Office of Vespers with Assignment of Vicarages and Internships

The fifth week of Easter
April 26, 2016
3 p.m.

Concordia Seminary, St. Louis
In Nomine Jesu

THE PRE-SERVICE MUSIC

Beautiful Savior / Christiansen

Adoramus Te, Christe / Palestrina

Hark, I Hear the Harps Eternal / Parker/Shaw

AS THE HYMN IS INTRODUCED, PLEASE STAND AND FACE THE PROCESSIONAL CROSS, TURNING AS IT PASSES YOU.

THE PROCESSIONAL HYMN

Praise to the Lord, the Almighty (LSB 790)

1 Praise to the Lord, the Almighty, the King of creation!
2 Praise to the Lord, who o’er all things is wondrously reign ing!
3 Praise to the Lord, who has fearfully, wonderfully made you;
4 Praise to the Lord, who will prosper your work and defend you;

Praise to the Lord! O let all that is in me adore Him!
All that has life and breath, come now with praises before Him!
Let the Amen sound from His people again;
Gladly forever adore Him!

5 Praise to the Lord! O let all that is in me adore Him!
All that has life and breath, come now with praises before Him!
Let the Amen
Sound from His people again;
Gladly forever adore Him!
THE VERSICLES  *(spoken)*

L: Alleluia! Christ is risen!
C: 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 ANTHEM

*Inveni David* / Bruckner

*Inveni David servum meum;*
*oleo sancto meo unxi eum;*
*Manus enim mea auxiliabitur eiet brachium meum confortabit eum.*

Alleluia.

I have found David, my servant;
I have anointed him with my holy oil;
For my hand shall aid him and my arm shall strengthen him.

Alleluia.
THE READING

Acts 11:1-18

L:  This is the Word of the Lord.
C:  Thanks be to God.

THE OFFICE HYMN

Lord, Whose Love through Humble Service (LSB 848)

1 Lord, whose love through humble service Bore the weight of human need, Who up on the cross, for - sak - en, Offered mercy's perfect deed, We, Your servants, bring the wor - ship Not of voice a lone, but heart, Con - se - civilizing to Your pur - pose Ev - ry gift that You im - part.
2 Still Your children wander home-less; Still the hun - gry cry for bread; Still the cap - tives long for free - dom; Dawns up - on our quick - ened sight, Mak - ing known the needs and burden - ous Your com - pas - sion bids us bear, Stir - ring com - fort, Coun - sel, aid, and peace we give, That Your love Your spirit kindles Still to save and make us whole.
3 As we worship, grant us vi - sion, Till Your love's re veal - ing light In its height and depth and great - ness, name we go. To the child, the youth, the aged, in - liv - ing deeds to show: Hope and health, good - will and
4 Called by wor - ship to Your ser - vice, Forth in Your dear hu - man need, Who up - on the cross, for - sak - en, Offered mercy's perfect deed, We, Your serv - ants, bring the wor - ship Not of voice a lone, but heart, Con - se -
THE SERMON

The Curriculum: Sent to Serve (John 13:1-17)

THE GOSPEL CANTICLE - MAGNIFICAT

My Soul Rejoices (LSB 933)

1. My soul rejoices, My spirit voices—Sing the
greatness of the Lord! For God my Savior Has shown me
favor—Sing the greatness of the Lord! With praise and
blessing, Join in confessing God, who is solely Mighty and
hallowed; The meek exalted. Full are the hungry; Empty, the
holy—O sing the greatness of God the Lord! His mercy
wealthy—O sing the greatness of God the Lord! Here is the
surely Shall rest securely On all who fear Him,
token All that was spoken To A-br’ham’s offspring

Love and revere Him—O sing the greatness of God the Lord!
God is fulfilling—O sing the greatness of God the Lord!

© 1991 Stephen P. Starke. Used by permission: LSB Hymn License.net, no. 100010935. Public domain
THE ASSIGNMENT OF VICARAGES AND DEACONESS INTERNSHIPS

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: 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.

CHORAL BLESSING

Abide With Me / M. Hogan

Abide with me, fast falls the eventide.
The darkness deepens; Lord, with me abide.
When other helpers fail and comforts flee,
Help of the helpless, O abide with me.

I need Thy presence ev’ry passing hour;
What but Thy grace can foil the tempter’s pow’r?
Who like Thyself my guide and stay can be?
Through cloud and sunshine, O abide with me.

O Thou who changest not abide with me.
In life, in death, O Lord, abide with me.

L: The blessing of the Lord God, the Father Almighty, the blessing of Christ Jesus,
the † Son, the Lamb who was slain and raised from the dead, and the blessing of
the Spirit of truth, be among you and remain with you always.
C: Amen.

L: Alleluia! Christ is risen!
C: He is risen indeed! Alleluia!
THE RECESSIONAL HYMN

Now All the Vault of Heaven Resounds (LSB 465)

1 Now all the vault of heav’n resounds In
2 Eternal is the gift He brings, There —
3 O fill us, Lord, with daunt-less love; Set
4 Adoring praises now we bring And

praise of love that still a-bounds: "Christ has tri-umphed!
fore our heart with rapture sings: "Christ has tri-umphed!
heart and will on things a-bove That we con-quer
with the heav’n-ly bless-ed sing: "Christ has tri-umphed!

He is liv-ing!" Sing, choirs of an-gels, loud and
clear! Re-pet their song of glo-ry And by His pres-ence stills all
day That by our lives we tru-ly
Lord. To Soir-it blest, most ho-ly

here: "Christ has tri-umphed! Christ has tri-umphed!" Al-le-
strife. Christ has tri-umphed! He is liv-ing! Al-le-
say: "Christ has tri-umphed! He is liv-ing!" Al-le-
God. All the glo-ri, nev-er end-ing! Al-le-

lu-ia, al-le-lu-ia, al-le-lu-ia!
lu-ia, al-le-lu-ia, al-le-lu-ia!
lu-ia, al-le-lu-ia, al-le-lu-ia!
lu-ia, al-le-lu-ia, al-le-lu-ia!

THE POSTLUDE

Ride On, King Jesus / M. Hogan

Soli Deo Gloria
THE SERVANTS OF THE WORD

Preacher
John R. Denninger
President, Southeastern District
The Lutheran Church—Missouri Synod

Organist
James Marriott
Director of Musical Arts

Liturgists
Dale A. Meyer
President
Professor of Practical Theology

Choir
Laudamus
James Marriott
Director of Musical Arts

Glenn A. Nielsen
Professor of Practical Theology
Director of Vicarage and Deaconess Internships

Todd Jones
Associate Professor of Practical Theology
Director of Resident Field Education

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

The streamers, if used in the service, add elements of movement and color. They are celebratory in nature, accenting the celebration of Christ Jesus the Lord’s resurrection and the certification of men and women for service in the Church.

ACKNOWLEDGMENTS: