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## SIXTH SUNDAY OF EASTER

May 25, 2025

Christ's blessings to all! **To our visitors**, we rejoice to have you gathered together with us in our Lord's House this day & look forward to having you with us again. If you are searching for a Church home, **please introduce yourself to Pastor** or indicate such **with your contact information** in the red 'Fellowship Booklets' in each pew.

### THE ORDER OF MATINS

#### Prelude

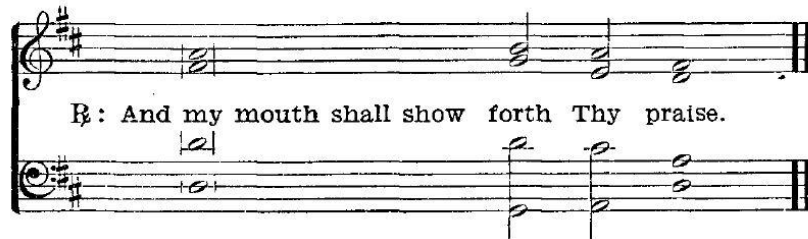
#### Hymn of Invocation #215

"Draw Us to Thee"

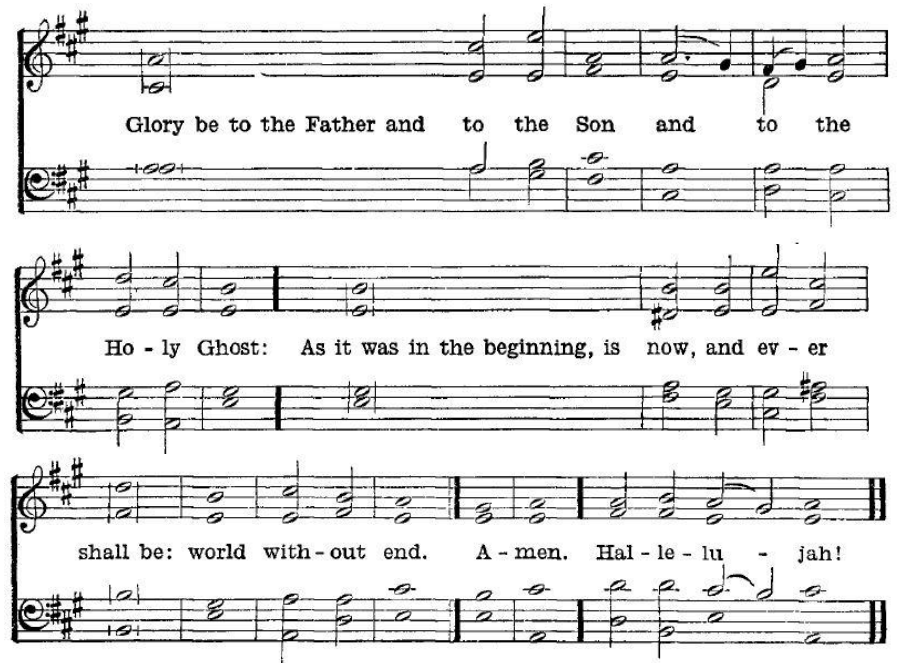
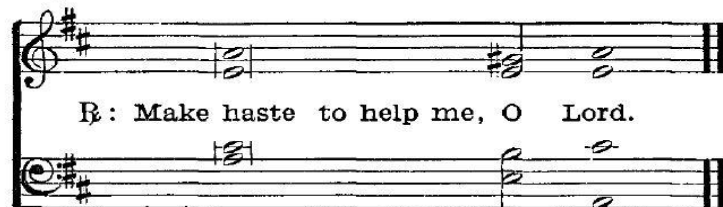
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#### Versicles & Responses

Y: O Lord, open Thou my lips.

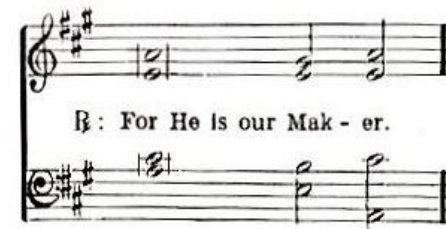


Y: Make haste, O God, to deliver me.



