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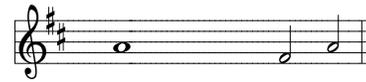
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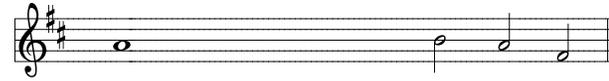
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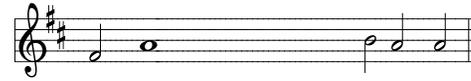
Except a grain of wheat fall into the ground and die, it  
abideth alone; but if it die, it bringeth forth much fruit.  
(John 12:24)



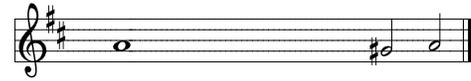
O Lord, open Thou my lips.



**And my mouth shall show forth Thy praise.**



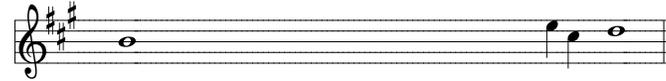
Make haste, O God, to  $\otimes$  deliver me



**Make haste to help me, O Lord.**



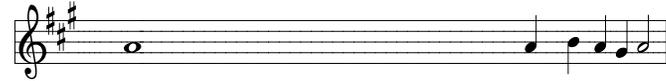
**♦Glory be to the Father and to the Son and to the Holy Ghost;**



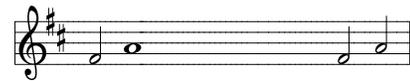
**as it was in the beginning, is now, and ever shall be,**



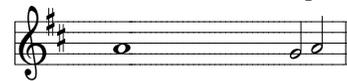
**world without end. A - men.**



**Praise be to Thee, O Lord, King of eternal glory.**



Oh, come let us worship the Lord:



**For HE is our Maker.**

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“Jesu, meine Freude” – Sigfrid Karg-Elert

*Almighty, ever-living God, grant that I may gladly hear Thy Word and that all my worship may be acceptable unto Thee; through Jesus Christ, our Lord. Amen.*

## The Venite

1 O come, let us sing - - - - - unto the Lord:  
 3 For the Lord is a - - - - - great God:  
 5 The sea is His, and He - - - - - made it:  
 Glory be to the Father and - - - - - to the Son:

1 let us make a joyful noise to the Rock of our sal- va- tion.  
 3 and a great - - - - - King a- bove all gods.  
 5 and His hands - - - - - form-ed the dry land.  
 and - - - - - to the Ho-ly Ghost;

2 Let us come before His presence with thanks- giv- ing  
 4 In His hand are the deep places - - - - - of the earth:  
 6 O come, let us worship and - - - - - bow down:  
 7 For He - - - - - is our God:  
 As it was in the beginning, is now, and - - - - - ever shall be:

2 and make a joyful - - - - - noise unto Him with psalms.  
 4 the strength of the hills is - - - - - His al- so.  
 6 let us kneel before the - - - - - Lord, our Mak- er.  
 7 and we are the people of His pasture and the sheep of His hand.  
 world - - - - - with-out end. A- men.

## Jesus, Priceless Treasure

Matt. 13: 46  
 Jesu, meine Freude  
 Johann Franck, 1655  
 Tr., composite

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Jesu, meine Freude  
 Johann Crüger, 1649

1 Je - sus, price-less Trea - sure, Fount of pur - est plea - sure,  
 2 In Thine arms I rest me; Foes who would mo - lest me  
 3 Sa - tan, I de - fy thee; Death, I now de - cry thee;  
 4 Hence, all earth-ly trea - sure! Je - sus is my Plea - sure,

Tru-est Friend to me. Ah, how long in an - guish Shall my spir-it  
 Can-not reach me here. Tho' the earth be shak - ing, Ev - 'ry heart be  
 Fear, I bid thee cease. World, thou shalt not harm me Nor thy threats a-  
 Je - sus is my Choice. Hence, all emp-ty glo - ry! Naught to me thy

lan - guish, Yearn-ing, Lord, for Thee? Thou art mine, O Lamb di-vine!  
 quak - ing, Je - sus calms my fear. Lightnings flash And thunders crash  
 larm me While I sing of peace. God's great pow'r Guards ev'ry hour;  
 sto - ry Told with tempt-ing voice. Pain or loss, Or shame or cross,

I will suf-fer naught to hide Thee, Naught I ask be - side Thee.  
 Yet, tho' sin and hell as-sail me, Je - sus will not fail me.  
 Earth and all its depths a-dore Him, Si - lent bow be - fore Him.  
 Shall not from my Sav-ior move me Since He deigns to love me. A-men.

