



# CHRIST LUTHERAN CHURCH

FIFTH VESPERS OF LENT

# Fourth Vespers of Lent

+ April 6, 2022 +

*Our Father*



We welcome our members and guests to Christ Lutheran today,  
and pray God's richest blessings upon you during this time of worship!

*LARGE PRINT worship folders are available  
at the usher stand at the back of the nave.*

## **WELCOME:**

“The Our Father begins with a great consolation: we are allowed to say ‘Father.’ This one word contains the whole history of redemption. We are allowed to say ‘Father’, because the Son was our brother and has revealed the Father to us; because, thanks to what Christ has done, we have once more become children of God.”

– Reinhold Schneider, *Das Vaterunser*

“When we say ‘*deliver us from evil*’, then there is nothing further left for us to ask. Once we have asked for and obtained protection against evil, we are safely sheltered against everything the devil and the world can contrive. What could the world make you fear if you are defended in the world by God himself?”

– St. Cyprian of Carthage, *De Dominica Oratione*

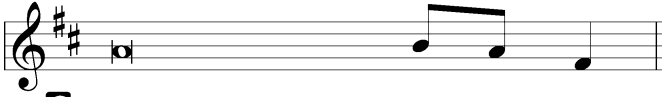
# VESPERS

*Please enter in silence for meditation and reflection. Cantors sing the litany (p. 288).*

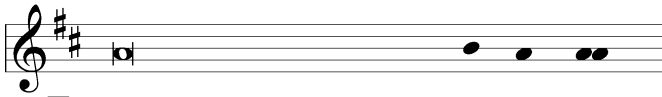
*Please stand*



**L** O Lord, o - pen my lips,



**C** and my mouth will de - clare Your praise.



**L** Make haste, O God, to de - liv - er me;



**C** make haste to help me, O Lord.



**C** Glo-ry be to the Father and to the Son and to the Holy Spir - it;



as it was in the be - gin - ning, is now, and will be for-ev-er. A - men.



*Lent:* Praise to You, O Christ, Lamb of our sal - va - tion.

PSALM: DEUS MISEREATUR NOSTRI

Psalm 67; Ant. Psalm 54:6



With a freewill offering I will sacri- | fice to you; \*  
I will give thanks to your name, O LORD, for | it is good.

**May God be gracious to us and | bless us \*  
and make his face to shine up- | on us,  
that your way may be | known on earth, \*  
your saving power among all | nations.**

Let the peoples praise you, | O God; \*  
let all the peoples | praise you!  
Let the nations be glad and | sing for joy, \*  
for you judge the peoples with equity and guide the nations up- | on earth.

**Let the peoples praise you, | O God; \*  
let all the peoples | praise you!  
The earth has yielded its | increase; \*  
God, our God, shall | bless us.**

God shall | bless us; \*  
let all the ends of the earth | fear him!

**Glory be to the Father and | to the Son \*  
and to the Holy | Spirit;  
as it was in the be- | ginning, \*  
is now, and will be forever. | Amen.**

With a freewill offering I will sacri- | fice to you; \*  
I will give thanks to your name, O LORD, for | it is good.

*Please be seated*

OFFICE HYMN

**Our Father, Who from Heaven Above**

**#766, St. 1, 7-9**

## FIRST READING

*1 Corinthians 8:4-6*

Therefore, as to the eating of food offered to idols, we know that “an idol has no real existence,” and that “there is no God but one.” For although there may be so-called gods in heaven or on earth—as indeed there are many “gods” and many “lords”—yet for us there is one God, the Father, from whom are all things and for whom we exist, and one Lord, Jesus Christ, through whom are all things and through whom we exist.

**L** O Lord, have mercy on us.

**C** Thanks be to God.

## SECOND READING

*John 10:22-30*

At that time the Feast of Dedication took place at Jerusalem. It was winter, and Jesus was walking in the temple, in the colonnade of Solomon. So the Jews gathered around him and said to him, “How long will you keep us in suspense? If you are the Christ, tell us plainly.” Jesus answered them, “I told you, and you do not believe. The works that I do in my Father's name bear witness about me, but you do not believe because you are not among my sheep. My sheep hear my voice, and I know them, and they follow me. I give them eternal life, and they will never perish, and no one will snatch them out of my hand. My Father, who has given them to me, is greater than all, and no one is able to snatch them out of the Father's hand. I and the Father are one.”

**L** O Lord, have mercy on us.

**C** Thanks be to God.

*Please stand*

## RESPONSORY



- L** 1 Deliver me, O Lord, my God, for You are  
the God of my sal - va - tion.  
2 In You, O Lord, do I put my trust, leave me not, O Lord, my God.  
3 Deliver me, O Lord, my God, for You are  
the God of my sal - va - tion.



