



FESTIVAL OF HYMNS

WEEK OF THE SIXTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST

Wednesday, July 20, 2022

About the Festival of Hymns

In the early centuries of Lutheranism, evening prayer (or Vespers) was one of the most musically rich liturgies, and recent worship books continue this tradition by allowing for many forms of expression within the “Psalmody” and “Word” portions of the liturgy. Accordingly, tonight’s service includes poetry, reflection, scripture reading and, of course, several hymns. The service uses the cranberry-colored *Evangelical Lutheran Worship* which is abbreviated **ELW** in this bulletin.

In partnership with the Association of Lutheran Church Musicians, this year’s Festival of Hymns is also embedded within Lutheran Summer Music’s tradition of gathering for evening prayer. Reflections from the late Susan Palo Cherwien, a longtime friend of both ALCM and LSM, will lift up the three pillars LSM: Music. Faith. Community. A variety LSM musicians will lead the singing, along with a guest appearance from Calmus. While the combined ALCM and LSM communities have been enriched by Martin Jean’s leadership and teaching this week, due to unforeseen circumstances he cannot be with us this evening.

OPENING

ABENDMUSIK

Resounding Joy

John F. Wilson, 1929–2014

LSM Handbell Choir
Jeffrey Scott Doebler **CONDUCTOR**

Three Dance Impressions

Morley Calvert, 1928–1991

II. *With Elegance*

Praetorius Brass Quintet

Verset de Procession sur l’Adoro Te, Op. 16

Léon Boëllmann, 1862–1897

Audrey Cook **ORGAN**

INTROIT *Sung by the choir as the procession forms*

*Inventor rutili, dux bone, luminis
qui certis vicibus
tempora dividis*

Inventor of glow, good guide, and light
You establish the patterns
of revolving time

At the sound of the bell, stand and face the procession

DIALOGUE



Jesus Christ is the light of the world,



the light no darkness can o-ver-come.



Stay with us, Lord, for it is evening,



and the day is al-most over.



Let your light scat - ter the darkness



and illu - mine your church.

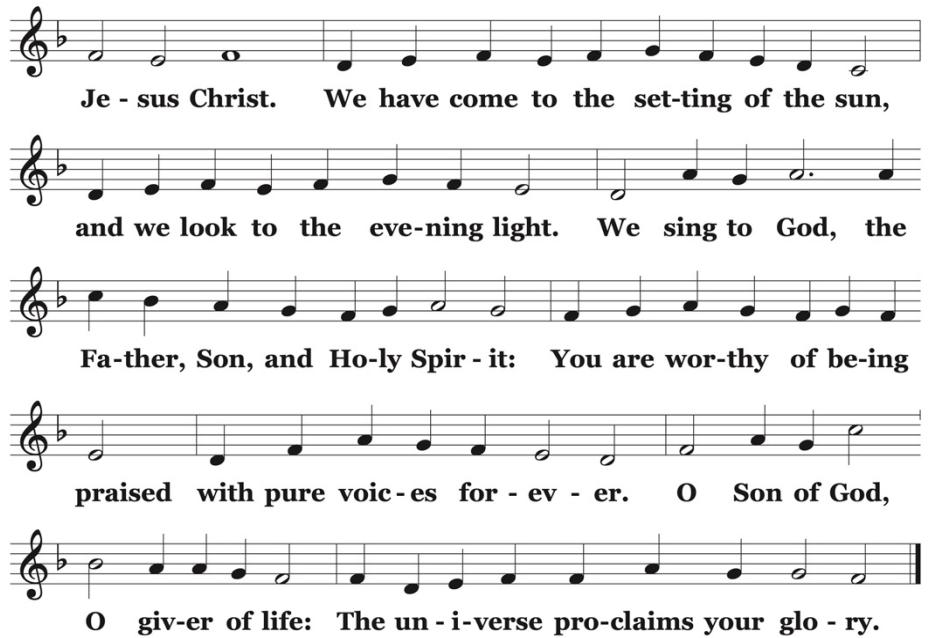
HYMN OF LIGHT



Joy-ous light of glo - ry:

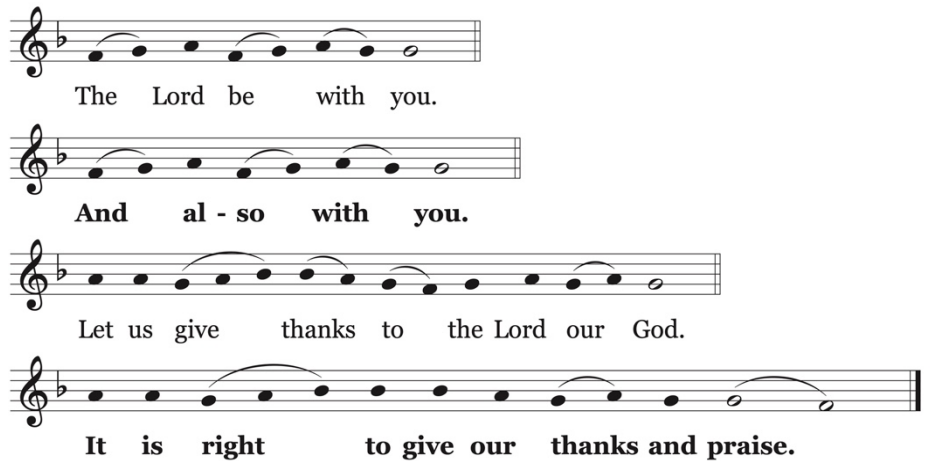


of the im-mor-tal Fa - ther; heav-en-ly, ho-ly bless-ed



Je - sus Christ. We have come to the set-ting of the sun,
and we look to the eve-ning light. We sing to God, the
Fa-ther, Son, and Ho-ly Spir - it: You are wor-thy of be-ing
praised with pure voic-es for - ev - er. O Son of God,
O giv-er of life: The un - i-verse pro-claims your glo - ry.

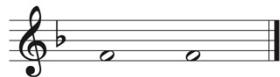
THANKSGIVING
FOR LIGHT



The Lord be with you.
And al - so with you.
Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.
It is right to give our thanks and praise.

Chanted by the leader

We give you thanks, O God, for in the beginning you called light into being, and you set lights 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.



A - men.

PSALMODY

PSALM 141 “Let my prayer rise before you”

ELW, **page 312**

Group I *North (Harre Union) side*

Group II *South (Helge Center) side*

Silence for reflection

PSALM PRAYER Let us pray. Let the incense of our repentant prayer ascend before you, O God, and let your lovingkindness descend upon us, that with purified hearts we may sing your praises with the church on earth and the whole heavenly host, and may glorify you forever and ever.



A - men.

PSALM 8 *Lamnatseah, ‘al haggittit*

Salamone Rossi, 1570–1630

Sung in Hebrew

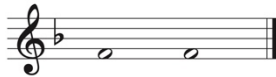
O LORD our Lord, how majestic is your name in all the earth!—
you whose glory is chanted above the heavens out of the mouths of infants and
children; you have set up a fortress against your enemies, to silence the foe and
avenger.

When I consider your heavens, the work of your fingers, the moon and the stars you

have set in their courses,
what are mere mortals that you should be mindful of them, human beings that you
should care for them?
Yet you have made them little less than divine; with glory and honor you crown
them.
You have made them rule over the works of your hands; you have put all things
under their feet:
all flocks and cattle, even the wild beasts of the field,
the birds of the air, the fish of the sea, and whatever passes along the paths of the
sea.
O LORD our Lord, how majestic is your name in all the earth!

Silence for reflection

PSALM PRAYER Let us pray. God of majesty, amid the grandeur of your creation you sought us
out, and by the coming of your Son you adorned us with glory and honor,
giving us dominion over your works. Enable us so to care for the earth that all
creation may radiate the splendor of your Son, Jesus Christ, our Savior and
Lord.



A - men.

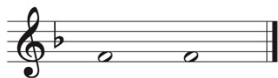
PSALM 90 “Lord, you have been our dwelling place”

Chanted by the choir

Lord, you have been our dwelling place throughout all generations.
Before the mountains were born or you brought forth the earth and the world, from
everlasting to everlasting you are God.
For a thousand years in your sight are like a day that has just gone by, or like a
watch in the night.
You have set our iniquities before you, our secret sins in the light of your presence.
You turn mortals back to dust. You sweep them away in the sweep of death.
The length of our days is seventy years—or eighty, if we have the strength; yet their
span is but trouble and sorrow.
Teach us to number our days aright, that we may gain a heart of wisdom.
Satisfy us in the morning with your unfailing love, that we may sing for joy and be
glad all our days.
Glory be to the Father and to the Son and to the Holy Spirit; as it was in the
beginning, is now, and will be forever. Amen.

Silence for reflection

PSALM PRAYER Let us pray. Eternal Father, you alone are the constant refuge of all the children of earth. Hold all our years in the day of your grace, and grant us wisdom to serve you faithfully throughout our span of life. In the hour of death, O God, receive us into the light of your steadfast love, and satisfy us in the resurrection morning with life that never ends; through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord.



A - men.

