Office of Vespers
with Assignment of Vicarages and Internships

The Second Week of Easter
May 4, 2011
3:00 p.m.

Concordia Seminary
St. Louis, Missouri
THE PRELUDE

As the hymn is introduced, please stand and face the processional cross, turning as it passes you.

THE PROCESSIONAL HYMN

Hail Thee, Festival Day (LSB 489)

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All

Easter
Hail thee, fes-ti-val day! Blест day to be hal-low-ed for ev-er;

Ascension
Hail thee, fes-ti-val day! Blест day to be hal-low-ed for ev-er;

Pentecost
Hail thee, fes-ti-val day! Blест day to be hal-low-ed for ev-er;

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Day when our Lord was raised, Break-ing the king-dom of death.
Day when our ris-en Lord Rose in the heav-ens to reign.
Day when the Ho-ly Ghost Shone in the world with His grace.

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All

Easter
1 All the fair beau-ty of earth From the death of the
Ascension
1 He who was nailed to the cross Is rul-er and
Pentecost
1 Bright and in like-ness of fire, On those who a-
3 God the Al-might-y, the Lord, The rul-er of
5 Spir-it of life and of pow’r, Now flow in us,

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winter a-ris- ing! Ev’ry good
Lord of all peo-ple. All things cre-
wait His ap-pear-ing, He whom the
earth and the heav-ens, Guard us from
fount of our be-ing, Light that en-

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gift of the year Now with its mas-ter re-turns:
at-ed on earth Sing to the glo-ry of God:
Lord had fore-told Sud-den-ly, swift-ly de-scends:
harm with-out; Cleanse us from e vil with-in:
light-ens us all, Life that in all may a-bide:

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THE VERSICLES (spoken)

Leader: Alleluia! Christ is risen!
Congregation: He is risen indeed! Alleluia!

L: O Lord, open my lips,
C: And my mouth will declare Your praise.

L: Make haste, O God, to deliver me;
C: Make haste to help me, O Lord.

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.
Praise to You, O Christ. Alleluia!
Sit

THE PSALMODY

Psalm 150

Choir: Worthy is the Lamb who was slain, to receive power and wealth, wisdom and might, honor and glory and blessing.

Congregation: REFRAIN

Choir: Praise the LORD! Praise God in His sanctuary! Praise Him in His mighty heaven!

Praise Him for His mighty deeds; praise Him according to His excellent greatness!

Congregation: REFRAIN

Choir: Praise Him with trumpet sound; praise Him with lute and harp!

Praise Him with tambourine and dance; praise Him with strings and pipe!

Praise Him with sounding cymbals; praise Him with loud clashing cymbals!

Let everything that has breath praise the LORD! Praise the LORD!

Congregation: REFRAIN

Choir: 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.

Congregation: REFRAIN

THE READING

Acts 16:1-5

L: This is the Word of the Lord.

C: Thanks be to God.
THE MOTET

Feed My Lambs, Feed My Sheep

Text: Dorothy R. Schultz
Tune: Ralph C. Schultz

Feed My lambs, feed My sheep.
Hear the call, hear the Savior’s loving call. Freely serve and love them all.
Through My Holy Word invite them; Bring them safely to My fold.
Share the message of salvation with each hungry, thirsting soul.
Faithful shepherd guide and listen, Know and celebrate their joys,
In all sorrow bring them comfort, Let them hear My loving voice.
Here proclaim My grace and mercy, Turning hearts from evil ways,
Preaching truth with pow’r and wisdom, Leading songs of joyful praise.
I, the Lord, will walk beside you, Day by Day, awake, asleep,
I will be your faithful Shepherd As you tend My lambs and sheep.
Feed My lambs, feed My sheep.
Hear the call, hear the the Savior’s loving call. Freely serve and love them all.
Feed My lambs, feed My sheep.

THE SERMON

Timothy’s Vicarage

THE GOSPEL CANTICLE – Magnificat

My soul doth magnify the Lord; and my spirit hath rejoiced in God my Savior.
For he hath regarded the lowliness of his handmaiden
For behold, from henceforth all generations shall call me blessed.
For he that is mighty hath magnified me and holy is his name.
And his mercy is on them that fear him throughout all generations.
He hath shewed strength with his arm:
He hath scattered the proud in the imagination of their hearts.
He hath put down the mighty from their seat and hath exalted the humble and meek.
He hath filled the hungry with good things: and the rich he hath sent empty away.
He remembering his mercy: hath holpen his servant Israel:
As he promised to our forefathers Abraham and his seed forever.
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 ASSIGNMENT OF VICARAGES AND DEACONESS INTERNSHIPS
THE OFFICE HYMN
The Saints in Christ Are One in Every Place (LSB 838)

1 The saints in Christ are one in ev’ry place
2 In chains for Christ! His pris’ners love to sing.
3 To live is Christ, for us, to die is gain;
4 Lord Je - sus Christ! Heav’n’s praise let earth re - peat;

To serve the Gos - pel of His cost - ly grace;
For slaves and free re - joice to praise our King;
Where then shall be our hun - ger, dan - ger, pain?
The work that You be - gan, You will com - plete.

From those first days to this, our hope the same:
What though the Church on earth still suf - fers wrong?
Our joy to preach good news to rich and poor,
By grace let ev’ry foe be - come Yourfriend;

The love of Christ, one Lord, one sav - ing name.
The cross of Christ re - mains our pil - grim song.
Then be with Christ, to live for - ev - er more.
Your day, O Christ, shall dawn and nev - er end.

Stand

THE PRAYERS

L: Lord, have mercy.

C: Christ, have mercy. Lord, have mercy.

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

C: 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.
L: The Lord be with you.
C: And also with you.
L: Let us pray.

L: O Lord God, merciful and gracious Father, we give thanks for these students who have been assigned vicarages and deaconess internships. By Your Holy Spirit grant them grace in their assignments and readiness, steadfastness, patience, understanding, a cheerful spirit, and great zeal in their service. Support and strengthen them that by Your Word Your Church may be built and increased; through Your Son, our great High Priest, Jesus Christ, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.
C: Amen.

Vicars and Interns: Merciful God, we humbly implore You to cast the bright beams of your light upon Your Church that we, being instructed by the doctrine of the blessed apostles, may walk in the light of Your truth and at length attain to the light of everlasting life; through Jesus Christ, our Lord.
C: Amen.

L: Direct us, O Lord, in all our doings with Your most gracious favor, and further us with Your continual help that in all our works begun, continued, and ended in you we may glorify Your holy name and finally by Your mercy obtain eternal salvation, through Jesus Christ, our Lord.
C: Amen.

THE BENEDICAMUS AND BLESSING

L: Let us bless the Lord.
C: Thanks be to God.

L: The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ and the love of God and the communion of the Holy Spirit be with you all.
C: Amen.

Turn and follow the processional cross as it leaves the sanctuary.
THE RECESSIONAL HYMN

Jesus Lives! The Victory’s Won (LSB 490)

5 Jesus lives! And now is death
    But the gate of life immortal;
    This shall calm my trembling breath
    When I pass its gloomy portal.
    Faith shall cry, as fails each sense:
    Jesus is my confidence!

THE POSTLUDE

Soli Deo Gloria
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Dallas Dubke, director
Post-Vicarage Seminarian

The Board of Regents, faculty, relatives, and friends
are invited to a reception on the Chapel Plaza
(Koburg Dining Hall if rain) at 8:30 p.m.
