

# The Order of Vespers

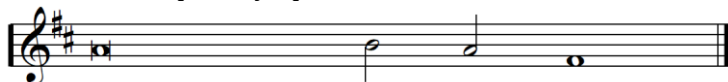
## for the week of Trinity 20

### Hymn

TLH #611 – *The Day Is Surely Drawing Near* (st. 1-4)

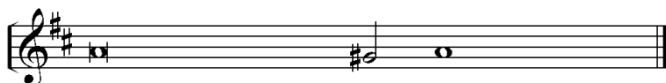
Stand

**V** O Lord, open my lips.



**R** And my mouth will de-clare Your praise.

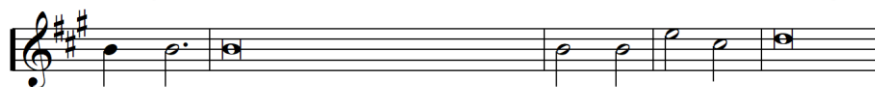
**V** Make haste, O God, to deliver me.



**R** Make haste to help me, O Lord.



Glory be to the Father and to the Son and to the Ho - ly



Spir-it; as it was in the beginning, is now and ev - er shall be,



for - ev - er - more. A - men. Al - le - lu - ia!

### Psalmody

*Psalm 57*

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

**P** (*Antiphon*) Be exalted, O God, above the heavens; your glory above all the earth.

Be gracious to me, O God, be gracious to me,

**for my soul takes refuge in you.**

In the shadow of your wings I will take refuge,

**until these calamities have passed.**

I will call out to God the Most High,

**to God, who puts an end to my troubles.**

He shall send from heaven and save me; he shall give over to reproach the one who would crush me.

**God shall send forth his mercy and his truth.**

My soul is among lions; there I lie.

**The children of man are enflamed.**

Their teeth are spears and arrows,

**and their tongue a sharp sword.**

Be exalted, O God, above the heavens;

**your glory above all the earth.**

They prepared a net for my steps; my soul was bowed down.

**They dug a pit before me, but they themselves have fallen into it.**

My heart is firm, O God, my heart is firm.

**I will sing a song of praise.**

Awake, my glory! Awake, harp and lyre!

**I will awaken the dawn.**

I will praise you, O Lord, among the people;

**I will sing to you among the nations.**

For your mercy is great; it reaches up to the heavens,

**and your truth up to the clouds.**

Be exalted, O God, above the heavens;

**your glory above all the earth.**

**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.**

**P** (*Antiphon*) Be exalted, O God, above the heavens; your glory above all the earth.

*Sit*

## First Lesson

*Isaiah 65:1-2*

*After each Lesson:*

**P** O Lord, have mercy upon us.



**R** Thanks be to You, O Lord!

## Second Lesson

*Revelation 20:11-15*

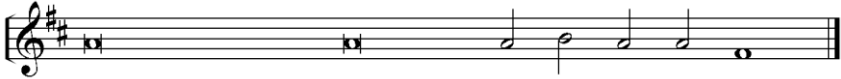
# Hymn

TLH #611 – *The Day Is Surely Drawing Near* (st. 5-7)

## Sermon

Stand

**V** Let my prayer be set before You as incense.



**R** And the lifting up of my hands as the eve - ning sac - ri - fice.

## The Canticle

*The Nunc Dimittis* — Luke 2:29-32



Lord, now You | let Your servant | de - part | in | peace, \*  
accord - ing | to | Your | word:

For my | eyes have seen | Your | sal - va - tion, \*

Which You have prepared before the face | of | all | peo - ples;

A — | Light for enlighten - ing | the | Gen - tiles, \*

and for glory to Your | peo - ple | Is - rael.

Glory | be to the Father, | and | to | the | Son, \*

and to the | Ho - ly | Spir - it;

As it | was in the beginning, is now, and | ev - er | shall | be, \*

forev - er - more. | A - men.

## Prayers



**C** Lord, have mer - cy up - on us. Christ, have mer - cy up - on us.



Lord, have mer - cy up - on us.

**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.



**R** And with your spir - it.

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



**R** A - men.

**P** Let us bless the Lord.



**R** Thanks be to God.

**P** The grace of our Lord ✠ Jesus Christ and the love of God and the communion of the Holy Spirit be with you all.



**R** A - men.

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