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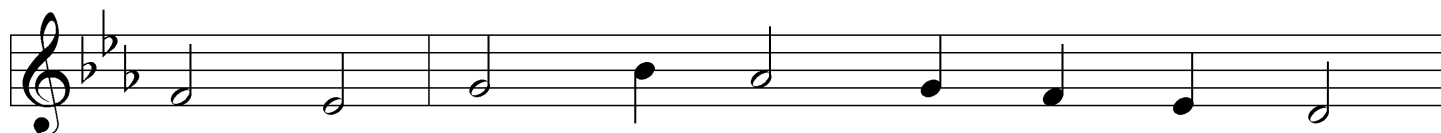
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Opening Hymn 98

"Jesus, I Will Ponder Now"



1 Je - sus, I will pon - der now On your ho - ly
2 Make me see your great dis - tress, An - guish, and af -
3 Yet, O Lord, not thus a - lone Make me see your
4 If my sins give me a - larm And my con - science
5 Grant that I your pas - sion view With re - pent - ant



pas - sion; With your Spir - it me en - dow
flic - tion, Bonds and stripes and wretch - ed - ness
pas - sion, But its cause to me make known
grieve me, Let your cross my fear dis - arm;
griev - ing. Let me not bring shame to you



For such med - i - ta - tion. Grant that I in love
And your cru - ci - fix - ion; Make me see how scourge
And its ter - mi - na - tion. Ah! I al - so and
Peace of con - science give me. Help me see for - give -
By un - ho - ly liv - ing. How could I re - fuse



and faith May the im - age cher - ish Of your suf -
and rod, Spear and nails did wound you, How for them
my sin Wrought your deep af - flic - tion; This in - deed
ness won By your ho - ly pas - sion. If for me
to shun Ev - 'ry sin - ful pleas - ure Since for me



f'ring, pain, and death That I may not per - ish.
you died, O God, Who with thorns had crowned you.
the cause has been Of your cru - ci - fix - ion.
he slays his Son, God must have com - pas - sion!
God's on - ly Son Suf - fered with - out meas - ure?

6 Graciously my faith renew;
 Help me bear my crosses,
 Learning humbleness from you,
 Peace mid pain and losses.
 May I give you love for love!
 Hear me, O my Savior,
 That I may in heav'n above
 Sing your praise forever.

Text: Sigmund von Birken, 1626–81; tr. August Crull, 1845–1923, alt.
 Tune: JESU KREUZ, LEIDEN UND PEIN (76 76 D Trochaic) Melchior Vulpius, c. 1570–1615, alt.

Evening Prayer page 52

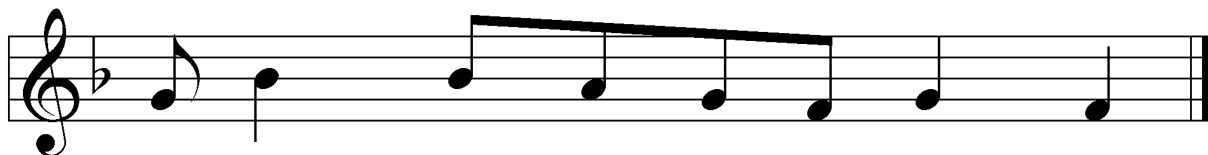
STAND

M: O Lord, open my lips.



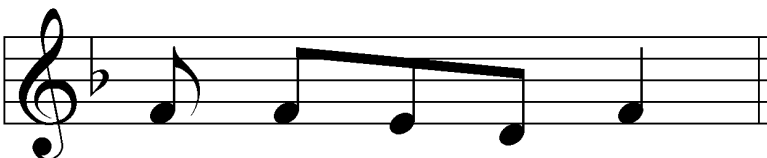
C: And my mouth shall de - clare your praise.

M: Hasten to save me, O God.



C: O Lord, come quick - ly to help me.

M: The Lord be with you.



C: And al - so with you.

M: Lord God, you have brought us safely to this hour of

evening prayer. We thank you for providing all that we need for body and life. Bless us who have gathered in your name. Forgive our sins. Speak to our hearts. Dispel our sorrows with the comfort of your Word, and receive our hymns of thanks and praise, through Jesus Christ, our living Savior, who reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

C: Amen.

