

# SUNDAY APRIL 26, 2020 LITURGY

## GOD CALLS US

### Call to Worship

THE BOOK OF PSALMS

**146** Praise the LORD!  
Praise the LORD, O my soul!

<sup>2</sup> I will praise the LORD as long as I live;

I will sing praises to my God while I have my being.

☩ **VERSICLE** ☩ The LORD be with you!

☩ **RESPONSE** ☩ **And also with you.**

☩ Our help is in the name of the LORD.

☩ **Who made heaven and earth!**

### Salutation

PHILIPPIANS 1

<sup>2</sup> Grace to you and peace from God our Father and the Lord Jesus Christ.

THIS LITURGY IS  
SUITABLE FOR  
PRIVATE DEVOTIONS  
AND SMALL  
GATHERINGS. IF  
GATHERED  
TOGETHER, ONE  
OFFICIANT SHOULD  
BE DESIGNATED TO  
READ ALL  
NON-EMBOLDENED  
TEXT (SUCH AS  
SCRIPTURE  
PASSAGES) AND TO  
TAKE THE ROLE OF  
THE VERSICLE,  
DESIGNATED BY  
THE ☩ SYMBOL.  
SECTIONS LABELED  
WITH THE ☩ SYMBOL  
ARE INTENDED TO  
BE READ ALOUD BY  
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READINGS IN BOLD  
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READ IN UNISON AS  
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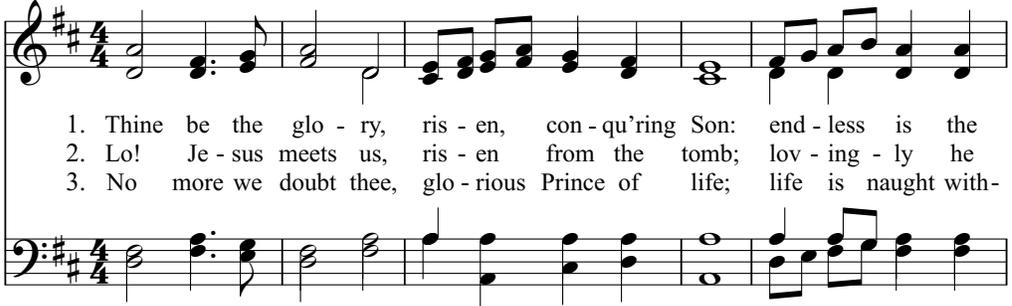
### Prayer of the Day

Almighty Father, who hast given thine only Son to die for our sins, and to rise again for our justification: Grant us so to put away the leaven of malice and wickedness, that we may always serve thee in pureness of living and truth; through the merits of thy Son Jesus Christ our Lord. *Amen.*

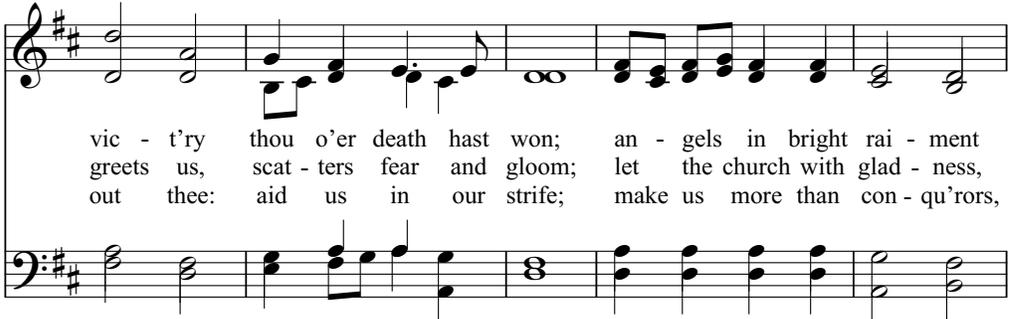
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## Hymn of Praise

