



Grace Lutheran Church

Companion Congregation: Msindo Parish in Tanzania

Welcome to Worship

ELW Evening Prayer

March 6 & 13, 2024

6:30 p.m.

Liturgical worship with organ

Change to Purple

The liturgical color for this season of the church year is purple – the color of penitence and in remembrance of the royalty of Christ who reigns from the cross. In our sanctuary, it is the primary color of the pieces hung on the altar, ambo paraments, and the pastor's stole.

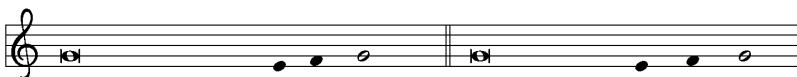
Welcome

Please rise in body or in spirit

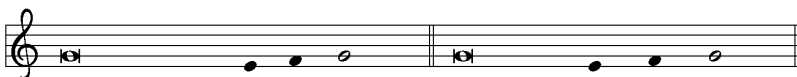
Opening



Jesus Christ is the light of the world, **the light no darkness can o - ver - come.**

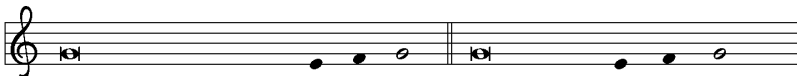


Stay with us, Lord, for it is evening, **and the day is al - most over.**

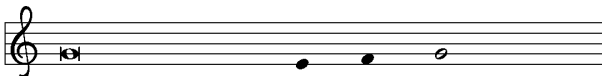


Let your light scat - ter the darkness **and illu - mine your church.**

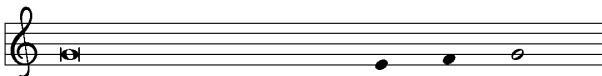
Dialog



Behold, now is the accept - a - ble time; **now is the day of sal - vation.**



Turn us again, O God of our sal - vation,



that the light of your face may shine on us.

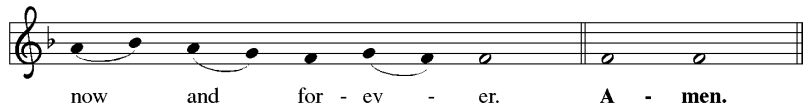
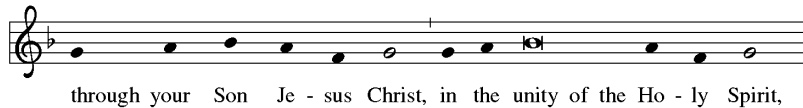
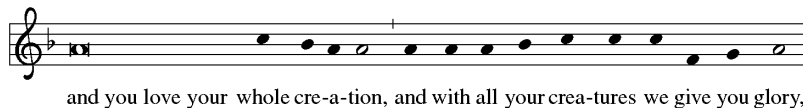
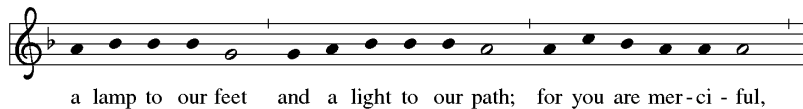
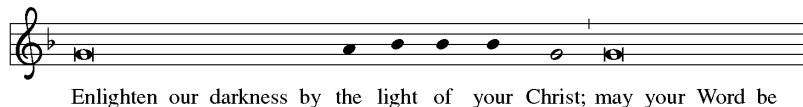
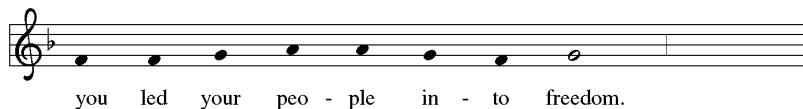
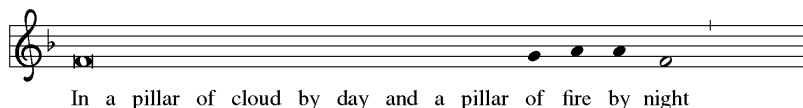
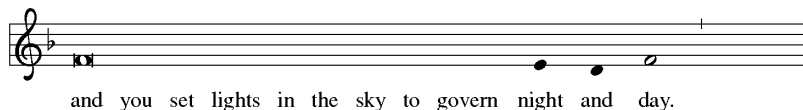
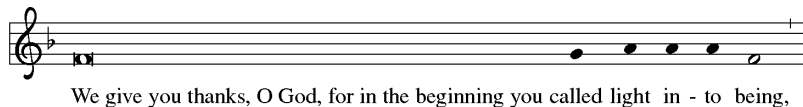
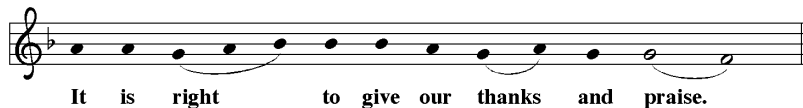
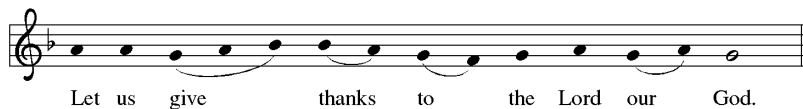


