



Emmanuel
LUTHERAN CHURCH & PRESCHOOL

7pm Evening Prayer — The Holy Season of Easter

Wednesday, April 22, 2020 with Holden Evening Prayer

Emmanuel Lutheran Church, Vienna, VA

Worship Livestream at www.facebook.com/elcvienna





Welcome & Announcements

A Prayer of Healing for the Nations

Pastor: In this time of pandemic, let us pray...

(A moment of silence for reflection.)

Pastor: From a world-wide pandemic of the coronavirus disease,

All: heal us, O Lord.

Pastor: From fevers and difficulty breathing, from sickness and dying,

All: heal us, O Lord.

Pastor: From fear and worry, from stress and weariness

All: heal us, O Lord.

Pastor: From isolation and loneliness, from uncertainty and loss

All: heal us, O Lord.

Pastor: We are all ages and all colors, all genders and all creeds

All: heal us, O Lord.

Pastor: For our families and friends, all communities and all nations,

All: heal us, O Lord.

Pastor: In Jesus' name we pray

All: heal us, O Lord. Amen.

Invocation

Pastor: In this holy season of Easter we are gathered in the name of the Father, ☩ the Son and the Holy Spirit.

All: Amen.

Prelude

Andante sostenuto, Op. 72 No. 2

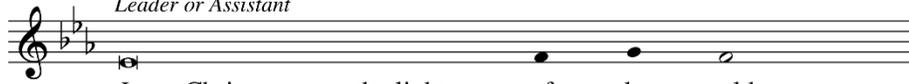
Felix Mendelssohn-Bartholdy



1. SERVICE OF LIGHT

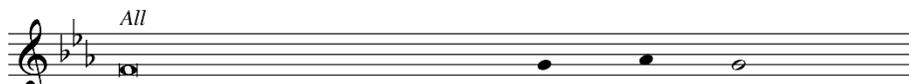
Procession

Leader or Assistant



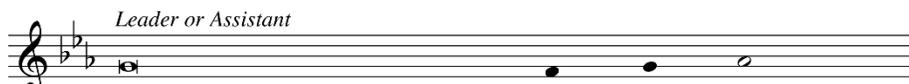
Jesus Christ, you are the light of the world,

All



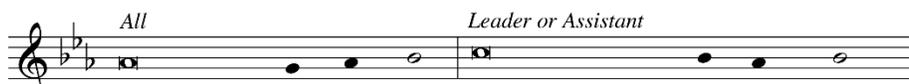
the light no darkness can o - ver - come.

Leader or Assistant



Stay with us now, for it is evening,

All *Leader or Assistant*



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

All



and shine within your peo-ple here.

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Evening Hymn

All

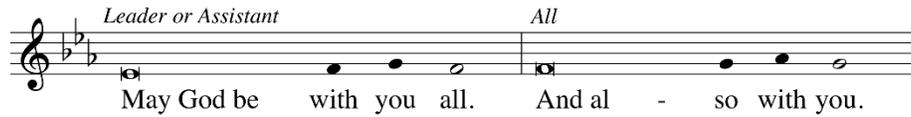
1. Joy - ous light of heav'n - ly glo - ry, lov - ing
2. In the stars that grace the dark - ness, in the
3. You who made the heav-en's splen - dor, ev - 'ry
glow of God's own face, you who sing cre - a - tion's
blaz - ing sun of dawn, in the light of peace and
danc - ing star of night, make us shine 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.

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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.



