

Opening Hymn

590 O Holy Spirit, Enter In



1 O Ho - ly Spir - it, en - ter in and in our hearts
 2 Give to your Word im - pres - sive pow'r that in our hearts
 3 O might - y Rock, O Source of life, let your dear Word,



your work be - gin, your dwell - ing place now make us.
 from this good hour as fire it may be glow - ing,
 in doubt and strife, in us be strong - ly burn - ing



Sun of the soul, O Light di - vine, a - round and in
 that in true Chris - tian u - ni - ty we faith - ful wit -
 that we be faith - ful un - to death and live in love



us bright - ly shine, to joy and glad - ness wake us
 ness - es may be, your glo - ry ev - er show - ing.
 and ho - ly faith, from you true wis - dom learn - ing.



that we may be tru - ly liv - ing, to you giv - ing
 Hear us, cheer us by your teach - ing; let our preach - ing
 Your grace and peace on us show - er; by your pow - er



prayer un - ceas - ing and in love be still in - creas - ing.
 and our la - bor praise you, Lord, and serve our neigh - bor.
 Christ con - fess - ing, let us see our Sav - ior's bless - ing.

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O Lord, o - pen my lips,



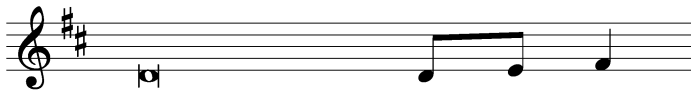
and my mouth shall de - clare your praise.



Has - ten to save me, O God;



O Lord, come quick - ly to help me.



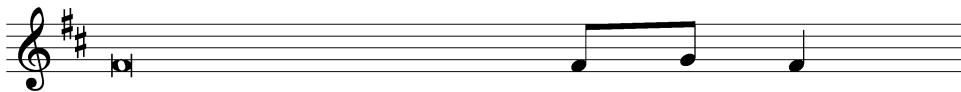
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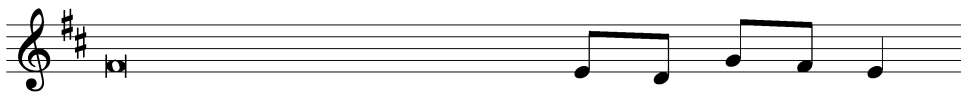
praise and thanks to God!

O Come, Let Us Sing to the Lord

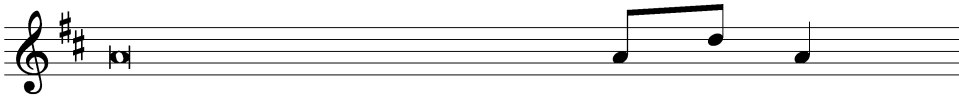
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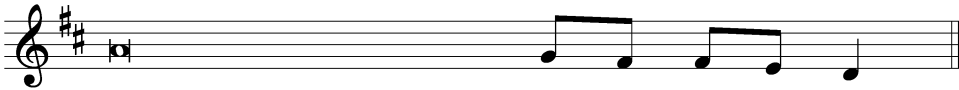
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| 1 O come, let us sing | to the Lord, |
| 2 For the Lord is a | great _____ God |
| 3 The sea is his, for he | made _____ it, |



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| 1 let us make a joyful noise to the rock of | our sal - va - tion. |
| 2 and a great | king a - bove all gods. |
| 3 and his hand | formed the dry _____ land. |



- 1 Let us come into his presence with thanks - giv - ing,
- 2 The deep places of the earth are in his hand;
- 3 O come, let us worship and bow ____ down,
- 4 For he is our God,



- 1 let us make a joyful noise to him with songs of praise.
- 2 the heights of the hills are al - so his.
- 3 let us kneel before the Lord our mak - er.
- 4 and we are the people of his
pasture and the sheep of his ____ hand.

Be seated

First Reading

Jeremiah 20:7-13

⁷You persuaded me, LORD, and I agreed to it.
You are stronger than I am, and you won out.
I have become a laughingstock all day long,
and everyone is mocking me.

