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Hymn

TLH #588 – I Would Not Live Alway I Ask Not to Stay

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Versicles and Responses

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The Psalmody

TLH #665 – Levavi Oculos (Psalm 121)

Psalm 98



The Pastor sings the following Invitatory.

P Be--hold, the King is | coming: Oh, come, let us worship | Him.

Oh, sing to the LORD a new song! For He has done marvelous things; His right hand and His holy arm have gained Him the victory.

The LORD has made known His salvation;

His righteousness He has revealed in the sight of the nations.

He has remembered His mercy and His faithfulness to the house of Israel:

All the ends of the earth have seen the salvation of our God.

Shout joyfully to the LORD, all the earth;

Break forth in song, rejoice, and sing praises.

Sing to the LORD with the harp,

With the harp and the sound of a psalm,

With trumpets and the sound of a horn;

Shout joyfully before the LORD, the King.

Let the sea roar, and all its fullness,

The world and those who dwell in it;

Let the rivers clap their hands; let the hills be joyful together before the LORD,

For He is coming to judge the earth.

With righteousness He shall judge the world,

And the peoples with equity.

Glory be to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Ghost;

as it was in the beginning, is now, and ever shall be, world without end. Amen.

The Invitatory is then repeated antiphonally.

- **P** Be--hold, the King is | coming:
- Oh, come, let us worship | Him.

Sit

Lesson Malachi 3:1-6

After each Lesson:

- **P** But Thou, O Lord, have mercy upon us.
- **R** Thanks be to Thee, O Lord.

Lesson Revelation 2:1-7

Responsory



- P Be--hold, the days are coming, says | the Lord,
- When I will raise up to David a righteous | Branch,
- **P** And a King shall reign and | prosper
- And shall execute judgment and justice in the | earth.
- P And this is His name by which He shall | be called,
- The Lord Our Righteous- | ness.
- **P** In His days shall Judah | be saved,
- **C** And Israel shall dwell safe- | ly.
- P And this is His name by which He shall | be called,
- **C** The Lord Our Righteous- | ness.
- P Glory be to the Father and to | the Son
- And to the Holy | Ghost.
- P And this is His name by which He shall | be called,
- **C** The Lord Our Righteous- | ness.

Hymn

TLH #479 – Zion, Rise, Zion, Rise

The Sermon

Hymn

TLH #589 – Oh, How Blest Are They

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The Antiphon

- P Re--joice greatly, O Jeru- | salem:
- Behold, your King is com- | ing.

The Prayers

The Evening Suffrages

- **V** 0 Lord, | —
- R Have mercy upon | us.
- **V** 0 Christ, | —
- R Have mercy upon | us.
- **V** 0 Lord, | —
- R 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.



- **V** Blessed are You, O Lord God of our | fathers:
- And greatly to be praised and glorified forev- | er.
- **V** Let us bless the Father and the Son and the Holy | Spirit:
- **R** 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.
- **V** The almighty and merciful Lord bless and pre- | serve us.
- R A- | men.
- **V** Grant us Your grace, O Lord, | this night:
- **R** To keep us without | sin.

- **V** O Lord, have mercy up- | on us:
- R Have mercy upon | us.
- **V** O Lord, let Your mercy be up- | on us:
- **R** As our trust is in | You.
- **V** Hear my prayer, | 0 Lord:
- **R** And let my cry come unto | You.

The Salutation & Collects

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The Pastor speaks the Collect of the Day, other Collects as needed, and the following Collect. A Versicle is then sung before the Collect for Peace. After each Collect, the Congregation sings **Amen**.

- [P] We thank You, our heavenly Father, through Jesus Christ, Your dear Son, that You have kept us this day; and we pray that You would graciously forgive us all our sins where we have done wrong, and graciously keep us this night. For into Your hands we commend ourselves, our bodies and souls, and all things. Let Your holy angel be with us that the wicked Foe may have no power over us.
- C (sung) Amen.



- **V** Prepare the way of the Lord. Alle- | luia:
- Make His paths straight.. Allelu- | ia!

The Benedicamus and The Benediction

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