

# EVENSONG

July 29, 2020 – Wednesday after Trinity VII

*The name Evensong:* We will be using the order of Vespers from Lutheran Service Book (page 229) but I've titled the service "Evensong" which is a traditional English title for an evening service of hymn and chant, usually led by a choir. These can be found all across England in cathedrals, churches, and schools, sometimes offered daily.



Stand



**L** O Lord, o - pen my lips,



**C** and my mouth will de - clare Your praise.



**L** Make haste, O God, to de - liv - er me;



**C** make haste to help me, O Lord.



**C** Glo-ry be to the Father and to the Son and to the Holy Spir - it;



as it was in the be - gin - ning, is now, and will be for-ev-er. A - men.



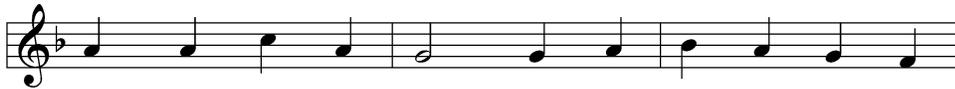
Praise to You, O Christ. Al - le - lu - ia.

Sit

885 I Lie, O Lord, within Your Care



1 I lie, O Lord, with - in Your care, A -  
 2 Lord, You a - lone keep con - stant watch; My  
 3 When shad - ows fall, I will not dwell On  
 4 It is e - nough that You are near; I



wake or when I'm sleep - ing. Who - ev - er trusts in  
 rest - less heart You qui - et. When dark - ness fills the  
 trou - bles that dis - tress me, Nor let some pain - ful  
 need not now dis - cov - er What hid - den plans You



Your strong arms Is safe with - in Your keep - ing.  
 night with fear, I will by faith de - fy it.  
 mem - o - ry Em - bit - ter and op - press me.  
 have for me, My fu - ture's path un - cov - er.

- 5 Tomorrow's road I cannot trace  
 Nor know what ills will meet me.  
 You only ask that I be still  
 And trust You there will greet me.
- 6 Each dawning day to which I wake  
 Will show Your hand still guiding  
 And ev'ry good my life requires  
 Your grace again providing.
- 7 Though troubles still may cloud the sky,  
 I'll see beyond them shining  
 A light to show some hidden way—  
 A way of Your designing.
- 8 Since You have gently touched my eyes,  
 I'll sleep through tears of sorrow.  
 Though long the night, my God, my friend,  
 Will be my guide tomorrow.

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## Readings

### *Jeremiah 31:23–26*

<sup>23</sup>Thus says the LORD of hosts, the God of Israel: “Once more they shall use these words in the land of Judah and in its cities, when I restore their fortunes:

“The LORD bless you, O habitation of righteousness,  
 O holy hill!”

<sup>24</sup>And Judah and all its cities shall dwell there together, and the farmers and those who wander with their flocks. <sup>25</sup>For I will satisfy the weary soul, and every languishing soul I will replenish.”

<sup>26</sup>At this I awoke and looked, and my sleep was pleasant to me.

## Acts 14:8–23

<sup>8</sup>Now at Lystra there was a man sitting who could not use his feet. He was crippled from birth and had never walked. <sup>9</sup>He listened to Paul speaking. And Paul, looking intently at him and seeing that he had faith to be made well, <sup>10</sup>said in a loud voice, “Stand upright on your feet.” And he sprang up and began walking. <sup>11</sup>And when the crowds saw what Paul had done, they lifted up their voices, saying in Lycaonian, “The gods have come down to us in the likeness of men!” <sup>12</sup>Barnabas they called Zeus, and Paul, Hermes, because he was the chief speaker. <sup>13</sup>And the priest of Zeus, whose temple was at the entrance to the city, brought oxen and garlands to the gates and wanted to offer sacrifice with the crowds. <sup>14</sup>But when the apostles Barnabas and Paul heard of it, they tore their garments and rushed out into the crowd, crying out, <sup>15</sup>“Men, why are you doing these things? We also are men, of like nature with you, and we bring you good news, that you should turn from these vain things to a living God, who made the heaven and the earth and the sea and all that is in them. <sup>16</sup>In past generations he allowed all the nations to walk in their own ways. <sup>17</sup>Yet he did not leave himself without witness, for he did good by giving you rains from heaven and fruitful seasons, satisfying your hearts with food and gladness.” <sup>18</sup>Even with these words they scarcely restrained the people from offering sacrifice to them.

