Refrain (Congregation):

***“Let my prayer rise up like incense before you,
the lifting up of my hands as an offering to you.”***

Cantor:

**Keep watch within me, God; deep in my heart
May the light of your love be burning bright.**

Refrain (Congregation):

***“Let my prayer rise up like incense before you,
the lifting up of my hands as an offering to you.”***

Cantor:

**All praise to the God of all, Creator of life;
All praise be to Christ and the Spirit of love.**

Refrain (Congregation):

***“Let my prayer rise up like incense before you,
the lifting up of my hands as an offering to you.”***

Scripture Reading: Matthew 6:25-34

P: A Reading from the Holy Gospel, according to St. Matthew.

Therefore I tell you, do not worry about your life, what you will eat or what you will drink, or about your body, what you will wear. Is not life more than food, and the body more than clothing? Look at the birds of the air; they neither sow nor reap nor gather into barns, and yet your heavenly Father feeds them. Are you not of more value than they? And can any of you by worrying add a single hour to your span of life? And why do you worry about clothing? Consider the lilies of the field, how they grow; they neither toil nor spin, yet I tell you, even Solomon in all his glory was not clothed like one of these. But if God so clothes the grass of the field, which is alive today and tomorrow is thrown into the oven, will he not much more clothe you—you of little faith? Therefore do not worry, saying, "What will we eat?" or "What will we drink?" or "What will we wear?" For it is the Gentiles who strive for all these things; and indeed your heavenly Father knows that you need all these things. But strive first for the kingdom of God and his righteousness, and all these things will be given to you as well. So do not worry about tomorrow, for tomorrow will bring worries of its own. Today's trouble is enough for today.

P: The Word of the Lord.

C: Thanks be to God.

Homily

Canticle: Magnificat (My Soul Rejoices)

LSB 933

1 My soul re - joic - es, My spir - it voic - es— Sing the
2 His arm now bar - ing, His strength de - clar - ing— Sing the

great - ness of the Lord! For God my Sav - ior Has shown me
great - ness of the Lord! The proud He scat - ters, Their rule He

fa - vor— Sing the great - ness of the Lord! With praise and
shat - ters— Sing the great - ness of the Lord! Op - pres - sion

bles - sing, Join in con - fess - ing God, who is sole - ly Might - y and
halt - ed; The meek ex - alt - ed. Full are the hun - gry; Emp - ty, the

ho - ly— O sing the great - ness of God the Lord! His mer - cy
wealth - y— O sing the great - ness of God the Lord! Here is the
sure - ly Shall rest se - cure - ly On all who fear Him,
to - ken All that was spo - ken To A - br'ham's off - spring
Love and re - vere Him— O sing the great - ness of God the Lord!
God is ful - fill - ing— O sing the great - ness of God the Lord!

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Litany (LSB 249)

The congregation's response may begin just as the leader's petition ends so that the word "Lord" is sung simultaneously by both leader and congregation.

L In peace let us pray to the **C** Lord, have mer - cy.

P: For the peace from above and for our salvation, let us pray to the...

C: Lord, have mercy.

P: For the peace of the whole world, for the well-being of the Church of God, and for the unity of all, let us pray to the...

C: Lord, have mercy.

P: For the holy house of God and for all who offer their worship and praise, even in times unable to gather, let us pray to the...

C: Lord, have mercy.

P: For Bishop Harrison, Bishop Lecakes, Bishop Emeritus Benke, for all pastors in Christ, for all servants of the Church, and for all people, let us pray to the...

C: Lord, have mercy.

P: For President Trump, for Gov. Cuomo, for Mayor DiBlasio, for all public servants, for the government and those who protect us, that they may be upheld and strengthened in every good deed, let us pray to the...

C: Lord, have mercy.

P: For those who work to bring peace, justice, health, and protection in this and every place, let us pray to the...

C: Lord, have mercy.

P: For those who bring offerings, those who do good works in our congregation, those who toil, those who sing, and all the people present who await from the Lord great and abundant mercy, let us pray to the...