2. PSALMODY, READINGS AND CANTICLES

Psalm 141

Refrain

All

Let my prayer rise up like in-cense be - fore you, the
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

Refrain

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

Verse 2

of-fer-ing to you. 2. Keep watch with -
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

Refrain

Let my prayer rise up like in-cense be - fore you, the
bright. Let my prayer rise up like in-cense be -



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

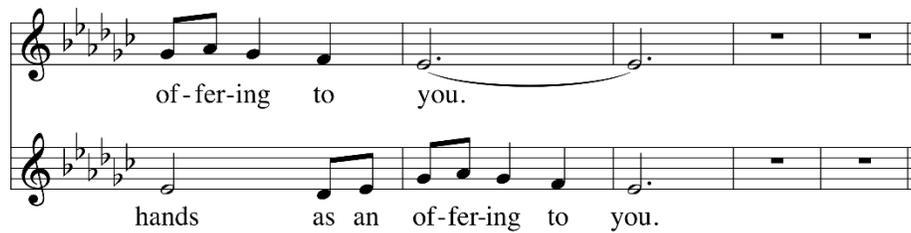
3. All praise to the God of all, Cre - a - tor of
you. 3. All praise to the

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



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(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.

Reading Psalm 10

Pastor: ¹Why, O LORD, do you stand far off? Why do you hide yourself in times of trouble?

All: ²In arrogance the wicked persecute the poor — let them be caught in the schemes they have devised.

Pastor: ³For the wicked boast of the desires of their heart, those greedy for gain curse and renounce the LORD.

All: ⁴In the pride of their countenance the wicked say, "God will not seek it out"; all their thoughts are, "There is no God."

Pastor: ⁵Their ways prosper at all times; your judgments are on high, out of their sight; as for their foes, they scoff at them.

All: ⁶They think in their heart, "We shall not be moved; throughout all generations we shall not meet adversity."

Pastor: ⁷Their mouths are filled with cursing and deceit and oppression; under their tongues are mischief and iniquity.

All: ⁸They sit in ambush in the villages; in hiding places they murder the innocent. Their eyes stealthily watch for the helpless;



Pastor: ⁹they lurk in secret like a lion in its covert; they lurk that they may seize the poor; they seize the poor and drag them off in their net.

All: ¹⁰They stoop, they crouch, and the helpless fall by their might.

Pastor: ¹¹They think in their heart, "God has forgotten, he has hidden his face, he will never see it."

All: ¹²Rise up, O LORD; O God, lift up your hand; do not forget the oppressed.

Pastor: ¹³Why do the wicked renounce God, and say in their hearts, "You will not call us to account"?

All: ¹⁴But you do see! Indeed you note trouble and grief, that you may take it into your hands; the helpless commit themselves to you; you have been the helper of the orphan.

Pastor: ¹⁵Break the arm of the wicked and evildoers; seek out their wickedness until you find none.

All: ¹⁶The LORD is king forever and ever; the nations shall perish from his land.

Pastor: ¹⁷O LORD, you will hear the desire of the meek; you will strengthen their heart, you will incline your ear

All: ¹⁸to do justice for the orphan and the oppressed, so that those from earth may strike terror no more.

Leader: The light shines in the darkness

All: and the darkness has not overcome it.

Reflection

"Deus Absconditus" based upon Psalm 10 by Pastor Tony Prinsen

The Annunciation

Luke 1:26–28, 30–32, 38

Leader: An angel went from God to a town called Nazareth to a woman whose name was Mary. The angel said to her, "Rejoice, O highly favored, for God is with you. You shall bear a child, and his name



shall be Jesus, the Chosen One of God Most High.” And Mary said,
“I am the servant of my God, I live to do your will.”

The Magnificat

Luke 1:46-55

All

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. **D.C.**

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3. LITANY AND PRAYERS

Intercessions

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.

Leader: Let us bless our God: *All:* praise and thanks to you.

Presider: 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 guide and path, for
all of our days. _____

All: A - men.

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Sending

Pastor: Let us go in peace and share the good news!

All: Thanks be to God!

Postlude

Nocturne No. 5

John Field

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Please join us again on Sundays at 9am and Wednesdays at 7pm for worship during this pandemic time at www.facebook.com/elcvienna.

For more ways to connect, check out our webpage at <https://elcvienna.org/worship-music/homeresources/>.

You are always welcome. God bless you!