BE SEATED

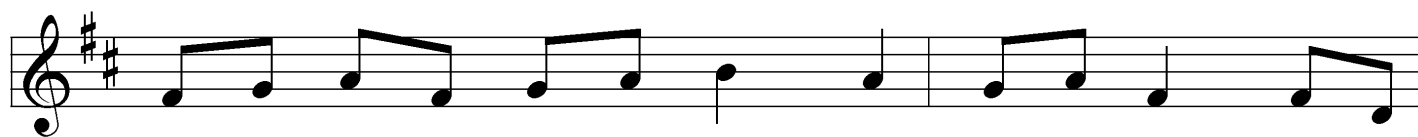
Let My Prayer Rise Before You *Psalms 141*



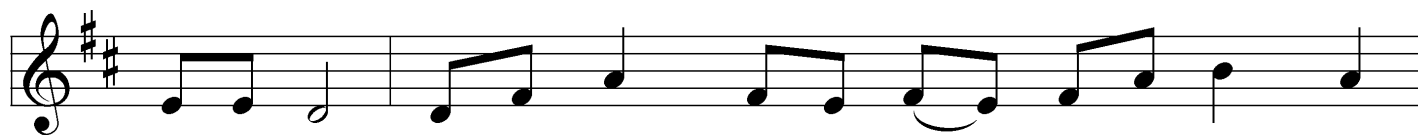
C: Let my prayer rise be - fore you as in - cense, the lift-ing



up of my hands as the eve - ning sac - ri - fice. O Lord, I



call to you; come to me quick - ly; hear my voice when I



cry to you. Let my prayer rise be - fore you as in - cense,



the lift-ing up of my hands as the eve - ning sac - ri - fice.

M: Let our prayers be acceptable in your sight. Come and help us in time of need that we may sing your praise in holy joy now and forever, through Jesus Christ, our Lord.

C: Amen.

Silence for meditation.



Psalm 119b

Pastor will speak the first half of each verse, the congregation will speak the second half; all join together to speak the refrain and the "Glory be..."

Refrain: Lord, you have the words of everlasting life.

Teach me, O LORD, to follow your decrees;*
then I will keep them to the end.

Give me understanding, and I will keep your law*
and obey it with all my heart.

Direct me in the path of your commands,*
for there I find delight.

Refrain

Turn my eyes away from worthless things;*
preserve my life according to your Word.

Fulfill your promise to your servant,*
so that you may be feared.

How I long for your precepts!*

Preserve my life in your righteousness.

**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.**

Refrain

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M: Lord God, grant us your Holy Spirit that we may hear and believe your Word. Cleanse our minds and renew our hearts that we may live for you here and hereafter; through Jesus Christ, our Lord.

C: Amen.

Passion History

As soon as it was day, the council of the elders of the people met together, both chief priests and experts in the law. They brought Jesus into their Sanhedrin and said, "If you are the Christ, tell us."

But he said to them, "If I tell you, you will not believe. And if I ask you, you will not answer me or release me. But from now on, the Son of Man will be seated at the right hand of the power of God."

They all said, "Are you then the Son of God?"

He said to them, "I am what you are saying."

Then they said, "Why do we need any more testimony? For we ourselves have heard it from his own mouth!" Then the

chief priests with the elders and experts in the law, together with the whole Sanhedrin, reached a decision. They bound Jesus, led him away, and handed him over to Pilate, the Roman governor.

Then, when Judas, who had betrayed him, saw that Jesus was condemned, he began to feel regret. He brought back the thirty pieces of silver to the chief priests and elders and said, "I have sinned by betraying innocent blood." But they said, "What is that to us? That is your problem."



He threw the pieces of silver into the temple and left. Then he went out and hanged himself. The chief priests took the pieces of silver and said, "It is not lawful to put these into the treasury, since it is blood money." They reached a decision. They met and decided to buy the potter's field with the money, as a burial

place for foreigners. So that field has been called "The Field of Blood" to this day. Then what was spoken through Jeremiah the prophet was fulfilled: "They took the thirty pieces of silver, the price the sons of Israel had set for him, and they gave them for the potter's field, just as the Lord commanded me."

Early in the morning, the Jews led Jesus from Caiaphas to the Praetorium. They did not enter the Praetorium themselves, so that they would not become ceremonially defiled. (They wanted to be able to eat the Passover meal). So Pilate went out to them and said, "What charge do you bring against this man?"

They answered him, "If this man were not a criminal, we would not have handed him over to you."