⁸Whenever I speak, I cry out.
I cry out, "Violence and destruction!"
But the word of the LORD has brought scorn on me.
I am mocked all day long.

⁹If I say, "I will not mention him
or speak in his name anymore,"
then there is a burning fire in my heart,
shut up in my bones,
and I am weary of holding it in.
I cannot!

¹⁰I hear many whispering,
"Terror on every side!"
All my close friends,
those who are watching for my fall, say,
"Denounce him! Let's denounce him."
Perhaps he can be pressured into making a mistake.

Then we will have the upper hand against him,
and we will take our revenge on him.”

¹¹But the LORD is with me like a terrifying warrior.

So my persecutors will stumble,
and they will not gain the upper hand.

They will be put to shame completely,
because they have not been successful.

Their eternal disgrace will never be forgotten.

¹² LORD of Armies, you test the righteous.

You see the heart and the mind.

Let me see your vengeance on them,
for I have laid out my case before you.

¹³Sing to the LORD!

Praise the LORD,
for he has delivered the life of the needy
from the hand of the wicked.


The Word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.


Psalm 91

On Eagle's Wings

Verse

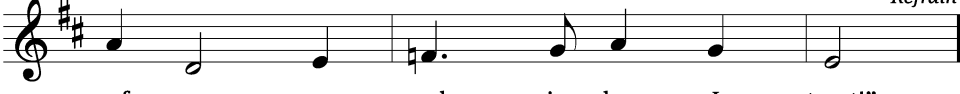


1 You who dwell in the shel-ter of the Lord, who a -



bide in his shad-ow for life, say to the Lord: “My

Refrain



ref - uge, my rock in whom I trust!”

Refrain



And he will raise you up on ea - gle's wings,



bear you on the breath of dawn, make you to shine like the



sun, and hold you in the palm of his hand.

Verses



Verse

2 The snare of the fowl-er will nev-er cap-ture you, and



fam - ine will bring you no fear; un - der his wings your



ref - uge, his faith - ful - ness your shield.

Refrain



Verse

3 For to his an-gels he's giv-en a com-mand to



guard you in all of your ways; up - on their hands they will



bear you up, lest you dash your foot a-against a stone.

Final Refrain



Final Refrain

And he will raise you up on ea - gle's wings, bear you on the

breath of dawn, make you to shine like the sun, and
 hold you in the palm of his hand. And hold you,
 hold you in the palm of his hand.

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Second Reading

2 Timothy 4:1–8

¹I solemnly charge you in the presence of God and Christ Jesus, who is going to judge the living and the dead, and in view of his appearing and his kingdom:

²Preach the word. Be ready whether it is convenient or not. Correct, rebuke, and encourage, with all patience and teaching. ³For there will come a time when people will not put up with sound doctrine. Instead, because they have itching ears, they will accumulate for themselves teachers in line with their own desires. ⁴They will also turn their ears away from the truth and will turn aside to myths.

⁵As for you, keep a clear head in every situation. Bear hardship. Do the work of an evangelist. Fulfill your ministry.

⁶You see, I am already being poured out like a drink offering, and the time of my departure has come. ⁷I have fought the good fight; I have finished the race; I have kept the faith. ⁸From now on, there is reserved for me the crown of righteousness. The Lord, the righteous Judge, will give it to me on that day, and not only to me but also to everyone who loved his appearing.

The Word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

Gospel

Matthew 10:5a,21–33

⁵Jesus sent these twelve out and commanded them,

²¹“Brother will hand over his brother to death, and a father will do the same with his child. Children will rise up against parents and have them put to death. ²²You will be hated by all people because of my name, but whoever

endures to the end will be saved. ²³And when they persecute you in one town, flee to the next. Amen I tell you: You will not finish going through the cities of Israel before the Son of Man comes.

²⁴“A disciple is not above his teacher, nor is a servant above his master. ²⁵It is enough for the disciple to be like his teacher and the servant like his master. If the master of the house was called Beelzebul, how much more the members of his household!

