

Order of Compline
Feast of St. James, Martyr
October 21, 2020

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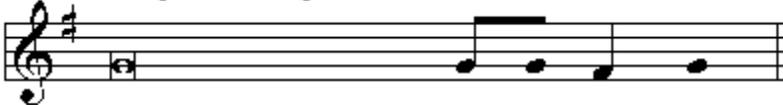
L The Lord Almighty grant us a qui - et night and peace at the last.



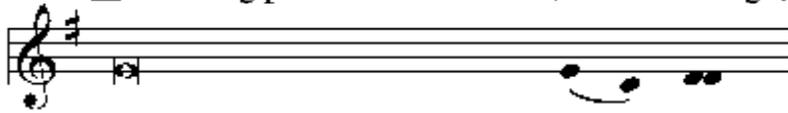
C A - men.



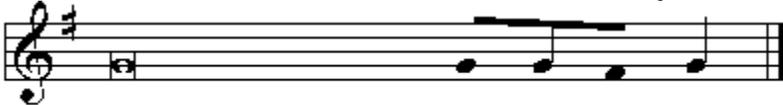
L It is good to give thanks to the Lord,



C to sing praise to Your name, O Most High;



L to herald Your love in the morn - ing,



C Your truth at the close of the day.

Confession

L Let us confess our sin in the presence of God and of one another.

Silence for self-examination.

L Holy and gracious God,

C I confess that I have sinned against You this day. Some of my sin I know—the thoughts and words and deeds of which I am ashamed—but some is known only to You. In the name of Jesus Christ I ask forgiveness. Deliver and restore me that I may rest in peace.

L By the mercy of God we are redeemed by Jesus Christ, and in Him we are forgiven. We rest now in His peace and rise in the morning to serve Him.

C Amen.

Introit

Psalm 31:1, 3, 5; antiphon: Revelation 7:14b



L These are the ones coming out of the great tribu- | lation.*
They have washed their robes and made them white in the blood | of the
Lamb.

C **In you, O LORD, do I take refuge; let me never be | put to shame;***
in your righteousness de- | liver me.

L For you are my rock and my | fortress;*
and for your name's sake you lead me and | guide me.

C **Into your hand I commit my | spirit;***
you have redeemed me, O LORD, | faithful God.

C **[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.

L These are the ones coming out of the great tribu- | lation.*
They have washed their robes and made them white in the blood | of the
Lamb.

Sit, silence for reflection upon God's Word.

Office Hymn

By All Your Saints in Warfare

LSB 518 sts. 1, 27, 3



1 By all Your saints in war - fare, For
2 We sing of James, Christ's broth - er, Who
△ 3 Then let us praise the Fa - ther And



all Your saints at rest, Your ho - ly name, O
at Je - ru - sa - lem Told how God loved the
wor - ship God the Son And sing to God the



Je - sus, For - ev - er - more be blest! For
Gen - tiles And, in Christ, wel - comed them. Re -
Spir - it, E - ter - nal Three in One, Till

You have won the bat - tle That they might wear the
 joic - ing in sal - va - tion May we too, by God's
 all the ran - somed num - ber Fall down be - fore the
 crown; And now they shine in glo - ry
 grace, Ex - tend Christ's in - vi - ta - tion
 throne, As - crib - ing pow'r and glo - ry
 Re - flect - ed from Your throne.
 To all the hu - man race.
 And praise to God a - lone.

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Silence for reflection upon God's Word.

Reading

Acts 15:12–22a

¹²And all the assembly fell silent, and they listened to Barnabas and Paul as they related what signs and wonders God had done through them among the Gentiles. ¹³After they finished speaking, James replied, "Brothers, listen to me. ¹⁴Simeon has related how God first visited the Gentiles, to take from them a people for his name. ¹⁵And with this the words of the prophets agree, just as it is written,

¹⁶"After this I will return,
 and I will rebuild the tent of David that has fallen;
 I will rebuild its ruins,
 and I will restore it,

¹⁷that the remnant of mankind may seek the Lord,
 and all the Gentiles who are called by my name,
 says the Lord, who makes these things ¹⁸known from of old.'

¹⁹Therefore my judgment is that we should not trouble those of the Gentiles who turn to God, ²⁰but should write to them to abstain from the things polluted by idols, and from sexual immorality, and from what has been strangled, and from blood. ²¹For from ancient generations Moses has had in every city those who proclaim him, for he is read every Sabbath in the synagogues."

²²Then it seemed good to the apostles and the elders, with the whole church, to choose men from among them and send them to Antioch with Paul and Barnabas.

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Reading

Matthew 13:54–58

⁵⁴Coming to his hometown [Jesus] taught them in their synagogue, so that they were astonished, and said, "Where did this man get this wisdom and these mighty works? ⁵⁵Is not this the carpenter's son? Is not his mother called Mary? And are not his brothers James and Joseph and Simon and Judas? ⁵⁶And are not all his sisters with us? Where then did this man get all these things?" ⁵⁷And they took offense at him. But Jesus said to them, "A prophet is not without honor except in his hometown and in his own household." ⁵⁸And he did not do many mighty works there, because of their unbelief.

Silence for reflection upon God's Word.

Message

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Responsory

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L You have re - deemed me, O Lord, God of truth.