May your justice shine like the sun; **and may the poor be lift - ed up.**

Thanksgiving for light

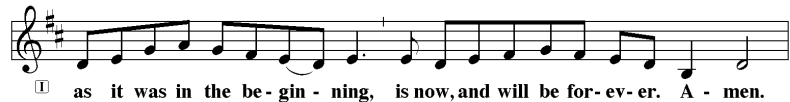
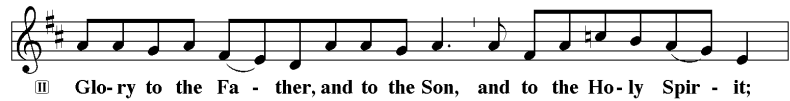
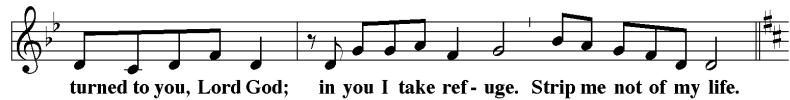


The Lord be with you. **And al - so with you.**



3 You may be seated

Psalmody





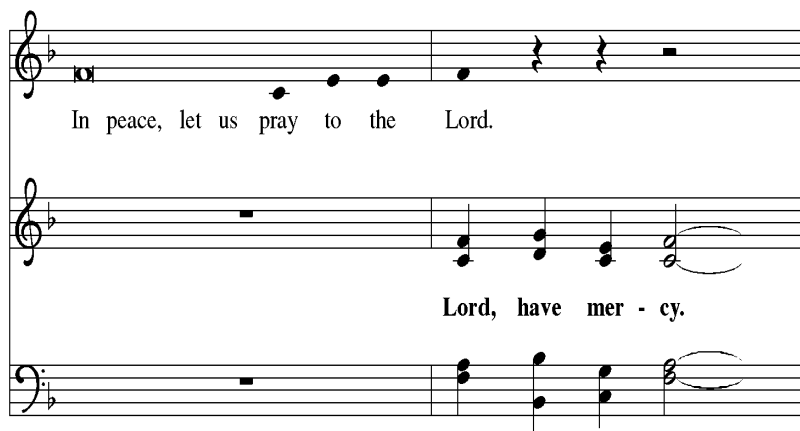
Silence for meditation

Reflection & Questions

L: In many and various ways God spoke to his people of old by the prophets.

C: But now in these last days he has spoken to us by his Son.

Prayers



For the peace from above, and for our salvation, let us pray to the Lord.

Lord, have mercy.

For the peace of the whole world, for the well-being of the church of God, and for the unity of all, let us pray to the Lord.

Lord, have mercy.

For this holy house, and for all who offer here their worship and praise, let us pray to the Lord.

Lord, have mercy.

For the health of the creation, for abundant harvests that all may share, and for peaceful times, let us pray to the Lord.

Lord, have mercy.

For public servants, the government, and those who protect us; for those who work to bring peace, justice, healing, and protection in this and every place, let us pray to the Lord.

Lord, have mercy.

Centering Prayer

Almighty God, to you all hearts are open, all desires known, and from you no secrets are hid: Cleanse the thoughts of our hearts by the inspiration of your Holy Spirit, that we may perfectly love you, and worthily magnify your holy Name.

For those who travel, for those who are sick and suffering,
and for those who are in captivity, let us pray to the Lord.

Lord, have mercy.

For deliverance in the time of affliction, wrath, danger, and need,
let us pray to the Lord.

Lord, have mercy.

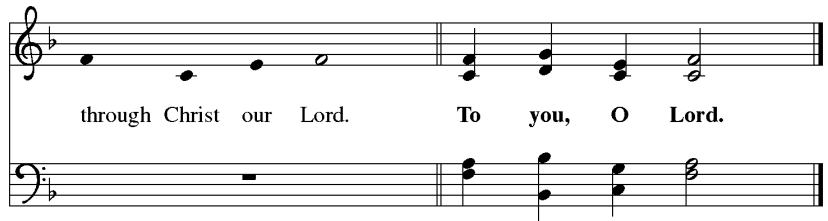
For all servants of the church, for this assembly,
and for all people who await from the Lord great and abundant
mercy, let us pray to the Lord.

Lord, have mercy.

Help, save, comfort, and defend us, gracious Lord.

Silence is kept for reflection.

L: Giving thanks for all who have gone before us and are at rest,
rejoicing in the communion of all the saints, we commend our-
selves, one another, and our whole life to you,



L: O God, you have called your servants to ventures of which we
cannot see the ending, by paths as yet untrodden, through perils
unknown. Give us faith to go out with good courage, not knowing
where we go, but only that your hand is leading us and your love
supporting us; through Jesus Christ our Lord.

Amen.

Silence for meditation

Please rise in body or in spirit

L: Lord, remember us in your kingdom and teach us to pray.

Centering Prayer

*Allow your heart to
open toward that
invisible but always
present Origin of all
the exists.*

Lord's Prayer

Our Fa-ther in heav-en, hal-lowed be your name,
your king-dom come, your will be done, on earth as in heav-en.
Give us to-day our dai-ly bread. For-give us our sins as we
for-give those who sin a-against us. Save us from the time of tri-al
and de-liv-er us from e-vil. For the king-dom, the pow'r,
and the glo-ry are yours, now and for-ev-er. A-men.

Blessing

Let us bless the Lord. Thanks be to God.
Almighty God, the Father, + the Son, and the Holy Spirit, bless and pre-serve us.
A - men.

Dismissal

Offering: As Lutherans, we believe that Christian giving is about worship AND action. As an option to the offering plate, scan this QR code to access our secure digital offering plate.



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