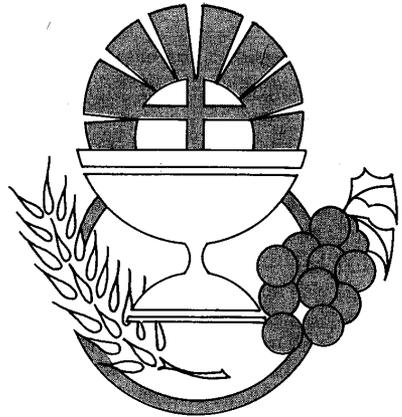
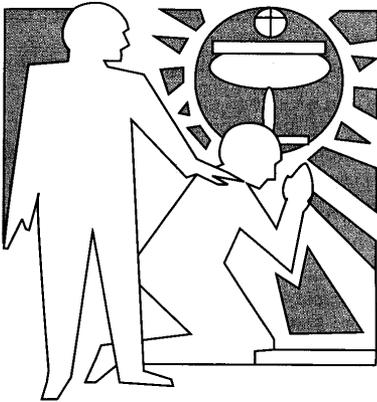


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Lenten Vespers 2023

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SERVICE**

ORGAN PRELUDE

THE OPENING HYMN

(1st on Board)

THE VERSICLES (chanted)

CA: O Lord, open Thou my lips.

C: And my mouth shall show forth Thy praise.

CA: Make haste, O God, to deliver me.

C: Make haste to help me, O Lord.

ALL: *Glory be to the Father and to the Son and to the Holy Ghost: As it was in the beginning, is now, and ever shall be: world without end. Amen.*

De Profundis

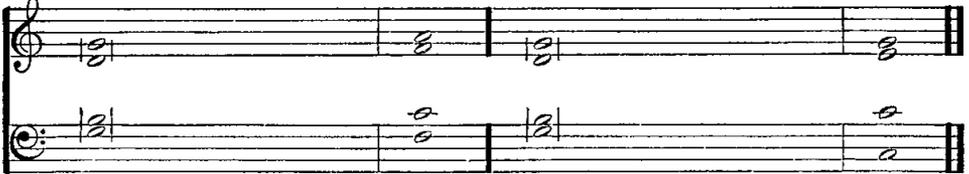
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Psalm 130

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<p>1 Out of the depths have I cried unto Thee, O</p> <p>3 If Thou, Lord, shouldest mark in-</p> <p>5 I wait for the Lord, my soul doth</p> <p>7 Let Israel hope in the Lord; for with the Lord there is</p> <p>9 <u>Glory be to the Father and to the</u></p>	<p>Lord.</p> <p>iquities,</p> <p>wait,</p> <p>mercy,</p> <p><u>Son</u></p>	<p>Lord, hear my - - -</p> <p>O Lord, who shall - -</p> <p>and in His Word do I -</p> <p>and with Him is plenteous re- - - - -</p> <p>and to the Holy - - -</p>	<p>voice:</p> <p>stand?</p> <p>hope.</p> <p>demption.</p> <p>Ghost;</p>
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<p>2 Let Thine ears be at-</p> <p>4 But there is forgiveness with</p> <p>6 My soul waiteth for the Lord more than they that watch for the</p> <p>8 And He shall redeem</p> <p>10 <u>As it was in the beginning, is now, and ever</u></p>	<p>tentive</p> <p>Thee</p> <p>morning:</p> <p>Israel</p> <p>shall be,</p>	<p>to the voice of my suppli-</p> <p>that Thou mayest be</p> <p>I say, more than they that watch for the</p> <p>from all his in-</p> <p>world without end. A-</p>	<p>cations.</p> <p>feared.</p> <p>morning.</p> <p>iquities.</p> <p>men.</p>
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THE PSALMODY

“De Profundis”

Psalm 130

THE PASSION READING FROM HOLY SCRIPTURE

CA: But Thou, O Lord, have mercy upon us.
C: Thanks be to Thee, O Lord. (Chanted)

March 1st: THE MESSAGE HYMN

“Now I have Found the Ground Wherein” (ELH 499)

**1. Now I have found the ground wherein
Sure my soul’s anchor may remain –
The wounds of Jesus, for my sin
Before the world’s foundation slain;
Whose mercy shall unshaken stay,
When heav’n and earth are fled away.**

**2. Father, Thine everlasting grace
Our scanty thought surpasses far,
Thy heart still melts with tenderness,
Thy arms of love still open are,
Returning sinners to receive,
That mercy they may taste and live.**

