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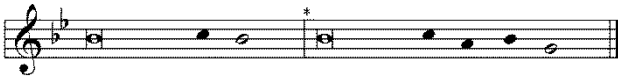
for the First Sunday of Christmas

December 31, 2023

INTROIT *(after The Confession of Sins)*

Psalm 93:5,2; Psalm 93:1

- P** *(Antiphon)* YOUR TESTimonies are ve- | ry sure; *
Holiness adorns Your house, O | Lord, forever.
Your throne is established from | of old; *
You are from | everlasting



- C** The Lord reigns, He is clothed with ma- | jesty; *
The Lord is clothed, He has girded | Himself with strength.

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 & VERSE *(after the Epistle)*

Psalm 45:2a,1; Psalm 93:1

- P** You are fairer than the sons | of men; *
Grace is poured | upon Your lips.
- C** My heart is overflowing with a good theme; I recite my
composition concerning | the King; *
My tongue is the pen of a | ready writer.
- P** Alleluia. Alleluia. The | Lord reigns, *
He is clothed | with majesty;
- C** The Lord | is clothed; *
He has girded Himself with strength. | Alleluia.

Al - le - lu - ia! Al - le - lu - ia! Al - le - lu - ia!

HYMNS

OPENING HYMN

TLH #96 – Oh, Rejoice, Ye Christians, Loudly

HYMN *(after the Creed)*

TLH #138 - Thou Light of Gentile Nations

HYMN *(after General Prayer)*

TLH #112 - To God the Anthem Raising

DISTRIBUTION HYMNS

TLH #91 - Let the Earth Now Praise the Lord

TLH #99 - Now Are the Days Fulfilled

SCRIPTURE LESSONS

Epistle: *Galatians 4:1-7*

Gospel: *Luke 2:33-40*

BIRTHDAYS THIS WEEK AND NEXT

Dec. 31 Jackie S.

Jan. 4 Karen K.

EVENTS IN THE NEAR FUTURE...

Wed., Jan. 3 - Vespers, 6:30 PM (Epiphany, observed)

Sun., Jan. 7 - Bible Class, 9 AM; Divine Service, 10:15 AM (Epiphany 1)