WORD

REFLECTION “The Word and song”

HYMN “When long before time”

ELW, Hymn 861

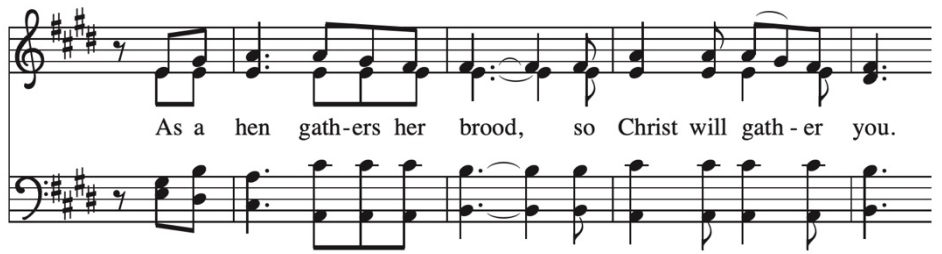
- 1 *Choir*
- 2-3 *All, in harmony*
- 4 *Choir; setting by David M. Cherwien*
- 5-6 *All, in unison*

REFLECTION “Community”

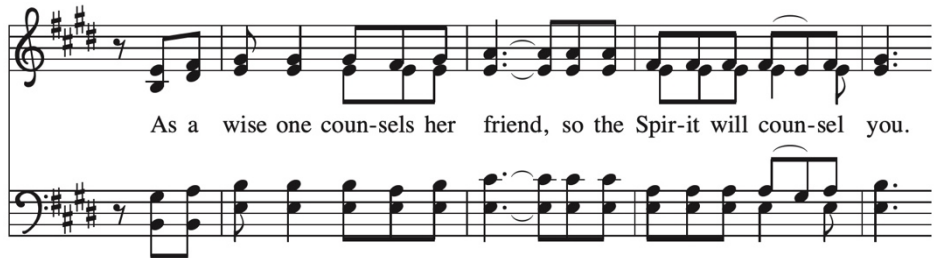
HYMN “As a mother comforts her child”

Sung by all in harmony

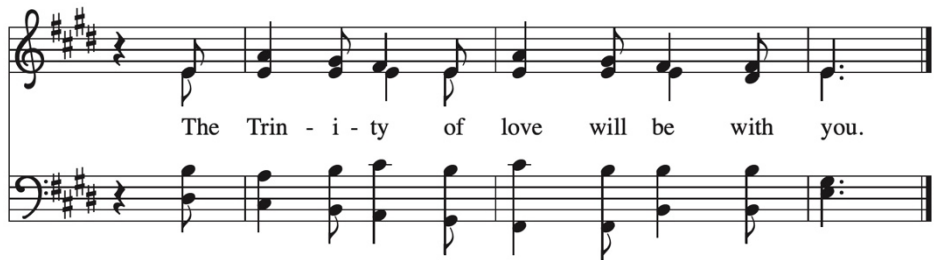
Musical notation for the hymn 'As a mother comforts her child'. It features a two-staff system: a treble clef staff on top and a bass clef staff on the bottom. The key signature is three sharps (F#, C#, G#) and the time signature is 7/8. The melody is written in the treble staff, and the bass staff provides a harmonic accompaniment. The lyrics 'As a moth-er com-forts her child, so God will com - fort you.' are written below the treble staff, aligned with the notes. The piece concludes with a double bar line.



As a hen gath-ers her brood, so Christ will gath-er you.



As a wise one coun-sels her friend, so the Spir-it will coun-sel you.



The Trin - i - ty of love will be with you.

REFLECTION “Worship and story”

HYMN “Kneeling in the dust to form us”

All stanzas sung in unison



1. Kneel - ing in the dust to form us, mold - ing with a
2. Shaped of flesh and bone and sin - ew, sound - ing cham - bers
3. Tem - pered bells re - sound more clear - ly, forged of met - als



pot - ter's care, God blows breath of life and Spir - it -
for the Word, we are tuned by dai - ly prac - tice,
bright and pure. So our lives, re - fined by Wis - dom,



pre - lude in the morn - ing air. We be - come God's
sea - soned by each les - son heard. Skill - ful - ly, the
sound in ac - cents that en - dure. God's own hand rings



liv - ing ves - sels: we, the flutes and pipes and
Spir - it plays us, fin - gers deft on fret and
out the chang - es, strik - ing chords as yet un -



reeds, ech - o - ing the Spir - it's mu - sic
string, pluck - ing mel - o - dies of yearn - ing
known, till a new earth fills with mu - sic



through the wit - ness of our deeds.
as our hearts re - spond and sing.
rich and sweet as heav - en's own.