<sup>19</sup>But Jews came from Antioch and Iconium, and having persuaded the crowds, they stoned Paul and dragged him out of the city, supposing that he was dead. <sup>20</sup>But when the disciples gathered about him, he rose up and entered the city, and on the next day he went on with Barnabas to Derbe. <sup>21</sup>When they had preached the gospel to that city and had made many disciples, they returned to Lystra and to Iconium and to Antioch, <sup>22</sup>strengthening the souls of the disciples, encouraging them to continue in the faith, and saying that through many tribulations we must enter the kingdom of God. <sup>23</sup>And when they had appointed elders for them in every church, with prayer and fasting they committed them to the Lord in whom they had believed.

## Matthew 10:24–31

<sup>24</sup>“A disciple is not above his teacher, nor a servant above his master. <sup>25</sup>It is enough for the disciple to be like his teacher, and the servant like his master. If they have called the master of the house Beelzebul, how much more will they malign those of his household.

<sup>26</sup>“So have no fear of them, for nothing is covered that will not be revealed, or hidden that will not be known. <sup>27</sup>What I tell you in the dark, say in the light, and what you hear whispered, proclaim on the housetops. <sup>28</sup>And do not fear those who kill the body but cannot kill the soul. Rather fear him who can destroy both soul and body in hell. <sup>29</sup>Are not two sparrows sold for a penny? And not one of them will fall to the ground apart from your Father. <sup>30</sup>But even the hairs of your head are all numbered. <sup>31</sup>Fear not, therefore; you are of more value than many sparrows.

## Responsory

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- L** 1 Teach me Your way, O Lord, that I may walk in Your truth.  
2 Unite my heart to fear Your name that I may walk in Your truth.  
3 Glory be to the  
Father and to the Son and to the Holy Spir - it.



**C** Your Word is a lamp to my feet and a light to my path.

## 530 No Temple Now, No Gift of Price



1 No tem - ple now, no gift of price, No priest - ly round of  
 2 The dy - ing Lord our ran - som paid, One fi - nal full self -  
 3 In faith and con - fi - dence draw near, With - in the ho - li -  
 4 For Christ is ours! With pur - pose true The pil - grim path of



sac - ri - fice, Re - tain their an - cient pow'rs.  
 of - f'ring made, Com - plete in ev - 'ry part.  
 est ap - pear, With all who praise and pray;  
 faith pur - sue, The road that Je - sus trod;



As shad - ows fade be - fore the sun The day of sac - ri -  
 His fin - ished sac - ri - fice for sins The cov - e - nant of  
 Who share one fam - i - ly, one feast, One great im - per - ish -  
 Un - til by His pre - vail - ing grace We stand at last be -



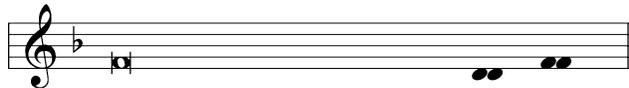
fice is done, The day of grace is ours.  
 grace be - gins, The law with - in the heart.  
 a - ble Priest, One new and liv - ing way.  
 fore His face, Our Sav - ior and our God.

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## Sermon

# Canticle

Stand



**L** Let my prayer rise before You as in - cense,



**C** and the lifting up of my hands as the eve - ning sac - ri - fice.

## Magnificat

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**C** My soul mag - ni - fies the Lord, and my spirit rejoices in God, my Sav - ior;



**I** for He has re - gard - ed the lowliness of His hand - maid - en.



**II** For be - hold, from this day all generations will call me bless - ed.

I For the Mighty One has done great things to me, and holy is His name;

II and His mercy is on those who fear Him from generation to gen - er - a - tion.

I He has shown strength with His arm; He has scattered the proud in the

imagination of their hearts. II He has cast down the

might-y from their thrones and has ex - alt - ed the low - ly.

I He has filled the hun - gry with good things,

and the rich He has sent emp - ty a - way.

II He has helped His servant Israel in remembrance of His mer - cy

as He spoke to our fathers, to Abraham and to his seed for-ev-er.

☩ 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.

## Prayer

*Kneel/Stand*

**Kyrie**

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

**Lord's Prayer**

☩ 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.

**Collects**

**L** O Lord, hear my prayer.

**C** And let my cry come to You.

**Collect of the Day**

**P** O God, whose never-failing providence orders all things both in heaven and earth, we humbly implore You to put away from us all hurtful things and to give us those things that are profitable for us; through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

**Collect for Peace**

**L** O God, from whom come all holy desires, all good counsels, and all just works, give to us, Your servants, that peace which the world cannot give, that our hearts may be set to obey Your commandments and also that we, being defended from the fear of our enemies, may live in peace and quietness; through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

**C** Amen.

*Stand*

**Benedicamus**

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**L** Let us bless the Lord.

**C** Thanks be to God.

**Benediction**

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**P** The grace of our Lord † Je - sus Christ and the love of God

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

**C** A - men.

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