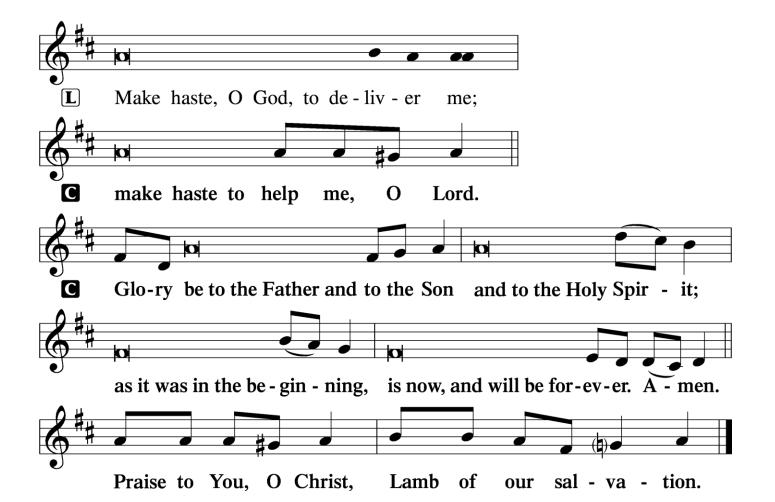
Lent 2 Midweek Vespers

March 16, 2022



and my mouth will de - clare Your praise.



Psalm

69:1-3, 13-14, 16-18; antiphon: v. 16

Answer me, O LORD, for Your steadfast | love is good;* according to Your abundant mercy, | turn to me.

Save me, | O God!*

For the waters have come up | to my neck.

I sink in deep mire, where there is no | foothold;*

I have come into deep waters, and the flood sweeps | over me.

I am weary with my crying out; my | throat is parched.*

My eyes grow dim with waiting | for my God.

But as for me, my prayer is to You, | O LORD.*

At an acceptable time, O God, in the abundance of Your steadfast love answer me in Your saving | faithfulness.

Deliver me from sinking | in the mire;*

let me be delivered from my enemies and

from the deep | waters.

Answer me, O LORD, for Your steadfast | love is good;* according to Your abundant mercy, | turn to me.

Hide not Your face from Your servant; for I am | in distress;*

make haste to | answer me.

Draw near to my soul, re- | deem me;*

ransom me because of my | enemies!

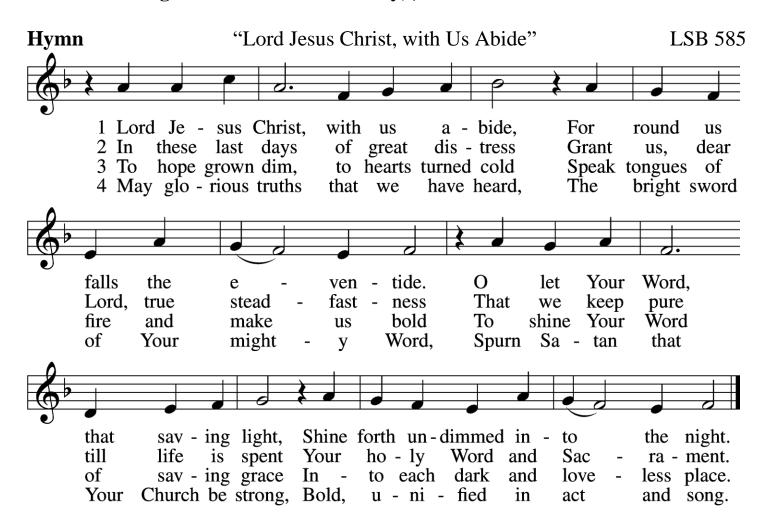
Glory be to the Father and | to the Son* and to the Holy | Spirit;

as it was in the be- | ginning,*

is now, and will be forever. | Amen.

Answer me, O LORD, for Your steadfast | love is good;*

according to Your abundant mercy, | turn to me.



- 5 Restrain, O Lord, the human pride
 That seeks to thrust Your truth aside
 Or with some man-made thoughts or things
 Would dim the words Your Spirit sings.
- 6 Stay with us, Lord, and keep us true; Preserve our faith our whole life through— Your Word alone our heart's defense, The Church's glorious confidence.

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1st Reading Isaiah 53:1–5

¹Who has believed what they heard from us?

And to whom has the arm of the LORD been revealed?

²For He grew up before Him like a young plant, and like a root out of dry ground;

He had no form or majesty that we should look at Him, and no beauty that we should desire Him.

³He was despised and rejected by men; a man of sorrows, and acquainted with grief; and as one from whom men hide their faces He was despised, and we esteemed Him not.

⁴Surely He has borne our griefs and carried our sorrows; yet we esteemed Him stricken, smitten by God, and afflicted.

⁵But He was wounded for our transgressions; He was crushed for our iniquities; upon Him was the chastisement that brought us peace, and with His stripes we are healed.

- **P** O Lord, have mercy on us.
- **C** Thanks be to God.

2nd Reading

2 Corinthians 1:1–5

¹Paul, an apostle of Christ Jesus by the will of God, and Timothy our brother, To the church of God that is at Corinth, with all the saints who are in the whole of Achaia:

²Grace to you and peace from God our Father and the Lord Jesus Christ.