REFLECTION “There is a rhythm to life”

HYMN “O Christ, your heart compassionate”

- 1 *All*
- 2 *Treble (soprano, alto) voices*
- 3 *Lower (tenor, bass) voices*
- 4 *All*



1. O Christ, your heart, com - pas - sion - ate, bore
2. As once, you wel - comed those cast down and
3. O Christ, cre - ate new hearts in us that
4. O Love that made the dis - tant stars, yet



- ev - 'ry hu - man pain. Its beat - ing
healed the sick, the blind, so may all
beat in time with yours, that, joined by
marks the spar - row's fall, whose arms stretched



- was the pulse of God; its breadth, God's
bruised and bro - ken lives through us your
faith with your great heart, be - come love's
wide up - on a cross em - brace and



vast do - main. The heart of God, the
help still find. Lord, join our hearts with
o - pen doors. We are your bod - y,
bear us all: come, make your church a



heart of Christ com - bined in per - fect rhyme
those who weep that none may weep a - lone,
ris - en Christ; our hearts, our hands we yield
ser - vant church that walks your ser - vant ways,



to write God's love in hu - man deeds,
and help us bear an - oth - er's pain
that through our life and min - is - try
whose deeds of love rise up to you,



e - ter - ni - ty in time.
as though it were our own.
your love may be re - vealed.
a sac - ri - fice of praise!

READING Revelation 7:9–17

***Response:* Thanks be to God.**

REFLECTION “Vibration”

HYMN “Love divine, all loves excelling”

ELW, Hymn 631

- 1 *All, in unison*
(omit stanza 2)
- 3 *All, in harmony*
- 4 *All, in unison*

Silence for reflection

DIALOGUE



Long ago God spoke to our ancestors
in many and various ways | by the prophets,
But in these last days God has spoken to us | by the Son.

GOSPEL CANTICLE “My soul now magnifies the Lord”
Magnificat

ELW, Hymn 573

- 1-2 *All, in unison*
- 3 *All, in harmony*
- 4-5 *All, in unison*

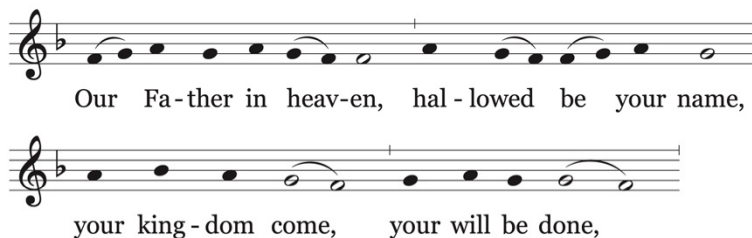
PRAYERS

LITANY “In peace, let us pray”

ELW, page 316

The prayers conclude with the Lord’s Prayer

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





on earth as in heav - en.

Give us to-day our dai - ly bread.

For - give us our sins as we for-give those who sin a - gainst us.

Save us from the time of tri - al and de-liv-er us from e - vil.

For the king-dom, the pow'r, and the glo-ry are yours,

now and for-ev - er. A-men.

MOTET *Der Tag nimmt ab*

Gustav Schreck, 1849–1918

Der Tag nimmt ab.
 Ach schönste Zier,
 Herr Jesu Christ,
 bleib Du bei mir,
 es will nun Abend werden.
 Lass doch Dein Licht auslöschen nicht
 bei uns allhier auf Erden.

Mit meinem Gott geh ich zur Ruh
 und tu in Fried mein Augen zu,
 denn Gott vons Himmelsthron
 über mich wacht bei Tag und Nacht,
 damit ich sicher wohne.

The day is ending.
 Oh, beautiful grace,
 Lord Jesus Christ,
 stay with me,
 for it is evening.
 Let your light not be extinguished
 with us here on earth.

With my God I go to rest
 And close my eyes in peace,
 For God watches over me day and
 night
 From God's throne in heaven
 So that I may dwell in safety.

BLESSING



Let us bless the Lord. **Thanks be to God.**



Almighty God, the Father, + the Son, and the Holy Spirit,



bless and pre-serve us. **A - men.**

HYMN “What joyous song unfolding”

- 1 *All, in unison*
- 2 *All, in harmony*
- 3 *All, in unison*
- 4 *All, in harmony*

1. What joy - ous song un-fold - ing has called us in the night;
 2. The moun-tains sing the sto - ry; the for - ests clap their hands;
 3. Then let us breathe to-geth - er to praise the God of Life,
 4. God, may our hearts be grate-ful, and may our words be true.

what lov - ing voice im - plor - ing has drawn us in - to light:
 the stars sing forth God's glo - ry; the seas, the hills, the lands.
 and so con-spire to sun - der dis-har - mo - ny and strife,
 May all our songs be no - ble and draw us deep in you,

the voice of God is sing - ing, the heart-beat of the spheres;
 Shall we a - lone be si - lent? Shall we not sing God's praise,
 that sigh - ing cede to sing - ing, and beau - ty life re - new;
 that sing - ing ho - ly stor - ies, more ho - ly we be - come,

it ech - oes in all be - ing and calls us still to hear.
 whose song is ev - er pres - ent, whose voice en - chants our days?
 that wis - dom tune our be - ing, and love all fear sub - due.
 trans - posed in - to like spir - its to be your lov - ing home.

The peace of Christ be with you always.
And also with you.

A greeting of peace may be shared by all

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