- C** Rescue me from my en - e - mies, protect me  
from those who rise a - gainst me.

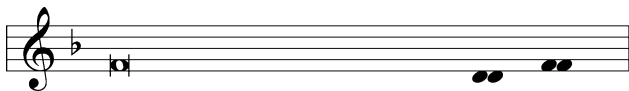
*Please be seated*

**SERMON**

*The Completion of Our Lord's Prayer*

*Please stand*

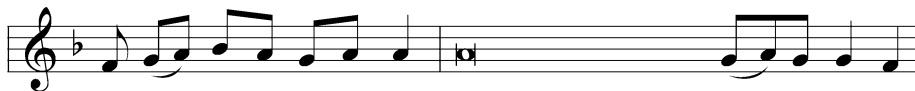
**MAGNIFICAT**



**L** Let my prayer rise before You as in - cense,



**C** and the lifting up of my hands as the eve - ning sac - ri - fice.



**C** My soul mag-ni-fies the Lord, and my spirit rejoices in God, my Sav-ior;



**I** for He has re-gard - ed the lowliness of His hand-maid - en.



**II** For be - hold, from this day all generations will call me bless - ed.



**I** For the Mighty One has done great things to me, and holy is His name;



**II** and His mercy is on those who fear Him from generation to gen - er - a - tion.



**I** He has shown strength with His arm; He has scattered the proud in the



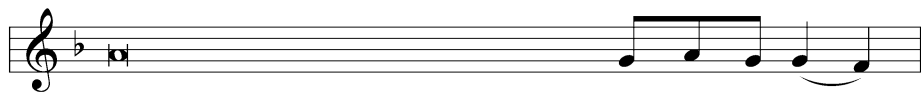
imagination of their hearts. **II** He has cast down the



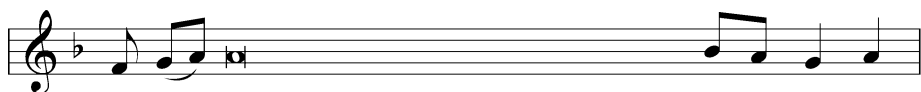
might-y from their thrones and has ex - alt - ed the low - ly.



**I** He has filled the hun - gry with good things,



and the rich He has sent emp - ty a - way.



**II** He has helped His servant Israel in remembrance of His mer - cy



as He spoke to our fathers, to Abraham and to his seed for-ev - er.



**C** Glo - ry be to the Fa - ther and to the Son and to the Ho - ly Spir - it;



as it was in the be - gin - ning, is now, and will be for - ev - er. A - men.

## KYRIE



**C** Lord, have mer - cy; Christ, have mer - cy; Lord, have mer - cy.

## LORD'S PRAYER

*Matthew 6:9-13*

**P** Lord, remember us in Your kingdom and teach us 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.**

## COLLECTS

**L** O Lord, hear my prayer.

**C** And let my cry come to You.

**L** Grant, we beseech You, almighty God, that the brightness of Your glory may shine forth upon us and that the light of Your light, by the illumination of the Holy Spirit, may establish the hearts of all that have been born anew by Your grace; through Jesus Christ, Your Son, 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.

## BENEDICAMUS AND BENEDICTION

*Psalms 103:1*



**L** Let us bless the Lord.



**C** Thanks be to God.



# BENEDICTION

Numbers 6:24–26

**P** The grace of our Lord † Je - sus Christ and the love of God  
and the communion of the Holy Spir - it be with you all.

**C** A - men.

# CLOSING HYMN

## Lord, Thee I Love with All My Heart

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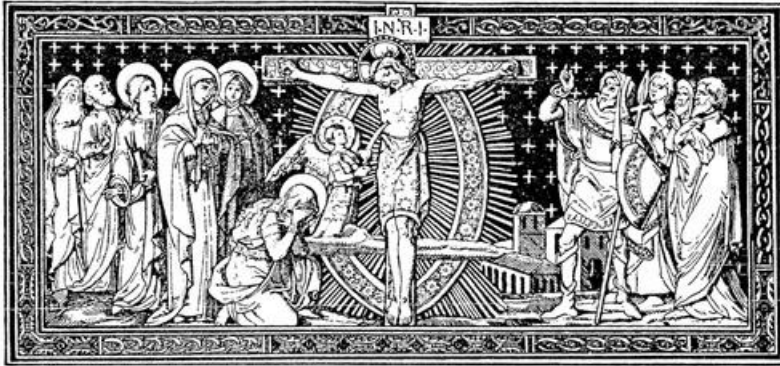
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**Interpreter:** Denee Smith  
**Acolyte:** William Held



