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Fourth Wednesday in Lent

Created for Community:
Community with Those
On the Margins

JOYOUS LIGHT

EVENING PRAYER

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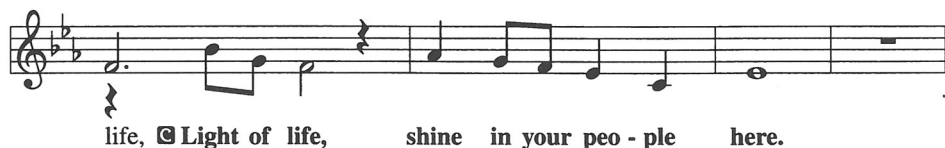
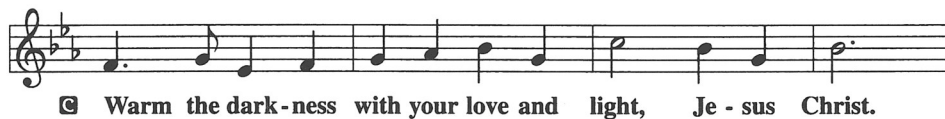
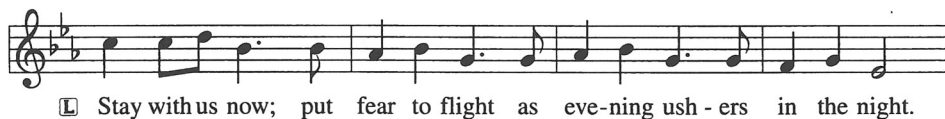
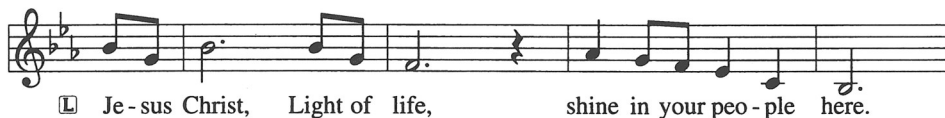
PRELUDE

WELCOME

GREETING

We gather this night in the name of the One who was, who is, and who is to come.
Amen.

OPENING DIALOGUE



HYMN OF LIGHT

Refrain



☐ Joy - ous Light of glo - ry, sa - cred Word made
hu - man sto - ry, bless - ed Je - sus Christ,
of the Fa - ther giv - en, Light to earth from
Light of heav - en: ho - ly, end - less source of life.

☐ As we come to the set - ting of the sun,
☐ As we sing, O ho - ly Three in One,
and we look to the gold of eve - ning light,
fount of life and love and fire di - vine,
☐ we will raise our songs in praise of your glo - ry
☐ we re - joice in you with the pure voice of glad - ness

Refrain
and with all the u - ni - verse u - nite.
as we let your light with - in us shine.

THANKSGIVING FOR LIGHT

The Lord be with you.
And also with you.

Let us give thanks to the Lord.

It is right to give our thanks and praise.

We praise and thank you, O God, through your Son, Jesus Christ our Lord,
through whom you have enlightened us by revealing the light that never fades.

Night is falling and day's allotted span draws to a close.

The daylight you created for our pleasure has fully satisfied us,
and yet, of your free gift, now the evening lights do not fail us.

We praise you and glorify you through your Son, Jesus Christ our Lord,
through whom be glory, honor and power
to you in the Holy Spirit, now and forever.

Amen.

PSALMODY

Refrain



☐ We lift our hands in prayer like in-cense ris - ing



and of - fer our lives to you, O God.



☐ God, we call, for you are near: ☐ hear us and help us.
☐ Touch our lips, form ev - 'ry word: ☐ keep us from e - vil.
☐ As we turn our gaze to you: ☐ Light of cre - a - tion;



☐ Be now a - mong us here: ☐ hear us and help us.
☐ Un - bind our hearts, O Lord: ☐ keep us from e - vil.
☐ and live our days with you: ☐ Light of cre - a - tion;



Refrain

☐ Be thou the lov - ing ear: ☐ hear us and help us and all who cry.
☐ Re-mind us we are re-stored: ☐ keep us from e - vil and all its lies.
☐ and burn and blaze in you: ☐ Light of cre-a - tion, o - pen our eyes.

PSALM PRAYER

Mender of division, you sent Christ to heal the world and to gather those on the margins. Bring your healing power to us. May we extend your power and grace to those separated from their communities and those longing for a tangible sign of your love. In Jesus' name we pray.

Amen.