C In - to Your hands I com - mend my spir - it.



L Glory be to the Fa - ther and to the Son and to the Ho - ly Spir - it.

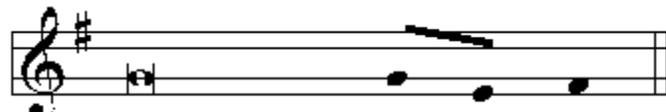


C In - to Your hands I com - mend my spir - it.

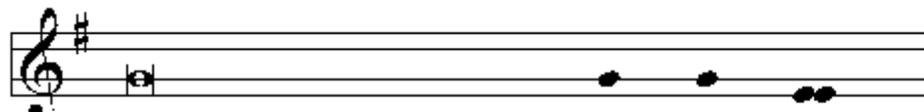
Prayer



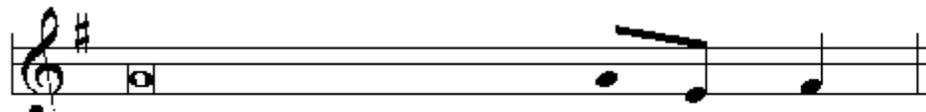
L Hear my prayer, O Lord;



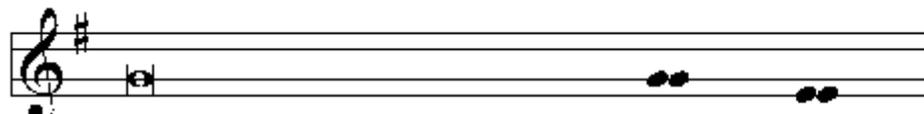
C listen to my cry.



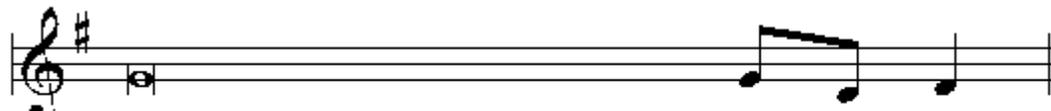
L Keep me as the apple of Your eye;



C hide me in the shadow of Your wings.



L In righteousness I shall see You;



C when I awake, Your presence will give me joy.

One or more of the following are prayed.

☒ Heavenly Father, shepherd of Your people, You raised up James the Just, brother of our Lord, to lead and guide Your Church. Grant that we may follow his example of prayer and reconciliation and be strengthened by the witness of his death; through Jesus Christ, our Lord.

☒ Be present, merciful God, and protect us through the hours of this night, so that we who are wearied by the changes and chances of life may find our rest in You; through Jesus Christ, our Lord.

☒ O Lord, support us all the day long of this troubled life, until the shadows lengthen and the evening comes and the busy world is hushed, the fever of life is over, and our work is done. Then, Lord, in Your mercy grant us a safe lodging and a holy rest and peace at the last; through Jesus Christ, our Lord.

☒ Be our light in the darkness, O Lord, and in Your great mercy defend us from all perils and dangers of this night; for the love of Your only Son, Jesus Christ, our Lord.

☒ Visit our dwellings, O Lord, and drive from them all the snares of the enemy; let Your holy angels dwell with us to preserve us in peace; and let Your blessing be on us always; through Jesus Christ, our Lord.

☒ Eternal God, the hours both of day and night are Yours, and to You the darkness is no threat. Be present, we pray, with those who labor in these hours of night, especially those who watch and work on behalf of others. Grant them diligence in their watching, faithfulness in their service, courage in danger, and competence in emergencies. Help them to meet the needs of others with confidence and compassion; through Jesus Christ, our Lord.

☒ Abide with us, Lord, for it is toward evening, and the day is far spent. Abide with us and with Your whole Church. Abide with us at the end of the day, at the end of our life, at the end of the world. Abide with us with Your grace and goodness, with Your holy Word and Sacrament, with Your strength and blessing. Abide with us when the night of affliction and temptation comes upon us, the

night of fear and despair, the night when death draws near. Abide with us and with all the faithful, now and for-e-ver.



C A - men.

Lord's Prayer

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L Taught by our Lord and trusting His promises, we are bold to pray:

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.

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Nunc Dimittis

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L Guide us wak - ing, O Lord, and guard us sleep - ing



that a - wake we may watch with Christ and asleep we may rest in peace.



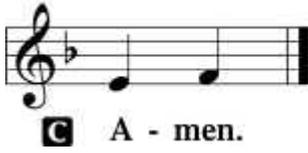
C Lord, now You let Your ser - vant go in peace; Your word has been ful - filled.

My own eyes have seen the sal-va - tion which You have prepared
in the sight of ev-'ry peo - ple: a light to reveal You to the na-tions
and the glory of Your peo - ple Is - ra - el. Glo-ry be to the
Fa - ther and to the Son and to the Ho - ly Spir - it;
as it was in the be - gin - ning, is now, and will be for -
ev - er. A - men. *Antiphon* Guide us wak - ing, O Lord,
and guard us sleep - ing that a - wake we may
watch with Christ and asleep we may rest in peace.

Benediction

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[L] The almighty and merciful Lord, the Fa - ther, the Son,
and the Holy Spir - it, bless us and keep us.



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