## HOLY WEEK

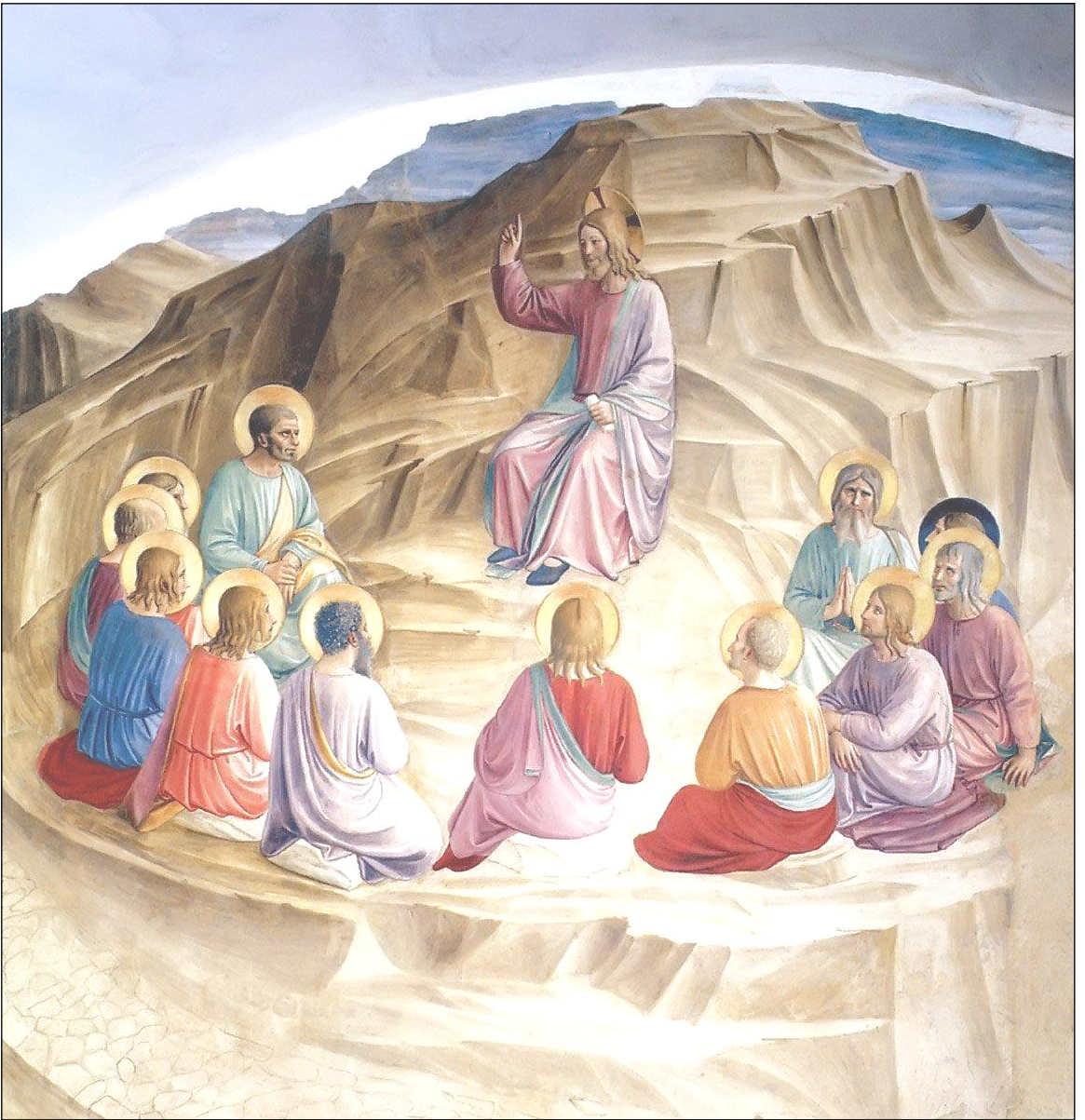
+ PALM SUNDAY +  
10:30 a.m., April 10  
Divine Service

+ MAUNDY THURSDAY +  
7:00 p.m., April 14  
Divine Service

+ GOOD FRIDAY +  
7:00 p.m., April 15  
Chief Service

+ THE VIGIL OF EASTER +  
8:00 p.m., April 16  
Vigil and Divine Service

+ THE FEAST OF THE RESURRECTION OF OUR LORD +  
10:30 a.m., April 17  
Divine Service



*The Sermon on the Mount*  
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