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Christ's blessings to all! **To our visitors**, we rejoice to have you gathered together with us in our Lord's House this day & look forward to having you with us again. If you are searching for a Church home, **please introduce yourself to Pastor** or indicate such **with your contact information** in the red 'Fellowship Booklets' in each pew.

THE ORDER OF MATINS

Prelude

Hymn of Invocation #15

"From All that Dwell below the Skies"

Versicles & Responses (stand)

Y: O Lord, open Thou my lips.

R: And my mouth shall show forth Thy praise.

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Y: Make haste, O God, to deliver me.

R: Make haste to help me, O Lord.

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Glory be to the Father and to the Son and to the

Ho - ly Ghost: As it was in the beginning, is now, and ev - er

shall be: world with - out end. A - men. Hal - le - lu - jah!

The Invitatory

V: Oh, come, let us worship the Lord:

R: For He is our Mak - er.

The Venite

Psalm 95:1-7

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 people of His pasture and the	sheep of	His	hand.
world - - - -	with-out	end. A-	men.

Psalmody: *Psalm 148*
Praise the LORD from the heavens;
Praise Him in the heights!
Praise Him, all His angels;
Praise Him, all His hosts!
Praise Him, sun and moon;
Praise Him, all you stars of light!
Praise Him, you heavens of heavens,
And you waters above the heavens!
Let them praise the name of the LORD,
For He commanded and they were created,
He also established them forever and ever;
He made a decree which shall not pass away.
Praise the LORD from the earth,
You great sea creatures and all the depths;
Fire and hail, snow and clouds;
Stormy wind, fulfilling His word;
Mountains and all hills;
Fruitful trees and all cedars;
Beasts and all cattle;
Creeping things and flying fowl;
Kings of the earth and all peoples,
Princes and all judges of the earth;
Both young men and maidens;
Old men and children.
Let them praise the name of the LORD,
For His name alone is exalted;
His glory is above the earth and heaven.
And He has exalted the horn of His people,

**The praise of all His saints
Of the children of Israel,
A people near to Him.**

The Gloria Patri (*see top of page 2*)

The Catechism Review - The Lord's Prayer

What is The Introduction?

Our Father who art in Heaven.

What does this mean? **With these words God tenderly invites us to believe that He is our true Father and that we are His true children, so that with all boldness and confidence we may ask Him as dear children ask their dear father.**

What is The First Petition?

Hallowed be Thy name.

What does this mean? **God's name is certainly holy in itself, but we pray in this petition that it may be kept holy among us also.**

How is God's name kept holy? **God's name is kept holy when the Word of God is taught in its truth and purity, and we, as the children of God, also lead holy lives according to it. Help us to do this, dear Father in heaven! But anyone who teaches or lives contrary to God's Word profanes the name of God among us. Protect us from this, heavenly Father!**

The Old Testament Reading: Isaiah 44:6-8

⁶ Thus says the LORD, the King of Israel
and his Redeemer, the LORD of hosts:

“I am the first and I am the last;
besides me there is no god.

⁷ Who is like me? Let him proclaim it.

Let him declare and set it before me,
since I appointed an ancient people.

Let them declare what is to come, and
what will happen.

⁸ Fear not, nor be afraid;

have I not told you from of old and
declared it?

And you are my witnesses!

Is there a God besides me?

There is no Rock; I know not any.”

The Epistle: Romans 8:18-27

¹⁸For I consider that the sufferings of this present time are not worth comparing with the glory that is to be revealed to us. ¹⁹For the creation waits with eager longing for the revealing of the sons of God. ²⁰For the creation was subjected to futility, not willingly, but because of him who subjected it, in hope ²¹that the creation itself will be set free from its bondage to decay and obtain the freedom of the glory of the children of God. ²²For we know that the whole creation has been groaning together in the pains of childbirth until now. ²³And not only

the creation, but we ourselves, who have the firstfruits of the Spirit, groan inwardly as we wait eagerly for adoption as sons, the redemption of our bodies. ²⁴For in this hope we were saved. Now hope that is seen is not hope. For who hopes for what he sees? ²⁵But if we hope for what we do not see, we wait for it with patience.

²⁶Likewise the Spirit helps us in our weakness. For we do not know what to pray for as we ought, but the Spirit himself intercedes for us with groanings too deep for words. ²⁷And he who searches hearts knows what is the mind of the Spirit, because the Spirit intercedes for the saints according to the will of God.

