

Gloria Dei Lutheran Church
Lenten Evening Prayer
April 9, 2025

Pre-Service Music With All My Being, I Wait: Psalm 130

Refrain

All (melody)

To Verses *Last time*

Verses

Leader or Assistant

1. Out of the depths I cry to you, O God: O
 2. If you, O God, should mark our sins, O
 3. I wait for God, with all my heart I wait. In God's

God, hear my voice. Let your ears be o - pen to the
 God, who could stand? But in you is for-give-ness, so that
 word is my hope. My soul is wait - ing more than

sound of my cries for mer - cy.
 we can, with rev - 'rence, serve you.
 those who watch for morn - ing.

D.C.

Silence for meditation

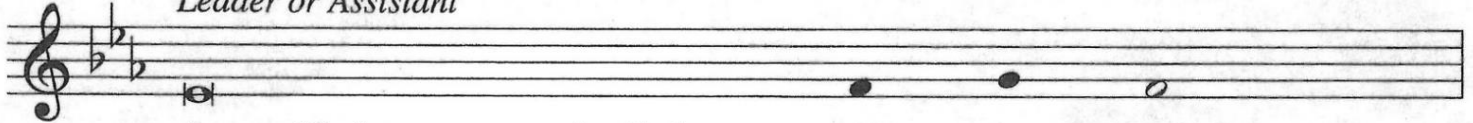
Leader Patient and ever-present God,
 you are loving and forgiving to all.
 Hear our voices
 amidst the darkness,
 in the silence,
 from the depths of our hearts.
 As we wait and watch
 for the dawning of your light in us,
 show us your mercy and compassion.
 Show us Jesus, your Son, our Savior.

All Amen.

Welcome

Service of Light

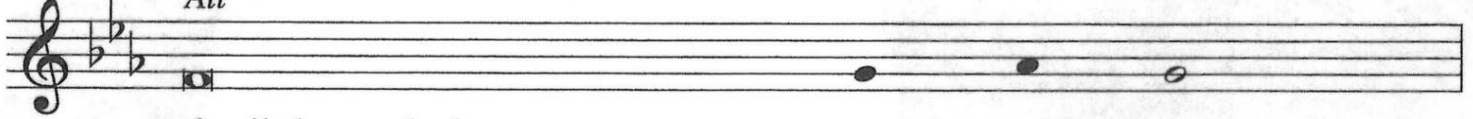
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Jesus Christ, you are the light of the world,

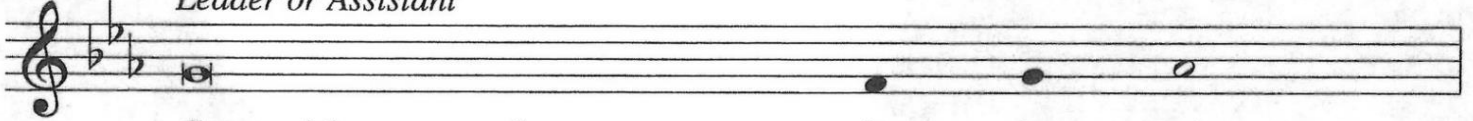
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the light no darkness can o - ver - come.

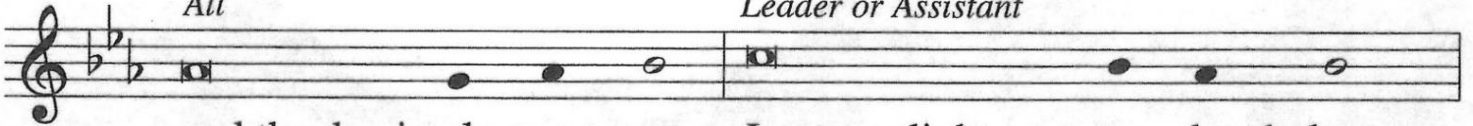
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Stay with us now, for it is evening,

All *Leader or Assistant*



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and the day is al - most over. Let your light scat - ter the darkness,

All



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and shine within your peo-ple here.

