

The Order of Vespers

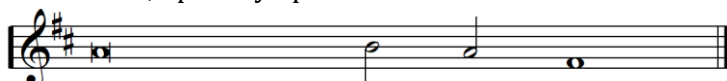
for the Festival of Sts. Simon & Jude (Oct. 28)

Hymn

TLH #413 – *I Walk in Danger All the Way*

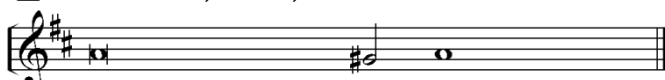
Stand

V O Lord, open my lips.

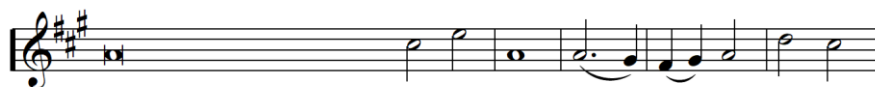


R And my mouth will de-clare Your praise.

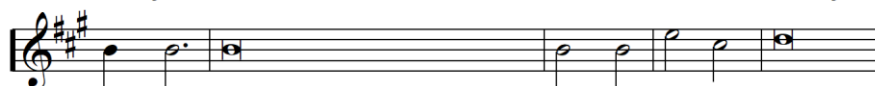
V Make haste, O God, to deliver me.



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,



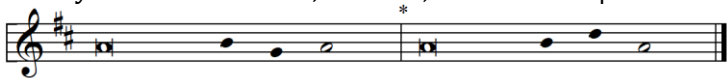
for - ev - er - more. A - men. Al - le - lu - ia!

Psalmody

Psalm 138

The verses are sung antiphonally between the Pastor and Congregation.

P (*Antiphon*) The LORD will fulfill his pur- | pose for me; *
your steadfast love, O LORD, endures for- | ev - er.



I give you thanks, O LORD, with | my whole heart;

before the gods I | sing your praise;

I bow down toward your holy | tem- -ple

and give thanks | to your name

for your steadfast love and your | faithfulness,

for you have exalted above all things your name | and your word.

On the day I called, you | answered me;
my strength of soul | you increased.
 All the kings of the earth shall give you | thanks, O LORD,
for they have heard the words | of your mouth,
 and they shall sing of the ways | of the LORD,
for great is the glory | of the LORD.
 For though the LORD is high, he regards the | low- -ly,
but the haughty he knows | from afar.
 Though I walk in the midst of | trou- -ble,
you pre- | serve my life;
 you stretch out your hand against the wrath of my | enemies,
and your right hand de- | livers me.
 The LORD will fulfill his pur- | pose for me;
your steadfast love, O LORD, endures for- | ev- -er.
 Do not forsake the work | of your hands.

Glory be to the Father, and | to the Son, *
and to the Holy | Spir- -it;
as it was in the beginning, is now, and ev- | er shall be, *
forever- | more. Amen.

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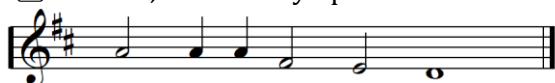
Sit

First Lesson

1 Peter 1:3-9

After the Lesson:

P O Lord, have mercy upon us.



R Thanks be to You, O Lord!

Second Lesson

John 15:17-21

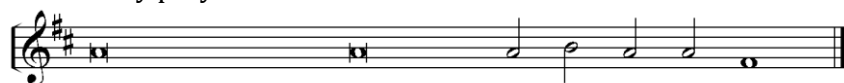
Hymn

TLH #464 – Blest Be the Tie that Binds

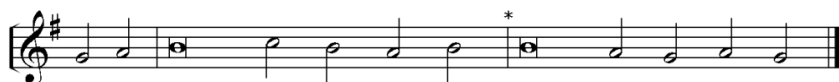
Sermon

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.



My — | soul | magni- | fies | the | Lord, *
 And my spirit rejoices in | God | my | Sav- | ior.
 For — | He | has | re- | gard- | ed *
 the lowly estate of | His | hand- | maid- | en:
 For, be- | hold | from this time | forth *
 all generations will | call | me | bless- | ed.
 For — | He who is mighty has | done to | me | great | things; *
 and ho- | ly | is | His | name.
 And His | mercy is on | those | who | fear | Him *
 from generation to | gen- | er- | a- | tion.
 He has | shown | strength | with | His | arm; *
 He has scattered the proud in the imagi- | nation | of | their | hearts.
 He has | put down the | mighty | from | their | seats, *
 and exalted those | of | low | de- | gree.
 He has | filled the | hungry | with | good | things; *
 and the rich He has | sent a- | way | emp- | ty.
 He has | come to the aid of His servant Israel, in remembrance | of | His
 | mer- | cy; *
 As He spoke to our fathers, to Abraham, and to his | seed | for- | ev- |
 er.
 Glo-ry | 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

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. For Thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory, forever and ever. Amen.

We thank You, heavenly Father, through Jesus Christ, Your dear Son, that You have graciously kept us this day. We ask You to

forgive us all our sins, where we have done wrong, and graciously to keep us this night. For into Your hands we commend ourselves, our bodies and souls, and all things. Let Your holy angel be with us, that the evil foe may have no power over us. 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.

Saints Simon (aka “the Zealot,” or “of Cana” or “the Cananite”) and Jude (aka “Thaddeus” or “Lebbaeus” or “[brother or son] of James”) were among the Twelve Apostles of Christ. It is said that they traveled together as missionaries to Beirut in AD 65, where they were martyred. This Jude is likely the author of the short Epistle of Jude.