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**Fourth Mid-Week Lenten Service  
“The Crucial Hours”  
March 23, 2022**

*Prayer at the Close of the Day—Compline*

*“Prayer at the Close of the Day” is a version of the historic rite called Compline. It is the final service of the day before one retires for the night. The congregation gathers in silence. Pre-service music is omitted, and the lighting is subdued. This is a time for prayer and meditation. The believer finds peace in God’s forgiveness and security under the shadow of His wings.*

*Before Service Prayer:* (From Luther’s Small Catechism, Book of Concordia)

*In the evening, when you go to bed, you shall bless yourself with the holy cross and say: In the name of God the Father, Son, and Holy Spirit. Amen.  
Then, kneeling or standing, repeat the Creed and the Lord’s Prayer. If you choose, you may, in addition, say this little prayer:*

I thank You, my heavenly Father, through Jesus Christ, Your dear Son, that You have graciously kept me this day. Forgive me all my sins, and graciously keep me this night. Into Your hands I commend my body and soul and all things. Let Your holy angel be with me, that the wicked foe may have no power over me. Amen.

*Then go to sleep promptly and cheerfully.*

*Tonight’s Service:* *Compline, NPH, Gathering Rite, GIA; reprinted under OneLicense.net #A-800156 and under CCLI license #1132777.*

**Pastor’s Welcome**

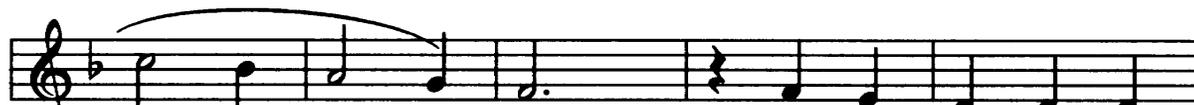
(Pastor sings parts marked with [L], congregation sings [G])



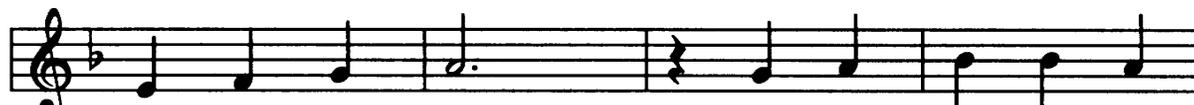
[L] The Lord Al - might - y grant us a qui - et



night and peace at the last. [G] A -



- - men. [L] It is good to give



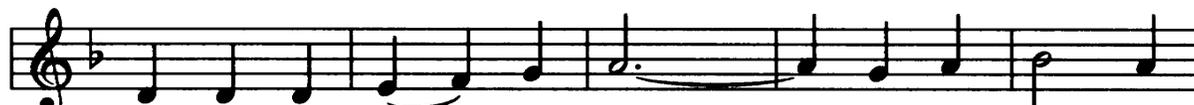
thanks to the Lord, [G] to sing praise to your



name, O Most High, [L] to her-ald your love in the



morn - ing, [G] your truth at the close of day.



[L] Je - sus, re - mem - ber me when you come in -



to your king - dom. [G] Je - sus, re - mem - ber



me when you come in - to your king - dom.

**Opening Hymn: CW 787 “God, Who Made the Earth and Heaven” (CW 93 590)**

**Invocation**

L: Our help is in the name of the Lord,

**G: Who made heaven and earth.**

**Confession of Sins**

L: Let us confess our sins in the presence of God and of one another.

L: Almighty God, our heavenly Father,

**G: We have sinned against You**

**in our thoughts,**

**in our words,**

**in our deeds,**

**and in all that we have not done.**

**Forgive us in the name of our Lord Jesus Christ.**

**Deliver and restore us,**

**that we may rest in peace.**

L: By the mercy of God we are redeemed by Jesus Christ,  
and in Him we are forgiven.

Let us rest in His peace until the rising of the sun  
when we shall serve Him in newness of life.

**G: Amen.**

**Psalm of the Evening—Psalm 25 (Psalmody) (Tune, CW93, 103)**

**I lift my soul to You, LORD, I trust, O God, in You.**

**Send forth Your truth to guide me, and teach me what to do.**

**Remember Your great mercy, Your everlasting love;**

**Forgive me, God, my Savior, my guilt and sin remove.**

**Your covenant and mercy are with me all my days**

**To comfort and to bless me, to keep me in Your ways.**

**Whenever I look upward, I find You waiting there,**

**To bear me and to keep me all safe beneath Your care.**

## Psalm Prayer

P: Lord, do not remember the sins of our youth and our rebellious ways. Remember instead the great mercy and love that You have shown Your people for hundreds of generations. Forgive our sins and teach us to live lives of integrity; through Jesus Christ our Lord.

C: Amen.