Evening Hymn

All



1. Joy - ous light of heav'n - ly glo - ry, lov - ing
2. In the stars that grace the dark - ness, in the
3. You who made the heav - en's splen - dor, ev - 'ry



glow of God's own face, you who sing cre - a - tion's
blaz - ing sun of dawn, in the light of peace and
danc - ing star of night, make us shine with gen - tle



sto - ry, shine on ev - 'ry land and race. Now as
wis - dom, we can hear your qui - et song. Love that
jus - tice, let us each re - flect your light. Might - y



eve - ning falls a - round us, we shall raise our songs to
fills the night with won - der, love that warms the wea - ry
God of all cre - a - tion, gen - tle Christ who lights our



you. God of day - break, God of shad - ows, come and
soul, love that bursts all chains a - sun - der, set us
way, lov - ing Spir - it of sal - va - tion, lead us



light our hearts a - new.
free and make us whole.
on to end - less day.

Evening Thanksgiving

Leader or Assistant *All*

May God be with you all. And al - so with you.

Leader or Assistant *All*

Let us sing our thanks to God. It is right to give God thanks and praise.

Leader Blessed are you, Creator of the universe, from old you have led your people by night and day. May the light of your Christ make our darkness bright, for your Word and your presence are the light of our pathways, and you are the light and life of all creation.

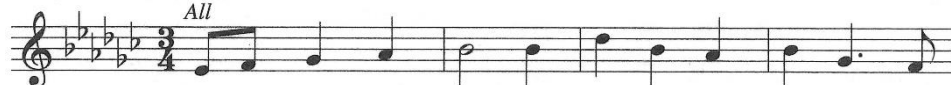
All

A - men.


Psalm 141

Refrain

All



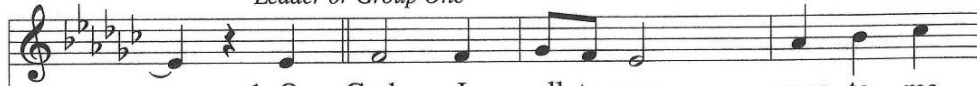
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lift-ing up of my hands as an of-fer-ing to you.

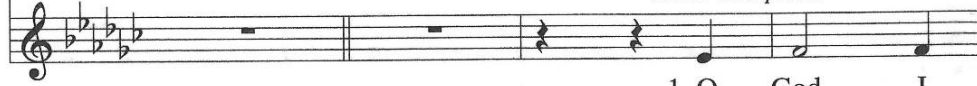
Verse 1

Leader or Group One




1. O God, I call to you, come to me


All or Group Two



1. O God, I

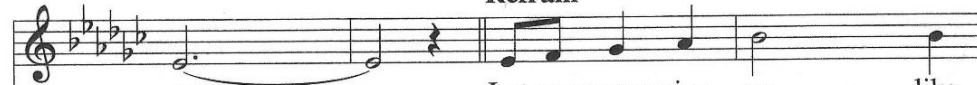


now; O hear my voice when I cry to




call to you, come to me now; O hear my


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you. Let my prayer rise up like



voice when I cry to you. Let my prayer rise




in-cense be - fore you, the lift-ing up of my hands as an




up like in-cense be - fore you, the lift-ing up of my

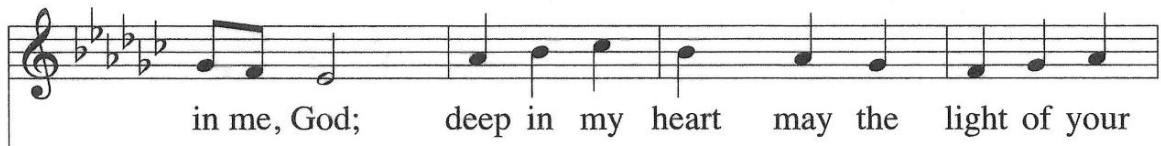
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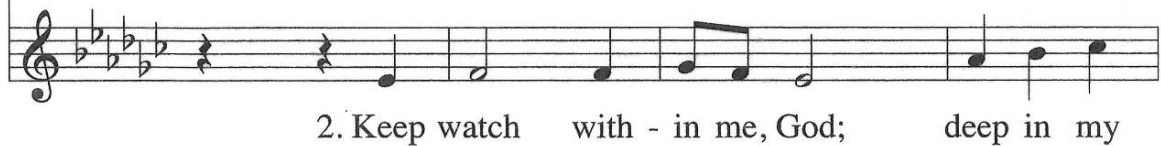
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hands as an of-fer-ing to you.



