

Midweek Lenten Service
Holden Evening Prayer
Theme: Perfect Love Casts out Fear

OPENING DIALOGUE

P: Behold, now is the acceptable time;

C: now is the day of salvation.

P: Turn us again, O God of our salvation,

C: that the light of your face may shine on us.

P: May your justice shine like the sun;

C: and may the poor be lifted up

Setting by Marty Haugen

Procession

Leader:



Jesus Christ, you are the light of the world;

All:



the light no darkness can o - ver - come;

Leader:



Stay with us now, for it is evening,

All:



and the day is al - most over.

Leader:



Let your light scat - ter the darkness,

All:



and shine within your peo - ple here. —

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Evening Hymn



1. Joy - ous light of heav - 'nly 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. _____

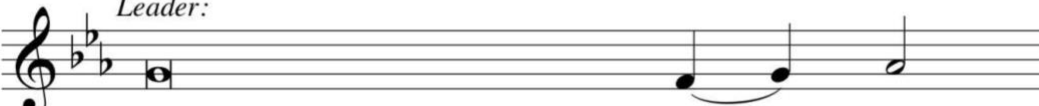
Evening Thanksgiving

Leader: *All:*



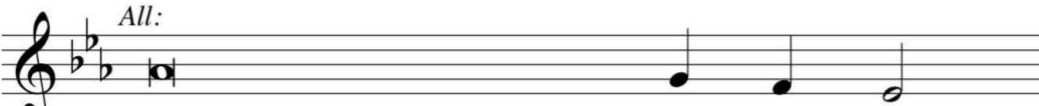
May God be with you all, and al - so with you;

Leader:



Let us sing our thanks to — God,

All:



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.

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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. —

Leader or Group One:



— O God, I call to you, come to me

All or Group Two:



O God, I

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now; O hear my voice when I
call to you, come to me now; O

cry to you. ————— Let my prayer rise
hear my voice when I cry to you.

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

lift - ing up of my hands as an of - fer - ing to
fore you, the lift - ing up of my hands as an

you. ————— Keep watch with - in me, God;



deep in my heart may the light of your love be



watch with - in me, God; deep in my heart may the



burn - ing bright. ——— Let my prayer rise



light of your love be burn - ing bright.



up like in - cense be - fore you, the



Let my prayer rise up like in - cense be -



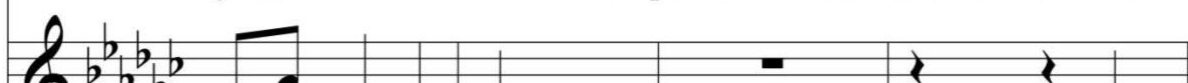
lift-ing up of my hands as an of - fer - ing to



fore you, the lift-ing up of my hands as an



you. ——— All praise to the God of all— Cre-



a - tor of life; all praise be to Christ and the
praise to the God of all- Cre - a - tor of life; all
Spir - it of love. Let my prayer rise
praise be to Christ and the Spir - it of love.

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

lift - ing up of my hands as an of - fer - ing to
fore you, the lift - ing up of my hands as an

you.

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.

READINGS – *as we read through the passages provided, think about these questions: “Who/What is God concerned about? How is God inspiring you to now act?”*

Week 1 – Leviticus 19:1-3, 9-18 *Love your neighbor as yourself*

Week 1 – Romans 13:8-10 *Love does no wrong to a neighbor*

Summarization of the Scripture from the HS Youth: *You can’t lose with love*

Week 2 – Hosea 11:1-4 *When Israel was a child I loved him*

Week 2 – Romans 8:35-39 *Who will separate us from the love of Christ?*

Summarization of the Scripture from the HS Youth: *“It’s not always seen or recognized, but it will never be broken”*

Week 3 – Deuteronomy 10:12-22 *Love immigrants because you were immigrants in Egypt*

Week 3 – Luke 6:27-38 *Love your enemies*

Summarization of the Scripture from the HS Youth: *Love the stranger because you were once strangers; you don’t always know what is going on in someone else’s world.*

This commandment is the pillar of all things from being a person or more specifically a follow of God as it guides us all to be better.

Week 4 – 1 Corinthians 13:1-7 *If I have faith but do not have love, I am nothing*

Week 4 – John 14:15-24 *If you love me you will keep my commandments*

Summarization of the Scripture from the HS Youth:

Week 5 – Deuteronomy 7:7-11 *It was not because you were greater that the Lord loved you*

Week 5 – 1 John 4:7-21 *Perfect love casts out fear*

Summarization of the Scripture from the HS Youth: *Choose Love over Fear*

REFLECTION ACTIVITY

Week 1 – Led by Pr. Emily

Week 2 – Led by Kathy Lundgren

Week 3 – Led by Melvin Goodwyn

Week 4 – Led by Pr. Zimmerer

Week 5 – Led by Pr. Emily

All:

1., 3. My — soul pro - claims your
 2. You have cast the might - y

great - ness, O God, and my spir - it re - joic - es in
 down from their thrones, and up - lift - ed the hum - ble of

you, You have looked with love on your
 heart, You have filled the hun - gry with

fine last time

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.
 strong is your jus - tice strong your love,

How you fa - vor the weak — and low - ly one,
 As you prom - ised to Sar - ah and A - bra - ham,

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

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.

The musical score is written for a single melodic line in G major (one flat) and 4/4 time. It is divided into sections for a Leader and the All. The lyrics are written below the notes.

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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DISMISSAL

L: Go in peace. May love cast out all our fears.

C: Thanks be to God.