**3. O Love, Thou bottomless abyss,
My sins are swallowed up in thee!
Covered is my unrighteousness,
Nor spot of guilt remains on me,
While Jesus’ blood, through earth and skies
Mercy, free, boundless mercy! cries.**

**4. With faith I plunge me in this sea,
Here is my hope, my joy, my rest;
Hither, when hell assails, I flee,
I look into my Savior’s breast.
Away, sad doubt and anxious fear!
Mercy is all that’s written there.**

**5. Though waves and storms go o’er my head
Though strength and health and friends be gone,
Though joys be withered all and dead,
Though every comfort be withdrawn
On this my steadfast soul relies –
Father, Thy mercy never dies!**

**6. Fixed on this ground will I remain,
Though my heart fail and flesh decay;
This anchor shall my soul sustain,
When earth's foundations melt away.
Mercy's full pow'r I then shall prove,
Loved with an everlasting love.**

March 8th, 15th, 22nd, 29th: THE MESSAGE HYMN

“Jesus Christ Our Blessed Savior”

(LSB 627)

**1. Jesus Christ, our blessed Savior,
Turned away God's wrath forever;
By His bitter grief and woe
He saved us from the evil foe.**

**2. As His pledge of love undying,
He, this precious food supplying,
Gives His body with the bread,
And with the wine the blood He shed.**

**3. Jesus here Himself is sharing;
Heed then how you are preparing,
For if you do not believe,
His judgment then you shall receive.**

**4. Praise the Father, who from heaven
To His own this food has given,
Who, to mend what we have done,
Gave into death His only Son.**

**5. Firmly hold with faith unshaken
That this food is to be taken
By the sick who are distressed,
By hearts that long for peace and rest.**

**6. Agony and bitter labor
Were the cost of God's high favor;
Do not come if you suppose
You need not Him who died and rose.**

**7. Christ says: “Come, all you that labor,
And receive My grace and favor:
They who feel no pain or ill**

Need no physician's help or skill.

**8. "For what purpose was My dying
If not for your justifying?
And what use this precious food
If you yourself were pure and good?"**

**9. If your heart this truth professes
And your mouth your sin confesses,
And will be your Savior's guest,
Be at His banquet truly blest.**

**10. Let this food your faith so nourish
That its fruit of love may flourish
And your neighbor learn from you
How much God's wondrous love can do.**

**THE SERMON "Faith Worked Through These
Means"**

**(A Sermon Series on the 4th, 5th, & 6th Chief Parts
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March 01 Lent 1 "What Sins Should We Confess?"

March 08 Lent 2 "What is the Sacrament of the Altar?"

**March 15 Lent 3 "What is the Benefit of this Eating &
Drinking?"**

**March 22 Lent 4 "How can Bodily Eating & Drinking do
Such Great Things?"**

**March 29 Lent 5 "Who Receives this Sacrament
Worthily?"**

THE OFFERING

THE VERSICLE (Chanted)

CA: Let my prayers be set before Thee as incense:

C: **And the lifting up of my hands as the evening sacrifice.**

THE MAGNIFICAT

(TLH 43)

THE LORD'S PRAYER

THE SALUTATION

CA: O Lord Hear My Prayer

C: **Let my cry come to you.** (Chanted)

THE COLLECT FOR PEACE

CA: Let us pray: O, God, from whom all holy desires, all good counsels, and all just works do proceed, give unto Thy servants that peace which the world cannot give, that our hearts may be set to obey Thy commandments, and also that by Thee, we, being defended from the fear of our enemies, may pass our time in rest and quietness; through the merits of Jesus Christ, our Savior, who liveth and reigneth with Thee and the Holy Ghost, ever one God, world without end.