²⁶“So do not be afraid of them, because there is nothing concealed that will not be revealed, and nothing hidden that will not be made known. ²⁷What I tell you in the dark, speak in the daylight; and what you hear whispered in your ear, proclaim from the housetops. ²⁸Do not fear those who kill the body but cannot kill the soul. Rather, fear the one who is able to destroy both soul and body in hell.

²⁹“Are not two sparrows sold for a small coin? Yet not one of them will fall to the ground without the knowledge and consent of your Father. ³⁰And even the hairs of your head are all numbered. ³¹So do not be afraid. You are worth more than many sparrows.

³²“Everyone who confesses me before others, I will also confess before my Father who is in heaven. ³³But whoever denies me before others, I will also deny before my Father who is in heaven.

The Gospel of the Lord.

Praise be to you, O Christ!

Hymn of the Day

823 Jesus, Priceless Treasure



1 Je - sus, price-less trea - sure, fount of pur - est plea - sure,
2 In thine arms I rest me; foes who would op - press me
3 Sa - tan, I de - fy thee; death, I now de - cry thee;
4 Hence, all earth - ly trea - sure! Je - sus is my plea - sure,
5 Hence, all fear and sad - ness! For the Lord of glad - ness,



tru - est friend to me. Ah, how long in an - guish
can - not reach me here. Though the earth be shak - ing,
fear, I bid thee cease. World, thou shalt not harm me
Je - sus is my choice. Hence, all emp - ty glo - ry!
Je - sus, en - ters in. Those who love the Fa - ther,



shall my spir - it lan - guish, yearn - ing, Lord, for thee?
 ev - 'ry heart be quak - ing, Je - sus calms my fear.
 nor thy threats a - larm me while I sing of peace.
 Naught to me thy sto - ry told with tempt - ing voice.
 though the storms may gath - er, still have peace with - in.



Thou art mine, O Lamb di - vine! I will suf - fer
 Light - nings flash and thun - ders crash; yet, though sin and
 God's great pow'r guards ev - 'ry hour; earth and all its
 Pain or loss or shame or cross shall not from my
 Yea, what - e'er I here must bear, thou art still my



naught to hide thee; naught I ask be - side thee.
 hell as - sail me, Je - sus will not fail me.
 depths a - dore him, si - lent bow be - fore him.
 Sav - ior move me since he deigns to love me.
 pur - est plea - sure, Je - sus, price - less trea - sure!

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Sermon

Matthew 10:5a,21–33

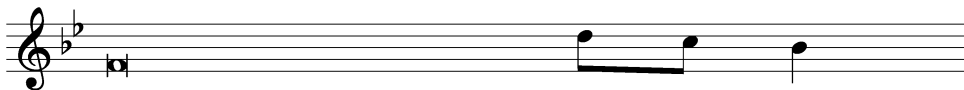
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We Praise You, O God

Te Deum Laudamus

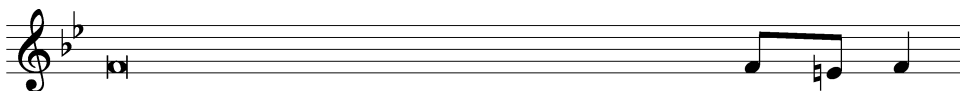
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| 1 We praise you, O God, we acclaim | you as | Lord; |
| 2 Holy, holy, holy, Lord God of | heav'n - ly | hosts, |
| 3 The white-robed army of martyrs | praise — | you. |



- 1 all creation worships you, Fa - ther ev - er - last - ing.
2 heaven and earth are full of your glo - ry.
3 Throughout the world the ho - ly Church ac - claims you:



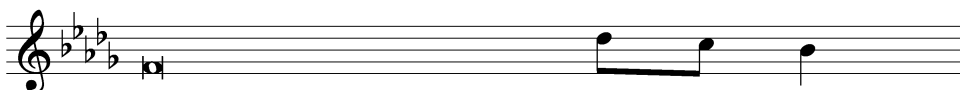
- 1 To you all angels, all the pow'rs of heav'n,
2 The glorious company of apostles praise you.
3 Father of majesty unbounded; your glorious, true, and on - ly Son;