5 Evil world, I leave thee;  
 Thou canst not deceive me,  
 Thine appeal is vain.  
 Sin that once did blind me,  
 Get thee far behind me,  
 Come not forth again.  
 Past thy hour, O pride and power;  
 Sinful life, thy bonds I sever,  
 Leave thee now forever.

6 Hence, all fear and sadness!  
 For the Lord of gladness,  
 Jesus, enters in.  
 Those who love the Father,  
 Though the storms may gather,  
 Still have peace within.  
 Yea, what'er I here must bear,  
 Thou art still my purest Pleasure,  
 Jesus, priceless Treasure!



Let | us go:\*

to the house | of the Lord.

I was glad when they | said to me:\*

“Let us go into the house | of the Lord.”

**Our feet have been | standing!\***

**Within your gates, O | Jerusalem!**

Jerusalem | is built:\*

As a city that is compact | together,

**Where the tribes go up, the tribes | of the Lord:\***

**To the Testimony of Israel, to give thanks to the name | of the Lord.**

For thrones are set there for | judgment:\*

The thrones of the house | of David.

**Pray for the peace of Je | rusalem:\***

**“May they prosper | who love you.**

Peace be with | in your walls:\*

Prosperity within | your palaces.”

**For the sake of my brethren and com | panions:\***

**I will now say, “Peace be | within you.”**

Because of the house of the | Lord our God:\*

I will | seek your good.

**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.**

Let | us go:\*

to the house | of the Lord.

**The Lesson**

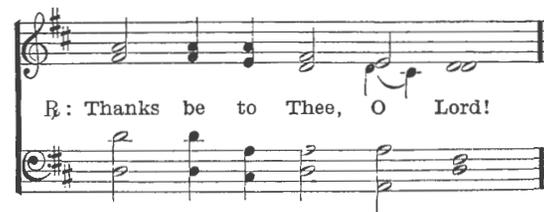
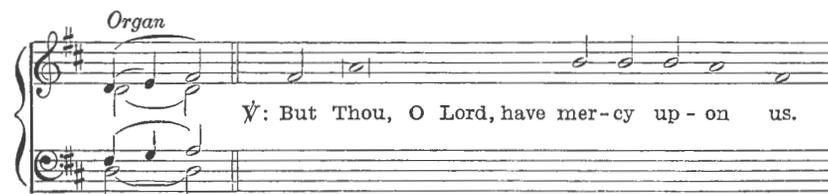
Sunday + John 6:1-15

✠ *At that time* Jesus went over the Sea of Galilee, which is the Sea of Tiberias. Then a great multitude followed Him, because they saw His signs which He performed on those who were diseased. And Jesus went up on a mountain, and there He sat with His disciples. Now the Passover, a feast of the Jews, was near. Then Jesus lifted up His eyes, and seeing a great multitude coming toward Him, He said to Philip, “Where shall we buy bread, that these may eat?” But this He said to test him, for He Himself knew what He would do. Philip answered Him, “Two hundred denarii worth of bread is not sufficient for them, that every one of them may have a little.” One of His disciples, Andrew, Simon Peter’s brother, said to Him, “There is a lad here who has five barley loaves and two small fish, but what are they among so many?” Then Jesus said, “Make the people sit down.” Now there was much grass in the place. So the men sat down, in number about five thousand. And Jesus took

Psalm 122

the loaves, and when He had given thanks He distributed them to the disciples, and the disciples to those sitting down; and likewise of the fish, as much as they wanted. So when they were filled, He said to His disciples, “Gather up the fragments that remain, so that nothing is lost.” Therefore they gathered them up, and filled twelve baskets with the fragments of the five barley loaves which were left over by those who had eaten. Then those men, when they had seen the sign that Jesus did, said, “This is truly the Prophet who is to come into the world.” Therefore when Jesus perceived that they were about to come and take Him by force to make Him king, He departed again to a mountain by Himself alone.