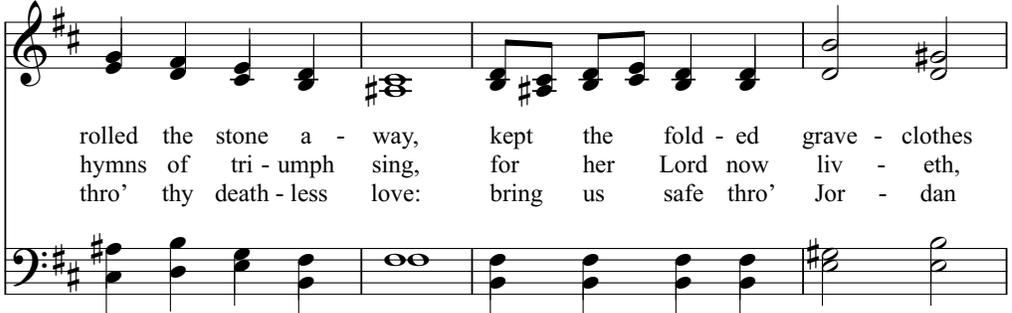
#365 THINE BE THE GLORY



1. Thine be the glo - ry, ris - en, con - qu'ring Son: end - less is the  
2. Lo! Je - sus meets us, ris - en from the tomb; lov - ing - ly he  
3. No more we doubt thee, glo - rious Prince of life; life is naught with-

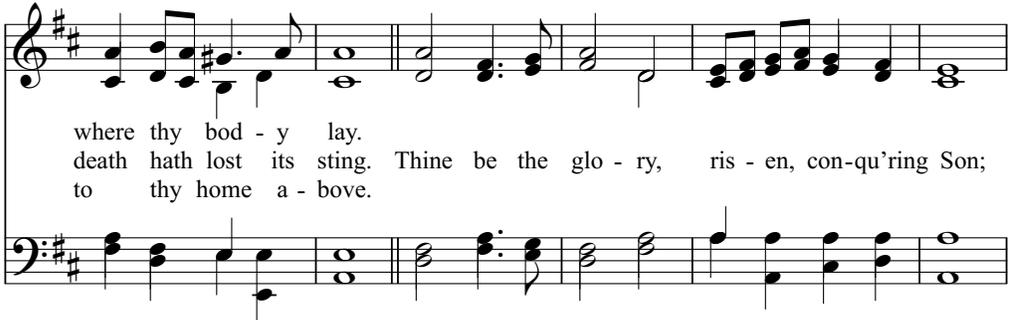


vic - t'ry thou o'er death hast won; an - gels in bright rai - ment  
greet us, scat - ters fear and gloom; let the church with glad - ness,  
out thee: aid us in our strife; make us more than con - qu'rors,



rolled the stone a - way, kept the fold - ed grave - clothes  
hymns of tri - umph sing, for her Lord now liv - eth,  
thro' thy death - less love: bring us safe thro' Jor - dan

### Refrain



where thy bod - y lay.  
death hath lost its sting. Thine be the glo - ry, ris - en, con-qu'ring Son;  
to thy home a - bove.



end - less is the vic - t'ry thou o'er death hast won.

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## Reading of God's Law

☞ VERSICLE  
☞ RESPONSE

☞ Hear now the commandments of Your God, which he has commanded you to keep saying, "You shall love the LORD your God with all your heart, with all your soul, with all your mind, and with all your strength." This is the first and great commandment.

☞ **And the second, like unto it is this, "You shall love your neighbor as yourself."**

☞ Have we fully obeyed the LORD in all that he has commanded?

☞ **No, but we have sinned against Him in thought, word and deed.**

## Confession of Sin

IN UNISON

**Most merciful God,  
we confess that we have sinned against you in thought, word, and deed,  
by what we have done, and by what we have left undone.  
We have not loved you with our whole heart;  
we have not loved our neighbor as ourselves.  
We are truly sorry and we humbly repent.  
For the sake of your Son Jesus Christ,  
have mercy on us and forgive us;  
that we may delight in your will, and walk in your ways,  
to the glory of your name. Amen.**

## Words of Comfort

LAMENTATIONS 3

- <sup>19</sup> Remember my affliction and my wanderings,  
the wormwood and the gall!
- <sup>20</sup> My soul continually remembers it  
and is bowed down within me.
- <sup>21</sup> But this I call to mind,  
and therefore I have hope:
- <sup>22</sup> The steadfast love of the LORD never ceases;  
his mercies never come to an end;
- <sup>23</sup> they are new every morning;  
great is your faithfulness.
- <sup>24</sup> "The LORD is my portion," says my soul,  
"therefore I will hope in him."

