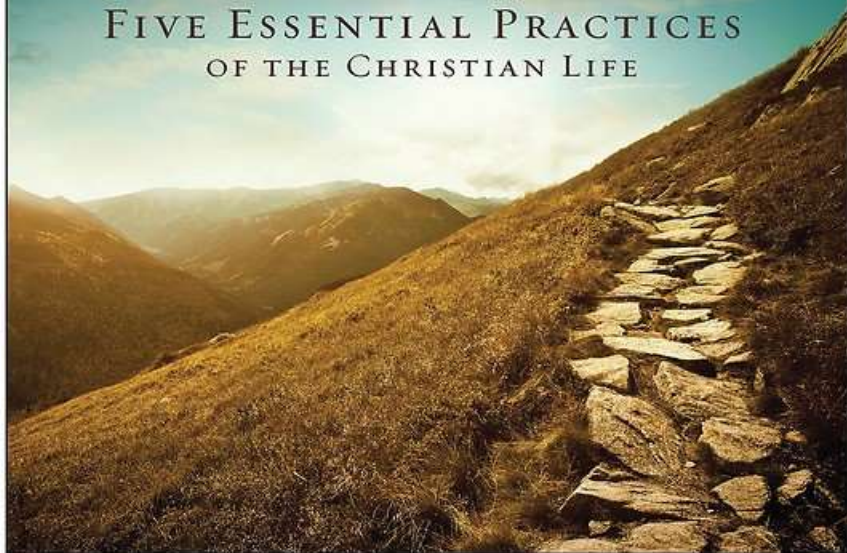


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THE WALK

FIVE ESSENTIAL PRACTICES
OF THE CHRISTIAN LIFE



**Holden Evening Prayer
Salem Lutheran Church
March 17, 2021
7:00 pm**

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

Good Evening. Welcome to Salem Lutheran Church. We welcome all of you to worship tonight, especially those of you who are worshipping with us on Facebook Live.

This evening we welcome Gloria Breithaupt at the piano and thank her for sharing her musical talents with us today.

Our Wednesday evening services during Lent are designed to be a time of prayer and reflection. Our theme this year is "The Walk" based on Adam Hamilton's book by the same name. Each week we will consider a practice in the life of a disciple that draws us closer to God, and we will hear how Jesus spoke of these practices from the cross. May your time of worship tonight strengthen your walk with our Savior.

OPENING DIALOGUE

Leader:

Jesus Christ, you are the light of the world;

All:

the light no darkness can o - ver - come;

Leader:

Stay with us now, for it is evening,

All:

and the day is al - most over.

Leader:

Let your light scat - ter the darkness,

All:

and shine within your peo - ple here. —

2 poco rit.

HYMN OF LIGHT

Evening Hymn

All: a tempo



1. Joy - ous light of heav - 'nly glo - ry, lov - ing
2. In the stars that grace the dark - ness, in the
3. You who made the heav - en's splen - dor, ev - 'ry



glow of God's own face, you who sing cre - a - tion's
blaz - ing sun of dawn, in the light of peace and
danc - ing star of night, make us shine with gen - tle



sto - ry, shine on ev - 'ry land and race. Now as
wis - dom, we can hear your qui - et song. Love that
jus - tice, let us each re - flect your light. Might - y



eve - ning falls a - round us, we shall raise our songs to
fills the night with won - der, love that warms the wea - ry
God of all cre - a - tion, gen - tle Christ who lights our

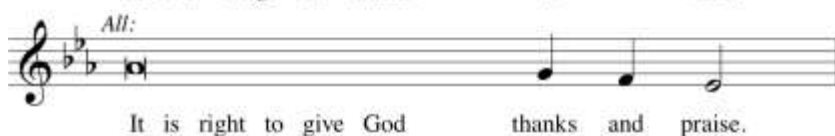
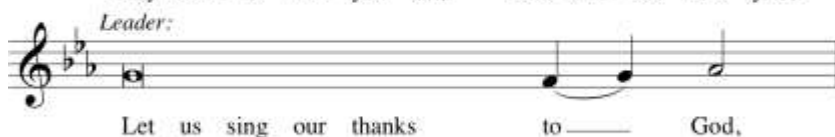


you, God of day - break, God of shad - ows, come and
soul, Love that bursts all chains a - sun - der, set us
way. Lov - ing Spir - it of sal - va - tion, lead us



light our hearts a - new, _____
free and make us whole. _____
on to end - less day. _____