## The Passion Reading-- Passion History Part 3 – Evangelical Heritage Version



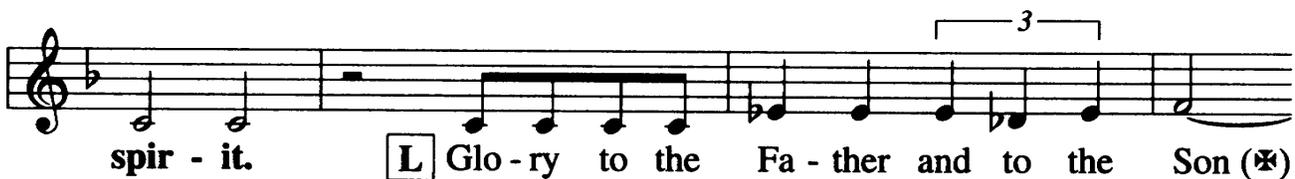
[L] In - to your hands I com-mend my spir - it. [G] In - to your



hands I com-mend my spir - it. [L] You have re-deemed me, O



Lord, God of truth. [G] In - to your hands I com-mend my



spir - it. [L] Glo - ry to the Fa - ther and to the Son (✠)



and to the Ho - ly Spir - it. [G] In - to your



hands I com - mend my spir - it.

**The Sermon Hymn:** CW 406 “In the Hour of Trial” (CW 93 116)

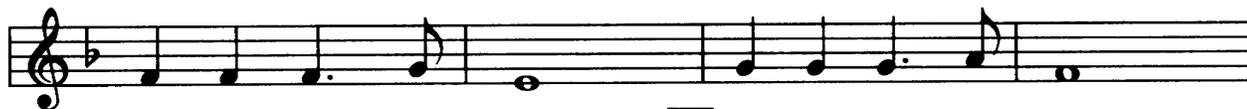
**The Sermon Text:** Luke 22:31,32

<sup>31</sup> “Simon, Simon, Satan has asked to sift all of you as wheat. <sup>32</sup> But I have prayed for you, Simon, that your faith may not fail. And when you have turned back, strengthen your brothers.” (NIV 2011)

**The Sermon Theme:** “The Crucial Hours—Satan Has Asked to Sift All of You”

### **The Offering**

The ushers will gather the offering which will then be placed on the Lord’s Altar. Offerings can also be given electronically by using your smart phone and the QR code which takes you to the donation part of New Life’s website.



**L** Hear my prayer, O Lord. **G** Lis-ten to my cry.



**L** Keep me as the ap - ple of your eye. **G** Hide me

in the shad-ow of your wings. **L** In right-eous -

ness I shall see you. **G** When I a - wake, your

pres - ence will give me joy.

### The Prayer

*Each petition ends with... "Through Jesus Christ our Lord."  
 Congregation Responds with "Amen."*

### The Lord's Prayer

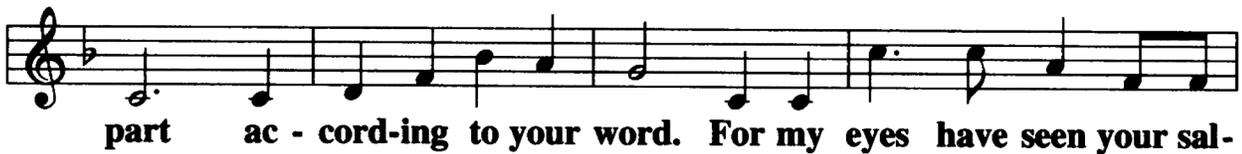
**Our Father in heaven, hallowed be Your name, Your kingdom come, Your will be done on earth as in heaven. Give us today our daily bread. Forgive us our sins, as we forgive those who sin against us. Lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For the kingdom, the power, and the glory are Yours now and forever. Amen.**

**L** Guide us wak - ing, O Lord, **G** and guard us sleep -

ing; **L** that a-wake we may watch with Christ **G** and a -

sleep we may rest in peace.

## Song of Simeon



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## The Blessing

P: The almighty and merciful Lord—the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit—bless us and keep us.

C: Amen.

The Closing Hymn: CW 795 “The Day You Gave Us, Lord, Is Ended” (CW 93 594)

Announcements

*Thank you to Pastor William Schubert from Our Savior's in Zion, IL, for serving as our guest preacher this evening.*

*The Outreach Committee will have its meeting immediately following this service.*

*Next Wednesday, Pastor David Carlovsky from Lord and Savior Lutheran Church in Crystal Lake, IL, will be here, preaching on the theme: The Crucial Hours—“They Bound Him.”*

*Probably from of moving it in and out of the building for outdoor services this past summer, the church's keyboard, purchased in the year 2000, has not been working properly. Attempts were made to fix it, to no avail. The church council recently decided it was time to upgrade the keyboard. The new Yamaha keyboard, already purchased and in use at tonight's service for the first time, will cost \$7,599. \$1,900 in donations has been received for this purpose. If you'd like to help purchase the new keyboard, simply designate your gift “keyboard.”*