

# *Easter Midweek Service*

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*“We are baptized children of God, forgiven and redeemed by Jesus.  
We are His family, called together to receive His gifts and serve  
others.”*

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## **Greetings to all in the Name of the Risen Lord!**

May our worship this glorious morning celebrate the joy and hope, peace and presence, of our Lord Jesus Christ, raised to life for us. We welcome all, especially our guests. If you do not have a church home, please consider Divine Shepherd. We would love to have you as part of our family. Please take a minute and sign our guest book.

### **A prayer before Worship**

This is the day you have made, O Lord Jesus, a day of new life and eternal celebration! The stone is moved; death is defeated; heaven is open. As Your disciples first saw and believed Your victory over the tomb, so give us joy in the promise You made and keep for us: because You live, we live also! Amen.

### **The Lord's Supper**

The Lord's Supper is celebrated by us this morning in the confession and gladness that, as our Lord says, He gives into our mouth not only bread and wine but His very body and blood to eat and drink for the forgiveness of sins and to strengthen our union with Him and with one another. Our Lord Jesus invites to His table those who trust His Words, repent of all sin, and set aside any refusal to forgive and love as He forgives and loves us, that they may show forth His death until He comes.



Whoever, therefore, eats the bread or drinks the blood of the Lord in an unworthy manner will be guilty concerning the body and blood of the Lord. (1 Cor 11:28 ESV) Holy Communion is a confession of the faith which is confessed at this altar. Any who are not yet instructed, in doubt, or hold a confession differing from that of this congregation and the Lutheran Church~Missouri Synod, and yet desire to receive the sacrament, are asked to speak with Pastor Sturzenbecher.

# Service of the Light

Stand



**L** Jesus Christ is the Light of the world,



**C** the light no darkness can o - ver - come.



**L** Stay with us, Lord, for it is eve - ning,



**C** and the day is almost o - ver.



**L** Let Your light scatter the dark - ness



**C** and il - lu - mine Your Church.

# PHOS HILARON

LSB 244



**L** Joy - ous light of glo - ry:



**C** of the im - mor - tal Fa - ther; heav - en - ly, ho - ly,



bles - ed Je - sus Christ. We have come to the



set - ting of the sun, and we look to the eve - ning light.



We sing to God, the Fa - ther, Son, and Ho - ly Spir - it:



You are wor - thy of be - ing praised with pure voic - es for -



ev - er. O Son of God, O Giv - er of life:



the u - ni - verse pro - claims Your glo - ry.

# Thanksgiving for Light

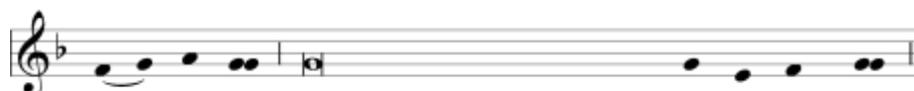
LSB 245



**L** Blessèd are You, O Lord our God, king of the u - ni - verse,



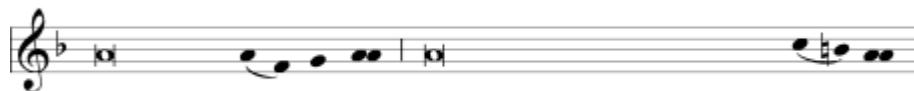
who led Your people Israel by a pillar of cloud by day and a pillar of



fire by night. Enlighten our darkness by the light of Your Christ;



may His Word be a lamp to our feet and a light to our path;



for You are mer - ci - ful, and You love Your whole cre - a - tion



and we, Your creatures, glo - ri - fy You, Father, Son, and Ho - ly Spir - it.



**C** A - men.

Sit

# PSALM 141

LSB 245



**C** Let my prayer rise be - fore You as in - cense,



the lift - ing up of my hands as the eve - ning sac - ri - fice.