#### The Invitatory

Y: Oh, come, let us worship the Lord:



# The Venite

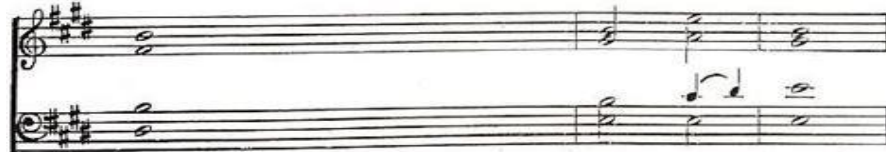
Psalm 95:1-7



1 O come, let us sing - - - - - unto the Lord:  
 3 For the LORD is a - - - - - great God:  
 5 The sea is His, and He - - - - - made it:  
 Glory be to the Father and - - - - - to the Son:



1 let us make a joyful noise to the rock of our sal- va- tion.  
 3 and a great - - - - - King a- bove all gods.  
 5 and His hands - - - - - form- ed the dry land.  
 and - - - - - to the Ho-ly Ghost:



2 Let us come before His presence with thanks- giv- ing:  
 4 In His hand are the deep places - - - of the earth:  
 6 O come, let us worship and - - - bow down:  
 7 For He - - - - - is our God:  
 As it was in the beginning is now, and ever shall be,



2 and make a joyful - - - - - noise unto Him with psalms.  
 4 the strength of the hills is - - - His al- so.  
 6 let us kneel before the - - - Lord our Mak- er.  
 7 and we are people of His pasture and the sheep of His hand.  
 world - - - - - with-out end. A- men.

Psalmody: Psalm 48

<sup>1</sup>Great is the LORD, and greatly to be praised  
 In the city of our God,  
 In His holy mountain.

<sup>2</sup>Beautiful in elevation,  
 The joy of the whole earth,  
 Is Mount Zion on the sides of the north,

**The city of the great King.**

<sup>3</sup>God is in her palaces;  
 He is known as her refuge.

<sup>4</sup>For behold, the kings assembled,  
 They passed by together.

<sup>5</sup>They saw it, and so they marveled;  
 They were troubled, they hastened away.

<sup>6</sup>Fear took hold of them there,  
 And pain, as of a woman in birth pangs.

<sup>7</sup>As when You break the ships of Tarshish  
 With an east wind.

<sup>8</sup>As we have heard,  
 So we have seen  
 In the city of the LORD of hosts,  
 In the city of our God;  
 God will establish it forever.

<sup>9</sup>We have thought, O God, on Your lovingkindness,  
 In the midst of Your temple.

<sup>10</sup>According to Your name, O God,  
 So is Your praise to the ends of the earth;  
 Your right hand is full of righteousness.

<sup>11</sup>Let Mount Zion rejoice,  
 Let the daughters of Judah be glad,  
 Because of Your judgments.

<sup>12</sup>Walk about Zion,  
 And go all around her.  
 Count her towers;

<sup>13</sup>Mark well her bulwarks;  
 Consider her palaces;  
 That you may tell it to the generation following.

<sup>14</sup>For this is God,  
 Our God forever and ever;  
 He will be our guide  
 Even to death.

The Gloria Patri (see top of page 2)

Sit

The Catechism Review – The Lord's Prayer

What is The Second Petition?

**Thy kingdom come.**

What does this mean? The kingdom of God certainly comes by itself without our prayer, but we pray in this petition that it may come to us also.

*How does God's kingdom come?* **God's kingdom comes when our heavenly Father gives us His Holy Spirit, so that by His grace we believe His holy Word and lead godly lives here in time and there in eternity.**

### **The Lection**

#### **First Reading: Acts 16:9–15**

<sup>9</sup>A vision appeared to Paul in the night: a man of Macedonia was standing there, urging him and saying, “Come over to Macedonia and help us.” <sup>10</sup>And when Paul had seen the vision, immediately we sought to go on into Macedonia, concluding that God had called us to preach the gospel to them.

<sup>11</sup>So, setting sail from Troas, we made a direct voyage to Samothrace, and the following day to Neapolis, <sup>12</sup>and from there to Philippi, which is a leading city of the district of Macedonia and a Roman colony. We remained in this city some days. <sup>13</sup>And on the Sabbath day we went outside the gate to the riverside, where we supposed there was a place of prayer, and we sat down and spoke to the women who had come together. <sup>14</sup>One who heard us was a woman named Lydia, from the city of Thyatira, a seller of purple goods, who was a worshiper of God. The Lord opened her heart to pay attention to what was said by Paul. <sup>15</sup>And after she was baptized, and her household as well, she urged us, saying, “If you have judged me to be faithful to the Lord, come to my house and stay.” And she prevailed upon us.