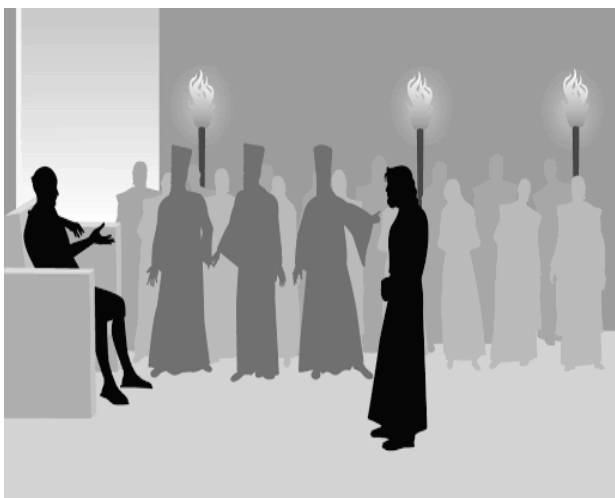
Pilate told them, "Take him yourselves and judge him according to your law."

The Jews said, "It's not legal for us to put anyone to death." This happened so that the statement Jesus had spoken indicating what kind of death he was going to die would be fulfilled.

They began to accuse him, saying, "We found this fellow misleading our nation, forbidding the payment of taxes to Caesar, and saying that he himself is Christ, a king."

Pilate asked him, "Are you the King of the Jews?"

Jesus answered him, "It is as you say."



The chief priests accused him of many things. When he was accused by the chief priests and elders, he answered nothing.

Pilate questioned him again, "Are you not going to answer anything? See how many charges they are bringing against you!"

But Jesus still did not answer anything, so Pilate was amazed. Then Pilate went back into the Praetorium and summoned Jesus. He asked him, "Are you the King of the Jews?"

Jesus answered, "Are you saying this on your own, or did others tell you about me?"

Pilate answered, "I'm not a Jew, am I? Your own people and chief priests handed you over to me. What have you done?"

"My kingdom is not of this world," Jesus answered. "If my kingdom were of this world, my servants would fight so that I would not be handed over to the Jews. But now my kingdom is not from here."



"You are a king then?" Pilate asked.

Jesus answered, "I am, as you say, a king. I was born for this, and for this I have come into the world, to testify to the truth. Everyone who belongs to the truth listens to my voice."

"What is truth?" Pilate said to him. After he said this, he went out again to the Jews, and told the chief priests and the crowd, "I find no basis for a charge against this man.

But they kept insisting, "He stirs up the people, teaching all through Judea, beginning from Galilee all the way here." When Pilate heard this, he asked if the man was a Galilean. When he learned that he was under Herod's jurisdiction, he sent him to Herod, who was also in Jerusalem during those days.

When Herod saw Jesus, he was very glad. For a long time, he had wanted to see him, because he had heard many things about him. He hoped to see some miracle performed by him. He questioned him with many words, but Jesus gave him no answer. The chief priests and the experts in the law stood there, vehemently accusing him. Herod and his soldiers treated him with contempt and ridiculed him. Dressing him in bright clothing, they sent him back to Pilate. Herod and Pi-

late became friends with each other on that day. Before this they had been enemies with each other.

Seasonal Response

All we like sheep have gone astray, and the lord has laid on him the iniquity of us all. By his wounds we are healed.

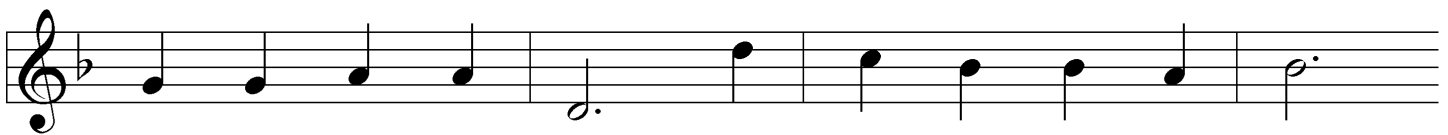
Hymn 418 “My God Will Never Leave Me”



1 My God will nev - er leave me, And I will
2 When hu - man thought and ac - tion Shall un - a -
3 God shall be my re - li - ance In sor - row's
4 Oh, praise him for he nev - er For - gets our
5 And when the world will per - ish With all its



not leave him; A light my God will give me In
vail - ing prove, God grants me his pro - tec - tion And
dark - est night; Its dread I bid de - fi - ance When
dai - ly need; Oh, blest the hour when - ev - er To
pride and pow'r, All that the world may cher - ish Will



path - ways dark and grim. He reach - es out his hand,
shows his pow'r and love. He helps in ev - 'ry need,
he is at my right. I un - to him com - mend
him our thoughts can speed, For all the time we spend
van - ish in that hour. But though in death they make



His might - y pow - er shar - ing, My bur - dens
From sin and shame re - deems me, From chains and
My bod - y, soul, and spir - it— They are his
With - out him is but wast - ed, Till we his
The deep - est grave our cov - er, When there our



ev - er bear - ing Wher - ev - er I may stand.
bonds re - claims me; From death I, too, am freed.
own by mer - it— All's well, then, at the end.
joy have tast - ed, The joy that has no end.
sleep is o - ver, Our God will us a - wake.

