



EVENING PRAYER

Saturday, November 20, 2021

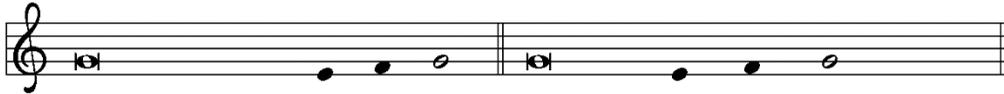
5:00 p.m.

PRELUDE

(Please stand at the sound of the bell)

GATHERING

OPENING DIALOGUE



God is our life and our sal-va-tion, **our refuge and our stronghold.**



From the rising of the sun to its setting, **we praise your name, O God.**



For with you is the foun-tain of life, **and in your light we see light.**

Leader

Joy-ous light of glo - ry:

All

of the im - mor - tal Fa - ther; heav - en - ly, ho - ly,

bles - ed Je - sus Christ. We have come to the

set - ting of the sun, and we look to the eve - ning light.

We sing to God, the Fa - ther, Son, and Ho - ly Spir - it:

You are wor - thy of be - ing praised with pure voic - es for -

ev - er. O Son of God, O giv - er of life:

The u - ni - verse pro - claims your glo - ry.

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PRAYER OF THE DAY

P The Lord be with you.

All **And also with you.**

P Let us pray.

Mighty God, grow your authority among us continually. Establish and uphold your justice with righteousness so that all people will have what they need. Increase our joy so that we all may live under your endless peace. We pray this in the name of Jesus and in all the holy names of God.

All **Amen.**

(Please be seated)

WORD

FIRST READING

Isaiah 9:1-7

Tonight's narrative reading is from the book of Isaiah:

¹But there will be no gloom for those who were in anguish. In the former time he brought into contempt the land of Zebulun and the land of Naphtali, but in the latter time he will make glorious the way of the sea, the land beyond the Jordan, Galilee of the nations.

²The people who walked in darkness
have seen a great light;
those who lived in a land of deep darkness —
on them light has shined.

³You have multiplied the nation,
you have increased its joy;
they rejoice before you
as with joy at the harvest,
as people exult when dividing plunder.

⁴For the yoke of their burden,
and the bar across their shoulders,
the rod of their oppressor,
you have broken as on the day of Midian.

⁵For all the boots of the tramping warriors
and all the garments rolled in blood
shall be burned as fuel for the fire.

⁶For a child has been born for us,
 a son given to us;
 authority rests upon his shoulders;
 and he is named
 Wonderful Counselor, Mighty God,
 Everlasting Father, Prince of Peace.
⁷His authority shall grow continually,
 and there shall be endless peace
 for the throne of David and his kingdom.
 He will establish and uphold it
 with justice and with righteousness
 from this time onward and forevermore.
 The zeal of the LORD of hosts will do this.

Word of God. Word of life.

AI Thanks be to God.

(Please stand)

ALLELUIA VERSE

Al-le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia.

Al-le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia.

The musical score consists of two systems. Each system has a vocal line (treble clef) and a piano accompaniment line (bass clef). The key signature is one flat (F major), and the time signature is 3/4. The lyrics are 'Al-le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia.' The piano accompaniment features a steady bass line and chords that support the vocal melody.

Tonight's gospel reading is from the book of John:

¹²Again Jesus spoke to them, saying, "I am the light of the world. Whoever follows me will never walk in darkness but will have the light of life." ¹³Then the Pharisees said to him, "You are testifying on your own behalf; your testimony is not valid." ¹⁴Jesus answered, "Even if I testify on my own behalf, my testimony is valid because I know where I have come from and where I am going, but you do not know where I come from or where I am going. ¹⁵You judge by human standards I judge no one. ¹⁶Yet even if I do judge, my judgment is valid; for it is not I alone who judge, but I and the Father who sent me. ¹⁷In your law it is written that the testimony of two witnesses is valid. ¹⁸I testify on my own behalf, and the Father who sent me testifies on my behalf." ¹⁹Then they said to him, "Where is your Father?" Jesus answered, "You know neither me nor my Father. If you knew me, you would know my Father also." ²⁰He spoke these words while he was teaching in the treasury of the temple, but no one arrested him, because his hour had not yet come.

P Word of God. Word of life.

All **Thanks be to God.**

(Repeat Alleluia Verse)

SERMON

(Please stand)

CANTICLE

Hymn 251

"My Soul Proclaims Your Greatness"

A paraphrase of Mary's Magnificat, the canticle traditionally sung at evening prayer.

PRAYERS OF THE CHURCH

A Let us pray for the church and for the world giving thanks for God's goodness.

(Brief Silence)

Each petition concludes:

For your love and goodness:

We give you thanks O God.

P Having gathered our prayers, we offer them to you O God, confident that they are received and held in your holy name.

A **Amen.**

PEACE

P The peace of the Lord be with you all.

A **And also with you.**

(Please sit)

MUSICAL REFLECTION

“O How Lovely is Thy World”

Franz Schubert

MEAL

(Please stand)

GREAT THANKSGIVING

P The Lord be with you.