#### **The Epistle: Revelation 21:9–14, 21–27**

<sup>9</sup>Then came one of the seven angels who had the seven bowls full of the seven last plagues and spoke to me, saying, “Come, I will show you the Bride, the wife of the Lamb.” <sup>10</sup>And he carried me away in the Spirit to a great, high mountain, and showed me the holy city Jerusalem coming down out of heaven from God, <sup>11</sup>having the glory of God, its radiance like a most rare jewel, like a jasper, clear as crystal. <sup>12</sup>It had a great, high wall, with twelve gates, and at the gates twelve angels, and on the gates the names of the twelve tribes of the sons of Israel were inscribed— <sup>13</sup>on the east three gates, on the north three gates, on the south three gates, and on the west three gates. <sup>14</sup>And the wall of the city had twelve foundations, and on them were the twelve names of the twelve apostles of the Lamb. . . .

<sup>21</sup>And the twelve gates were twelve pearls, each of the gates made of a single pearl, and the street of the city was pure gold, transparent as glass.

<sup>22</sup>And I saw no temple in the city, for its temple is the Lord God the Almighty and the Lamb. <sup>23</sup>And the city has no need of sun or moon to shine on it, for the glory of God gives it light, and its lamp is the Lamb. <sup>24</sup>By its light will the nations walk, and the kings of the earth will bring their glory into it, <sup>25</sup>and its gates will never be shut by day—and there will be no night there. <sup>26</sup>They will bring into it the glory and the honor of the nations. <sup>27</sup>But

nothing unclean will ever enter it, nor anyone who does what is detestable or false, but only those who are written in the Lamb's book of life.

### *Stand*

#### **The Holy Gospel: John 16:23-33**

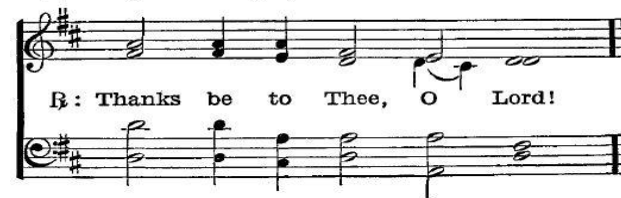
<sup>23</sup>[Jesus said:] “In that day you will ask nothing of me. Truly, truly, I say to you, whatever you ask of the Father in my name, he will give it to you. <sup>24</sup>Until now you have asked nothing in my name. Ask, and you will receive, that your joy may be full.

<sup>25</sup>“I have said these things to you in figures of speech. The hour is coming when I will no longer speak to you in figures of speech but will tell you plainly about the Father. <sup>26</sup>In that day you will ask in my name, and I do not say to you that I will ask the Father on your behalf; <sup>27</sup>for the Father himself loves you, because you have loved me and have believed that I came from God. <sup>28</sup>I came from the Father and have come into the world, and now I am leaving the world and going to the Father.”

<sup>29</sup>His disciples said, “Ah, now you are speaking plainly and not using figurative speech! <sup>30</sup>Now we know that you know all things and do not need anyone to question you; this is why we believe that you came from God.”

<sup>31</sup>Jesus answered them, “Do you now believe? <sup>32</sup>Behold, the hour is coming, indeed it has come, when you will be scattered, each to his own home, and will leave me alone. Yet I am not alone, for the Father is with me. <sup>33</sup>I have said these things to you, that in me you may have peace. In the world you will have tribulation. But take heart; I have overcome the world.”

**Y:** But Thou, O Lord, have mercy upon us.



### *Sit*

#### **Sermon Hymn #613**

“Jerusalem the Golden”

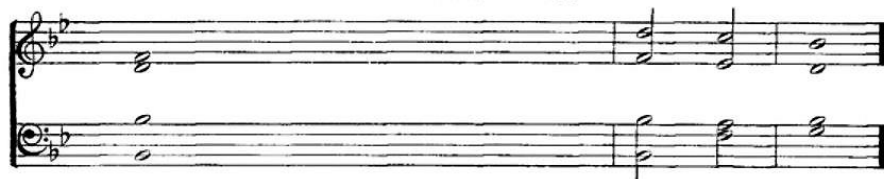
#### **Sermon: “Two Pictures of Our Future” Revelation 21:9-14**

- I. The Bride of the Lamb
- II. The Holy City Jerusalem

### **The Offerings**



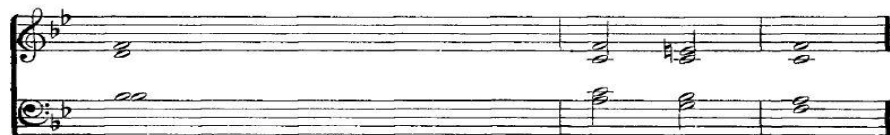
## THE TE DEUM LAUDAMUS



1 We praise Thee, O God; we acknowledge Thee to - be the Lord.  
 3 Holy, holy, holy, Lord God of - - - Sab-a-oth;  
 5 The noble army of martyrs - - - praise Thee.