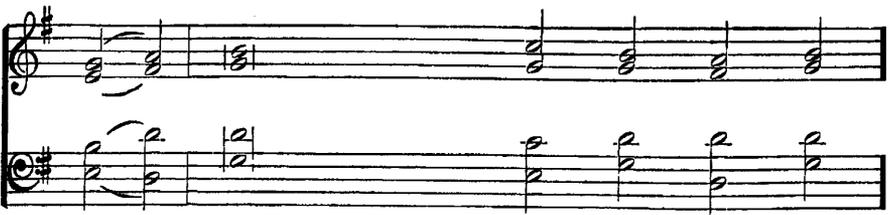
C: **Amen** (Chanted)

THE BENEDICAMUS

CA: Bless we the Lord

C: **Thanks be to God.** (Chanted)

THE BENEDICTION



1	My	soul doth	- - -	magni-	fy	the	Lord:
2	For	He	- - -	hath	re-	gard-	ed:
3	For,	be-	- - -	hold,	from	hence-	forth:
4	For	He that is mighty	hath	done to	me	great	things:
5	And His	mercy is on	- -	them	that	fear	Him:
6	He hath	showed	- - -	strength	with	His	arm:
7	He hath	put down the	- -	mighty	from	their	seats:
8	He hath	filled the	- -	hungry	with	good	things:
9	He hath	holpen His servant Is-	rael in remembrance	of	His	mer-	cy:
	Glo-ry	be to the Father	-	and	to	the	Son:
	As it	was in the beginning,		ev-	er	shall	be:
		is now, and	- - -				



1	and my spirit hath rejoiced in	- -	God,	my	Sav-	ior.
2	the low estate of	- - -	His	hand-	maid-	en:
3	all generations shall	- - -	call	me	bles-	ed.
4	and ho-	- - -	ly	is	His	name.
5	from generation to	- - -	gen-	er-	a-	tion.
6	He hath scattered the proud in the imagi-	-	na-tion	of	their	hearts.
7	and exalted them	- - -	of	low	de-	gree.
8	and the rich He hath sent	- -	emp-	ty	a-	way.
9	as He spake to our fathers, to Abraham,		seed	for-	ev-	er.
	and to his	- - -	the	Ho-	ly	Ghost;
	and to	- - -	out	end.	A-	men.
	world with-	- - -				

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

C: Amen (Chanted)

THE CLOSING HYMN (Last on Board)

March 1st:

Confession II

P: *What sins should we confess?*

C: Before God we should plead guilty of all sins, even those we are not aware of, as we do in the Lord's Prayer; but before the pastor we should confess only those sins which we know and feel in our hearts.

P: *Which are these?*

C: Consider your place in life according to the Ten Commandments: Are you a father, mother, son , daughter, husband, wife, or worker? Have you been disobedient, unfaithful, or lazy? Have you been hot-tempered, rude, or quarrelsome? Have you hurt someone by your words or deeds? Have you stolen, been negligent, wasted anything, or done any harm?

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March 8th:

The Sacrament of the Altar -

The Nature of the Sacrament of the Altar

P: *What is the Sacrament of the Altar?*

C: It is the true body and blood of our Lord Jesus Christ under the bread and wine, instituted by Christ Himself for us Christians to eat and to drink.

P: Where is this written?

C: The holy Evangelists Matthew, Mark, Luke, and St. Paul write: Our Lord Jesus Christ, on the night when He was betrayed, took bread, and when He had given thanks, He broke it and gave it to the disciples and said: “Take, eat; this is My body, which is given for you. This do in remembrance of Me.” In the same way also He took the cup after supper, and when He had given thanks, He gave it to them saying, “ Drink of it, all of you; this cup is the new testament, in My blood, which is shed for you for the forgiveness of sins. This do, as often as you drink it, in remembrance of Me.”

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March 15th:

The Benefit of the Sacrament of the Altar

P: *What is the benefit of this eating and drinking?*

C: These words, “Given and shed for you for the forgiveness of sins,” show us that in the Sacrament forgiveness of sins, life, and salvation are given us through these words. For where there is forgiveness of sins, there is also life and salvation.

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March 22nd:

The Power of the Sacrament of the Altar

P: How can bodily eating and drinking do such great things?

C: Certainly not just eating and drinking do these things, but the words written here: “Given and shed for you for the forgiveness of sins.” These words, along with the bodily eating and drinking, are the main thing in the Sacrament. Whoever believes these words has exactly what they say: “forgiveness of sins.”

March 29th:

How to Receive this Sacrament Worthily

P: Who receives this sacrament worthily?

C: Fasting and bodily preparation are certainly fine outward training. But that person is truly worthy and well prepared who has faith in these words: “Given and shed for you for the forgiveness of sins.” But anyone who does not believe these words or doubts them is unworthy and unprepared, for the words “for you” require all hearts to believe.

April 6, 2023 at 7:30 p.m.

Maundy Thursday Service
with Holy Communion & Stripping of the Altar

April 7, 2023 at 7:30 p.m.

Good Friday Service with Holy Communion

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