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3:00 p. m.

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THE PRELUDE

"Lobe den Herren"
J. G. Walther

THE HYMN OF PRAISE

1. Praise to the Lord, the Almighty, the King of creation!
O my soul, praise Him, for He is thy Health and
Salvation!
Join the full throng; Wake, harp and psalter and song;
Sound forth in glad adoration!
2. Praise to the Lord, who o'er all things so wondrously
reigneth,
Who, as on wings of an eagle, uplifteth, sustaineth,
Hast thou not seen How thy desires all have been
Granted in what He ordaineth?
3. Praise to the Lord, who hath fearfully, wondrously
made thee;
Health hath vouchsafed and, when heedlessly falling,
hath stayed thee.
What need or grief Ever hath failed of relief?
Wings of His mercy did shade thee.
4. Praise to the Lord, who doth prosper thy work and
defend thee,
Who from the heavens the streams of His mercy doth
send thee.
Ponder anew What the Almighty can do,
Who with His love doth befriend thee.
5. Praise to the Lord! Oh, let all that is in me adore Him!
All that hath life and breath, come now with praises
before Him!
Let the Amen Sound from His people again;
Gladly for aye we adore Him. Amen.

THE ORDER OF VESPERS

Pastor: O Lord, Open Thou my lips.
Congregation: And my mouth shall show forth Thy praise.
Pastor: Make haste, O God, to deliver me.
Congregation: Make haste to help me, O Lord.
Glory be to the Father and to the Son and to
the Holy Ghost: As it was in the beginning, is
now, and ever shall be, world without end.
Amen. Hallelujah!

THE PSALMODY

(Psalm 145, read responsively verse upon verse)

I will extol Thee, my God, O King: and I will bless Thy name
forever and ever.
Every day will I bless Thee: and I will praise
Thy name forever and ever.
Great is the Lord and greatly to be praised: and His greatness
is unsearchable.
One generation shall praise Thy works to
another: and shall declare Thy mighty acts.
I will speak of the glorious honor of Thy majesty: and of Thy
wondrous works.
And men shall speak of the might of Thy
terrible acts: and I will declare Thy greatness.
They shall abundantly utter the memory of Thy great goodness:
and shall sing of Thy righteousness.
The Lord is gracious and full of compassion:
slow to anger and of great mercy.
The Lord is good to all: and His tender mercies are over all
His works.
All Thy works shall praise Thee, O Lord: and
Thy saints shall bless Thee.
They shall speak of the glory of Thy Kingdom: and talk of Thy
power,
To make known to the sons of men His mighty
acts: and the glorious majesty of His Kingdom.

Thy kingdom is an everlasting kingdom: and Thy dominion
endureth throughout all generations.

The Lord upholdeth all that fall: and raiseth up
all those that be bowed down.

The eyes of all wait upon Thee: and Thou givest them their
meat in due season.

Thou openest Thine hand: and satisfiest the
desire of every living thing.

The Lord is righteous in all His ways: and holy in all His
works.

The Lord is nigh unto all them that call upon
Him: to all that call upon Him in truth.

He will fulfill the desires of them that fear Him: He also
will hear their cry and will save them.

The Lord preserveth all them that love Him:
but all the wicked will He destroy.

My mouth shall speak the praise of the Lord: and let all
flesh bless His holy name forever and ever.

Glory be to the Father and to the Son and to the
Holy Ghost: As it was in the beginning, is now,
and ever shall be, world without end. Amen.
Hallelujah!

THE CHOIR

(Chapel Choir of Concordia College)

THE LECTION

Ephesians 1, 3-12

Pastor: But Thou, O Lord, have mercy upon us.

Congregation: Thanks be to Thee, O Lord!

HYMN

"All Praise to God, Who Reigns Above"

Stanza 1: Congregation and Choir

All praise to God, who reigns above,
The God of all creation,
The God of wonders, pow'r and love,
The God of our salvation!

With healing balm my soul He fills,
The God who ev'ry sorrow stills -
To God all praise and glory!

Stanza 2: Choir with Organ

Stanza 3: Women of the Congregation and Choir

I cried to Him in time of need:
Lord God, oh, hear my calling!
For death He gave me life indeed
And kept my feet from falling.
For this my thanks shall endless be;
Oh, thank Him, thank our God with me
To God all praise and glory!

Stanza 4: Choir with Organ. Trumpet Descant

Stanza 5: Men of the Congregation and Choir

Ye who confess Christ's holy name,
To God give praise and glory!
Ye who the Father's pow'r proclaim,
To God give praise and glory!
All idols under foot be trod,
The Lord is God! The Lord is God!
To God all praise and glory!

Stanza 6: Congregation and Choirs. Trumpet Descant

Then come before His presence now
And banish fear and sadness;
To your Redeemer pay your vow
And sing with joy and gladness:
Though great distress my soul befell,
The Lord, my God, did all things well.
To God all praise and glory!

THE SERMON

THE CHOIR

(Lutheran Choral Society of Edmonton and District)

THE OFFERING

THE VOLUNTARY

"In dir ist Freude"
J. S. Bach

THE HYMN OF THANKSGIVING

1. Now thank we all our God With heart and hands and voices,
Who wondrous things hath done, In whom His world rejoices;
Who from our mother's arms Hath blessed us on our way
With countless gifts of Love, and still is ours today.
2. Oh, may this bounteous God Thro' all our life be near us,
With ever joyful hearts And blessed peace to cheer us
And keep us in His grace And guide us when perplexed
And free us from all ills In this world and the next!
3. All praise and thanks to God The Father now be given,
The Son, and Him who reigns With them in highest heaven:
The one eternal God, Whom earth and heav'n adore!
For thus it was, is now, And shall be evermore. Amen.

THE VERSICLE

Pastor: Let my prayers be set forth before Thee as
incense:
Congregation: And the lifting up of my hands as the evening
sacrifice.

THE NUNC DIMITTIS

Lord, now lettest Thou Thy servant depart in peace:
according to Thy Word: For mine eyes have seen Thy
salvation: which Thou hast prepared before the face
of all people; A light to lighten the Gentiles: and the
Glory of Thy people Israel.
Glory be to the Father and to the Son and to the Holy Ghost:
As it was in the beginning, is now, and ever shall be, world
without end. Amen.

THE PRAYER

THE KYRIE

Lord, have mercy upon us.
Christ, have mercy upon us.
Lord, have mercy upon us.

THE LORD'S PRAYER

THE SALUTATION

Pastor: The Lord be with you.
Congregation: And with thy spirit.

THE COLLECT FOR PEACE

Congregation: Amen.

THE BENEDICAMUS

Pastor: Bless we the Lord.
Congregation: Thanks be to God.

THE BENEDICTION

Congregation: Amen.

SILENT PRAYER

THE ANNOUNCEMENTS

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