Text: Ludwig Helmbold, 1532–98, abr.; tr. Catherine Winkworth, 1827–78, st. 1, 4-5, alt.; *The Lutheran Hymnal*, St. Louis, 1941, st. 2-3, alt.

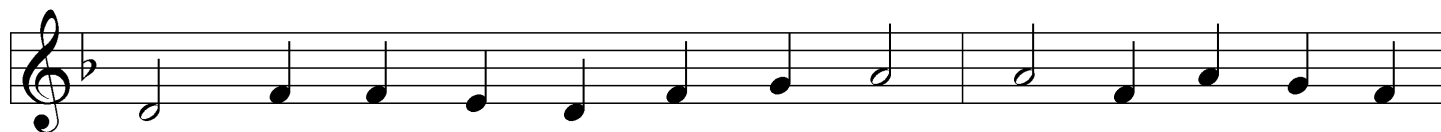
Tune: VON GOTT WILL ICH NICHT LASSEN (76 76 67 76) *Recueil de plusieurs chansons*, Lyons, 1557, alt.

Sermon

The Warrior Rejected by Many Followers

Hymn 123

"Lord Jesus Christ, You Set Us Free"



1 Lord Je - sus Christ, you set us free— Ac - cept our thanks e -
2 By vir - tue of the wounds you bore, True God and Man, our
3 De - fend us, Lord, from sin and shame; Help us by your al -
4 For thus the cer - tain - ty we gain That you will al - ways



ter - nal - ly! For - giv - en through your pre - cious blood,
hope re - store. Give cour - age when we yield our breath;
might - y name To bear our cross - es pa - tient - ly,
true re - main And not for - sake us in our strife



We now are rec - on - ciled to God.
De - liv - er us from hell and death.
Con - soled by your great ag - o - ny.
But lead us out of death to life.

Text: Christoph Fischer, 1520–97; tr. August Crull, 1845–1923, alt.

Tune: WIR DANKEN DIR, HERB JESU CHRIST (LM) Nikolaus Herman, c. 1480, 1561

Offering

STAND

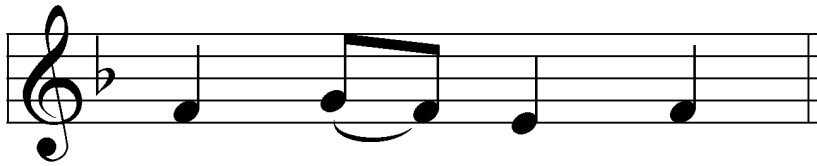
LORD, HAVE MERCY *Kyrie*

M: In the closing hours of this day, hear us as we pray, O Lord:



C: Lord, have mer - cy.

M: For the well-being of people everywhere, for the growth of your church in all the world, and for the strengthening of all who serve and worship here, we pray, O Lord:



C: Christ, have mer - cy.

M: For one another, young and old, for your blessings that come with every stage of life, and for joy in doing your will, we pray, O Lord:



C: Lord, have mer - cy.

M: For our public servants who work day and night to bring protection, justice, learning, and health to this and every place, we pray to you, O Lord:



C: Lord, hear our prayer.

M: For favorable weather and bountiful harvests, for clothing and food, for health of body, mind, and spirit, and for deliverance from all sin and every form of evil, we pray to you, O Lord:



C: Lord, hear our prayer.

M: For the faithful who have gone before us, who have shared with us your good news, whose souls are now at rest in your heavenly kingdom, we give you thanks, O Lord:



C: Thanks be to God.

M: In thanksgiving for your many and varied gifts to us, we now commend ourselves to your care. Be our shield and strength, O Lord.



C: A - men.