**I** O Lord, I call to You; come to me quick - ly; hear my voice



when I cry to You. **C** Let my prayer rise be - fore You as in - cense,



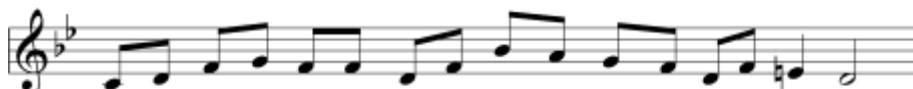
the lift - ing up of my hands as the eve - ning sac - ri - fice.



**II** Set a watch be - fore my mouth, O Lord, and guard the door of my lips.



**I** Let not my heart in - cline to an - y e - vil thing;



let me not be oc - cu - pied in wick - ed - ness with e - vil - do - ers.



**II** But my eyes are turned to You, O God; in You I take ref - uge.

Strip me not of my life. **C** Glo-ry be to the Fa - ther and  
to the Son and to the Ho - ly Spir - it; as it was in  
the be - gin - ning, is now, and will be for - ev - er. A - men.  
Let my prayer rise be - fore You as in - cense,  
the lift - ing up of my hands as the eve - ning sac - ri - fice.

L Let us pray.

Let the incense of our repentant prayer ascend before You, O Lord, and let Your loving-kindness descend on us that, with purified minds, we may sing Your praises with the Church on earth and the whole heavenly host and may glorify You forever.

**C Amen.**





God and King, The tri - umphs of His grace!  
earth a - broad, The hon - ors of Thy name.  
sin - ner's ears, 'Tis life and health and peace.  
foul - est clean; His blood a - vails for me.

- 5 Look unto Him, ye nations; own  
Your God, ye fallen race.  
Look and be saved through faith alone,  
Be justified by grace.
- 6 See all your sins on Jesus laid;  
The Lamb of God was slain.  
His soul was once an off'ring made  
For ev'ry soul of man.
- 7 To God all glory, praise, and love  
Be now and ever giv'n  
By saints below and saints above,  
The Church in earth and heav'n.

## Reading

*Numbers 16:23–40*

<sup>23</sup>And the LORD spoke to Moses, saying, <sup>24</sup>“Say to the congregation, Get away from the dwelling of Korah, Dathan, and Abiram.”

<sup>25</sup>Then Moses rose and went to Dathan and Abiram, and the elders of Israel followed him. <sup>26</sup>And he spoke to the congregation, saying, “Depart, please, from the tents of these wicked men, and touch nothing of theirs, lest you be swept away with all their sins.” <sup>27</sup>So they got away from the dwelling of Korah, Dathan, and Abiram. And

Dathan and Abiram came out and stood at the door of their tents, together with their wives, their sons, and their little ones. <sup>28</sup>And Moses said, "Hereby you shall know that the LORD has sent me to do all these works, and that it has not been of my own accord. <sup>29</sup>If these men die as all men die, or if they are visited by the fate of all mankind, then the LORD has not sent me. <sup>30</sup>But if the LORD creates something new, and the ground opens its mouth and swallows them up with all that belongs to them, and they go down alive into Sheol, then you shall know that these men have despised the LORD."

<sup>31</sup>And as soon as he had finished speaking all these words, the ground under them split apart. <sup>32</sup>And the earth opened its mouth and swallowed them up, with their households and all the people who belonged to Korah and all their goods. <sup>33</sup>So they and all that belonged to them went down alive into Sheol, and the earth closed over them, and they perished from the midst of the assembly. <sup>34</sup>And all Israel who were around them fled at their cry, for they said, "Lest the earth swallow us up!" <sup>35</sup>And fire came out from the LORD and consumed the 250 men offering the incense.

<sup>36</sup> Then the LORD spoke to Moses, saying, <sup>37</sup>"Tell Eleazar the son of Aaron the priest to take up the censers out of the blaze. Then scatter the fire far and wide, for they have become holy. <sup>38</sup>As for the censers of these men who have sinned at the cost of their lives, let them be made into hammered plates as a covering for the altar, for they offered them before the LORD, and they became holy. Thus they shall be a sign to the people of Israel." <sup>39</sup>So Eleazar the priest took the bronze censers, which those who were burned had offered, and they were hammered out as a covering for the altar, <sup>40</sup>to be a reminder to the people of Israel, so that no outsider, who is not of

the descendants of Aaron, should draw near to burn incense before the LORD, lest he become like Korah and his company—as the LORD said to him through Moses.

