The Order of Vespers

for the Festival of James the Elder (July 25)

Rev. Paul Rydecki, Pastor at Emmanuel Lutheran Church, Las Cruces, NM *The Lutheran Hymnal, p. 41*

Hymn

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The Psalmody

Psalm 19

The verses are spoken antiphonally between the Pastor and Congregation.

(Antiphon) The law of the LORD is perfect, converting the soul; the testimony of the LORD is sure, making wise the simple.

The heavens declare the glory of God:

the expanse proclaims the work of his hands.

Day to day they pour forth speech;

and night to night they utter knowledge.

There is no speech, there are no words

where their voice cannot be heard.

Their sound has gone out through all the earth and their words to the end of the world.

In them he has placed a tent for the sun,

which is like a bridegroom going forth from his chamber,

rejoicing like a champion to run his course.

It goes forth from one end of the heavens and moves around to the other;

and nothing is hidden from its heat.

The law of the LORD is perfect, converting the soul;

the testimony of the LORD is sure, making wise the simple.

The statutes of the LORD are right, making glad the heart;

the commandment of the LORD is pure, enlightening the eyes.

The fear of the LORD is clean, enduring forever:

the judgments of the LORD are true and altogether righteous, more desirable than gold, than much pure gold;

and sweeter than honey, even honey from the comb.

Your servant is also instructed by them;

and in keeping them there is great reward.

Who can discern his errors?

Cleanse me from hidden faults!

Spare your servant also from the arrogant; let them not rule over me; then I will be blameless and innocent of great transgression.

Let the words of my mouth and the meditation of my heart be acceptable in your sight,

O LORD, my Rock and my Redeemer.

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.

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Sit

First Lesson

Romans 8:28-39

After each Lesson:

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



Second Lesson

Matthew 20:20-23

Hymn

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The Sermon

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The Prayers

The Evening Suffrages

0 Lord, | —

Have mercy upon | us.

0 Christ, | —

Have mercy upon | us.

0 Lord, | —

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.

Blessed are | You, O Lord God of our | fathers:

And greatly to be praised and glorified forev- | er.

Let us bless the | Father and the Son and the Holy | Spirit:

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.

The al- | mighty and merciful Lord bless and pre- | serve us.

A- | men.

Grant us Your | favor, O Lord, | this night:

To keep us without | sin.

O | Lord, have mercy up- | on us:

Have mercy upon | us.

O | Lord, let Your mercy be up- | on us:

As our trust is in | You.

Hear my | prayer, | O Lord:

And let my cry come unto | You.

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