

# The Office of Vespers

## Midweek of Lent 2: *The Apostles' Creed ~ The First Article*

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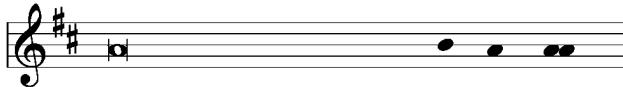
### VERSICLES



**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.



Sit

OFFICE HYMN

GO TO DARK GETHSEMANE

LSB 436



1 Go to dark Geth - sem - a - ne, All who feel the  
2 Fol - low to the judg - ment hall, View the Lord of  
3 Cal - v'ry's mourn - ful moun - tain climb; There, a - dor - ing  
4 Ear - ly has - ten to the tomb Where they laid His



tempt - er's pow'r; Your Re - deem - er's con - flict see,  
life ar - raign'd; Oh, the worm - wood and the gall!  
at His feet, Mark that mir - a - cle of time,  
breath - less clay; All is sol - i - tude and gloom.



Watch with Him one bit - ter hour; Turn not from His  
Oh, the pangs His soul sus - tained! Shun not suf - f'ring,  
God's own sac - ri - fice com - plete. "It is fin - ished!"  
Who has tak - en Him a - way? Christ is ris'n! He



griefs a - way; Learn from Je - sus Christ to pray.  
shame, or loss; Learn from Him to bear the cross.  
hear Him cry; Learn from Je - sus Christ to die.  
meets our eyes. Sav - ior, teach us so to rise.

THE PASSION OF OUR LORD JESUS CHRIST

Part II "Gethesame"



Stand

CANTICLE

TRIUNE GOD, BE THOU OUR STAY

LSB 505



Tri - une God, be Thou our stay; O let us per-ish nev - er!



Cleanse us from our sins, we pray, And grant us life for - ev - er.



Keep us from the e - vil one; Up-hold our faith most ho - ly,



And let us trust Thee sole - ly With hum-ble hearts and low - ly.



Let us put God's ar-mor on, With all true Chris-tians run - ning



Our heav'n - ly race and shun - ning The dev-il's wiles and cun - ning.



A - men, a - men! This be done; O Lord, have mer-cy on us.

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OFFERING

# +PRAYER+

*Kneel/Stand*

## KYRIE



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

## LORD'S PRAYER

### COLLECTS



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



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

### COLLECT OF THE DAY

**P** You see that of ourselves we have no strength. By Your mighty power defend us from all adversities that may happen to the body and from all evil thoughts that may assault and hurt the soul; through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.



**C** A - men.

### COLLECT

**P** O Lord God, You led Your ancient people through the wilderness and brought them to the promised land. Guide the people of Your Church that following our Savior we may walk through the wilderness of this world toward the glory of the world to come; through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.



**C** A - men.

*Additional Collects As Announced*

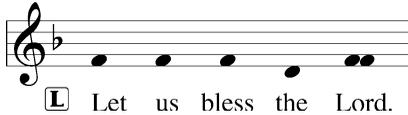
## COLLECT FOR PEACE

**P** 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.



*Stand*

## BENEDICAMUS



## BENEDICTION

**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.



1 Now rest be - neath night's shad - ow The wood - land,  
 2 The ra - diant sun has van - ished, Its gold - en  
 3 Now all the heav'n - ly splen - dor Breaks forth in  
 4 Lord Je - sus, since You love me, Now spread Your  
 5 My loved ones, rest se - cure - ly, For God this



field, and mead - ow; The world in slum - ber lies.  
 rays are ban - ished From dark - 'ning skies of night;  
 star - light ten - der From myr - iad worlds un - known;  
 wings a - bove me And shield me from a - harm.  
 night will sure - ly From per - il guard your heads.



But you, my heart, a - wak - ing And prayer and mu - sic  
 But Christ, the Sun of glad - ness, Dis - pel - ling all our  
 And we, this mar - vel see - ing, For - get our self - ish  
 Though Sa - tan would de - vour me, Let an - gel guards sing  
 Sweet slum - bers may He send you And bid His hosts at -



mak - ing, Let praise to your Cre - a - tor rise.  
 sad - ness, Shines down on us in warm - est light.  
 be - ing For joy of beau - ty not our own.  
 o'er me: This child of God shall meet no harm.  
 tend you And through the night watch o'er your beds.

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**+TO GOD ALONE BE GLORY+**