



MIDWEEK DEVOTION – PSALM 32

January 13, 2021

✠ COMPLINE ✠

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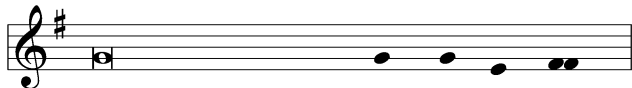
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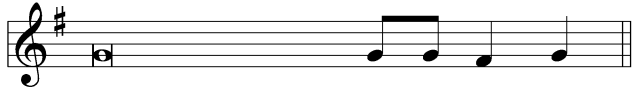
L The Lord Almighty grant us a qui - et night and peace at the last.



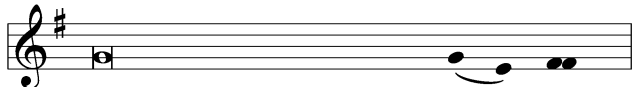
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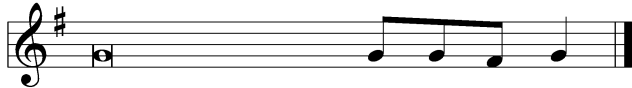
L It is good to give thanks to the Lord,



C to sing praise to Your name, O Most High;



L to herald Your love in the morn - ing,



C Your truth at the close of the day.

EXHORTATION

P Let us confess our sin in the presence of God and of one another.

Silence for self-examination.

L Holy and gracious God,

C **I confess that I have sinned against You this day. Some of my sin I know—the thoughts and words and deeds of which I am ashamed—but some is known only to You. In the name of Jesus Christ I ask forgiveness. Deliver and restore me that I may rest in peace.**

L By the mercy of God we are redeemed by Jesus Christ, and in Him we are forgiven. We rest now in His peace and rise in the morning to serve Him.

C Amen.

Stand

✠ Psalmody ✠

PSALM

Psalm 32; antiphon: v. 5b

The pastor and congregation chant responsively. The antiphon is chanted by the pastor before and after the psalm.



(Antiphon) I will confess my transgressions | to the LORD,*
and You forgave the iniquity | of my sin.

- ¹ Blessèd is the one whose transgression is for- | given,*
whose sin is | covered.
- ² Blessèd is the man against whom the LORD counts no in- | iquity,*
and in whose spirit there is | no deceit.
- ³ For when I kept silent, my bones wast- | ed away*
through my groaning | all day long.
- ⁴ For day and night Your hand was heavy up- | on me;*
my strength was dried up as by the heat of | summer.
- ⁵ I acknowledged my sin to You,
and I did not cover my in- | iquity;*
I said, "I will confess my transgressions to the LORD,"
and You forgave the iniquity | of my sin.
- ⁶ Therefore let everyone who is godly
offer prayer to You at a time when You | may be found;*
surely in the rush of great waters,
they shall not | reach him.
- ⁷ You are a hiding place for me;
You preserve me from | trouble;*
You surround me with shouts of de- | liverance.
- ⁸ I will instruct you and teach you in the way | you should go;*
I will counsel you with My eye up- | on you.
- ⁹ Be not like a horse or a mule, without under- | standing,*
which must be curbed with bit and bridle,
or it will not stay | near you.
- ¹⁰ Many are the sorrows of the | wicked,*
but steadfast love surrounds the one who trusts | in the LORD.
- ¹¹ Be glad in the LORD, and rejoice, O | righteous,*
and shout for joy, all you up- | right in heart!

**Glory be to the Father and | to the Son*
and to the Holy | Spirit;
as it was in the be- | ginning,*
is now, and will be forever. | Amen.**

The antiphon is repeated.

Sit

OFFICE HYMN: Jesus Sinners Doth Receive

LSB 609, sts. 1–4



1 Je - sus sin - ners doth re - ceive; Oh, may all this
 2 We de - serve but grief and shame, Yet His words, rich
 3 Sheep that from the fold did stray No true shep - herd
 4 I, a sin - ner, come to Thee With a pen - i -



say - ing pon - der Who in sin's de - lu - sions live
 grace re - veal - ing, Par - don, peace, and life pro - claim;
 e'er for - sak - eth; Wea - ry souls that lost their way
 tent con - fes - sion. Sav - ior, mer - cy show to me;



And from God and heav - en wan - der! Here is hope for
 Here our ills have per - fect heal - ing. Firm - ly in these
 Christ, the Shep - herd, gent - ly tak - eth In His arms that
 Grant for all my sins re - mis - sion. Let these words my



all who grieve: Je - sus sin - ners doth re - ceive.
 words be - lieve: Je - sus sin - ners doth re - ceive.
 they may live: Je - sus sin - ners doth re - ceive.
 soul re - lieve: Je - sus sin - ners doth re - ceive.

