

Lenten Midweek Prayer

WORSHIP notes

Remember your response is marked in **BOLD** font.

Hearing enhancement devices are available in the entry space. Ask an usher to assist you.

Restrooms are located next to our chapel on the other side of the courtyard.

Masks should be worn over both the nose and mouth.

Physically **distance** yourself from other.

Sit only with members of your household.

Sanitize your hands

Take your **bulletin** home with you.

Opening

Behold, now is the acceptable time; now is the day of salvation.

Turn us again, O God of our salvation, that the light of your face may shine on us.

May your justice shine like the sun; and may the poor be lifted up.

Thanksgiving for Light

The Lord be with you. And also with you.

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God. It is right to give our thanks and praise.

We give you thanks, O God, for in the beginning you called light into being, and you set light in the sky to govern night and day. In a pillar of cloud by day and a pillar of fire by night you led your people into freedom. Enlighten our darkness by the light of your Christ: may your Word be a lamp to our feet and a light to our path; for you are merciful, and you love your whole creation, and with all your creatures we give you glory, through your Son Jesus Christ, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, now and forever. **Amen.**

Hymn of the Day





Text: Georg Neumark, 1621–1681; tr. composite Music: WER NUR DEN LIEBEN GOTT, Georg Neumark Text © 1978, 2006 Augsburg Fortress

Reading

Proverbs 30:1, 5-9

Plea to be safe from temptation

...1 Thus says the man: I am weary, O God, I am weary, O God. How can I prevail?...

5 Every word of God proves true; he is a shield to those who take refuge in him. 6 Do not add to

his words, or else he will rebuke you, and you will be found a liar. 7Two things I ask of you; do not deny them to me before I die: 8Remove far from me falsehood and lying; give me neither poverty nor riches; feed me with the food that I need, 9or I shall be full, and deny you, and say, "Who is the LORD?" or I shall be poor, and steal, and profane the name of my God.

Silence

Reflection

Prayers

Holy God, our living Water, our faithful Companion, our true Guide, by your Word you created a world with rivers and seas, wells and springs, and in mercy you provided water for your people in the wilderness. For your Word with the water of baptism, we thank you, O God. **We thank you, O God.**

We praise you for Christ, who joined us in our desert, calling us to righteousness, granting forgiveness, and walking with us into newness of life. For Jesus, your gracious Word, we glorify you, O God. We glorify you, O God.

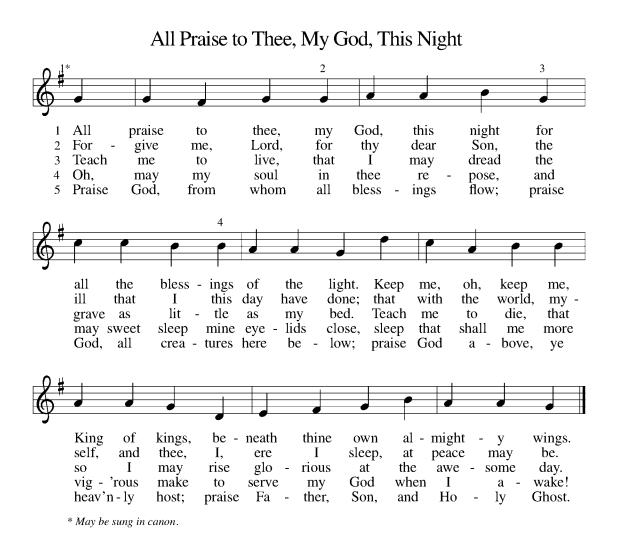
Through these days of Lent we plead for your Spirit, that strengthened by your Word, we may care for others and for the world you made, and work for justice and peace for all. For your Word in our hearts and minds, we praise you, O God. **We praise you, O God.**

Receive our thanksgiving, and grant us your blessing, Holy God, now and forever. Amen

The 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. 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.

Closing Hymn (vs. 1 and 5)



Text: Thomas Ken, 1637–1711, alt. Music: TALLIS' CANON, Thomas Tallis, 1505–1585

The Blessing

Let us bless the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

The peace of God, which surpasses all understanding, keep our hearts and minds in Christ Jesus.

Amen.

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