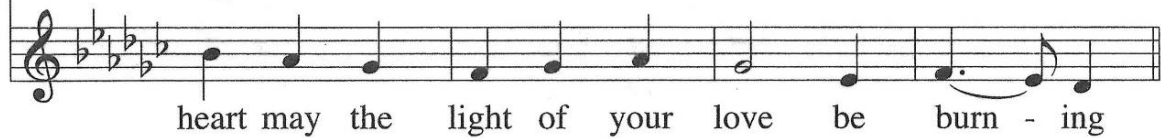
in me, God; deep in my heart may the light of your



2. Keep watch with - in me, God; deep in my

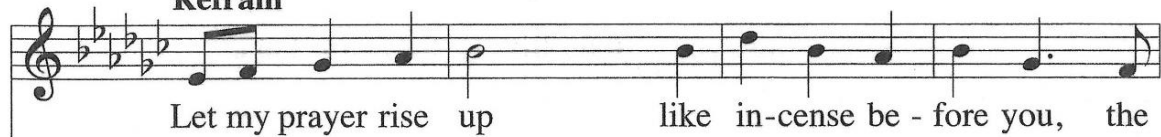


love be burn - ing bright.

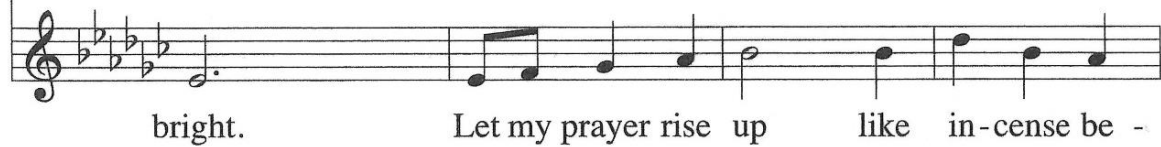


heart may the light of your love be burn - ing

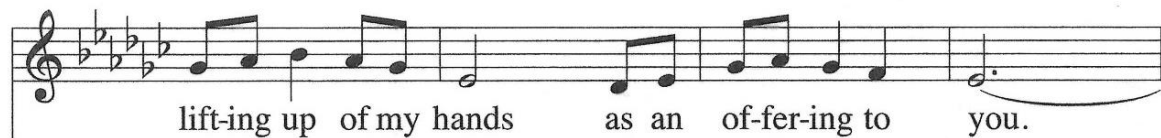
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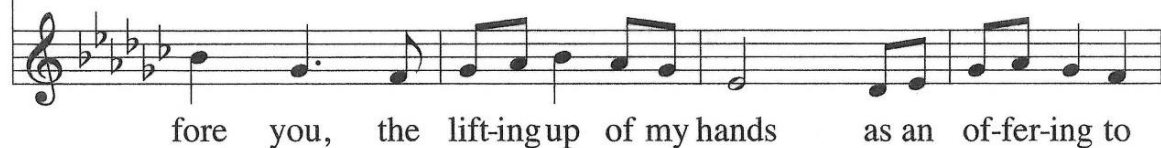
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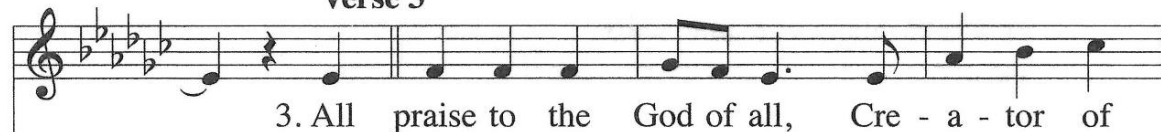


lift-ing up of my hands as an of-fer-ing to you.