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

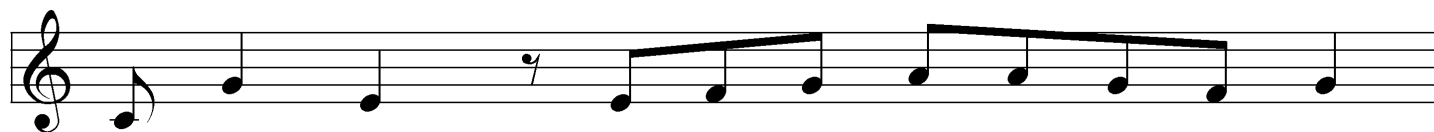
PRAYER FOR PEACE

M: Lord God, all holy desires, all good counsels, and all just works come from you. Give to us, your servants, that peace which the world cannot give, that our hearts may be set to obey your commandments. Defend us also from

the fear of our enemies that we may live in peace and quietness, through the merits of Jesus Christ our Savior, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

C: Amen.

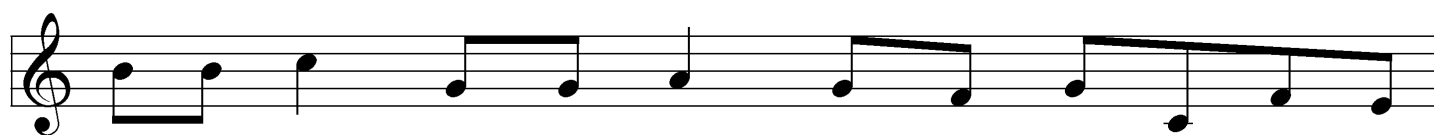
SONG OF SIMEON *Nunc Dimittis*



C: In peace, Lord, you let your ser - vant now de - part



ac - cord - ing to your word. For my eyes have seen



your sal - va - tion, which you have pre - pared for ev - 'ry



peo - ple, a light to light - en the Gen - tiles



and the glo - ry of your peo - ple Is - ra - el.

BLESSING

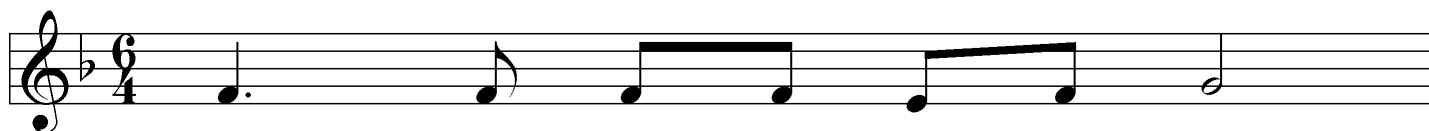
M: The grace of our Lord (+) Jesus Christ and the love of God and the fellowship of the Holy Spirit be with you all.



C: A - men.

Closing Hymn 593

"Now the Light Has Gone Away"



1 Now the light has gone a - way;
 2 Je - - sus, Sav - ior, wash a - way
 3 Let my near and dear ones be
 4 Now my eve - ning praise I give;
 5 Ah, my best and kind - est Friend,



Fa - ther, lis - ten while I pray,
 All that I've done wrong to - day.
 Safe with you e - ter - nal - ly.
 You once died that I might live.
 You will love me to the end.



Ask - ing you to watch and keep
 Make me ev - er more like you,
 Oh, bring me and all I love
 All your pre - cious gifts are free—
 Let me love you more and more,



And to send me qui - et sleep.
 Good and gen - tle, kind and true.
 To your hap - py home a - bove.
 Oh, how good you are to me!
 Al - ways bet - ter than be - fore.

Text: Frances R. Havergal, 1836–79, alt.

Tune: MÜDE BIN ICH (77 77) *Liederbuch für Kleinkinder-Schulen*, Kaiserwerth, 1842, alt.

Lent & Easter Schedule

Midweek Lenten Services: Thurs, March 26 & April 2

Worship 7 pm

Palm Sunday: Sunday, April 5

Worship 9 am

Maundy Thursday: Thursday, April 9

Worship w/ Holy Communion 12 pm & 7 pm

(same service)

Good Friday: Friday, April 10

Good Friday Worship 12 pm

Tenebrae Worship 7 pm

Easter: Sunday, April 12

Sunrise Worship w/ Communion 7 am

Easter Song Service 9 am



PREACHER: Pastor Greg Sluke (Trinity, Redgranite)

ELDER: R. Vollrath **SOUND:** R. Rudolph/ A. Metzger

USHERS: F. Bohlmann

Thank you to Pastor Sluke for preaching.

But my God shall supply
all your need according
to his riches in glory
by Christ Jesus.
Philippians 4:19