- Monday + Luke 21:37-38
- Tuesday + Matthew 26:1-35
- Wednesday + Matthew 26:36-75
- Thursday + Matthew 27:1-38
- Friday + Matthew 27:39-56
- Saturday + Mark 14:1-31



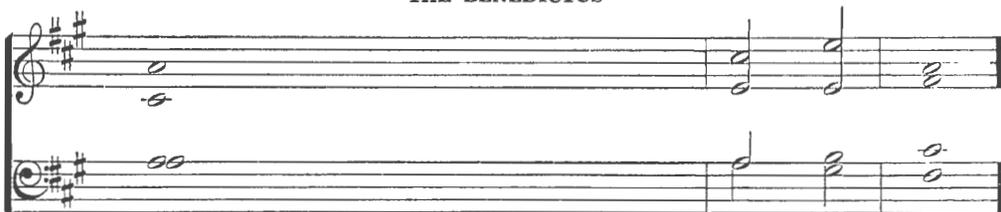
Sermon

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Sunday + The Benedictus

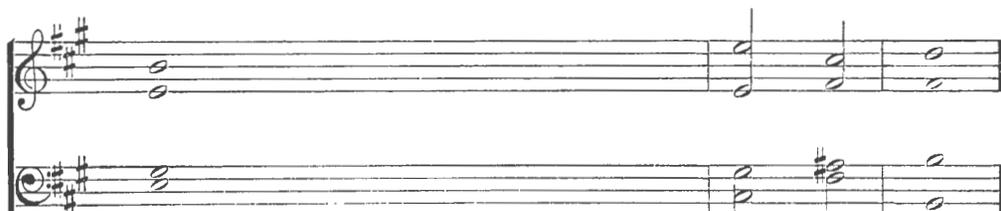
THE BENEDICTUS



1 Blessed be the Lord God of	- - - -	Is-ra-	el:
3 As He spake by the mouth of His holy	- - - -	proph-	ets:
5 To perform the mercy promised to our	- - - -	fore-fa-	thers:
7 That we, being delivered out of the hand of our	- - - -	en-e-	mies:
9 And thou, child, shalt be called the prophet of the	- - - -	High-	est:
11 Through the tender mercy	- - - -	of our	God:
Glory be to the Father and	- - - -	to the	Son:



1 for He hath visited and re-	- - -	deemed His	peo-	ple
3 which have been	- - -	since the	world be-	gan;
5 and to remember His	- - -	ho-ly	cov-e-	nant
7 might	- - -	serve Him	with-out	fear,
9 for thou shalt go before the face of the	- - -	Lord to pre-	pare His	ways;
11 whereby the Dayspring from on	- - -	high hath	visited	us;
and	- - -	to the	Ho-ly	Ghost;



2 And hath raised up a mighty salvation	- - -	for	us;
4 That we should be saved from our	- - -	en-e-	mies:
6 To perform the oath which He sware to our father	- - -	A-bra-	ham:
8 In holiness and righteousness be-	- - -	fore	Him:
10 To give knowledge of salvation unto His	- - -	peo-	ple
12 To give light to them that sit in darkness and in the	- - -	shadow of	death:
As it was in the beginning, is now, and	- - -	ev-er	shall be:



2 in the house of His	- - -	ser-vant	Da-	vid;
4 and from the hand of	- - -	all that	hate	us;
6 that He	- - -	would grant	un-to	us;
8 all the	- - -	days	of our	life.
10 by the re-	- - -	mis-sion	of their	sins,
12 to guide our feet	- - -	in the	way of	peace.
world	- - -	with-out	end. A-	men.

Monday + Confitebor Tibi



**O Lord, I will | praise Thee:\***  
 though Thou wast angry with me, Thine anger is turned away, and Thou  
 | comfortedst me.

**Behold, God is my Sal | vation:\***  
 I will trust and not | be afraid.

**For the Lord Jehovah is my Strength | and my Song:\***  
 He also is become my | Salvation.

**Therefore with joy shall ye draw | water:\***  
 out of the wells of | salvation.

**Praise the Lord, call upon His name, declare His doings among the | people:\***  
 make mention that His name is | exalted.