L In many and various ways, God spoke to His people of old by the prophets.

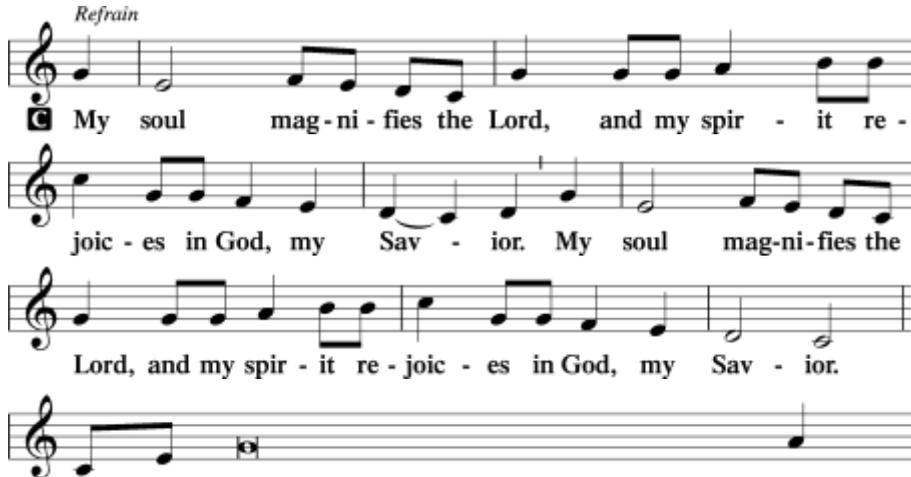
C **But now in these last days, He has spoken to us by His Son.**

## SERMON

### MAGNIFICAT

**LSB 248**

*Refrain*



My soul mag-ni-fies the Lord, and my spir-it re-joic-es in God, my Sav-ior. My soul mag-ni-fies the Lord, and my spir-it re-joic-es in God, my Sav-ior.

- 1 For \_\_\_\_\_ He has re - garded
- 2 For the Mighty One has done great things to . . . . . me,
- 3 He has shown strength with His . . . . . arm;
- 4 He has filled the hungry with good . . . . . things,
- 5 Glo - ry be to the Father and to the . . . . . Son



1 the lowliness of . . . . . His hand - maiden.  
 2 and holy . . . . . is His name;  
 3 He has scattered the proud in the imagination of their hearts.  
 4 and the rich He has sent emp - - - - ty a - way.  
 5 and to the . . . . . Ho - ly Spirit;



1 For be - hold, from this . . . . . day  
 2 and His mercy is on those who . . . . . fear Him  
 3 He has cast down the mighty from their . . . . . thrones  
 4 He has helped His servant Israel in remembrance of His mercy  
 5 as it was in the be - - - - ginning,



1 all generations will . . . . . call me blessed.  
 2 from generation to . . . . . gen - er - ation. *Refrain*  
 3 and has exalt - - - - ed the lowly.  
 4 as He spoke to our fathers, to Abraham and to his seed for - ever.  
 5 is now, and will be forever. . . . . A - - men. *Refrain*

## PRAYER

### Litany

LSB 249



**L** In peace let us pray to the Lord:



**C** Lord, have mer - cy.

- L For the peace from above and for our salvation, let us pray to the Lord:
- C **Lord, have mercy.**
- L For the peace of the whole world, for the well-being of the Church of God, and for the unity of all, let us pray to the Lord:
- C **Lord, have mercy.**
- L For this holy house and for all who offer here their worship and praise, let us pray to the Lord:
- C **Lord, have mercy.**
- L For [*names of synodical and district presidents*], for all pastors in Christ, for all servants of the Church, and for all the people, let us pray to the Lord:
- C **Lord, have mercy.**
- L For [*name of president or monarch*], for all public servants, for the government and those who protect us, that they may be upheld and strengthened in every good deed, let us pray to the Lord:
- C **Lord, have mercy.**
- L For those who work to bring peace, justice, health, and protection in this and every place, let us pray to the Lord:
- C **Lord, have mercy.**
- L For those who bring offerings, those who do good works in this congregation, those who toil, those who sing, and all the people here present who await from the Lord great and abundant mercy, let us pray to the Lord:
- C **Lord, have mercy.**
- L For favorable weather, for an abundance of the fruits of the earth, and for peaceful times, let us pray to the Lord:
- C **Lord, have mercy.**

L For our deliverance from all affliction, wrath, danger, and need,  
let us pray to the Lord:

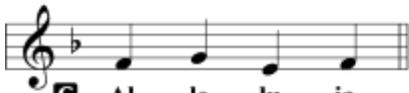
C **Lord, have mercy.**

L For . . . [*additional bids for prayer may be inserted here*] . . . let us  
pray to the Lord:

C **Lord, have mercy.**



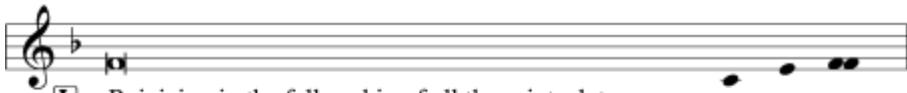
L For the faithful who have gone  
before us and are with Christ, let us give thanks to the Lord:



C Al - le - lu - ia.



L Help, save, comfort, and defend us, gra - cious Lord.



L Rejoicing in the fellowship of all the saints, let us  
commend ourselves, one another, and our whole life to Christ, our Lord:



C To You, O Lord.

## COLLECT FOR PEACE

L Almighty, everlasting God, Your Son has assured forgiveness of sins  
and deliverance from eternal death. Strengthen us by Your Holy Spirit  
that our faith in Christ may increase daily and that we may hold fast

to the hope that on the Last Day we shall be raised in glory to eternal life; through Jesus Christ, our Lord.

**C Amen.**

### **Lord's Prayer**

*LSB 251*

L Taught by our Lord and trusting His promises, we are bold to pray:

**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.**

### **Benedicamus & Benediction**

A Let us bless the Lord.

**C Thanks be to God.**

P The Lord bless you and keep you.

The Lord make His face shine on you and be gracious to you.

The Lord look upon you with favor and + give you peace.

**C Amen.**

## Announcement

Dear member of DSLC,

When the church building is reopened for full use of the building you will find that a change has been made to the mailboxes in the fellowship hall. In the past each box was labeled with the members name. Boxes were in alphabetical order. This was a perfectly good system as long as membership growth was modest. The rate of new members has increased, and we thank God for that. It does, however, require a change in how mailboxes are assigned. Using the alphabetical system the church secretary had to reorder the mailboxes periodically as members joined or left. This was time consuming for her, and often the changes were unable to be made promptly, so there was confusion where one's mailbox actually was. You may have experienced this mailbox reassignment more than once. Effective immediately, the mailboxes are in numeric order, #1 to #160. Each member/family has been assigned a number. There are two identical laminated lists of box numbers and names attached to the mailboxes. Please look at the list to find your assigned mailbox. Once you know your number, it will never change. However, the lists will remain as a reference list so you can locate the mailboxes of other members should you need to leave them a note or other item. EXAMPLE: John Smith is initially assigned mailbox #95. As long as he is a member of DSLC he will always have #95, no matter how many other members join or depart DSLC. But, when John Smith leaves DSLC permanently, for whatever reason, his mailbox number will be assigned to the next new member/family who joins DSLC following John's departure. Even if their last name starts with a C, or H, or Y, they will have mailbox number 95. Under this system, the secretary only has to make a change on the mailbox list, which is already in the word processor. She will print a new page with the change and insert it into the list attached to the mailboxes. That simple. We hope you will find this numbering system to be easy to use. If you do have concerns, please contact the church secretary, Melissa Seifert, at [DSLCSecretary@divineshep.org](mailto:DSLCSecretary@divineshep.org), or call 605-787-6438.