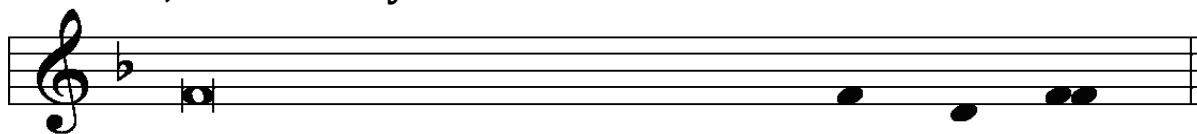
C: Lord, have mercy.

P: For favorable weather, for an abundance of the fruits of the earth, and for peaceful times, let us pray to the...

C: Lord, have mercy.

P: For our deliverance from all affliction, wrath, danger, and need, especially as we suffer through the pandemic of COVID-19, let us pray to the...

C: Lord, have mercy.



L Help, save, comfort, and defend us, gra - cious Lord.

(Meditation for silent prayer.)

P: O God, from whom come all holy desires, all good counsels, and all just works, give to us, Your servants, that peace which the world cannot give, that our hearts may be set to obey Your commandments and also that we, being defended from the fear of our enemies, may live in peace and quietness; through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

C: Amen.

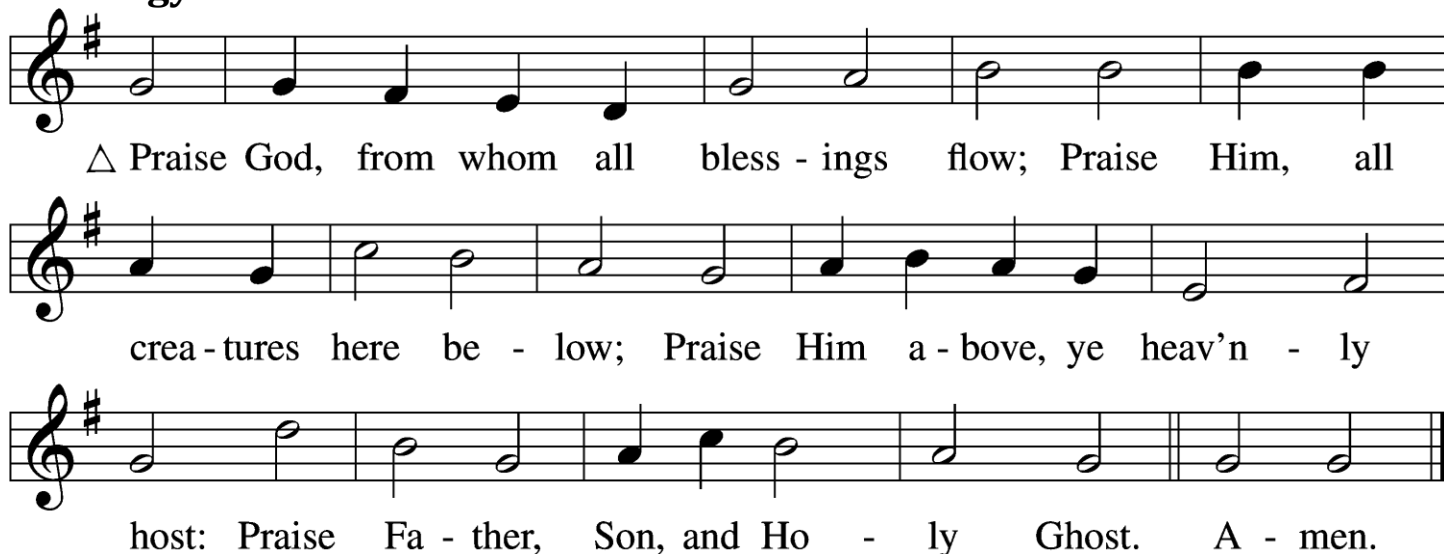
The Lord's Prayer

P: Taught by our Lord and trusting His promises, we are bold to pray:

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.

Doxology

-- LSB 805



△ Praise God, from whom all bless - ings flow; Praise Him, all
crea - tures here be - low; Praise Him a - bove, ye heav'n - ly
host: Praise Fa - ther, Son, and Ho - ly Ghost. A - men.

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Benediction

P: Almighty God – the Father, the Son ☩, and the Holy Spirit – bless you now and forever.

C: **Amen.**

A: Alleluia! Christ is risen!

C: **He is risen, indeed! Alleluia!**

A: Go in peace. Serve the Lord.

C: **Thanks be to God.**