EVENING THANKSGIVING



Leader: Blessed are you, Creator of the universe—from old you have led your people by night and day. May the light of your Christ make our darkness bright, for your Word and your presence are the light of our pathways, and you are the light and life of all creation.



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PSALM 141



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now; O hear my voice when I
call to you, come to me now; O
cry to you. Let my prayer rise
hear my voice when I cry to you.
up like in-cense be-fore you, the
Let my prayer rise up like in-cense be-
lift-ing up of my hands as an of-fer-ing to
fore you, the lift-ing up of my hands as an
you. Keep watch with-in me, God;
of-fer-ing to you. Keep

deep in my heart may the light of your love be
 watch with - in me, God; deep in my heart may the
 burn - ing bright. — Let my prayer rise
 light of your love be burn - ing bright.
 up like in - cense be - fore you, the
 Let my prayer rise up like in - cense be -
 lift - ing up of my hands as an of - fer - ing to
 fore you, the lift - ing up of my hands as an
 you, — All praise to the God of all - Cre -
 of - fer - ing to you. All

a - tor of life; all praise be to Christ and the
praise to the God of all- Cre - a - tor of life; all
Spir - it of love. Let my prayer rise
praise be to Christ and the Spir - it of love.

up like in - cense be - fore you, the
Let my prayer rise up like in - cense be -

lift - ing up of my hands as an of - fer - ing to
fore you, the lift - ing up of my hands as an

you.
of - fer - ing to you.

P: May our prayers come before you, O God, as incense, and may your presence surround and fill us, so that in union with all creation, we might sing your praise and your love in our lives.

ALL: Amen.

FIRST READING: Matthew 6:19-21

A reading from Matthew.

¹⁹"Do not store up for yourselves treasures on earth, where moth and rust consume and where thieves break in and steal; ²⁰but store up for yourselves treasures in heaven, where neither moth nor rust consumes and where thieves do not break in and steal. ²¹For where your treasure is, there your heart will be also.

The word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

SECOND READING: John 19:28-29

A reading from John.

²⁸After this, when Jesus knew that all was now finished, he said (in order to fulfill the scripture), "I am thirsty." ²⁹A jar full of sour wine was standing there. So they put a sponge full of the wine on a branch of hyssop and held it to his mouth.

The word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

TIME OF PRAYER AND REFLECTION

P: The light shines in the darkness

C: And the darkness has not overcome it

HYMN OF THE DAY *Be Thou My Vision* (ELW793)



1 Be thou my vi - sion, O Lord of my heart;
 2 Be thou my wis - dom, and thou my true word;
 3 Rich - es I heed not, nor vain, emp - ty praise,
 4 Light of my soul, af - ter vic - to - ry won,



naught be all else to me, save that thou art:
 I ev - er with thee and thou with me, Lord.
 thou mine in - her - i - tance, now and al - ways:
 may I reach heav - en's joys, O heav - en's Sun!



thou my best thought both by day and by night,
 Thou my soul's shel - ter, and thou my high tow'r,
 thou and thou on - ly, the first in my heart,
 Heart of my own heart, what - ev - er be - fall,



wak - ing or sleep - ing, thy pres - ence my light.
 raise thou me heav'n - ward, O Pow'r of my pow'r.
 great God of heav - en, my trea - sure thou art.
 still be my vi - sion, O Rul - er of all.

Text: Irish, 8th cent.; vers. Eleanor H. Hull, 1860–1935, alt.; tr. Mary E. Byrne, 1880–1931
 Music: SLANE, Irish traditional

OFFERING

ANNUNCIATION

An angel went from God, to a town called Nazareth, to a woman whose name was Mary. The angel said to her, "Rejoice O highly favored, for God is with you. You shall bear a child, and his name shall be Jesus, the Chosen One of God Most High." And Mary said, "I am the servant of my God. I live to do your will."