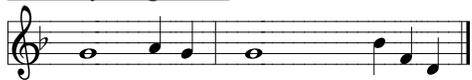
**Sing unto the Lord, for He hath done | excellent things:\***  
 this is known in | all the earth.

**Cry out and shout, thou inhabitant of | Zion:\***  
 for great is the Holy One of Israel in the | midst of Thee.

**Glory be to the Father and | to the Son\***  
 and to | the Holy Ghost

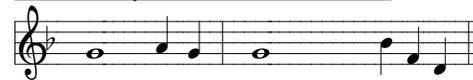
**As it was in the beginning, is now, and ever | shall be,**  
 world without | end. Amen.

Tuesday + Ego Dixi



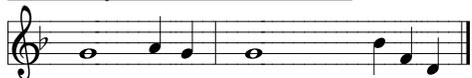
I said in the cutting off of my days, I shall go to the gates | of the grave:\*  
I am deprived of the residue | of my years.  
I said, I shall not see the Lord, even the Lord, in the land of the | living:\*  
I shall behold man no more with the inhabitants | of the world.  
Mine age is departed and is removed from me as a | shepherd's tent:\*  
I have cut off like a weaver my life; from day even to night wilt Thou  
make an | end of me.  
I reckoned till morning that, as a lion, so will He break | all my bones:\*  
from day even to night wilt Thou make an | end of me.  
Like a crane or a swallow, so did I chatter; I did mourn | as a dove:\*  
mine eyes fail with looking upward. O Lord, I am oppressed; under | take  
for me.  
What shall I say? He hath both spoken unto me and Himself hath | done it:\*  
I shall go softly all my years in the bitterness | of my soul.  
O Lord, by these things men live, and in all these things is the life of my |  
spirit:\*  
so wilt Thou recover me and make | me to live.  
Behold, for peace I had great bitterness, but Thou hast in Jove to my soul  
delivered it from the pit of cor | ruption:\*  
for Thou hast cast all my sins be | hind Thy back.  
For the grave cannot praise Thee, death cannot | celebrate Thee:\*  
they that go down into the pit cannot hope | for Thy truth.  
The living, the living, he shall praise Thee, as I | do this day:\*  
the father to the children shall make | known Thy truth.  
The Lord was ready to | save me:\*  
therefore we will sing my songs to the stringed instruments all the days of  
our life in the house | of the 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.

Wednesday + Exultavit cor meum



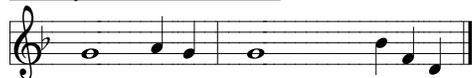
My heart rejoiceth | in the Lord:\*  
mine horn is exalted | in the Lord.  
My mouth is enlarged over mine | enemies:\*  
because I rejoice in Thy | salvation.  
There is none holy as the Lord, for there is none be | side Thee:\*  
neither is there any Rock | like our God.  
Talk no more so exceedingly | proudly:\*  
let not arrogancy come out | of your mouth.  
For the Lord is a God of | knowledge:\*  
and by Him ac | tions are weighed.  
The bows of the mighty men are | broken:\*  
and they that stumbled are gird | ed with strength.  
The Lord killeth and | maketh alive:\*  
He bringeth down to the grave and | bringeth up.  
The Lord maketh poor and | maketh rich:\*  
He bringeth low and | lifteth up.  
He raiseth up the poor out of the dust and lifteth up the beggar from the  
| dunghill:\*  
to set them among princes and to make them inherit the throne | of glory.  
For the pillars of the earth | are the Lord's:\*  
and He hath set the world | upon them.  
He will keep the feet of His saints, and the wicked shall be silent in | darkness:\*  
for by strength shall no | man prevail.  
The adversaries of the Lord shall be broken to | pieces:\*  
out of heaven shall He thunder | upon them.  
The Lord shall judge the ends | of the earth:\*  
and He shall give strength unto His King and exalt the horn of His |  
Anointed.  
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.

