## DAILY PRAYER - NOON - January 27, 2021

Lutheran Service Book - p. 296

In the name of the Father and of the + Son and of the Holy Spirit. **Amen.** 

Listen to my prayer, O God, do not ignore my plea; hear me and answer me.

Evening, morning and noon I cry out in distress, and He hears my voice.

Cast your cares on the Lord and He will sustain you; He will never let the righteous fall.

> 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.

## READING

1 Corinthians 8:1-13

Food Offered to Idols

(1) Now concerning food offered to idols: we know that "all of us possess knowledge." This "knowledge" puffs up, but love builds up. (2) If anyone imagines that he knows something, he does not yet know as he ought to know. (3) But if anyone loves God, he is known by God.

(4) Therefore, as to the eating of food offered to idols, we know that "an idol has no real existence," and that "there is no God but one." (5) For although there may be so-called gods in heaven or on earth—as indeed there are many "gods" and many "lords"— (6) yet for us there is one God, the Father, from whom are all things and for whom we exist, and one Lord, Jesus Christ, through whom are all things and through whom we exist.

(7) However, not all possess this knowledge. But some, through former association with idols, eat food as really offered to an idol, and their conscience, being weak, is defiled. (8) Food will not commend us to God. We are no worse off if we do not eat, and no better off if we do. (9) But take care that this right of yours does not somehow become a stumbling block to the weak. (10) For if anyone sees you who have knowledge eating in an idol's temple, will he not be encouraged, if his conscience is weak, to eat food offered to idols? (11) And so by your knowledge this weak person is destroyed, the brother for whom Christ died. (12) Thus, sinning against your brothers and wounding their conscience when it is weak, you sin against Christ. (13) Therefore, if food makes my brother stumble, I will never eat meat, lest I make my brother stumble.

"Thine the Amen, Thine the Praise" - Lutheran Service Book, #680, stanzas 1, 2 and 5

1. Thine the a - men, Thine the praise Al - le - lu - ias an - gels raise Thine the 2. Thine the life e - ter - nal - ly Thine the prom-ise let there be Thine the 5. Thine the glo - ry in the night No more dy-ing on - ly light Thine the ev - er - last - ing head Thine the break-ing of the bread Thine the vi - sion Thine the tree All the earth on bend-ed knee Gone the riv - er Thine the tree Then the Lamb e - ter - nal - ly Then the glo - ry Thine the sto - ry Thine the har - vest then the cup Thine the nail-ing gone the rail-ing Gone the plead-ing gone the cry Gone the ho - ly ho - ly Cel - e - bra - tion ju - bi - lee ho - ly Thine the vine - yard then the cup is lift - ed lift-ed up. up, sigh - ing gone the dy - ing what was loss lift-ed high. splen-dore Thine the bright - ness on - ly Thee on - ly Thee.

(Daily prayer for noon continues...)

O Lord,

have mercy upon us.

O Christ

have mercy upon us.

O Lord,

have mercy upon us.

## LORD'S PRAYER

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.

(Additional prayer petitions.)

## **Concluding Prayer**

Blessed Lord Jesus Christ, at this hour You hung upon the cross, stretching out Your loving arms to embrace the world in Your death. Grant that all people of the earth may look to You and see their salvation; forYour mercy's sake we pray.

Amen.