³Blessed be the God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ, the Father of mercies and God of all comfort, ⁴who comforts us in all our affliction, so that we may be

able to comfort those who are in any affliction, with the comfort with which we ourselves are comforted by God. ⁵For as we share abundantly in Christ's sufferings, so through Christ we share abundantly in comfort too.

- **P** O Lord, have mercy on us.
- **C** Thanks be to God.

3rd Reading John 18:1–11

¹When Jesus had spoken these words, He went out with His disciples across the Kidron Valley, where there was a garden, which He and His disciples entered. ²Now Judas, who betrayed Him, also knew the place, for Jesus often met there with His disciples. ³So Judas, having procured a band of soldiers and some officers from the chief priests and the Pharisees, went there with lanterns and torches and weapons. ⁴Then Jesus, knowing all that would happen to Him, came forward and said to them, "Whom do you seek?" 5They answered Him, "Jesus of Nazareth." Jesus said to them, "I am He." Judas, who betrayed Him, was standing with them. 6When Jesus said to them, "I am He," they drew back and fell to the ground. ⁷So He asked them again, "Whom do you seek?" And they said, "Jesus of Nazareth." ⁸Jesus answered, "I told you that I am He. So, if you seek Me, let these men go." ⁹This was to fulfill the word that He had spoken: "Of those whom You gave Me I have lost not one." ¹⁰Then Simon Peter, having a sword, drew it and struck the high priest's servant and cut off his right ear. (The servant's name was Malchus.) ¹¹So Jesus said to Peter, "Put your sword into its sheath; shall I not drink the cup that the Father has given Me?"

- P O Lord, have mercy on us.
- **C** Thanks be to God.

Responsory for Lent

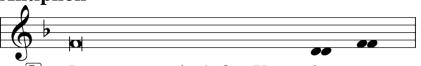




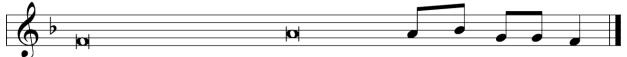
Rescue me from my en - e - mies, protect me from those who rise a - gainst me.

Sermon





Let my prayer rise before You as in - cense,



and the lifting up of my hands as the eve - ning sac - ri - fice.



- I now de part joy peace and
- Christ Je sus brought this gift to me,
- peo ple of the earth sent the
- Since God wills SO it. faith - ful My Sav ior,
- Their great sal - va tion;
- 4 Christ is the hope and sav-ing light Of blind those in



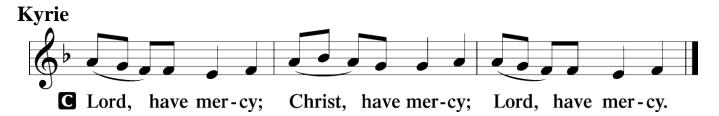
rene my heart; have made my eyes Whom You fa see By Your to vor. in - vi - ta - tion sum - mons forth Ev tion 'ry na guides and com-forts those night By His kind - ness.



For the Lord has prom-ised me That death is but slum - ber. a My friend when I know He is Now I my life. am dy ev - 'ry place re - sound-ing. Your ho - ly, pre - cious Word, In Him find joy and glo - ry. Your peo - ple Is In

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Lord's Prayer

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.



Collect of the Day

L God of hope, in Christ's Passover from death to life, You have restored Your fallen creation and raised up to life a people marked for death. Fill us with thanksgiving that we, who by the rescue of Your grace have been made new, may delight in Your ways; through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord.

Collect for Peace

L O God, from whom come all holy desires, all good counsels, and all just works, give to us, Your servants, that peace which the world cannot give, that our hearts may be set to obey Your commandments and also that we, being defended from the fear of our enemies, may live in peace and quietness; through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

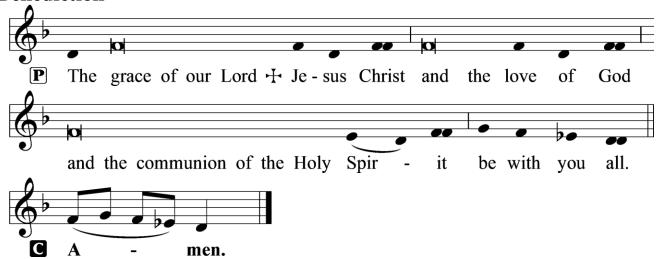


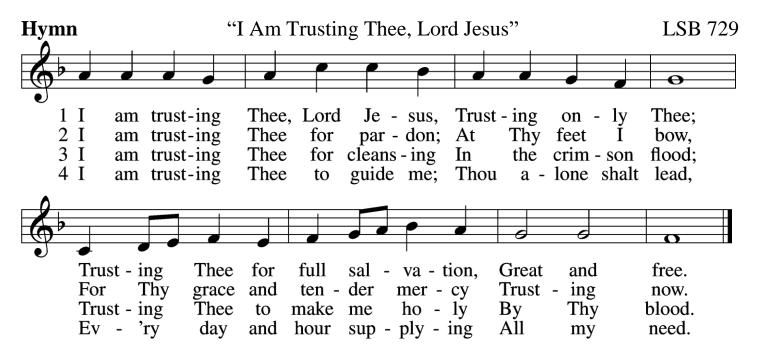
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Benediction





I am trusting Thee for power;

Thine can never fail.

Words which Thou Thyself shalt give me Must prevail.

6 I am trusting Thee, Lord Jesus;

Never let me fall.

I am trusting Thee forever

And for all.

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