The Holy Gospel: Matthew 13:24-30, 36-43 (*stand*)

²⁴[Jesus] put another parable before them, saying, “The kingdom of heaven may be compared to a man who sowed good seed in his field, ²⁵but while his men were sleeping, his enemy came and sowed weeds among the wheat and went away. ²⁶So when the plants came up and bore grain, then the weeds appeared also. ²⁷And the servants of the master of the house came and said to him, ‘Master, did you not sow good seed in your field? How then does it have weeds?’ ²⁸He said to them, ‘An enemy has done this.’ So the servants said to him, ‘Then do you want us to go and gather them?’ ²⁹But he said, ‘No, lest in gathering the weeds you root up the wheat along with them. ³⁰Let both grow together until the harvest, and at harvest time I will tell the reapers, Gather the weeds first and bind them in bundles to be burned, but gather the wheat into my barn.’” . . .

³⁶Then he left the crowds and went into the house. And his disciples came to him, saying, “Explain to us the parable of the weeds of the field.” ³⁷He answered, “The one who sows the good seed is the Son of Man. ³⁸The field is the world, and the good seed is the children of the kingdom. The weeds are the sons of the evil one, ³⁹and the enemy who sowed them is the devil. The harvest is the close of the age, and the reapers are angels. ⁴⁰Just as the weeds are gathered and burned with fire, so will it be at the close of the age. ⁴¹The Son of Man will send his angels, and they will gather out of his kingdom all causes of sin and all law-breakers, ⁴²and throw them into the fiery furnace. In that place there will be weeping and gnashing of teeth. ⁴³Then the righteous will shine like the sun in the kingdom of their Father. He who has ears, let him hear.”

The Lection

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



Sermon Hymn – #523, v. 1, 2, 5, 7, 8

“Why Should Cross and Trial Grieve Me”

Sermon: "Subject to Futility in the Hope of Glory"

Romans 8:18-21

- I. The creation is presently subjected to futility.
- II. The creation has hope for the freedom of the glory of the children of God.

Presentation of the Offerings

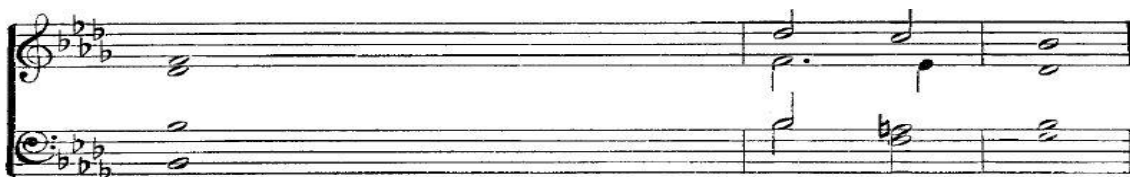
THE TE DEUM LAUDAMUS

1	We praise Thee, O God; we acknowledge Thee to	-	be the	Lord.
3	Holy, holy, holy, Lord God of	- - - - -	Sab-a-	oth;
5	The noble army of martyrs	- - - - -	praise	Thee.

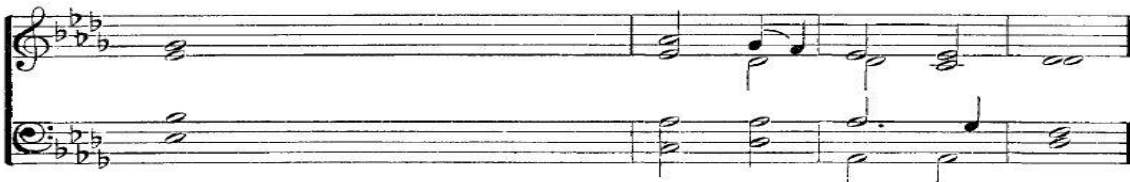
1	All the earth doth worship Thee, the Father	ever-	last-	ing.
3	heaven and earth are full of the majesty	of Thy	glo-	ry.
5	The holy Church throughout all the world	doth ac-	knowl-edge	Thee:

2	To Thee all angels cry aloud, the heavens and		powers there-	in;
4	all the		praise	Thee.
6	The Father of an infinite majesty; Thine ador-		on-ly	Son;
7	able true and		O	Christ.

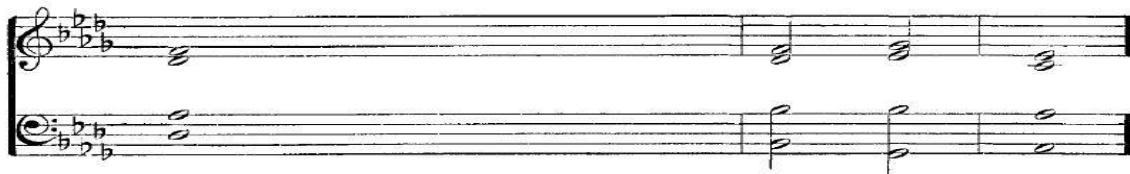
2	To Thee cherubim and seraphim con-	-	tin-ual-	ly do	cry:
4	The goodly fellowship of the	- - -	prophets	praise	Thee.
6	also the Holy	- - - - -	Ghost, the	Com-fort-	er.
7	Thou art the everlasting Son	- -	of the	Fa-	ther.



