

Evening Prayer ~ Third Week of Advent
Wednesday, December 16, 2020

Invitatory

STAND

PRESIDER: O God, come to my assistance. Make the sign of the cross.

ALL: Lord, make haste to help me.

PRESIDER: Glory to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Spirit,

ALL: as it was in the beginning, is now, and will be forever. Amen.

Evening hymn: Warm the Time of Winter - Duck & True



1. When the wind of win - ter blows, bring - ing times of
2. When we shiv - er in des - pair, when the chill of
3. When in days of fall - en snow, change con - founds or



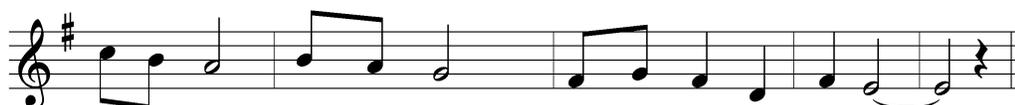
sol - i - tude, fill the si - lent, ic - y night;
death comes near, hold us, Spir - it, calm our fear,
love burns low, from the ash - es may there rise



be our hearts' com - pas - sion.
while the eve - ning deep - ens.
phoe - nix of our grow - ing.



Ho - ly light, warm our night; warm the time of win - ter.



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Opening Prayer

Psalm 126: God Has Done Great Things for Us - Haugen - G110

SIT

Refrain

God has done great things for us, filled us with
laugh-ter and mu - sic; God has done great things for
us, filled us with laugh-ter and mu - sic.

Verses

1. When our God led us back to freedom,
like dreamers we beheld the promised land again;
our mouths were filled with laughter and rejoicing.
2. We proclaimed to the nations what you had done for us;
your mighty deeds of love, restoring us to life,
you lead your people home to you rejoicing.
3. Come restore our fortune, renew us in your love,
as rivers through the sand, as springs within the desert;
those who sow in tears shall reap rejoicing.

Text: Psalm 126:1-6; Marty Haugen
Music: Marty Haugen
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Psalm Prayer

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Psalm 4: Lord, Let Your Face Shine Upon Us - Haugen - G19

SIT

Refrain

Lord, let your face shine up - on us, shine up -
on us, shine up - on us.

Verses

1. Listen to my song, hear me when I call, Oh Lord, my God, be gracious,
hear my prayer.
2. You have called my name, set your seal upon my heart,
you hear me when I call.
3. Fill me with your joy, grant to me your peaceful rest,
to dwell in safety with my Lord.

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Psalm Prayer

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Scripture reading:

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Responsory:

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PRESIDER: Come and set us free, Lord God of power and might.

ALL: Come and set us free, Lord God of power and might.

PRESIDER: Let your face shine upon us and we shall be saved,

ALL: Lord God of power and might.

PRESIDER: Glory to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Spirit,

ALL: Come and set us free, Lord God of power and might.

Gospel Canticle: Holy Is His Name - Talbot

My soul proclaims the greatness of the Lord,
and my spirit exalts in God my Savior.

For he has looked with mercy on my lowliness,
and my name will be forever exalted.

For the mighty God has done great things for me,
and his mercy will reach from age to age.

And holy, holy, holy is his name.

He has mercy in every generation.

He has revealed his power and his glory.

He has cast down the mighty in their arrogance,
and has lifted up the meek and the lowly.

He has come to help his servant Israel;
he remembers his promise to our fathers.

Text: based on Luke 1:46-55; John Michael Talbot; Music: John Michael Talbot; arr. by Phil Perkins and Rick Modlin
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Intercessions

PRESIDER: Compassionate God, you alone are holy. With humble hearts, we pray:

ALL: O God, lead us along the everlasting way.

LECTOR: Open our hearts to experience mystery, wonder, and awe in your presence.

ALL: O God, lead us along the everlasting way.

LECTOR: Inspire people of faith to work together for the betterment of those who lack resources to meet their basic needs.

ALL: O God, lead us along the everlasting way.

LECTOR: Keep us all in the bonds of your love and bring us to the fullness of your peace.

ALL: O God, lead us along the everlasting way.

LECTOR: Awaken in all who govern the thirst for justice that reflects your Gospel.

ALL: O God, lead us along the everlasting way.

PRESIDER: Hear these prayers . . . We ask this through Christ, our Lord.

ALL: Amen.

Lord's Prayer

Concluding Prayer

PRESIDER: May the Lord bless us, Make the sign of the cross while saying this.
protect us from all evil and bring us to everlasting life.

ALL: Amen.

Closing Song: People, Look East – Farjeon

1. People, look East. The time is near of the crowning of the year.
Make your house fair as you are able. Trim the hearth and set the table.
People, look East, and sing today: Love, the Guest, is on the way.
2. Furrows, be glad, though earth is bare. One more seed is planted there;
Give up your strength the seed to nourish, that in course the flow'r may flourish.
People, look East, and sing today: Love, the Rose, is on the way.
3. Stars, keep the watch when night is dim. One more light the bowl shall brim.
Shining beyond the frosty weather, bright as sun and moon together.
People, look East, and sing today: Love, the Star, is on the way.
4. Angels, announce on this great feast: Him who cometh from the East.
Set ev'ry peak and valley humming with the word, the Lord is coming.
People, look East, and sing today: Love, the Lord, is on the way.

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