

The Order of Vespers

for the week of Trinity 9

Rev. Paul Rydecki, Pastor at Emmanuel Lutheran Church, Las Cruces, NM

The Lutheran Hymnal, p. 41

Hymn

TLH #398 – *Renew Me, O Eternal Light*

Stand

Versicles and Responses

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The Psalmody

Psalm 139

The verses are spoken antiphonally between the Pastor and Congregation.

P (*Antiphon*) How precious are your thoughts to me, O God!
How vast is the sum of them!

O LORD, you search me,
and you know me.

You know when I sit and when I arise,
you discern my thoughts from afar.

You weigh my wandering and my lying down
and are familiar with all my ways.

For, behold, there is not a word on my tongue
that you, O LORD, do not know fully.

Behind and before, you fence me in,
and you place your hand upon me.

Such knowledge is too wonderful for me;
it is high, I cannot grasp it.

Where shall I go from your Spirit?
or where shall I flee from your face?

If I ascend into heaven, you are there:
if I make my bed in hell, behold, you are there.

If I take the wings of dawn,
and dwell on the far side of the sea,

even there your hand will lead me,
and your right hand will hold me.

If I say, "Surely the darkness will cover me,"
then the night will become light around me.

Yes, the darkness is not dark to you, but the night shines as the day;
darkness and light are both alike to you.

For you have my innermost parts in your power;
you knit me together in my mother's womb.

I thank you, for I am fearfully and wonderfully made;

wonderful are your works, and that my soul knows full well.

My substance was not hidden from you, when I was made in secret,

when I was formed in the lower parts of the earth.

Your eyes saw me when I was yet unfinished, and in your book all
the days were written, that were still to be,

when not one of them yet was.

How precious are your thoughts to me, O God!

How vast is the sum of them!

If I should count them, they would be more than the grains of sand;

when I awake, I am still with you.

Oh, that you would slay the wicked, O God!

Depart from me, you bloodthirsty men!

For they speak against you wickedly,

and your enemies rise up without cause.

Do I not hate those, O LORD, who hate you?

And am not I grieved with those who stand against you?

I hate them with complete hatred;

they have become my enemies.

Search me, O God, and know my heart;

test me, and know my thoughts.

And see if there is any wicked way in me,

and lead me in the way everlasting.

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. A- | men.

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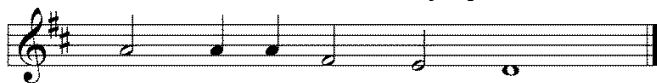
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First Lesson

1 Chronicles 29:10-13

After each Lesson:

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



R Thanks be to Thee, O Lord!

Second Lesson

2 Timothy 1:3-14

Third Lesson

Luke 12:32-48

Hymn

TLH #441 – We Give Thee But Thine Own

The Sermon

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The Canticle

The Nunc Dimittis, p.43-44

The Prayers

The Evening Suffrages

O Lord, | —

Have mercy upon | us.

O Christ, | —

Have mercy upon | us.

O 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.

The Salutation & Collects

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The Benedicamus and The Benediction

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