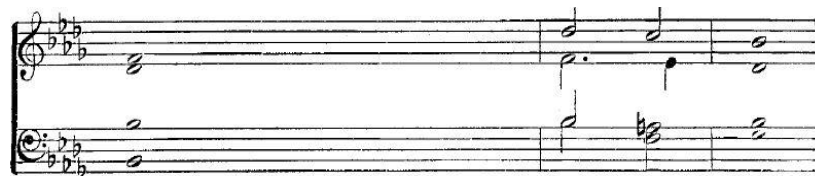
1 All the earth doth worship Thee, the Father | ever- | last- | ing.  
 3 heaven and earth are full of the majesty | of Thy | glo- | ry.  
 5 The holy Church throughout all the world | doth ac- | knowl- | edge Thee:



2 To Thee all angels cry aloud, the heavens and | powers there- | in;  
 all the - - - - - praise Thee.  
 4 The glorious company of the Apostles - - -  
 6 The Father of an infinite majesty; Thine ador- | on-ly | Son;  
 able true and - - - - - O Christ.  
 7 Thou art the King of Glory, - - - - -



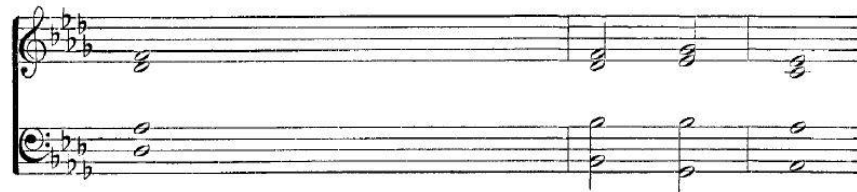
2 To Thee cherubim and seraphim con- | tin-ual- | ly do | cry:  
 4 The goodly fellowship of the - - - prophets | praise Thee.  
 6 also the Holy - - - - - Ghost, the | Com-fort- | er.  
 7 Thou art the everlasting Son - - - of the | Fa- | ther.



8 When Thou tookest upon Thee to de- - - liv-er | man,  
 10 Thou sittest at the right - - - hand of | God  
 12 We therefore pray Thee, help Thy - - - ser- | vants,



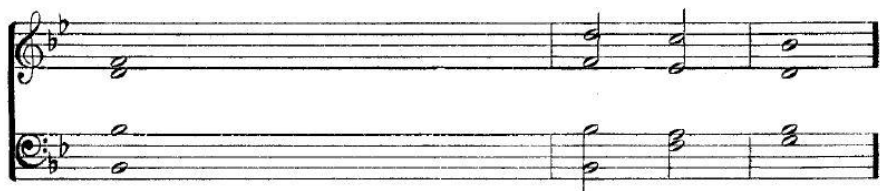
8 Thou didst humble Thyself to be born - - - of a | vir- | gin.  
 10 in the glory - - - - - of the | Fa- | ther.  
 12 whom Thou hast redeem-ed - - - with Thy | pre-cious | blood.



9 When Thou hadst overcome the - - - sharp-ness of | death,  
 11 We believe that - - - - - Thou shalt | come  
 13 Make them to be number-ed - - - with Thy | saints



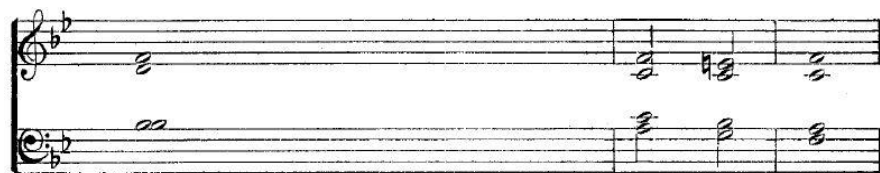
9 Thou didst open the kingdom of heaven to | all be- | liev- | ers.  
 11 to - - - - - be | our | Judge.  
 13 in glory - - - - - ever- | last- | ing.