## Hymn of Assurance

[#277 BEFORE THE THRONE](#)

# Before the Throne of God Above

1. Be - fore the throne of God a - bove, I have a  
 2. When Sa - tan tempts me to de - spair and tells me  
 3. Be - hold him there, the ris - en Lamb, my per - fect,

strong and per - fect plea, a great High Priest whose name is Love,  
 of the guilt with - in, up - ward I look and see him there,  
 spot - less righ - teous - ness, the great un - change - a - ble I AM,

who ev - er lives and pleads for me. My name is  
 who made an end to all my sin. Be - cause the  
 the King of glo - ry and of grace! One with him -

grav - en on his hands, my name is writ - ten on his  
 sin - less Sav - ior died, my sin - ful soul is count - ed  
 self I can - not die. My soul is pur - chased by his

heart. I know that while in heav'n he stands, no tongue can  
 free; for God, the just, is sat - is - fied to look on  
 blood! My life is hid with Christ on high, with Christ, my

bid me thence de - part, no tongue can bid me thence de - part.  
 him and par - don me, to look on him and par - don me.  
 Sa - vior and my God, with Christ, my Sav - ior and my God.

Charitie Bancroft, 1863; alt.

BEFORE THE THRONE 8.8.8.8.8.8.8.8.

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## Old Testament Reading

THE BOOK OF ISAIAH

**55** “Come, everyone who thirsts,  
come to the waters;

and he who has no money,

come, buy and eat!

Come, buy wine and milk

without money and without price.

<sup>2</sup> Why do you spend your money for that which is not bread,  
and your labor for that which does not satisfy?

Listen diligently to me, and eat what is good,

and delight yourselves in rich food.

<sup>3</sup> Incline your ear, and come to me;

hear, that your soul may live;

and I will make with you an everlasting covenant,

my steadfast, sure love for David.

<sup>4</sup> Behold, I made him a witness to the peoples,

a leader and commander for the peoples.

<sup>5</sup> Behold, you shall call a nation that you do not know,

and a nation that did not know you shall run to you,

because of the LORD your God, and of the Holy One of Israel,

for he has glorified you.

<sup>6</sup> “Seek the LORD while he may be found;

call upon him while he is near;

<sup>7</sup> let the wicked forsake his way,

and the unrighteous man his thoughts;

let him return to the LORD, that he may have compassion on him,

and to our God, for he will abundantly pardon.

<sup>8</sup> For my thoughts are not your thoughts,

neither are your ways my ways, declares the LORD.

<sup>9</sup> For as the heavens are higher than the earth,

so are my ways higher than your ways

and my thoughts than your thoughts.

<sup>10</sup> “For as the rain and the snow come down from heaven

and do not return there but water the earth,

making it bring forth and sprout,

giving seed to the sower and bread to the eater,

<sup>11</sup> so shall my word be that goes out from my mouth;

it shall not return to me empty,

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but it shall accomplish that which I purpose,  
and shall succeed in the thing for which I sent it.

<sup>12</sup> "For you shall go out in joy  
and be led forth in peace;  
the mountains and the hills before you  
shall break forth into singing,  
and all the trees of the field shall clap their hands.

<sup>13</sup> Instead of the thorn shall come up the cypress;  
instead of the brier shall come up the myrtle;  
and it shall make a name for the LORD,  
an everlasting sign that shall not be cut off."

∇ VERSICLE    ∇ The Word of the Lord!  
℞ RESPONSE    ℞ **Thanks be to God!**

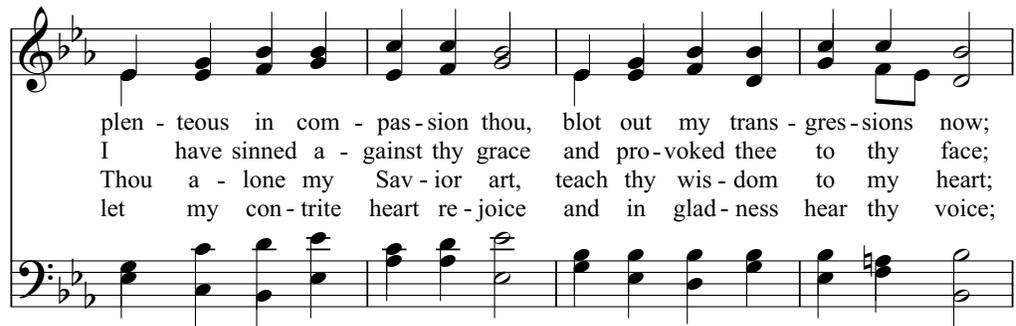
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## Psalm of Preparation