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✠ Readings ✠

FIRST READING

Jeremiah 17:5–8

⁵Thus says the LORD:

“Cursed is the man who trusts in man and makes flesh his strength, whose heart turns away from the LORD.

⁶He is like a shrub in the desert, and shall not see any good come. He shall dwell in the parched places of the wilderness, in an uninhabited salt land.

⁷“Blessed is the man who trusts in the LORD, whose trust is the LORD. ⁸He is like a tree planted by water, that sends out its roots by the stream, and does not fear when heat comes, for its leaves remain green, and is not anxious in the year of drought, for it does not cease to bear fruit.”

Silence for reflection.

SECOND READING

1 John 1:5–2:2

^{1:5}This is the message we have heard from Him and proclaim to you, that God is light, and in him is no darkness at all. ⁶If we say we have fellowship with Him while we walk in darkness, we lie and do not practice the truth. ⁷But if we walk in the light, as He is in the light, we have fellowship with one another, and the blood of Jesus His Son cleanses us from all sin.

⁸If we say we have no sin, we deceive ourselves, and the truth is not in us. ⁹If we confess our sins, He is faithful and just to forgive us our sins and to cleanse us from all unrighteousness. ¹⁰If we say we have not sinned, we make Him a liar, and His word is not in us.

^{2:1}My little children, I am writing these things to you so that you may not sin. But if anyone does sin, we have an Advocate with the Father, Jesus Christ the righteous. ²He is the propitiation for our sins, and not for ours only but also for the sins of the whole world.

Silence for reflection.

HOLY GOSPEL

Luke 23:32–34, 39–43


³²Two others, who were criminals, were led away to be put to death with Him. ³³And when they came to the place that is called The Skull, there they crucified Him, and the criminals, one on His right and one on His left. ³⁴And Jesus said, “Father, forgive them, for they know not what they do.” And they cast lots to divide His garments. . . .

³⁹One of the criminals who were hanged railed at Him, saying, “Are You not the Christ? Save Yourself and us!” ⁴⁰But the other rebuked him, saying, “Do you not fear God, since you are under the same sentence of condemnation? ⁴¹And we indeed justly, for we are receiving the due reward of our deeds; but this Man has done nothing wrong.” ⁴²And he said, “Jesus, remember me when You come into your kingdom.” ⁴³And He said to him, “Truly, I say to you, today you will be with Me in Paradise.”

Silence for reflection.

RESPONSORY


Psalm 31:5



L In-to Your hands, O Lord, I com - mend my spir - it.




C In-to Your hands I com - mend my spir - it.



L You have re - deemed me, O Lord, God of truth.



C In-to Your hands I com - mend my spir - it.



L Glory be to the Fa - ther and to the Son and to the Ho-ly Spir-it.



C In-to Your hands I com - mend my spir - it.

MEDITATION ON THE PSALM

RESPONSORY HYMN: Jesus Sinners Doth Receive

LSB 609, sts. 1, 5-7



1 Je - sus sin - ners doth re - ceive; Oh, may all this
 5 Oh, how blest it is to know: Were as scar - let
 6 Now my con - science is at peace; From the Law I
 7 Je - sus sin - ners doth re - ceive; Al - so I have



say - ing pon - der Who in sin's de - lu - sions live
 my trans - gres - sion, It shall be as white as snow
 stand ac - quit - ted. Christ hath pur - chased my re - lease
 been for - giv - en; And when I this earth must leave,



And from God and heav - en wan - der! Here is hope for
 By Thy blood and bit - ter pas - sion; For these words I
 And my ev - 'ry sin re - mit - ted. Naught re - mains my
 I shall find an o - pen heav - en. Dy - ing, still to



all who grieve: Je - sus sin - ners doth re - ceive.
 now be - lieve: Je - sus sin - ners doth re - ceive.
 soul to grieve: Je - sus sin - ners doth re - ceive.
 Him I cleave: Je - sus sin - ners doth re - ceive.

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✠ Prayer ✠

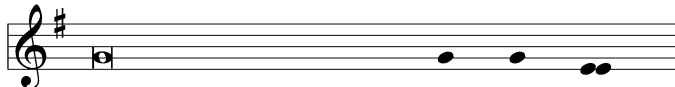
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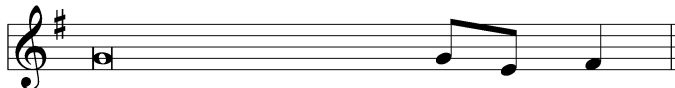
L Hear my prayer, O Lord;



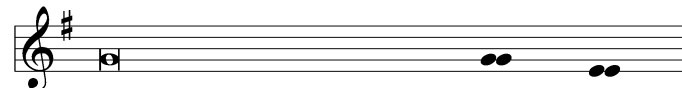
C listen to my cry.