READING: Mark 5:1-20

They came to the other side of the sea, to the country of the Gerasenes. And when he had stepped out of the boat, immediately a man out of the tombs with an unclean spirit met him. He lived among the tombs; and no one could restrain him any more, even with a chain; for he had often been restrained with shackles and chains, but the chains he wrenched apart, and the shackles he broke in pieces; and no one had the strength to subdue him. Night and day among the tombs and on the mountains he was always howling and bruising himself with stones. When he saw Jesus from a distance, he ran and bowed down before him; and he shouted at the top of his voice, "What have you to do with me, Jesus, Son of the Most High God? I adjure you by God, do not torment me." For he had said to him, "Come out of the man, you unclean spirit!" Then Jesus asked him, "What is your name?" He replied, "My name is Legion; for we are many." He begged him earnestly not to send them out of the country. Now there on the hillside a great herd of swine was feeding; and the unclean spirits begged him, "Send us into the swine; let us enter them." So he gave them permission. And the unclean spirits came out and entered the swine; and the herd, numbering about two thousand, rushed down the steep bank into the sea, and were drowned in the sea. The swineherds ran off and told it in the city and in the country. Then people came to see what it was that had happened. They came to Jesus and saw the demoniac sitting there, clothed and in his right mind, the very man who had had the legion; and they were afraid. Those who had seen what had happened to the demoniac and to the swine reported it. Then they began to beg Jesus to leave their neighborhood. As he was getting into the boat, the man who had been possessed by demons begged him that he might be with him. But Jesus refused, and said to him, "Go home to your friends, and tell them how much the Lord has done for you, and what mercy he has shown you." And he went away and began to proclaim in the Decapolis how much Jesus had done for him; and everyone was amazed.

The word is near you, on your lips and in your heart.

Everyone who calls on the name of the Lord shall be saved.

GOSPEL REFLECTION: In Community with Our Neighbor

Refrain



☐ My soul pro - claims your great-ness, O God,
 my spir-it re - joic - es in the love of my Sav - ior.
 You have looked with fa - vor on my sim - ple ways,
 and I will praise you all of my days.

1 You have called me bless - ed, done great things for me.
 2 You have hum-bled the might - y, scat-tered earth-ly pride.

You have shown your mer - cy, set my spir-it free.
 You have strength-ened your ser-vants, kept us by your side.

You have lift - ed the low - ly, sent the rich a - way.
 You have hon-ored your prom - ise made so long a - go.

Refrain

You have filled the hun - gry, and ho - ly is your name.
 You have blessed your chil - dren from age to age, and so:

SHOW REFLECTION: Lars and the Real Girl— “Dancing”

ANTHEM: Son of God, Eternal Savior (ELW 655)

GOSPEL CANTICLE: *The Magnificat*

Refrain



☐ God of love, have mer - cy, and lis - ten to our prayer.
(God.)

Petitions



1 For peace born of heav - en, and
2 For peace in the whole world, and
3 For all those who gov - ern: give
4 For all who work for jus - tice and
5 For rain, sun, and har - vest, and
6 For all who know af - flic - tion, des -
7 For all those who suf - fer in
8 For all our be - lov - ed, our
9 Re - joic - ing in com - mu - nion with



for our sal - va - tion, we pray to you, O
peace a - mong all peo - ples,
wis - dom and com - pas - sion;
free - dom from op - pres - sion,
food to fill the hun - gry,
pair, wrath, and dan - ger,
grief, pain, and sor - row,
fam - 'ly, friends, and neigh - bors,
saints gone be - fore us,

Final refrain



☐ God of love, have mer - cy, and lis - ten to our prayer,
(God.)



God of love, hear our prayer. A - men

THE LITANY

CONCLUDING PRAYER

God of love, we thank you that you have kept us under your protecting care in the day that is past. Bring your healing to the wounds of this day, those we have inflicted, those we have felt, those that trouble our world. Cover us this night with the wings of your grace, and raise us to a new day with Christ, our light and our peace.

Amen.

THE LORD'S PRAYER

Gathered into one by the Holy Spirit, let us pray as Jesus taught us.

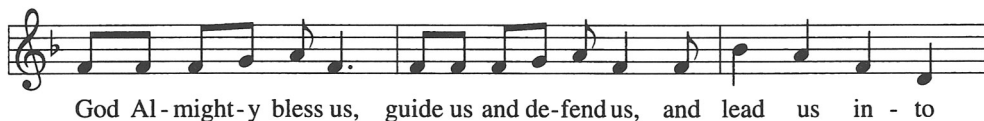
**Our Father in heaven, hallowed be your name,
your kingdom come,
your will be done, on earth as in heaven.**

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.**



SENDING BLESSING

DISMISSAL