Evening Prayer

CALL TO WORSHIP

If God be for us, who can be against us?

He who did not spare his only Son, but gave him up for us all,

Shall he not with him freely give us all things?

HYMN

O Jesus, King Most Wonderful | #278

INVOCATION

P: In the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit. Amen.

PSALM 77

- ¹ I cried out to God for help; I cried out to God to hear me. ² When I was in distress, I sought the Lord; at night I stretched out untiring hands, and I would not be comforted.
- ³ I remembered you, God, and I groaned; I meditated, and my spirit grew faint. ⁴ You kept my eyes from closing; I was too troubled to speak.
- ⁵ I thought about the former days, the years of long ago; ⁶ I remembered my songs in the night. My heart meditated and my spirit asked:
- 7 "Will the Lord reject forever? Will he never show his favor again? 8 Has his unfailing love vanished forever? Has his promise failed for all time?
- ⁹ Has God forgotten to be merciful? Has he in anger withheld his compassion?"

- Then I thought, "To this I will appeal: the years when the Most High stretched out his right hand. ¹¹ I will remember the deeds of the LORD; yes, I will remember your miracles of long ago. ¹² I will consider all your works and meditate on all your mighty deeds."
- Your ways, God, are holy. What god is as great as our God?
 You are the God who performs miracles; you display your power among the peoples.
- ¹⁵ With your mighty arm you redeemed your people, the descendants of Jacob and Joseph.
- ¹⁶ The waters saw you, God, the waters saw you and writhed; the very depths were convulsed. ¹⁷ The clouds poured down water, the heavens resounded with thunder; your arrows flashed back and forth.
- ¹⁸ Your thunder was heard in the whirlwind, your lightning lit up the world; the earth trembled and quaked. ¹⁹ Your path led through the sea, your way through the mighty waters, though your footprints were not seen.
- ²⁰ You led your people like a flock by the hand of Moses and Aaron.

HYMN

Hail, Thou Once-Despised Jesus | #270

PASSION READING

Mark 15:1-32

ANTHEM

His Mercy Is More | Grade 7

What love could remember no wrongs we have done? Omniscient, all-knowing, he counts not their sum; Thrown into a sea without bottom or shore, Our sins they are many, his mercy is more.

Praise the Lord! His mercy is more! Stronger than darkness, new every morn; Our sins they are many, his mercy is more!

What patience would wait as we constantly roam, What Father so tender is calling us home! He welcomes the weakest, the vilest, the poor; Our sins they are many, his mercy is more.

What riches of kindness he lavished on us; His blood was the payment, his life was the cost. He stood 'neath a debt we could never afford; Our sins they are many, his mercy is more.

SERMON

HYMN

Beneath the Cross of Jesus | #330

OFFERING

Grade 7 handbells

PRAYER AND LORD'S PRAYER

- P: Let us pray: Abide with us and with your whole church, Lord, in the evening of the day, in the evening of life, and in the evening of the world. Abide with us in your grace and goodness, in your holy word and sacraments, in your comfort and blessing, both now and for eternity. Amen.
- 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.

BENEDICTION

- P: The Lord bless you and keep you. The Lord make his face shine upon you and be gracious unto you. The Lord lift up his countenance upon you and give you peace.
- C: Amen, amen, amen.

HYMN On My Heart Imprint Thine Image | #593

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