Thursday + *Cantemus Domino*



I will sing unto the Lord, for He hath triumphed | gloriously:\*  
the horse and his rider hath He thrown in | to the sea.  
The Lord is my | Strength and Song:\*  
and He is become my | Salvation.  
He is my God, and I will prepare Him an habi | tation:\*  
my father's God, and I will | exalt Him.  
Thy right hand, O Lord, is become glorious in | power:\*  
Thy right hand, O Lord, hath dashed in pieces | the enemy.  
Who is like unto Thee, O Lord, a |mong the gods?:\*  
who is like Thee, glorious in holiness, fearful in praises, do | ing wonders?  
Thou in mercy hast led forth the people which Thou hast re | deemed:\*  
Thou hast guided them in Thy strength unto Thy holy habi | tation.  
Thou shalt bring them in and plant them in the mountain of Thine  
in | heritance:\*  
in the place, O Lord, which Thou hast made for Thee to dwell in, in the  
Sanctuary, O Lord, which Thy hands have | established.  
The | Lord shall reign:\*  
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.

Friday + *Domine Audivi*



O Lord, I have heard Thy speech and | was afraid:\*  
O Lord, revive Thy work in the midst | of the years.  
In the midst of the | years make known:\*  
in wrath remem | ber mercy.  
God came from | Teman:\*  
and the Holy One from | Mount Paran.  
His glory covered the | heavens:\*  
and the earth was full | of His praise.  
His brightness was as the light; He had horns coming out | of His hand:\*  
and there was the hiding of | His power.  
Before Him went the | pestilence:\*  
and burning coals went forth | at His feet.  
He stood and | measured the earth:\*  
He beheld and drove asunder | the nations.  
And the everlasting mountains were scattered, the perpetual | hills did bow:\*  
His ways are e | verlasting.  
Thou wentest forth for the salvation of Thy | people:\*  
even for salvation with Thine | Anointed.  
Thou woundedst the head out of the house of the | wicked:\*  
by discovering the foundation un | to the neck.  
I will rejoice | in the Lord:\*  
I will joy in the God of my | salvation.  
The Lord | is my Strength:\*  
and He will make me to walk upon mine | high places.  
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.

Saturday + Audite coeli



Give ear, O ye heavens, and | I will speak:\*  
 and hear, O earth, the words | of my mouth.  
 My doctrine shall drop as the rain, my speech shall distill | as the dew:\*  
 as the small rain upon the tender herb and as the showers up | on the  
 grass.  
 Because I will publish the name | of the Lord:\*  
 ascribe ye greatness un | to our God.  
 He is the Rock, His work is | perfect:\*  
 for all His ways | are judgment.  
 A God of truth and without in | iquity:\*  
 just and | right is He.  
 The Lord's portion is His | people:\*  
 Jacob is the lot of His | inheritance.  
 For the Lord shall judge His people and repent Himself for His | servants:\*  
 when He seeth that their power is gone and there is none shut | up or  
 left.  
 And He shall say, I lift up My hand to | heaven:\*  
 and say, I live | forever.  
 Rejoice, O ye nations, with His | people:\*  
 for He will avenge the blood of | His servants.  
 He will render vengeance to His adver | saries:\*  
 and will be merciful unto His land and to | His people.  
 Glory be to the Father and | to the Son\*  
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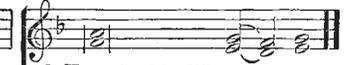
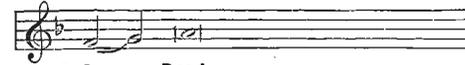
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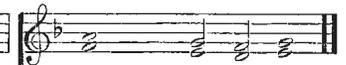
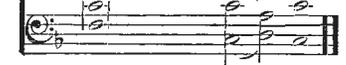
1 O Lord,  
 2 O Christ,  
 3 O Lord,  
 4 O Christ,

1 Have mercy up-on us.  
 2 Have mercy up-on us.  
 3 Have mercy up-on us.  
 4 Hear Thou us.



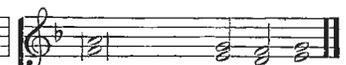
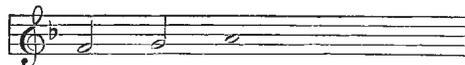
5 O God the Fa - - - ther in heaven,  
 6 O God the Son, Redeemer of the world,  
 7 O God the Ho - ly Ghost,

5 Have mercy up-on us.  
 6 Have mercy up-on us.  
 7 Have mercy up-on us.



1 Be gra - cious un - to us.  
 2 Be gra - cious un - to us.

1 Spare us, good Lord.  
 2 Help us, good Lord.

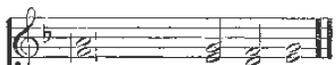


From all sin;  
 From all error;  
 From all evil:

Good Lord, de - liv - er us.