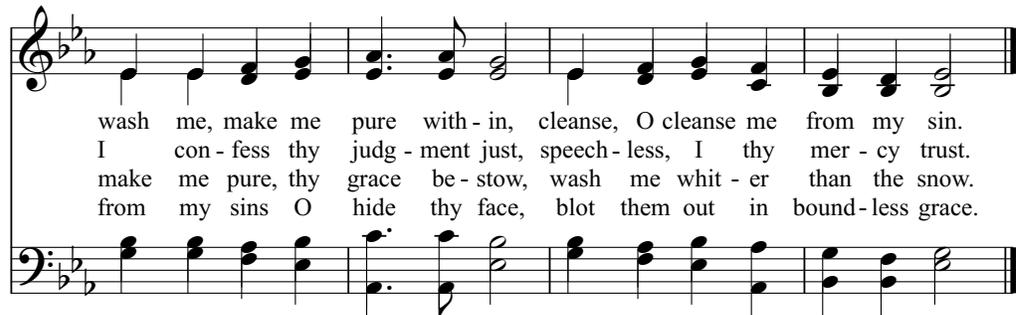
#51C (VERSES 1-4)



1. God, be mer - ci - ful to me, on thy grace I rest my plea;  
2. My trans - gres - sions I con - fess, grief and guilt my soul op - press;  
3. I am e - vil, born in sin; thou de - sir - est truth with - in.  
4. Bro - ken, hum - bled to the dust, by thy wrath and judg - ment just,



plen - teous in com - pas - sion thou, blot out my trans - gres - sions now;  
I have sinned a - gainst thy grace and pro - voked thee to thy face;  
Thou a - lone my Sav - ior art, teach thy wis - dom to my heart;  
let my con - trite heart re - joice and in glad - ness hear thy voice;



wash me, make me pure with - in, cleanse, O cleanse me from my sin.  
I con - fess thy judg - ment just, speech - less, I thy mer - cy trust.  
make me pure, thy grace be - stow, wash me whit - er than the snow.  
from my sins O hide thy face, blot them out in bound - less grace.

5. Gracious God, my heart renew,  
make my spirit right and true;  
cast me not away from thee,  
let thy Spirit dwell in me;  
thy salvation's joy impart,  
steadfast make my willing heart.
6. Sinners then shall learn from me  
and return, O God, to thee;  
Savior, all my guilt remove,  
and my tongue shall sing thy love;  
touch my silent lips, O Lord,  
and my mouth shall praise accord.
7. Not the formal sacrifice  
has acceptance in thine eyes;  
broken hearts are in thy sight  
more than sacrificial rite;  
contrite spirit, pleading cries,  
thou, O God, wilt not despise.
8. Prosper Zion in thy grace  
and her broken walls replace;  
then our righteous sacrifice  
shall delight thy holy eyes;  
free-will off'rings, gladly made,  
on thine altar shall be laid.

Paraphrase  
*The Psalter*, 1912; alt.

REDHEAD/AJALON 7.7.7.7.7.  
Richard Redhead, 1853

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## New Testament Reading

THE EPISTLE TO THE ROMANS

**4** What then shall we say was gained by Abraham, our forefather according to the flesh? <sup>2</sup>For if Abraham was justified by works, he has something to boast about, but not before God. <sup>3</sup>For what does the Scripture say? "Abraham believed God, and it was counted to him as righteousness." <sup>4</sup>Now to the one who works, his wages are not counted as a gift but as his due. <sup>5</sup>And to the one who does not work but believes in him who justifies the ungodly, his faith is counted as righteousness, <sup>6</sup>just as David also speaks of the blessing of the one to whom God counts righteousness apart from works:

<sup>7</sup> "Blessed are those whose lawless deeds are forgiven,  
and whose sins are covered;

<sup>8</sup> blessed is the man against whom the Lord will not count his sin."

