Chapel of St. Timothy & St. Titus | Concordia Seminary
Service of Word and Praise
8 December 2016 | 3rd Week in Advent

Pre-Service Music
—Please stand if able—

Welcome

Opening Songs
“On Jordan’s Bank the Baptist’s Cry”

1 On Jordan's bank the Baptist's cry
Announces that the Lord is nigh;
Awake and hearken, for he brings
Glad tidings of the King of kings!

2 Then cleansed be ev'ry life from sin;
Make straight the way for God within,
And let us all our hearts prepare
For Christ to come and enter there.

3 We hail Thee as our Savior, Lord
Our refuge and our great reward;
Without Thy grace we waste away
Like flow'rs that wither and decay.

4 Lay on the sick Thy healing hand
And make the fallen strong to stand;
Show us the glory of Thy face
Till beauty springs in ev'ry place.

5 All praise, eternal Son, to Thee
Whose advent sets Thy people free,
Whom with the Father we adore
And Holy Spirit evermore.

“Prepare the Way of the Lord”

Chorus

Prepare, ye, the way of the Lord!

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Verse 1
Make straight paths for His feet
Clear a way in the streets
Prepare your hearts to meet
The One who is comin'
Ev'ry valley shall be raised
The rough places become plains
His salvation comes today
To those who will receive Him yeah

(Chorus)

Verse 2
What His words have foretold
All together we'll behold
Ev'ry knee bending low
On the day of His coming
And now is a time of urgency
You must repent and believe
For the day of reckoning
Comes with His comin' yeah

(Chorus)

Ending
The King who is coming
(Yahweh, Yahweh!)

—Please sit—

Reading

Homily
Communal Prayers
The communal prayers allow the opportunity for the entire seminary community individually, and yet as one, to intercede for the church, the world, and all those in need. The intercessor will begin the prayers with the first three bids on p. 265 and then offer additional bids. Then the assembly is invited to offer bids aloud. Please speak as loudly as possible so that all may hear. The bids are offered in this fashion:

Intercessor: For... let us pray to the Lord; Assembly: Lord, have mercy.

Concluding Prayer
Almighty God, who has promised to hear the petitions of those who ask in Your Son’s name: we implore You mercifully to incline Your ear to us who have now made our prayers and petitions unto You; and grant that those things which we have asked faithfully according to Your will, may be obtained essentially, to the relief of our necessity, and to the proclamation of Your glory; through Jesus Christ, our Lord. Amen. (Concluding Collect of the Great Litany)

Benediction

P  Maranatha! Come, Lord Jesus.
C  Come quickly, Lord. Maranatha!

Post-Service Music

Servants of the Word
Professor Ben Haupt  Preacher
Seminarian Casey Kegley  Liturgist
Seminarian Christ Jones  Music Leader

BY GRACE ALONE, GRACE IN HIS SON

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