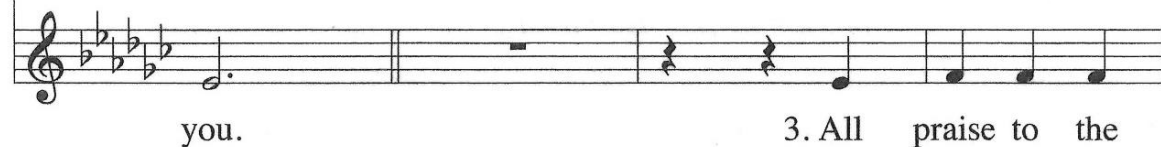


fore you, the lift-ing up of my hands as an of-fer-ing to

Verse 3



3. All praise to the God of all, Cre - a - tor of



you. 3. All praise to the

life; all praise be to Christ and the Spir - it of

God of all, Cre - a - tor of life; all praise be to

Refrain

love. Let my prayer rise up like

Christ and the Spir-it of love. Let my prayer rise

in-cense be - fore you, the lift-ing up of my hands as an

up like in-cense be - fore you, the lift-ing up of my

of-fer-ing to you.

hands as an of-fer-ing to you.

Silence for meditation

Leader May our prayers come before you, O God, as incense,
and may your presence surround and fill us,
so that in union with all creation,
we might sing your praise and your love in our lives.

All Amen.

*(Alternate psalms are on pages 10–12. The leader will indicate
if any of these will be used in the service.)*

One or two lessons are read; silence for meditation follows each reading.

Leader The light shines in the darkness...

All ... and the darkness has not overcome it.

Prayer of the Day

God of goodness, you love your whole creation, and you make the broken whole. Give us hearts to recognize the broken places in ourselves and the world, that we may join in the healing work of Christ, in whose name we pray.

Amen.

A reading from Genesis (1:1-2:2)

¹In the beginning when God created the heavens and the earth, ²the earth was a formless void and darkness covered the face of the deep, while a wind from God swept over the face of the waters. ³Then God said, "Let there be light"; and there was light. ⁴And God saw that the light was good; and God separated the light from the darkness. ⁵God called the light Day, and the darkness he called Night. And there was evening and there was morning, the first day.

⁶And God said, "Let there be a dome in the midst of the waters, and let it separate the waters from the waters." ⁷So God made the dome and separated the waters that were under the dome from the waters that were above the dome. And it was so. ⁸God called the dome Sky. And there was evening and there was morning, the second day.

⁹And God said, "Let the waters under the sky be gathered together into one place, and let the dry land appear." And it was so. ¹⁰God called the dry land Earth, and the waters that were gathered together he called Seas. And God saw that it was good. ¹¹Then God said, "Let the earth put forth vegetation: plants yielding seed, and fruit trees of every kind on earth that bear fruit with the seed in it." And it was so. ¹²The earth brought forth vegetation: plants yielding seed of every kind, and trees of every kind bearing fruit with the seed in it. And God saw that it was good. ¹³And there was evening and there was morning, the third day.

¹⁴And God said, "Let there be lights in the dome of the sky to separate the day from the night; and let them be for signs and for seasons and for days and years, ¹⁵and let them be lights in the dome of the sky to give light upon the earth." And it was so. ¹⁶God made the two great lights — the greater light to rule the day and the lesser light to rule the night — and the stars. ¹⁷God set them in the dome of the sky to give light upon the earth, ¹⁸to rule over the day and over the night, and to separate the light from the darkness. And God saw that it was good. ¹⁹And there was evening and there was morning, the fourth day.

²⁰And God said, "Let the waters bring forth swarms of living creatures, and let birds fly above the earth across the dome of the sky." ²¹So God created the great sea monsters and every living creature that moves, of every kind, with which the waters swarm, and every winged bird of every kind. And God saw that it was good. ²²God blessed them, saying, "Be fruitful and multiply and fill the waters in the seas, and let birds multiply on the earth." ²³And there was evening and there was morning, the fifth day.

²⁴And God said, "Let the earth bring forth living creatures of every kind: cattle and creeping things and wild animals of the earth of every kind." And it was so. ²⁵God made the wild animals of the earth of every kind, and the cattle of every kind, and everything that creeps upon the ground of every kind. And God saw that it was good.

²⁶Then God said, "Let us make humankind in our image, according to our likeness; and let them have dominion over the fish of the sea, and over the birds of the air, and over the cattle, and over all the wild animals of the earth, and over every creeping thing that creeps upon the earth."

²⁷So God created humankind in his image, in the image of God he created them; male and female he created them.

²⁸God blessed them, and God said to them, "Be fruitful and multiply, and fill the earth and subdue it; and have dominion over the fish of the sea and over the birds of the air and over every living thing that moves upon the earth." ²⁹God said, "See, I have given you every plant yielding seed that is upon the face of all the earth, and every tree with seed in its fruit; you shall have them for food." ³⁰And to every beast of the earth, and to every bird of the air, and to everything that creeps on the earth, everything that has the breath of life, I have given every green plant for food." And it was so. ³¹God saw everything that he had made, and indeed, it was very good. And there was evening and there was morning, the sixth day.

¹Thus the heavens and the earth were finished, and all their multitude. ²And on the seventh day God finished the work that he had done, and he rested on the seventh day from all the work that he had done.

Leader: The light shines in the darkness

All: and the darkness has not overcome it.

Canticle

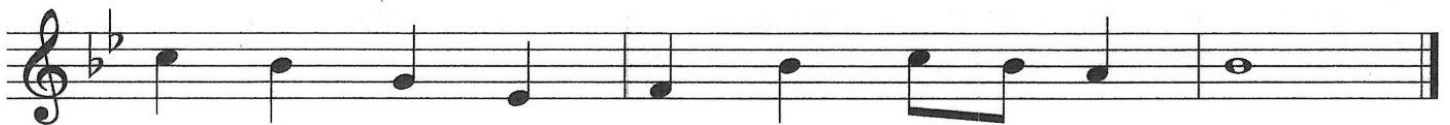
The Magnificat



1., 3. My soul pro-claims your great-ness, O God, and my
2. You have cast the might - y down from their thrones, and up -



spir - it re - joic - es in you. You have looked with love on your
lift - ed the hum - ble of heart. You have filled the hun - gry with



ser - vant here, and blessed me all my life through.
won - drous things, and left the wealth - y no part.



Great and might - y are you, O Ho - ly One,
Great and might - y are you, O Faith - ful One,



strong is your kind - ness ev - er - more. How you fa - vor the
strong is your jus - tice, strong your love, as you prom - ised to



weak and low - ly one, hum - bling the proud of heart!
Sar - ah and A - bra - ham, kind - ness for - ev - er - more.

Reflection

God Delights in Our Goodness and Judges Sin

Pastor Dave

The Hymn ELW 879 For the Beauty of the Earth

Dix



- 1 For the beau - ty of the earth, for the beau - ty of the skies,
- 2 For the won - der of each hour of the day and of the night,
- 3 For the joy of ear and eye, for the heart and mind's de - light,
- 4 For the joy of hu - man love, broth - er, sis - ter, par - ent, child,
- 5 For each per - fect gift of thine, peace on earth and joy in heav'n;



for the love which from our birth o - ver and a - round us lies:
hill and vale and tree and flow'r, sun and moon and stars of light:
for the mys - tic har - mo - ny link - ing sense to sound and sight:
friends on earth and friends a - bove; for all gen - tle thoughts and mild:
for thy - self, best gift di - vine, to our world so free - ly giv'n:

Refrain



Christ, our God, to thee we raise this our sac - ri - fice of praise.

Offering Hymn O Faithful God: Psalm 51

Our Lenten offering will go to Lutheran World Relief Kits.

Offering plates can be found at the back of the Nave.



