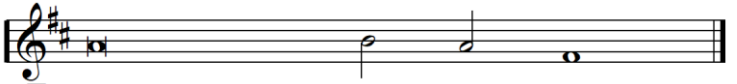The Order of Vespers

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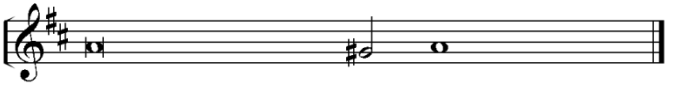
Hymn *TLH #603 – In the Resurrection*

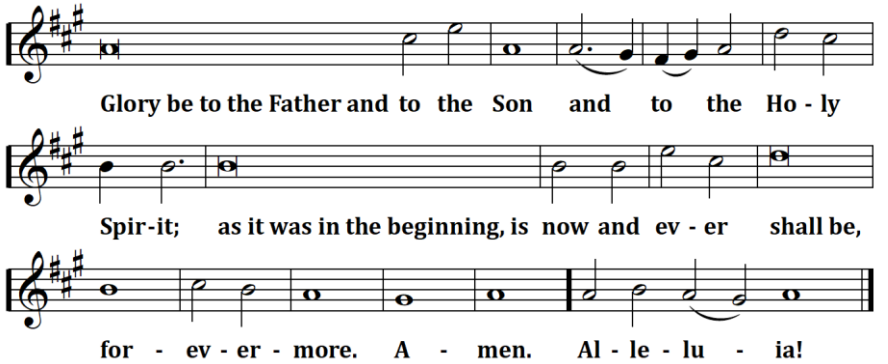
Stand

℣ O Lord, open my lips.



℣ Make haste, O God, to deliver me.
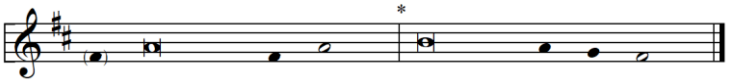




Psalmody *Psalm 18:17-34*

The verses are chanted antiphonally between the Pastor and Congregation.

℗ *(Antiphon)* _As for God, his way is perfect; the word of the LORD is proven. * He is a shield to all who take refuge in him.



_*The LORD* delivered me from my strong enemy,
from those who hated me, for they were too | strong for me.
_They confronted me in the day of my calamity,
but the LORD was | my support.
He brought me out into a spacious place;
he delivered me, because he delight- | ed in me.

_The LORD rewarded me according to my righteousness;
according to the cleanness of my hands he | repaid me.
_For I have kept the ways of the LORD;
I have not acted wickedly by departing | from my God.
_For all his judgments were before me;
I did not cast his statutes a- | way from me.
I was blameless before him,
and I kept myself from my in- | iquity.
Therefore the LORD has repaid me according to my righteousness,
according to the cleanness of my hands | in his sight.
_With the merciful you show yourself merciful;
with the perfect man you show your- | self perfect;
_With the pure you show yourself pure;
but with the crooked you show your- | self perverse.
For you save the needy people;
but you humble the eyes that are | exalted.
For you light my lamp;
the LORD my God turns my darkness | into light.
_For with You I can run against a troop;
with my God I can leap ov- | er a wall.
_As for God, his way is perfect; the word of the LORD is proven.
He is a shield to all who take re- | fuge in him.
_For who is God but the LORD alone?
Who is a rock ex- | cept our God?
_It is God who arms me with strength;
he makes my | way perfect.
He makes my feet like the feet of a doe;
and stands me | on high ground.
He trains my hands for battle,
so that my arms can bend an | iron bow.

_Glory be to the Father, and to | the Son, *
and to the Holy | Spir_it;
_as it was in the beginning, is now, and ever | shall be, *
Forever- | more. Amen.
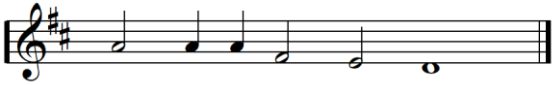
℗ *(Antiphon)* _As for God, his way is perfect; the word of the LORD is proven. * He is a shield to all who take refuge in him.

Sit

First Lesson *2 Peter 3:3-15*

After each Lesson:

℗ O Lord, have mercy upon us.



℟ **Thanks be to You, O Lord!**

Second Lesson *Luke 17:20-33*

Hymn *TLH #448 – Brief Life Is Here Our Portion*

Sermon
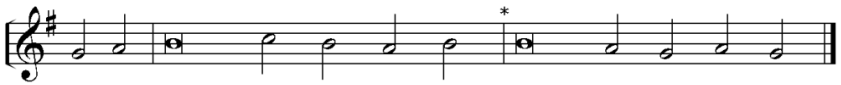
Stand

℣ Let my prayer be set before You as incense.
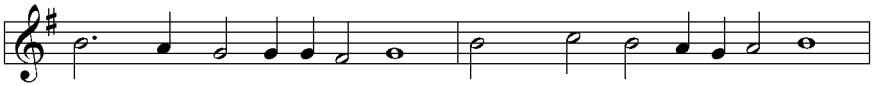


℟ **And the lifting up of my hands as the eve - ning sac - ri - fice.**

The Canticle *The Nunc Dimittis — Luke 2:29-32*
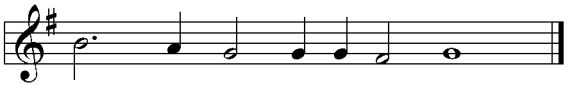


Lord, now | You | let Your servant | de- | part | in | peace, *
accord- | ing | to | Your | word:
For | my | eyes have seen | Your | sal- | va- | tion, *
Which You have prepared before the face | of | all | peo- | ples;
A | — | Light for enlighten- | ing | the | Gen- | tiles, *
and for glory to Your | peo- | ple | Is- |rael.
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



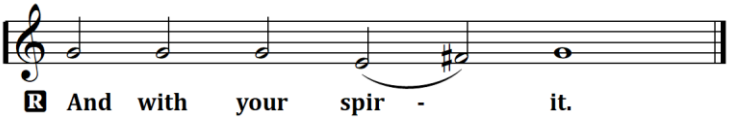
℃ **Lord, have mer - cy up-on us. Christ, have mer - cy up-on us.**



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.

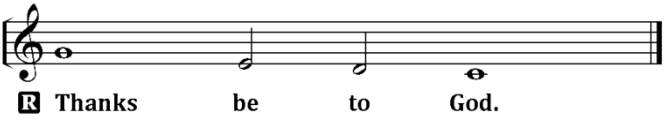
P The Lord be with you.



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



P Let us bless the Lord.



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

