

OFFICE OF VESPERS
WITH ASSIGNMENT OF VICARAGES
AND INTERNSHIP



The Fourth Week of Easter
April 27, 2010
3:00 p.m.

Concordia Seminary
St. Louis, Missouri

In Nomine Jesu

THE PRELUDE

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

THE PROCESSIONAL HYMN

When Morning Gilds the Skies (LSB 807)

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| 1 When morning gilds the skies,
My heart, awaking, cries,
“May Jesus Christ be praised!”
When evening shadows fall,
This rings my curfew call:
“May Jesus Christ be praised!” | 4 No lovelier antiphon
In all high heav’n is known
Than “Jesus Christ be praised!”
There to the_ eternal Word
The_ eternal psalm is heard:
“May Jesus Christ be praised!” |
| 2 When mirth for music longs,
This is my song of songs:
“May Jesus Christ be praised!”
God’s holy house of prayer
Hath none that can compare
With “Jesus Christ be praised!” | 5 Ye nations of mankind,
In this your concord find:
“May Jesus Christ be praised!”
Let all the earth around
Ring joyous with the sound:
“May Jesus Christ be praised!” |
- Seminarians*
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| 3 To him, my highest and best,
I sing when love possessed:
“May Jesus Christ be praised!”
What e’er my hands begin,
This blessing shall break in:
“May Jesus Christ be praised!” | 6 <i>Seminarians</i>
Sing, suns and stars of space,
Sing, ye that see His face,
Sing, “Jesus Christ be praised!”
God’s whole creation o’er,
Both now and evermore
Shall Jesus Christ be praised! |
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- 7 You, Father, we acclaim
And Spirit of the same
 With Jesus Christ be praised!
Until that final Day
When ev’ry tongue shall say:
 “Lord Jesus Christ be praised!” Amen.

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

Teach Me Thy Way, O Lord (*Psalm 86:11-12*)

William Fox

Teach me Thy way, O Lord, and I will walk in Thy truth. O knit my heart unto Thee, that I may fear Thy name. I will thank Thee, O Lord my God, with all my heart, and will praise Thy name forevermore. Amen.

THE READING

Acts 20:17-35

L: This is the Word of the Lord.

C: Thanks be to God.

Stand

THE OFFICE HYMN

"How Shall They Hear," Who Have Not Heard (LSB 831)



1 "How shall they hear," who have not heard
2 "To all the world," to ev - 'ry place,
3 "Whom shall I send?" Who hears the call,
4 "Lord, here am I": - Your fire im - part
5 Spir - it of love, with - in us move:



News of a Lord who loved and came;
Neigh - bors and friends and far - off lands,
Con - stant in prayer, through toil and pain,
To this poor cold self - cen - tered soul;
Spir - it of truth, in pow'r come down!



Nor known His rec - on - cil - ing word,
Preach the good news of sav - ing grace;
Tell - ing of One who died for all,
Touch but my lips, my hands, my heart,
So shall they hear and find and prove



Nor learned to trust a Sav - ior's name?
Go while the great com - mis - sion stands.
To bring a lost world home a - gain?
And make a world for Christ my goal.
Christ is their life, their joy, their crown.

Sit

THE SERMON

THE GOSPEL CANTICLE – *Magnificat*

Carl Schalk

Choir: My soul proclaims the greatness of the Lord; my spirit rejoices in God my Savior.

Congregation: REFRAIN

My soul pro - claims the great - ness of the Lord; my
spir - it re - joic - es in God my Sav - - - ior.

Choir: For He has looked with favor on His lowly servant. From this day all generations will call me blessed. The Almighty has done great things for me, and holy is His name. He has mercy on those who fear Him in every generation.

Congregation: REFRAIN

Choir: He has shown the strength of His arm; He has scattered the proud in their conceit. He has cast down the mighty from their thrones and has lifted up the lowly. He has filled the hungry with good things, and the rich He has sent empty away.

Congregation: REFRAIN

Choir: He has come to the help of His servant Israel, for He has remembered His promise of mercy, the promise He made to our fathers, to Abraham and his children forever.

Congregation: REFRAIN

Choir: Glory to the Father and to the Son and to the Holy Spirit; as it was in the beginning, is now, and will be forever.

Congregation: REFRAIN

THE ASSIGNMENT OF VICARAGES AND DEACONESS INTERNSHIP

THE HYMN

Alabaré (LSB 799)


Refrain



A-la-ba-ré a-la-ba-ré a-la-ba-ré a mi Se-ñor.



A-la-ba-ré a-la-ba-ré a-la-ba-ré a mi Se-ñor.




1 John saw the num-ber of all those re-deemed,
2 Wor- thy is Christ the Lamb who was slain,
3 Sing with the peo-ple, the peo-ple of God,



And all were sing-ing prais-es to the Lord.
Whose blood has set us free from ev-'ry sin.
And join cre-a-tion in a joy-ful hymn.



Thou-sands were pray-ing, Ten thou-sands re-joic-ing,
Pow-er and rich-es, And wis-dom and strength
Bless-ing and hon-or And glo-ry and might



And all were sing-ing prais-es to the Lord.
And hon-or and all bless-ing shall be His.
To God and to the Lamb be with-out end.

Refrain

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 a deaconess internship. 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 Intern: 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

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'n - ers 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 Your friend;



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.

THE POSTLUDE

Soli Deo Gloria

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The Faculty, Council of Presidents, Board of Regents,
Candidates, Vicars, Interns, spouses, relatives and friends
are invited to a reception on the Chapel Plaza
(Koburg Dining Hall, if rain) at 8:30 p.m.

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