

OFFICE OF VESPERS WITH ASSIGNMENT OF VICARAGES AND INTERNSHIPS

THE FOURTH WEEK OF EASTER
APRIL 28, 2021
3 p.m.

Concordia Seminary, St. Louis

In Nomine Jesu

THE PRE-SERVICE MUSIC

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

THE PROCESSIONAL HYMN

This Joyful Eastertide (LSB 482)



THE VERSICLES (spoken)

Liturgist: 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

My Shepherd Will Supply My Need / Virgil Thomson (Psalm 23)

My shepherd will supply my need. Jehovah is His name. In pastures fresh He makes me feed beside the living stream. He brings my wandering spirit back when I forsake His ways. He leads me for His mercy's sake in paths of truth and grace. When I walk through the shades of death Thy presence is my stay. One Word of Thy supporting breath drives all my fears away. Thy hand, in sight of all my foes, doth still my table spread. My cup with blessings overflows, Thine oil anoints my head. The sure provisions of my God attend me all my days. O may Thy house be my abode and all my work be praise. There would I find a settled rest, while others go and come. No more a stranger or a guest, but like a child, at home.

THE READING

1 Peter 2:1-25

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

CHORAL REFLECTION

We Shall Walk Through the Valley in Peace / Moses Hogan

We shall walk in peace. We shall walk through the valley in peace. We shall walk through the valley in peace. For Jesus Himself will be our leader.

We shall walk through the valley in peace.
We will meet our loved ones there.
We will meet our loved ones there.
For Jesus Himself will be our leader.
We shall walk through the valley in peace.

There will be no trials there.
There will be no trials there.
For Jesus Himself will be our leader.
We shall walk through the valley in peace.
We shall walk in peace.

Stand

THE READING

John 10:1-10

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

THE SERMON

Embrace the Authority Adventure
(1 Peter 2:18-25)

THE OFFICE HYMN

Why Should Cross and Trial Grieve Me (LSB 756)

(Choir sings stanza 4 alone)



Now in Christ, death cannot slay me, Though it might, Day and night, Trouble and dismay me. Christ has made my death a portal From the strife Of this life To His joy immortal!

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:

The Lord's Prayer / (LSB 958/959 Spanish)



L: The Lord be with you.

C: And also with you.

L: Let us pray: Almighty God, merciful Father, since You have wakened from death the Shepherd of Your sheep, grant us Your Holy Spirit that when we hear the voice of our Shepherd we may know Him who calls us each by name and follow where He leads; through the same Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

C: Amen.

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 Jesus Christ, our Lord.

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: O God, from whom come all holy desires, all good counsels and all just works, give to us, Your servants, that peace which the world cannot give, that our hearts may be set to obey Your commandments and also that we, being defended from the fear of our enemies, may live in peace and quietness; through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

C: Amen.

CHORAL BENEDICTION

E'en So, Lord Jesus, Quickly Come / Paul Manz (Laudamus)

Peace be to you and grace from Him
Who freed us from our sins,
Who loved us all and shed His blood
that we might saved be.
Sing holy, holy to our Lord,
the Lord, Almighty God,
Who was and is and is to come;
sing holy, holy, Lord!
Rejoice in heaven, all ye that dwell therein,
rejoice on earth, ye saints below,
for Christ is coming, is coming soon!
E'en so, Lord Jesus, quickly come,
and night shall be no more;
they need no light nor lamp nor sun,
for Christ will be their all.

THE BENEDICAMUS AND BLESSING

- L: Let us bless the Lord.
- C: Thanks be to God.
- L: May God who has brought us from death to life fill you with great joy in believing. Almighty God, Father, ♥ Son, and Holy Spirit, bless you now and forever.
- C: Amen.
- L: Alleluia! Christ is risen!
- C: He is risen indeed! Alleluia!

THE RECESSIONAL HYMN

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



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 POST-SERVICE MUSIC

Soli Deo Gloria

THE SERVANTS OF THE WORD

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Michael Lange

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Laudamus

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