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 - congregation stands.  - congregation sits.  - congregation kneels or sits as able.
 - congregation sings. Congregation responds in **bold print**.

Prelude:

EVENING PRAYER

(begins on p. 243 of *Lutheran Service Book*)

 **SERVICE OF LIGHT - LSB p. 243**

PHOS HILARON (Hymn of Light) - LSB p. 244

 **INCENSE PSALM - LSB p. 245**

PSALM 85 (Read responsively)

Lord, You were favorable to Your land;
you restored the fortunes of Jacob.
You forgave the iniquity of Your people;
You covered all their sin.
You withdrew all Your wrath;
you turned from Your hot anger.
Restore us again, O God of our salvation,
and put away Your indignation toward us!
Will You be angry with us forever?
Will You prolong your anger to all generations?
Will You not revive us again,
that Your people may rejoice in You?
Show us Your steadfast love, O Lord,
and grant us Your salvation.

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Green Bay, Wisconsin

Let me hear what God the Lord will speak,
for He will speak peace to His people, to His saints;
but let them not turn back to folly.
Surely His salvation is near to those who fear Him,
that glory may dwell in our land.
Steadfast love and faithfulness meet;
righteousness and peace kiss each other.
Faithfulness springs up from the ground,
and righteousness looks down from the sky.
Yes, the Lord will give what is good,
and our land will yield its increase.
Righteousness will go before Him
and make His footsteps a way.

**Glory be to the Father and to the + Son
and to the Holy Spirit;
as it was in the beginning,
is now, and will be forever. Amen.**

READINGS

Old Testament

Isaiah 60:19-22

The sun shall be no more your light by day,
nor for brightness shall the moon give you light;
but the Lord will be your everlasting light,
and your God will be your glory.
Your sun shall no more go down, nor your moon withdraw itself;
for the Lord will be your everlasting light, and your days of mourning shall be ended.
Your people shall all be righteous; they shall possess the land forever,
the branch of my planting, the work of my hands, that I might be glorified.
The least one shall become a clan, and the smallest one a mighty nation;
I am the Lord;
in its time I will hasten it.

O Lord, have mercy on us.
Thanks be to God.

Epistle

1 Thessalonians 5:1-11

Now concerning the times and the seasons, brothers, you have no need to have anything written to you. For you yourselves are fully aware that the day of the Lord will come like a thief in the night. While people are saying, "There is peace and security," then sudden destruction will come upon them as labor pains come upon a pregnant woman, and they will not escape. But you are not in darkness, brothers, for that day to surprise you like a thief. For you are all children of light, children of the day. We are not of the night or of the darkness. So then let us not sleep, as others do, but let us keep awake and be sober. For those who sleep, sleep at night, and those who get drunk, are drunk at night. But since we belong to the day, let us be sober, having put on the breastplate of faith and love, and for a helmet the hope of salvation. For God has not destined us for wrath, but to obtain salvation through our Lord Jesus Christ, who died for us so that whether we are awake or asleep we might live with him. Therefore encourage one another and build one another up, just as you are doing.

O Lord, have mercy on us.
Thanks be to God.

Gospel

John 3:16-21

"For God so loved the world, that he gave his only Son, that whoever believes in him should not perish but have eternal life. For God did not send his Son into the world to condemn the world, but in order that the world might be saved through him. Whoever believes in him is not condemned, but whoever does not believe is condemned already, because he has not believed in the name of the only Son of God. And this is the judgment: the light has come into the world, and people loved the darkness rather than the light because their works were evil. For everyone who does wicked things hates the light and does not come to the light, lest his works should be exposed. But whoever does what is true comes to the light, so that it may be clearly seen that his works have been carried out in God."

O Lord, have mercy on us.
Thanks be to God.

In many and various ways, God spoke to His people of old by the prophets.
But now in these last days, He has spoken to us by His Son. *Hebrews 1:1-2a*

SERMON HYMN: "Arise, O Christian People" - LSB #354

THE MESSAGE Vicar Anthony Keilani

Gathering of the Offering

CANTICLE MAGNIFICAT (Mary's Song from Luke 1) - LSB pp. 248-49

LITANY LSB pp. 249-51

COLLECT FOR PEACE

LORD'S PRAYER

BENEDICAMUS

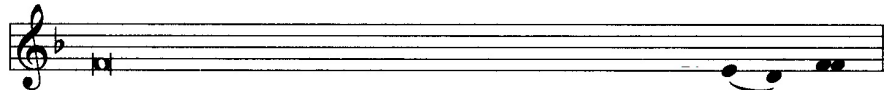


Let us bless the Lord.



Thanks be to God.

BENEDICTION



The almighty and merciful Lord, the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit, bless and pre-serve you.

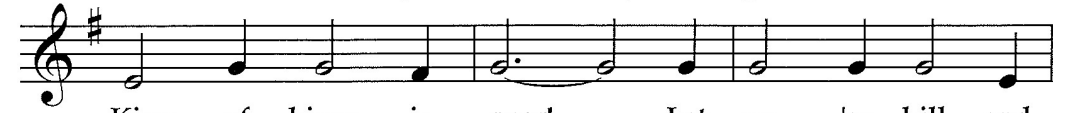


A - men.

HYMN "Prepare the Royal Highway" - LSB #34



Pre - pare the roy - al high - way; The
God's peo - ple see Him com - ing; Your
Then fling the gates wide o - pen To
His is no earth - ly king - dom; It



King of kings is near! Let ev - 'ry hill and
own e - ter - nal king! Palm branch - es strew be -
greet your pro - mised king! Your king, yet ev - 'ry
comes from heav'n a - bove. His rule is peace and



val - ley A lev - el road ap - pear! Then
fore Him! Spread gar - ments! Shout and sing! God's
na - tion Its tri - bute too should bring. All
free - dom And jus - tice, truth, and love. So



greet the King of Glo - ry Fore - told in sa - cred
prom - ise will not fail you. No more shall doubt as -
lands bow down be - fore him! All na - tions, now a -
let your praise be sound - ing For kind - ness so a -



sto - ry: Ho - san - na to the Lord,
asail you. Ho - san - na to the Lord,
dore Him! Ho - san - na to the Lord,
bound - ing: Ho - san - na to the Lord,



For He ful - fills God's Word!
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