Y: 

From the crafts and assaults of the devil;  
 From sudden and evil death;  
 From pestilence and famine;  
 From war . . . and bloodshed;  
 From sedition and rebellion;  
 From lightning and tempest;  
 From all calamity by fire and water;  
 And from everlasting death:

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Good Lord, de-liv-er us.



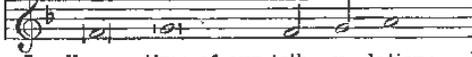
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By the mystery of Thy holy In-car-nation;  
 By Thy ho-ly Na-tivity;  
 By Thy baptism, fasting, and tempta-tion;  
 By Thine agony and blood-y sweat;  
 By Thy cross . . . and Passion;  
 By Thy precious death and burial;  
 By Thy glorious res-urrection and as-cen-sion;  
 And by the coming of the Holy Ghost, the Comforter:

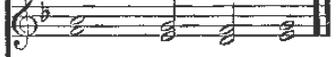
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Help us, good Lord.



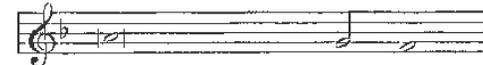
Y: 

In all time of our trib-u-lation;  
 In all time of our pros-perity;  
 In the hour . . . of death;  
 And in the day . . . of Judgment:

R: 

Help us, O Lord.



Y: 

We poor sinners do be-seech Thee

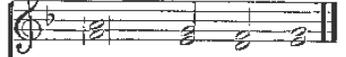
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To hear us, O Lord God,

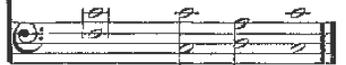


Y: 

And to rule and govern Thy holy Chris-tian Church;  
 To preserve all pastors and ministers of Thy Church in the true knowledge and understanding of Thy Word and in holiness of life;  
 To put an end to all schisms and causes of of-fense;  
 To bring into the way of truth all such as have erred and are de-ceived;  
 To beat down Satan under our feet;  
 To send faithful laborers into Thy harvest;  
 To accompany Thy Word with Thy Spirit and grace;  
 To raise up them that fall and to strengthen such as do stand;  
 And to comfort and help the weak-hearted and the dis-tressed;

R: 

We beseech Thee to hear us, good Lord.



Y: 

To give all nations peace and con-cord;  
 To preserve our country from discord and con-tan-tion;  
 To give our nation perpetual victory over all its ene-mies;  
 To direct and defend our President and all in au-thor-ity;  
 And to bless and keep our magistrates and all our peo-ple:

R: 

We beseech Thee to hear us, good Lord.



Y:  E: 

To behold and succor all who  
are in danger, necessity,  
and tribu - - - - la - tion;  
To protect all who travel by  
land or wa - ter;  
To preserve all women in the  
perils of child-birth;  
To strengthen and keep all  
sick persons and young chil - dren;  
To set free all who are  
innocently im - - - - pris - oned;  
To defend and provide for  
all fatherless children and wid - ows;  
And to have mercy upon all men:

We beseech  
Thee to hear us, good Lord.



To forgive our enemies, perse-  
cutors, and slanderers  
and to turn their hearts;  
To give and preserve to our  
use the fruits of the earth;  
And graciously to hear our  
prayer: our prayer:

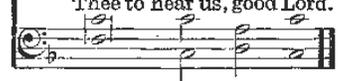
We beseech  
Thee to hear us, good Lord.



O Lord Jesus Christ, Son of God,

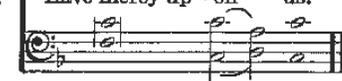
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Thee to hear us, good Lord.



Y:  E: 

O Lamb of God, that  
takest away the sin of the world,

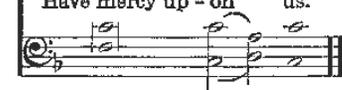
Have mercy up - on us.



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Have mercy up - on us.