☩ **VERSICLE**    ☩ **The Word of the Lord!**  
☩ **RESPONSE**    ☩ **Thanks be to God!**

## Homily

MR. JIMMY APODACA

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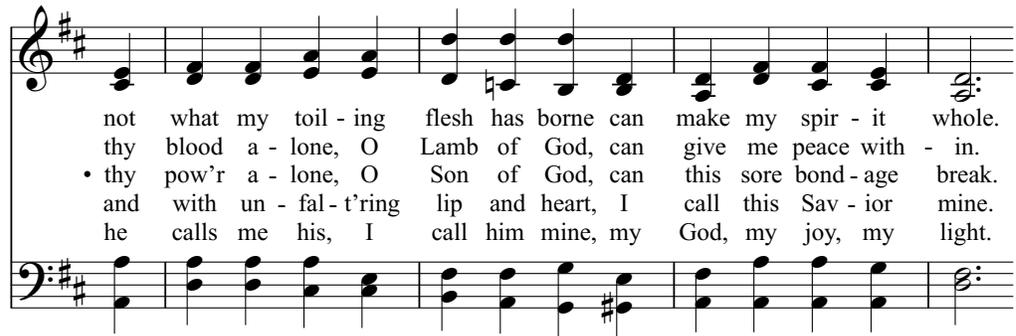
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## Hymn of Response

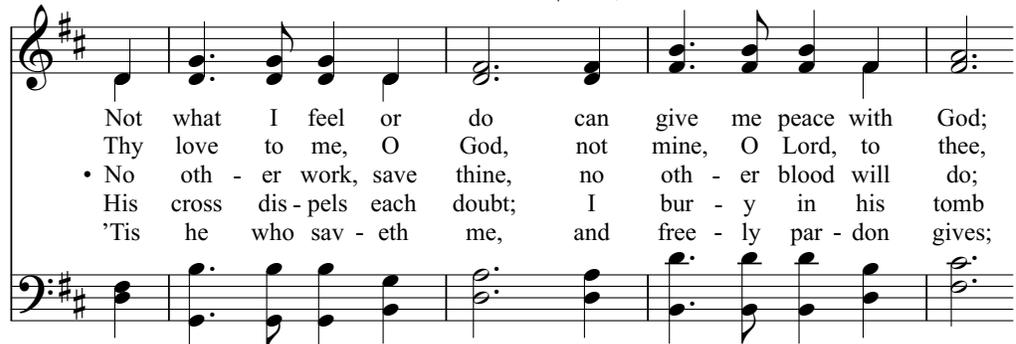
#435 NOT WHAT MY HANDS HAVE DONE



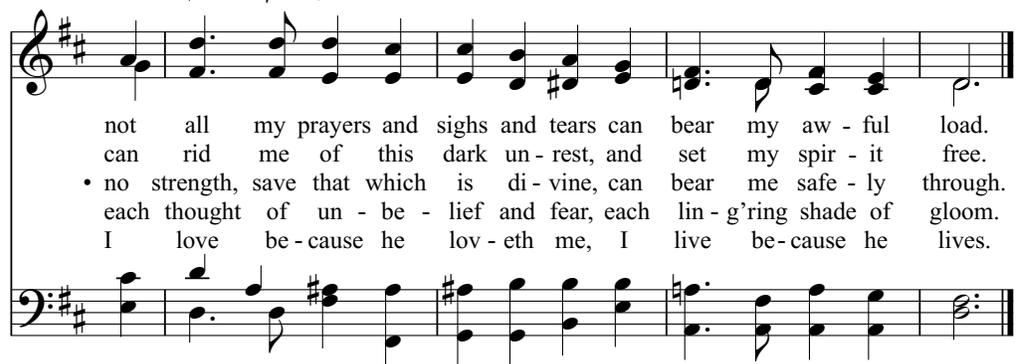
1. Not what my hands have done can save my guilt - y soul;  
2. Thy work a - lone, O Christ, can ease this weight of sin;  
3. Thy grace a - lone, O God, to me can par - don speak;  
4. I bless the Christ of God; I rest on love di - vine;  
5. I praise the God of grace; I trust his truth and might;



not what my toil - ing flesh has borne can make my spir - it whole.  
thy blood a - lone, O Lamb of God, can give me peace with - in.  
• thy pow'r a - lone, O Son of God, can this sore bond - age break.  
and with un - fal - t'ring lip and heart, I call this Sav - ior mine.  
he calls me his, I call him mine, my God, my joy, my light.



