

Service Folder

First Day of Lent

February 22, 2023

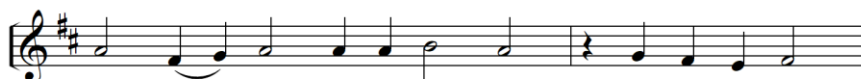
THE INTROIT *(after the Confession & Absolution)*

Psalm 57:1-3

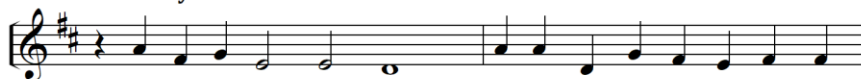
- P** *(Antiphon)* I will cry out | to God Most _ High, *
To God who performs | all _ things _ for me.
And in the shadow of Your wings I will | make my re- -fuge, *
Until these calami- | ties _ have _ passed by.



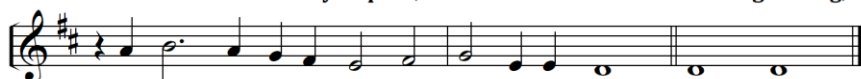
- C** Be merciful to me, O God, be mer- | ciful to _ me! *
For my | soul _ trusts _ in You.



Glo - ry be to the Fa - ther and to the Son



and to the Ho - ly Spirit; as it was in the be - gin - ning,



is now, and ev - er shall be, for - ev - er - more. A - men.

- P** *(Antiphon)*

THE GRADUAL & TRACT *(after the Second Lesson) Ps. 57:1,3; Ps. 103:10, 79:8-9a*

- P** Be merciful to me, O God, be mer- | ciful to _ me!
For my | soul _ trusts _ in You;
He shall send from heav- | en and save _ me;
He reproaches the one who would | swal- -low _ me up.
- C** O Lord, do not deal with us accord- | ing to our _ sins,
Nor punish us according to our | in- -i- -quities.
- P** O Lord, do not remember former iniqui- | ties against _ us!
Let Your tender mercies come speedily to meet us, for we have
been | brought _ ve- - ry low.
- C** Help us, O God of | our salva- -tion,
For the glo- | ry _of _ Your name.

The Litany *(in place of the General Prayer)*

The congregation responds after each line.

O Lord:
O Christ:
O Lord:

Have mercy upon us.

O Christ:

Hear us.

Lord God, Father in heaven:
Lord God, Son of God, Redeemer of the world:
Lord God, Holy Spirit:

Have mercy upon us.

Be gracious unto us:
Be gracious unto us:

**Spare us, good Lord.
Help us, good Lord.**

From every sin:
From every error:
From every evil:
From the cunning and snares of the devil:
From sudden and evil death:
From pestilence and famine:
From war and bloodshed:
From rebellion and contention:
From lightning and tempest:
And from everlasting death:

Good Lord, deliver us.

By the mystery of Your holy incarnation:
By Your holy nativity:
By Your baptism, fasting, and temptation:
By Your agony and bloody sweat:
By Your cross and Passion:
By Your death and burial:
By Your holy resurrection and ascension:
And by the coming of the Holy Spirit, the
Comforter:

Help us, good Lord.

In all time of our tribulation:
In all time of our prosperity:
In the hour of our death:
And at the last judgment:

Help us, good Lord.

We poor sinners implore You:

To hear us, O Lord God,

And to rule and govern Your holy Christian
Church:
To preserve all pastors and ministers of the
Church in sound doctrine and in holy living:

Hear us, good Lord.

To curb all schisms and causes of offense:
To restore the erring and those who are deceived:
To trample Satan under our feet:
To send faithful laborers into Your harvest:
To accompany Your Word with Your Spirit and power:
To raise up those who fall and to strengthen those who stand:
To encourage and help those who are timid and distressed:
To give peace and concord to all rulers:
To prosper our nation in all righteous endeavors:
To direct and defend our president and all in authority:
To bless and keep our magistrates and all our people:

Hear us, good Lord.

To regard and deliver the afflicted and those who are in danger:
To grant safe delivery to pregnant women and to preserve their children in health:
To strengthen and protect the little children and those who are sick:
To set the captives free:
To defend and provide for all widows and orphans:
To have mercy upon all men:
To forgive and convert our enemies, persecutors, and slanderers:
To give and preserve the fruits of the earth:
And graciously to hear our prayers:

Hear us, good Lord.

Lord Jesus Christ, Son of God:

Hear us, good Lord.

O Lamb of God, who takes away the sin of the world:

Have mercy upon us.

O Lamb of God, who takes away the sin of the world:

Have mercy upon us.

O Lamb of God, who takes away the sin of the world:

Grant us Your peace.

O Christ:

Hear us.

O Lord:

Have mercy upon us.

O Christ:

Have mercy upon us.

All: Lord, have mercy upon us. Amen.

Service note: In place of the General Prayer, we will be praying the Litany this evening, printed on the inside of this Service Folder. Note that after each line spoken by the pastor, the congregation responds with the words printed in bold on the right side of the page.

HYMNS

OPENING HYMN	<i>TLH #318 - Before Thee, God, Who Knowest All</i>
HYMN <i>(after the Creed)</i>	<i>TLH #319 - In Thee Alone, O Christ My Lord</i>
HYMN <i>(after General Prayer)</i>	<i>TLH #311 – Jesus Christ, Our Blessed Savior</i>
DISTRIBUTION HYMN	<i>TLH #331 - Yea as I Live Jehovah Saith</i>

SCRIPTURE READINGS

First: *Joel 2:12-19* **Second:** *Rev. 3:1-6* **Gospel:** *Matt. 6:16-21*