A **And also with you.**

P Lift up your hearts.

A **We lift them to the Lord.**

P Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

A **It is right to give our thanks and praise.**

P Healing, restoring, holy God . . .
. . . In your church throughout the world,
Now and forever.

A **Amen.**

LORD'S PRAYER

P Lord, remember us in your kingdom and teach us to pray:

Our Father in heaven,

hallowed be your name, your kingdom come,

your will be done, on earth as in heaven.

Give us today our daily bread.

Forgive us our sins

as we forgive those who sin against us.

Save us from the time of trial and deliver us from evil.

For the kingdom, the power,

and the glory are yours,

now and forever. Amen.

(Please sit)

COMMUNION DISTRIBUTION

"O Jesu, nomen dulce"

Heinrich Schütz

O Jesus, sweet name! Admirable name! Comforting name! What truly is sung more sweetly?

What is heard more pleasantly? What is thought of more dear? Who but Jesus, God's Son?

O name of Jesus, true food of the soul! Honey in my mouth, song in my ear, source of delight in my heart! Therefore your name, sweetest Jesus, I will carry in my mouth into eternity!

(Please stand)

POST-COMMUNION PRAYER

A Let us pray.

Blessed Jesus, at this table, you have been for us both host and meal.

Now send us forth to extend our tables and to share your gifts

until that day when all feast together at your heavenly banquet.

All Amen.

BENEDICTION

P God, the beginning and the end,
who has written your name in the book of life,

✠ bless and keep you in grace and peace

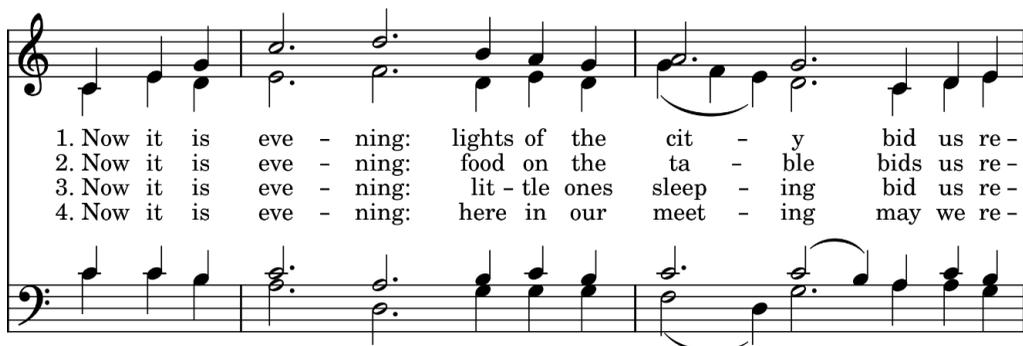
from this time forth and forevermore.

All Amen.

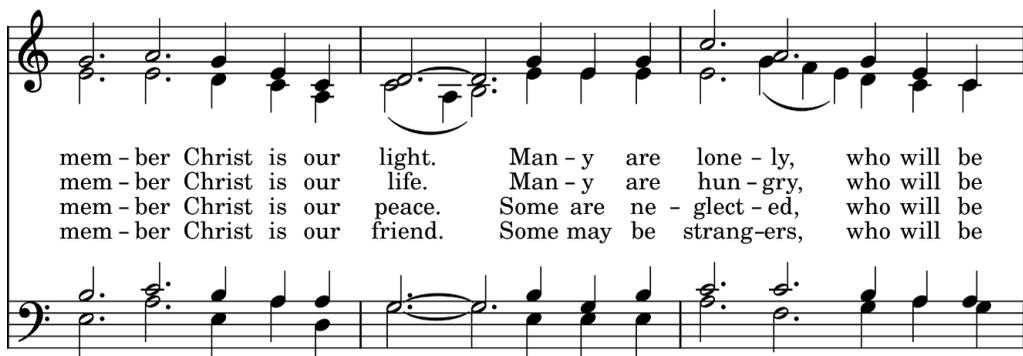
SENDING

EVENING HYMN

"Now It Is Evening"



1. Now it is eve - ning: lights of the cit - y bid us re -
2. Now it is eve - ning: food on the ta - ble bids us re -
3. Now it is eve - ning: lit - tle ones sleep - ing bid us re -
4. Now it is eve - ning: here in our meet - ing may we re -



mem - ber Christ is our light. Man - y are lone - ly, who will be
mem - ber Christ is our life. Man - y are hun - gry, who will be
mem - ber Christ is our peace. Some are ne - glect - ed, who will be
mem - ber Christ is our friend. Some may be strang - ers, who will be



neigh - bor? Where there is car - ing, Christ is our light.
neigh - bor? Where there is shar - ing, Christ is our life.
neigh - bor? Where there is car - ing, Christ is our peace.
neigh - bor? Where there's a wel - come, Christ is our friend.

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DISMISSAL

A Go in peace, serve the Lord.

AD **Thanks be to God.**

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