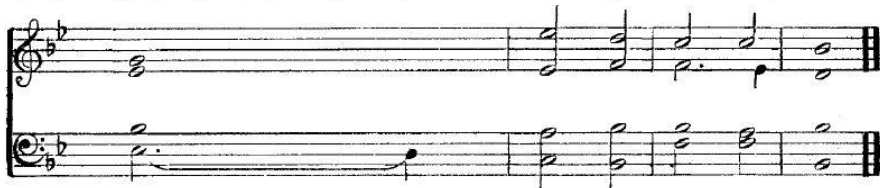
14 O Lord, save Thy people and bless Thine - her-i- tage.  
16 Vouchsafe, O Lord, to keep us this day with- out sin.



14 Govern them and lift them - - - up for- ev- er.  
16 O Lord, have mercy upon us, have - - mercy up- on us.



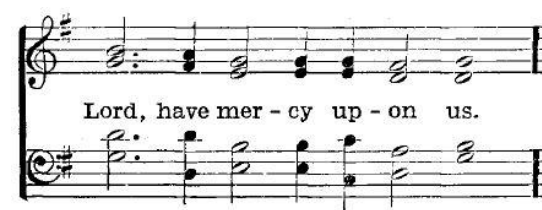
15 Day by day we - - - - - magni-fy Thee.  
17 O Lord, let Thy mercy be upon us, as our trust - is in Thee.



15 And we worship Thy name ever, - - world with- out end.  
17 O Lord, in Thee have I trusted; let me never be con- found- ed.

## The Prayers

### The Kyrie



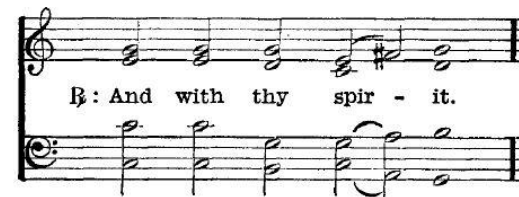
Lord, have mer - cy up - on us.

### The Lord's Prayer

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.

### The Salutation

✠: The Lord be with you.



✠: And with thy spir - it.

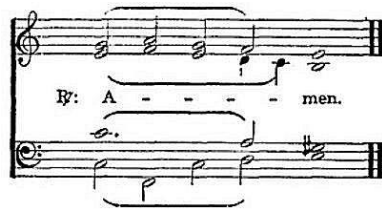
## Special Petitions

### Collect Of The Day

O God, the giver of all that is good, by Your holy inspiration grant that we may think those things that are right and by Your merciful guiding accomplish them; through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

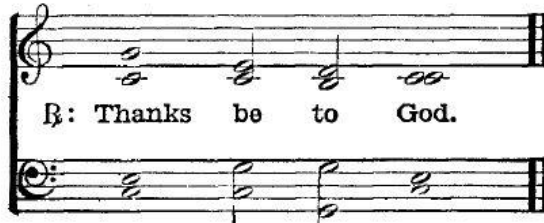
### Collect for Grace

O Lord, our heavenly Father, almighty and everlasting God, who hast safely brought us to the beginning of this day, defend us in the same with Thy mighty power and grant that this day we fall into no sin, neither run into any kind of danger, but that all our doing, being ordered by Thy governance, may be righteous in Thy sight; through Jesus Christ, Thy Son, our Lord, who liveth and reigneth with Thee and the Holy Ghost, ever one God, world without end.



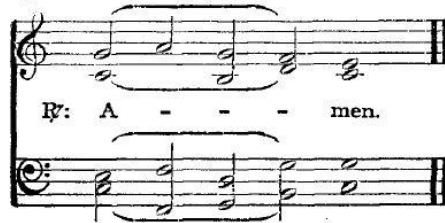
### The Benedicamus

**Ps:** Bless we the Lord.



### The Benediction

**Ps:** The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ and the love of God and the communion of the Holy Ghost be with you all.



*Sit*

### Hymn #476

"Ten Thousand Times Ten Thousand"

### Silent Prayer & Postlude

**DAILY READINGS:** May 25: Num. 3:1–16, 39–48; Luke 14:25–15:10;  
 26: Num. 8:5–26; Luke 15:11–32; 27: Num. 9:1–23; Luke 16:1–18; 28:  
 Num. 10:11–36; Luke 16:19–31; 29: Num. 11:1–23, 31–35; Luke 17:1–19;  
 30: Num. 11:24–29; 12:1–16; Luke 17:20–37; 31: Num. 13:1–3, 17–33;  
 Luke 18:1–17.

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