MAGNIFICAT

All:

1., 3. My — soul pro - claims your
 2. You have cast the might - y

great - ness, O God, and my spir - it re - joic - es in
 down from their thrones, and up - lift - ed the hum - ble of

you, You have looked with love on your
 heart, You have filled the hun - gry with

fine last time

ser - vant here, and blessed me all my life through.
 won - drous things, and left the wealth - y no part.

Great and might - y are you, O Ho - ly One,
 Great and might - y are you, O Faith - ful One,

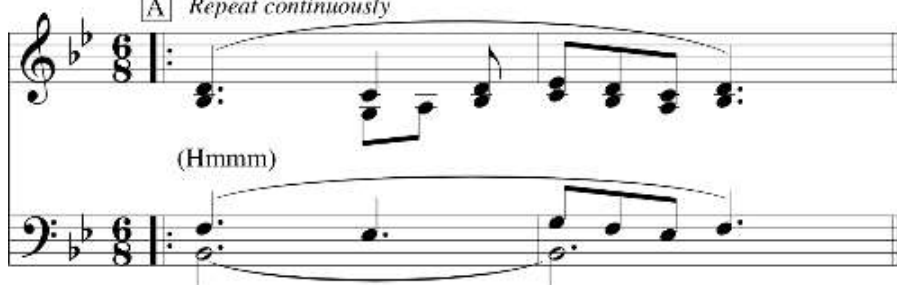
strong is your kind - ness ev - er - more.
 strong is your jus - tice strong your love,

How you fa - vor the weak — and low - ly one,
 As you prom - ised to Sar - ah and A - bra - ham,

hum - bling the proud of heart.
 kind - ness for - ev - er - more.

PRAYERS

[A] Repeat continuously



(Hmmm)

[B]



Leader: [A]



[B]

Leader: [A]



[B]


Leader: [A]



[B]


4. For us who are gath - ered to wor - ship and praise you;
5. For all of your ser - vants who live out your gos - pel;
6. For all those who gov - ern, that jus - tice might guide them;
7. For all those who la - bor in ser - vice to oth - ers;
8. Grant weath - er that nour - ish - es all of cre - a - tion;
9. Keep watch on our loved ones and keep us from dan - ger;
10. For all the be - lov - ed who rest in your mer - cy;

Leader:



Help us, com - fort us, all of our days:

All:



Keep — us, hold — us, gra - cious God.

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P: Great and merciful God, source and ground of all goodness and life, give to your people the peace that passes all understanding, and the will to live your gospel of mercy and justice, through Jesus Christ our Lord.

Amen.

LORD'S PRAYER

God, remember us in your love and teach us to pray:

**Our Father in heaven,
hallowed be your name.
Your kingdom come:
Your will be done
on earth as it is in heaven.**

**Give us today our daily bread;
forgive us our sins,
as we forgive those**

**who sin against us;
Save us from the time of trial,
and deliver us from evil.**

**For the kingdom, the power,
and the glory are yours,
now and forever. Amen.**

FINAL BLESSING

The musical score is written for a single melodic line in treble clef. It begins with a key signature of two flats (B-flat and E-flat) and a 2/4 time signature. The first line is for the *Leader*, followed by a double bar line and then the *All* part. The melody continues through several lines, with lyrics underneath. The final line of the melody is for the *All* part, which ends with a double bar line. The lyrics are: "Let us bless our God: praise and thanks to you. May God, Cre - a - tor bless us and keep us, may Christ be ev - er light for our lives, may the Spir - it of Love be our guide and path, for all of our days. A - men."

Leader: Let us bless our God: praise and thanks to you.

All: May God, Cre - a - tor bless us and keep us, may Christ be ev - er light for our lives, may the Spir - it of Love be our guide and path, for all of our days. A - men.

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