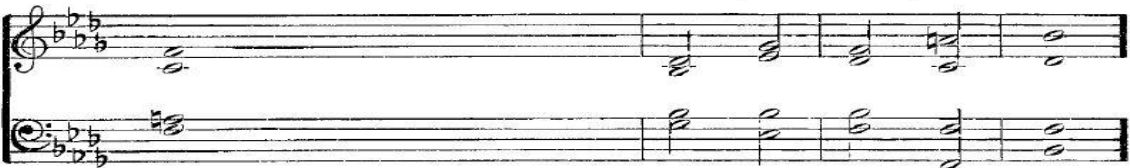
8 When Thou tookest upon Thee to de- - - liv-er man,
10 Thou sittest at the right - - - hand of God
12 We therefore pray Thee, help Thy - - - ser- vants,



8 Thou didst humble Thyself to be born - - - of a vir- gin.
10 in the glory - - - of the Fa- ther.
12 whom Thou hast redeem-ed - - - with Thy pre-cious blood.



9 When Thou hadst overcome the - - - sharp-ness of death,
11 We believe that - - - Thou shalt come
13 Make them to be number-ed - - - with Thy saints



9 Thou didst open the kingdom of heaven to all be- liev- ers.
11 to - - - be our Judge.
13 in glory - - - ever- last- ing.

14 O Lord, save Thy people and bless Thine - her-i- tage.
 16 Vouchsafe, O Lord, to keep us this day with- out sin.

14 Govern them and lift them - - - up for- ev- er.
 16 O Lord, have mercy upon us, have - - mercy up- on us.

15 Day by day we - - - - - magni-fy Thee.
 17 O Lord, let Thy mercy be upon us, as our trust - is in Thee.

15 And we worship Thy name ever, - - world with- out end.
 17 O Lord, in Thee have I trusted; let me never be con- found- ed.

The Kyrie

Lord, have mer - cy up - on us. Christ, have mer - cy up - on us.

Lord, have mer - cy up - on us.

The Lord's Prayer

Our Father who art in heaven, Hallowed be Thy name; Thy kingdom come; Thy will be done on earth as it is in heaven; Give us this day our daily bread; And forgive us our trespasses, as we forgive those who trespass against us; And lead us not into temptation; But deliver us from evil; For Thine is the kingdom and the power and the glory forever and ever. Amen.

♣: The Lord be with you.

The Salutation

♣: And with thy spir - it.

The musical notation consists of two staves. The upper staff is in treble clef and the lower staff is in bass clef. The music is written in a simple, homophonic style with chords and single notes. The lyrics 'And with thy spir - it.' are written below the notes.

Special Petitions

Collect Of The Day

O God, so rule and govern our hearts and minds by Your Holy Spirit that, ever mindful of Your final judgment, we may be stirred up to holiness of living here and dwell with You in perfect joy hereafter; through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

The Collect for Grace

O Lord, our heavenly Father, almighty and everlasting God, who hast safely brought us to the beginning of this day, defend us in the same with Thy mighty power and grant that this day we fall into no sin, neither run into any kind of danger, but that all our doing, being ordered by Thy governance, may be righteous in Thy sight; through Jesus Christ, Thy Son, our Lord, who liveth and reigneth with Thee and the Holy Ghost, ever one God, world without end.

♣: A - - - men.

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♣: Bless we the Lord.

The Benedicamus

♣: Thanks be to God.

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The Benediction

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



Hymn – #206, v. 1, 2, 4, 5, 7, 10

“Jesus Christ, My Sure Defense”

Silent Prayer & Postlude

+ SOLI DEO GLORIA +

DAILY READINGS: July 23: 1 Sam. 6:19–7:17; Acts 19:1–22; 24: 1 Sam. 8:1–22; Acts 21:15–36; 25: 1 Sam. 9:1–27; Acts 21:37–22:16; 26: 1 Sam. 10:1–27; Acts 22:17–29; 27: 1 Sam. 12:1–25; Acts 22:30–23:11; 28: 1 Sam. 13:1–18; Acts 23:12–35; 29: 1 Sam. 14:47–15:9; Acts 24:1–23.

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