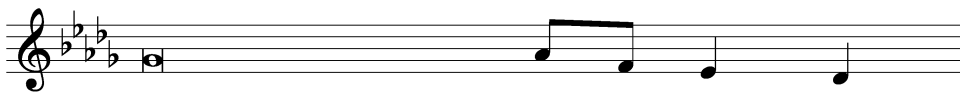
- 1 cherubim and seraphim, sing in end - less praise:
2 The noble fellowship of proph - ets praise you.
3 and the Holy Spirit, ad - vo - cate and guide.



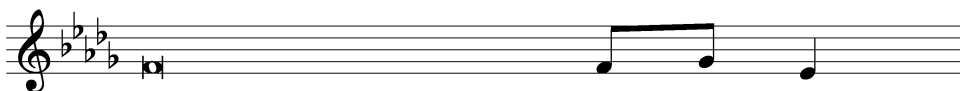
- 4 You, Christ, are the King of glo - ry, the eternal Son of the Fa - ther.



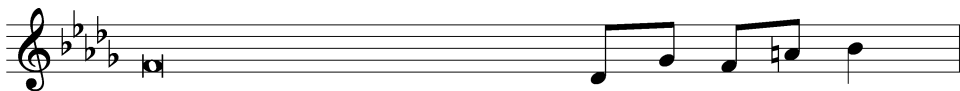
- 5 When you became man to set us free,
6 You sit at the right hand of God



- 5 you humbled yourself to be born of a vir - gin.
6 in the glory of the Fa - ther.



- 5 You overcame the sting of death
6 We believe that you will come



- 5 and opened the kingdom of heaven to all be - liev - ers.
6 to be our judge.

7 Come then, Lord, and help your peo - ple,

7 bought with the price of your own blood,

7 and bring us with your saints to glory ev - er - last - ing.

Be seated

Offering *May be left in the offering box in the entryway or given online*



Stand

Lord, Have Mercy

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Hear my voice when I call, O Lord; be merciful and an - swer me.

Lord, have mer - cy. Christ, have mer - cy. Lord, have mer - cy.

Prayer of the Day

Let us pray.

O God, because your abiding presence always goes with us, keep us aware of your daily mercies that we may live secure and content in your eternal love; through your Son, Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

Amen.

Prayers of intercession, and seasonal prayers may follow, concluding with the following prayer:

O Lord, our heavenly Father, almighty and everlasting God, you have brought us safely to this new day. Defend us with your mighty power, and grant that this day we neither fall into sin nor run into any kind of danger. And in all we do, direct us to what is right in your sight; through Jesus Christ, your Son, our Lord.

Amen.

Lord's Prayer

**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.
Lead us not into temptation,
but deliver us from evil.
For the kingdom, the power,
and the glory are yours
now and forever. Amen.**



Let us praise the Lord.



Thanks be to God.



The grace of our Lord + Je - sus Christ and the love of God

and the fellowship of the Holy Spir - it be with you all.

A - men.

Closing Hymn

874 Preserve Your Word, O Savior

- 1 Pre - serve your Word, O Sav - ior, to us this lat - ter
 2 Pre - serve your Word and preach - ing, the truth that makes us
 3 Pre - serve in wave and tem - pest your storm-tossed lit - tle

day, and let your king - dom flour - ish; en - large your
 whole, the mir - ror of your glo - ry, the pow'r that
 flock; as - sailed by wind and weath - er, may it en -

Church, we pray. O keep our faith from fail - ing, keep
 saves the soul. Oh, may this liv - ing wa - ter, this
 dure each shock. Come take the helm, our pi - lot, and

hope's bright star a - glow; let noth - ing turn us
 spring of heav'n - ly grace, sus - tain us while here
 set the course a - right; then we will reach the

from you while wan-d'ring here be - low.
 liv - ing un - til we see your face.
 har - bor in your e - ter - nal light.