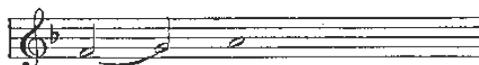
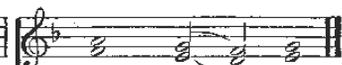


O Lamb of God, that  
takest away the sin of the world,

Grant us Thy peace.



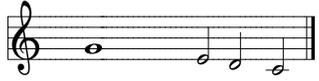
 

O Christ,

Hear Thou us.







**Thanks be to God.**



The grace of our Lord ✠ Jesus Christ and the love of God and the communion of the Holy Ghost be with you all.



**Amen.**

## Feed Thy Children, God Most Holy



Feed Thy chil - dren, God most ho - ly, Com-fort sin - ners poor and low-ly;



O Thou Bread of Life from heav - en, Bless the food Thou here hast giv - en!



As these gifts the bod-y nour - ish, May our souls in grac-es flour-ish



Till with saints in heav'n-ly splen - dor At Thy feast due thanks we ren-der.

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## PALM Sunday Appeal

Pittsburgh Area Lutheran Ministries (PALM) supports regional missions that unite local congregations of The Lutheran Church—Missouri Synod. PALM supports student, homeless, blind, deaf, and children's ministries, and others. PALM also publishes every month via email *The Pittsburgh Lutheran*.

PALM has decided to partner with All Saints Lutheran Church & Student Center this year to support their wonderful campus ministry which reaches out with the Gospel of Christ Crucified to many national and international students, led by Pastor Larry Loree, Mrs. Augusta Mennell, and Pastor Todd Seaver.

We are appealing directly to the members of our congregations to help PALM establish a solid financial base in order to impact our region with the Gospel. **Please consider a 1-time or recurring gift to support PALM. One-half of all monies raised from this appeal will be directed toward Campus Outreach at All Saints Slippery Rock. The second half will be directed to our PALM Mission Grant Fund to support future mission work in our region.**

Donations may be directed to PALM through your congregation on Palm Sunday, April 5. Or they may be sent directly to PALM, with "PALM Sunday Appeal" in the memo line. **THANK YOU!**

PALM  
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Pittsburgh, PA 15213

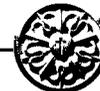
THIS WEEK AT FIRST TRINITY  
EVANGELICAL-LUTHERAN CHURCH  
THE WEEK BEGINNING 22 MARCH 2020

**Today**  
*Laetare*

**Next Sunday**  
*Judica (Passiontide)*

11:00 AM

**Matins on Facebook Live**



## NEWS AND NOTES

**Attendance at the Divine Service:** *Oculi* - 36.

**Special Voters' Assembly** - Sunday, March 22, 12:30 PM CANCELED due to COVID-19.

The Ladies of First Trinity are planning to hold a **Baby Shower for Deaconess Hanna Kern** on Sunday, April 19, after the Divine Service. For more information, please contact Leigh Spittel at [lpittel@gmail.com](mailto:lpittel@gmail.com).

**Church Sign Project** – Our current sign has served us well for many decades, however, time has taken its toll and it is in need of replacement. Because our church sign is often the first opportunity we have to connect with passers-by, we have concluded that this would be a good opportunity to upgrade the appearance and functionality of our sign in order to more effectively reach those who don't know us or those who are trying to find us. Several design options have been brought before the voters assembly over the past 2 years, and in December, we approved a restricted-gifts project to raise the funds for a fully-programmable, LED-panel sign, including a stone base to match the exterior of our building. The budgetary cost estimate for this project is \$35,000. Like other large projects we have undertaken as a congregation, your generous support of this project which will help us to bring the Gospel message to our neighbors and those we serve. If you have any questions or suggestions regarding the project, please speak with one of the members of the Sign Project committee. In Christ – Tim Palmer, Clara Seaman & Michael Kennedy

**COVID-19 Response:** First Trinity is following the advice and mandates of the CDC and the City of Pittsburgh with regard to the Coronavirus pandemic. Some events at First Trinity are being canceled in order to protect our at-risk members and guests. This being the case, the parish calendar will be updated on a rolling basis. It is best to check the calendar at [www.firsttrinity.net/calendar](http://www.firsttrinity.net/calendar) for the latest information. Since this is a developing situation, please watch your email and our Facebook page at <https://www.facebook.com/LCMSpittsburgh/> for announcements.



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