

# Vespers for the week of Oculi - Lent 3

*The Lutheran Hymnal, p.41*

Hymn

*O Christ, You Are the Day and Light (see insert)*

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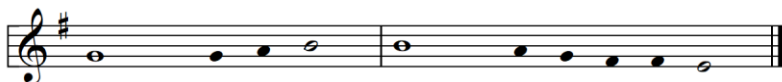
Versicles and Responses

*p.41 (no Hallelujah after Gloria Patri)*

The Psalmody

*Psalm 86*

Antiphon:



P Man shall not live by | bread alone:  
but by every word that proceeds out | of the mouth of God.

*The verses are spoken antiphonally between the Pastor and Congregation.*

Bow down Your ear, O LORD, hear me; For I am | poor and needy.

**Preserve my life, for I am holy; You are my God; Save Your  
servant | who trusts in You!**

Be merciful to me, O Lord, For I cry to | You all day long.

**Rejoice the soul of Your servant, For to You, O Lord, I | lift up my  
soul.**

For You, Lord, are good, and ready to forgive, And abundant in mercy  
to all those who | call upon You.

**Give ear, O LORD, to my prayer; And attend to the voice of my |  
supplications.**

In the day of my trouble I will call upon You, For You | will answer me.

**Among the gods there is none like You, O Lord; Nor are there  
any | works like Your works.**

All nations whom You have made Shall come and worship before You,  
O Lord, And shall glo- | rify Your name.

**For You are great, and do wondrous things; You | alone are God.**

Teach me Your way, O LORD; I will walk in Your truth; Unite my heart |  
to fear Your name.

**I will praise You, O Lord my God, with all my heart, And I will  
glorify Your name | forevermore.**

For great is Your mercy toward me, And You have delivered my soul from the | depths of Sheol.

**O God, the proud have risen against me, And a mob of violent men have sought my life, And have not set | You before them.**

But You, O Lord, are a God full of compas- | sion, and gracious,  
**Longsuffering and abundant in | mercy and truth.**

Oh, turn to me, and have | mercy on me!

**Give Your strength to Your servant, And save the son of | Your maidservant.**

Show me a sign for good, That those who hate me may see it | and be ashamed,

**Because You, LORD, have helped me and | comforted me.**

**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.**

*Antiphon:*



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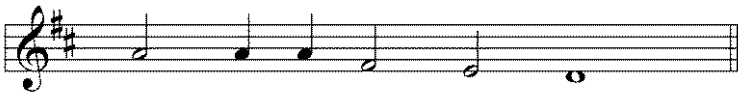
*Sit*

## First Lesson

*Numbers 24:1-13*

*After each Lesson:*

P But Thou, O Lord, have mercy upon us.



**☩ Thanks be to Thee, O Lord!**

## Second Lesson

*Luke 20:1 - 21:4*

## Responsory

P He was brought as a lamb to the | slaught- -er,

C **He was oppressed, and He was afflicted, yet He | opened not His mouth.**

P He was delivered | up to death

C **That He might | give His people life.**

P In Salem also | is His tent,

C **And His | dwelling place in Zion.**

P He was delivered | up to death  
 C **That He might | give His people life.**  
 P Glory be to the Father and | to the Son  
 C **And | to the Holy Ghost.**  
 P He was delivered | up to death  
 C **That He might | give His people life.**

Hymn

TLH #148 – Lord Jesus Christ My Life My Light

The Sermon

Stand

Versicle and Response

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The Canticle

*The Nunc Dimittis, p.43-44*

The Antiphon



P Behold, now is the ac- | cepted time:  
 C **Behold, now is the day | of salva- -tion.**

The Prayers

*The Evening Suffrages*

V O Lord,  
 R **Have mer- | cy upon \_ us.**  
 V O Christ,  
 R **Have mer- | cy upon \_ us.**  
 V O Lord,  
 R **Have mer- | cy 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:  
 R **And greatly to be praised and glori- | fied forev- -er.**  
 V Let us bless the Father and the Son and the | Holy Spirit:  
 R **We praise and magnify | Him forev- -er.**  
 V Blessed are You, O Lord, in the firmament of | heaven:  
 R **And greatly to be praised and glorified and highly exal- | ted  
 forev- -er.**  
 V The almighty and merciful Lord bless and pre- | serve us.  
 R **A- | - - men\_.**  
 V Grant us Your favor, O Lord, | this night:  
 R **To keep | us without \_ sin.**  
 V O Lord, have mercy up- | on us:  
 R **Have mer- | cy upon \_ us.**  
 V O Lord, let Your mercy be up- | on us:  
 R **As | our trust is in You.**  
 V Hear my | prayer, O Lord:  
 R **And let my | cry come unto You.**

**The Salutation & Collects**

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*After the Salutation, the Collect for the Day is spoken, followed by the Collect below, the Versicle, and the Collect for Peace.*

P Almighty God, our heavenly Father, You desire not the death of a sinner, but rather that he should turn from his evil way and live. We implore You graciously to turn from us those punishments which we by our sins have deserved and to grant us grace ever hereafter to serve You in holiness and purity of living; through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord.

C *(sung)* **Amen.**



V Christ became obedient | unto death:  
 R **Even the death | of the cross. \_ \_**

**The Benedicamus and The Benediction**

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