Not what I feel or do can give me peace with God;  
Thy love to me, O God, not mine, O Lord, to thee,  
• No oth - er work, save thine, no oth - er blood will do;  
His cross dis - pels each doubt; I bur - y in his tomb  
'Tis he who sav - eth me, and free - ly par - don gives;



not all my prayers and sighs and tears can bear my aw - ful load.  
can rid me of this dark un - rest, and set my spir - it free.  
• no strength, save that which is di - vine, can bear me safe - ly through.  
each thought of un - be - lief and fear, each lin - g'ring shade of gloom.  
I love be - cause he lov - eth me, I live be - cause he lives.

Horatius Bonar, 1861; alt.

LEOMINSTER S.M.D.  
George William Martin, 1862  
arr. Arthur S. Sullivan, 1874

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## Confession of Faith

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**I believe in God the Father Almighty,  
Maker of heaven and earth.**

**I believe in Jesus Christ, His only Son, our Lord,  
who was conceived by the Holy Spirit, and born of the Virgin Mary.  
He suffered under Pontius Pilate,  
was crucified, died and was buried;  
He descended into hell.  
The third day he rose again from the dead.  
He ascended into heaven,  
and is seated at the right hand of God the Father Almighty.  
From there he will come to judge the living and the dead.**

**I believe in the Holy Spirit,  
the holy catholic church,  
the communion of saints,  
the forgiveness of sins,  
the resurrection of the body,  
and the life everlasting. Amen.**

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## Closing Prayers

- ☩ **VERSICLE** ☩ Almighty God, From all evil and wickedness; from sin; from the crafts  
☩ **RESPONSE** and assaults of the devil; and from everlasting damnation,  
    ☩ **Good Lord, deliver us.**
- ☩ From all blindness of heart; from pride, vainglory,  
and hypocrisy; from envy, hatred, and malice; and from all want  
of charity,  
    ☩ **Good Lord, deliver us.**
- ☩ From all inordinate and sinful affections; and from all the  
deceits of the world, the flesh, and the devil,  
    ☩ **Good Lord, deliver us.**
- ☩ From all false doctrine, heresy, and schism; from hardness  
of heart, and contempt of thy Word and commandment,  
    ☩ **Good Lord, deliver us.**
- ☩ From lightning and tempest; from earthquake, fire, and  
flood; from plague, pestilence, and famine,  
    ☩ **Good Lord, deliver us.**
- ☩ From all oppression, conspiracy, and rebellion; from  
violence, battle, and murder; and from dying suddenly and  
unprepared,  
    ☩ **Good Lord, deliver us.**
- ☩ By the mystery of thy holy Incarnation; by thy holy Nativity  
and submission to the Law; by thy Baptism, Fasting, and  
Temptation,  
    ☩ **Good Lord, deliver us.**
- ☩ By thine Agony and Bloody Sweat; by thy Cross and Passion;  
by thy precious Death and Burial; by thy glorious Resurrection  
and Ascension; and by the Coming of the Holy Ghost,  
    ☩ **Good Lord, deliver us.**
- ☩ In all time of our tribulation; in all time of our prosperity; in  
the hour of death, and in the day of judgment,  
    ☩ **Good Lord, deliver us.**

IN UNISON    **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 debts, as we forgive our debtors.  
And lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil.  
For Thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory forever. Amen.**

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## Departing Words of Comfort

HEBREWS 13

<sup>20</sup> Now may the God of peace who brought again from the dead our Lord Jesus, the great shepherd of the sheep, by the blood of the eternal covenant, <sup>21</sup> equip you with everything good that you may do his will, working in us that which is pleasing in his sight, through Jesus Christ, to whom be glory forever and ever. *Amen.*



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