1. O faith-ful God, have mer-cy on your ser-vant here;
2. I know my deeds, I know my faults and fail-ings well;
3. You long for truth, for wis-dom dwell-ing deep with-in;



in your love, re-mem-ber not my sins. In the
I have sinned and bro-ken faith with you. For the
teach my heart to long for wis-dom, too: Wash me



wa-ters of your grace, wash me clean of all dis-grace;
wrong that I have done, my trans-gres-sions, ev-'ry one,
clean and give me voice, so these bones you crushed re-joice;



raise me up to life from death and fear.
God your judg-ment would be just and true.
turn my heart from sin to life in you.



4. Cre-ate in me a clean and right-eous heart, O God, put a



will-ing spir-it in my soul. Let me sing with joy a-new the sal-



va-tion found in you, sing-ing praise to you who made me whole.

Litany and Prayers

All
A *repeat continuously* B

Hmm. God of mer-cy, hold us in love.

A *Leader or Assistant* B

1. In peace, in peace, we pray to you:
2. For peace and sal - va - tion, we pray to you:
3. For peace be-tween na-tions, for peace be-tween peo - ples:
4. For us, who are gath-ered to wor-ship and praise you:
5. For all of your ser-vants who live out your gos - pel:
6. For all those who gov - ern, that jus - tice might guide them:
7. For all those who la - bor in ser-vice to oth - ers:
8. Grant weath-er that nour - ish - es all of cre - a - tion:
9. Keep watch on our loved ones and keep us from dan - ger:
10. For all the be - lov - ed who rest in your mer - cy:

A *Leader or Assistant*

Help us, com-fort us, all of our days:

All

Keep us, hold us, gra - cious God.

Leader Great and merciful God,
source and ground of all goodness and life,
give to your people the peace that passes all understanding,
and the will to live your gospel of mercy and justice,
through Jesus Christ our Lord.

All Amen.

Leader God, remember us in your love, and teach us to pray:

All Our Father in heaven,
hallowed be your name,
your kingdom come, your will be done,
on earth as in heaven.
Give us today our daily bread.
Forgive us our sins
as we forgive those
who sin against us.
Save us from the time of trial
and deliver us from evil.
For the kingdom, the power,
and the glory are yours,
now and forever. Amen.

Final Blessing

Leader or Assistant *All*



Let us bless our God: Praise and thanks to you.

Leader or Assistant

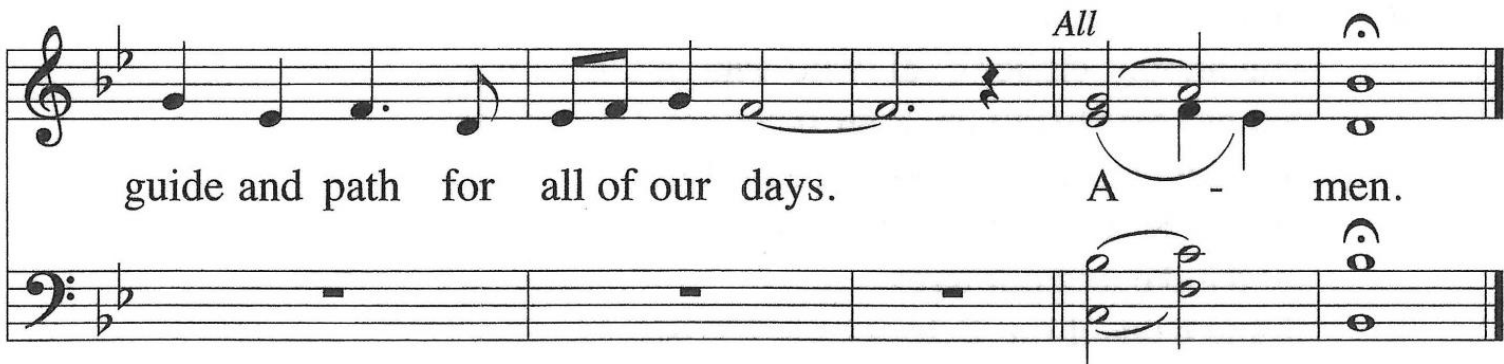


May God, Cre - a - tor, bless us and keep us, may



Christ be ev - er light for our lives, may the Spir - it of Love be our

All



guide and path for all of our days.

A - men.

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