The Order of Vespers

for the week of Trinity 15



The verses are spoken antiphonally between the Pastor and Congregation.

(Antiphon) Oh, taste and see that the LORD is good! Blessed is the man who takes refuge in him.

I will bless the LORD at all times.

His praise shall continually be in my mouth. My soul shall make its boast in the LORD. The humble shall hear of it and be glad. Oh, magnify the LORD with me, and let us exalt his name together. I sought the LORD, and he heard me and delivered me from all my fears. Those who look to him are radiant, and their faces are not ashamed.

This poor man cried out, and the LORD heard him and saved him out of all his troubles. The angel of the LORD encamps around those who fear him. and he delivers them. Oh, taste and see that the LORD is good! Blessed is the man who takes refuge in him. Oh, fear the LORD, you saints of his! For those who fear him want for nothing. The young lions suffer lack and hunger, but those who seek the LORD shall not want for any good thing. Come, children, listen to me! I will teach you the fear of the LORD. Where is the one who desires a good life and would gladly see good days? Keep your tongue from evil, and your lips from speaking deceit. Depart from evil, and do good; seek peace, and pursue it. The eves of the LORD are on the righteous, and his ears are open to their cry. The face of the LORD is against those who do evil. to cut off the remembrance of them from the earth. The righteous cry out, and the LORD hears and delivers them out of all their troubles. The LORD is near to the broken-hearted and saves those whose spirit is contrite. Many are the afflictions of the righteous, but the LORD delivers him out of them all. He keeps all his bones; not one of them shall be broken. Evil shall slay the wicked, and those who hate the righteous shall be condemned. The LORD redeems the soul of his servants. and none of those who trust in him shall be condemned. Glory be to the Father, and to the Son, * and to the Holy Spirit; as it was in the beginning, is now, and ever shall be, * forevermore. Amen. (Antiphon) Oh, taste and see that the LORD is good! Blessed is the man who takes refuge in him.

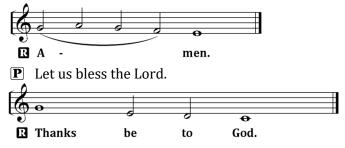


C Our Father, who art in heaven, hallowed be Thy name. Thy kingdom come. Thy will be done on earth as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread. And forgive us our trespasses, as we forgive those who trespass against us. And lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For Thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory, forever and ever. Amen.

P The Lord be with you.



The Pastor says one or more Collects. After each, the congregation sings:



■ The grace of our Lord + Jesus Christ and the love of God and the communion of the Holy Spirit be with you all.