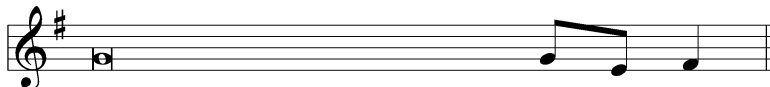
L Keep me as the apple of Your eye;



C hide me in the shadow of Your wings.



L In righteousness I shall see You;



C when I awake, Your presence will give me joy.

One or more of the following are prayed.

- Ⓛ Be present, merciful God, and protect us through the hours of this night, so that we who are wearied by the changes and chances of life may find our rest in You; through Jesus Christ, our Lord.
- Ⓛ O Lord, support us all the day long of this troubled life, until the shadows lengthen and the evening comes and the busy world is hushed, the fever of life is over, and our work is done. Then, Lord, in Your mercy grant us a safe lodging and a holy rest and peace at the last; through Jesus Christ, our Lord.
- Ⓛ Be our light in the darkness, O Lord, and in Your great mercy defend us from all perils and dangers of this night; for the love of Your only Son, Jesus Christ, our Lord.
- Ⓛ Visit our dwellings, O Lord, and drive from them all the snares of the enemy; let Your holy angels dwell with us to preserve us in peace; and let Your blessing be on us always; through Jesus Christ, our Lord.
- Ⓛ Eternal God, the hours both of day and night are Yours, and to You the darkness is no threat. Be present, we pray, with those who labor in these hours of night, especially those who watch and work on behalf of others. Grant them diligence in their watching, faithfulness in their service, courage in danger, and competence in emergencies. Help them to meet the needs of others with confidence and compassion; through Jesus Christ, our Lord.
- Ⓛ Abide with us, Lord, for it is toward evening, and the day is far spent. Abide with us and with Your whole Church. Abide with us at the end of the day, at the end of our life, at the end of the world. Abide with us with Your grace and goodness, with Your holy Word and Sacrament, with Your strength and blessing. Abide with us when the night of affliction and temptation comes upon us, the night of fear and despair, the night when death draws near. Abide with us and with all the faithful, now and forever.



ⓐ A - men.

LORD'S PRAYER

LSB 957

Ⓟ Taught by our Lord and trusting His promises, we are bold to pray:

Our Fa - ther who art in heav - en, hal - low - ed be Thy name,
Thy king - dom come, Thy will be done on earth as
it is in heav - en; give us this day our dai - ly
bread; and for - give us our tres - pass - es as we for - give
those who tres - pass a - gainst us; and lead us not in -
to temp - ta - tion, but de - liv - er us from e - vil.
For Thine is the king - dom and the pow'r and the glo -
ry for - ev - er and ev - er. A - men.

NUNC DIMITTIS

Antiphon



L Guide us wak - ing, O Lord, and guard us sleep - ing



that a - wake we may watch with Christ and asleep we may rest in peace.

C Lord, now You let Your ser - vant go in peace; Your word has been ful - filled.



My own eyes have seen the sal - va - tion which You have prepared



in the sight of ev - 'ry peo - ple: a light to reveal You to the na - tions



and the glory of Your peo - ple Is - ra - el. Glo - ry be to the



Fa - ther and to the Son and to the Ho - ly Spir - it;



as it was in the be - gin - ning, is now, and will be for -

Antiphon



ev - er. A - men. Guide us wak - ing, O Lord,

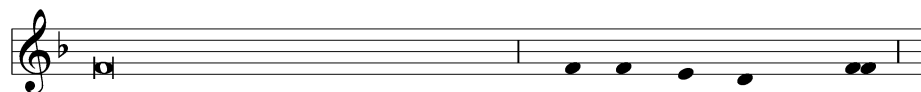


and guard us sleep - ing that a - wake we may

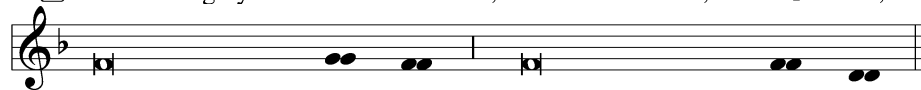


watch with Christ and asleep we may rest in peace.

BENEDICTION



P The almighty and merciful Lord, the Fa - ther, the ✠ Son,



and the Holy Spir - it, bless you and keep you.



C A - men.

✠ SOLI DEO GLORIA ✠
(TO GOD ALONE BE THE GLORY)