THE SERVICE OF THE WORD

THE CONFESSION

- P: We begin our worship in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit.
- C: Amen.
- P: Return to me with all your heart, says the Lord, with prayer and fasting, with weeping and mourning, with broken and contrite hearts.
- C: For the Lord is gracious and merciful, slow to anger, and abounding in steadfast love.
- P: What love the Father has bestowed on us, that we should be called the children of God.

(Silence for meditation and self – examination)

- P: O God, in your kindness, have pity.
- C: O God, in your mercy, wash away our sins. Cleanse us from the stain and guilt of the sins we cannot forget and those we cannot remember. We have sinned against heaven and in your sight, and are no longer worthy to be called your children. We deserve your wrath and punishment. For the sake of Jesus Christ, turn your eyes from our iniquity and cover our guilt, that we may know again the joy of your salvation.
- P: Jesus Christ welcomes sinners, and invites us to eat at his table.
- C: The lost have been found!

THE SHARING OF THE PEACE

Pastor:

The peace of the Lord be with you

People:

And also with you

THE HYMN: Holden Evening Prayer

THE PRAYER OF THE DAY

God of all mercy, by your power to heal and to forgive, graciously cleanse us from all sin and make us strong; through your Son, Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. Amen.

THE FIRST AND SECOND LESSONS

THE READING OF THE HOLY GOSPEL

THE HYMN – "No Trap of Soldiers' Marching Feet"

THE SERMON – "Shoes"

THE APOSTLES CREED

LEADER: We confess our faith in the words of the Apostalic Creed:

CONG: I believe in God, the Father almighty,
Creator of heaven and earth.

I believe in Jesus Christ, his only Son, our Lord.

He was conceived by the power of the Holy Spirit and born of the virgin Mary.

He suffered under Pontius Pilate,

was crucified, died and was buried. He descended into hell.

On the third day he rose again.

He ascended into heaven,

and is seated at the right hand of the Father.

He will come again 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

THE PRAYERS OF THE CONGREGATION

Pastor: Lord, in your mercy, **People: Hear our prayer.**

THE OFFERTORY AND THE GATHERING OF THE GIFTS

THE BENEDICTION

Pastor: The Lord bless you and keep you.7

The Lord make his face shine upon you

and be gracious to you.

The Lord look upon you with favor and 🖶 give you peace.

People: Amen.

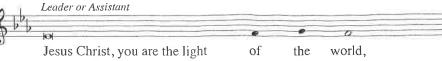
THE HYMN: "The Battle Belongs To The Lord"

Holden Evening Prayer

Setting by Marty Haugen

1. SERVICE OF LIGHT







the light no darkness can

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Stay with us now, for

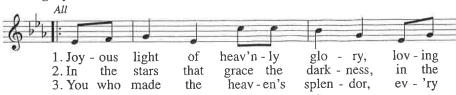
it is evening,



and the day is al-most over. Let your light scat-ter the darkness,



Evening Hymn

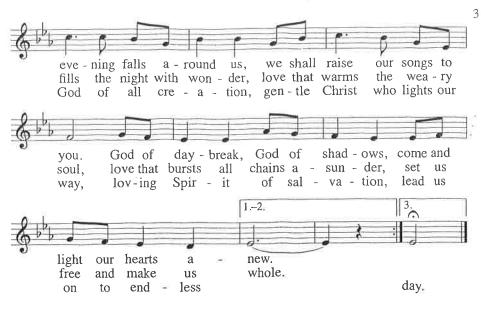




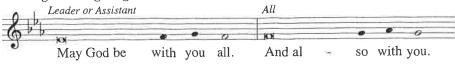


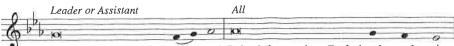
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Evening Thanksgiving



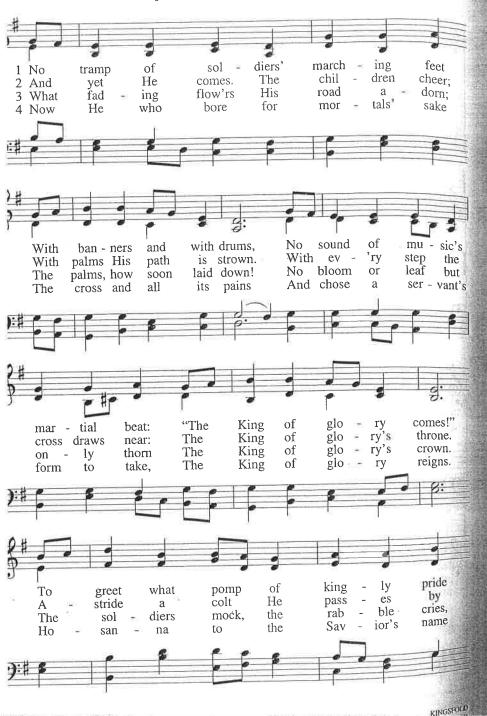


Let us sing our thanks to God. It is right to give God thanks and praise.

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.



14 No Tramp of Soldiers' Marching Feet



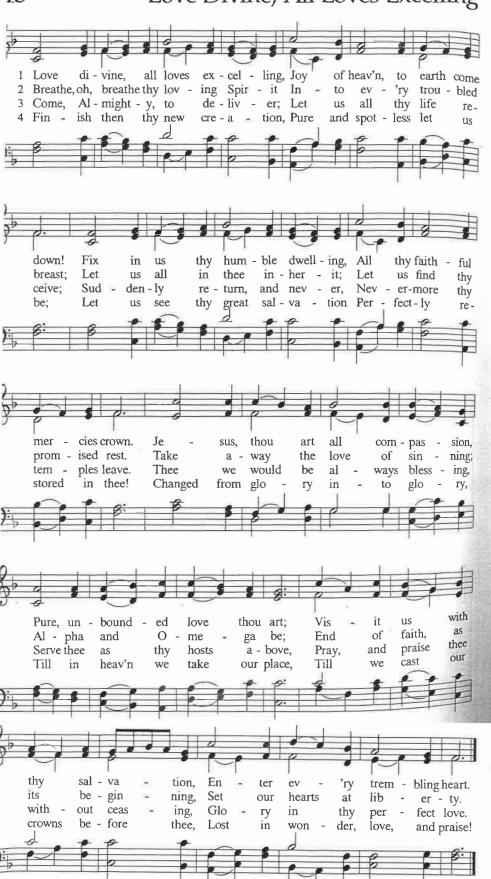


Almighty and everlasting God, You sent Your Son, our Savior Jesus Christ, to take upon Himself our flesh and to suffer death upon the cross. Mercifully grant that we may follow the example of His great humility and patience and be made partakers of His resurrection; through the same Jesus Christ, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

PRAISE AND TESTIMONY

444 There's a Wideness in God's Mercy





72. THE BATTLE BELONGS TO THE LORD

In heavenly armor we'll enter the land, The battle belongs to the Lord. No weapon that's fashioned against us will stand, The battle belongs to the Lord.

And we sing glory, honor, pow'r and strength to the Lord. We sing glory, honor, pow'r and strength to the Lord.

When the power of darkness comes in like a flood, The battle belongs to the Lord. He'll raise up a standard, the power of His blood, The battle belongs to the Lord.

And we sing glory, honor, pow'r and strength to the Lord. We sing glory, honor, pow'r and strength to the Lord.

When your enemy presses in hard, do not fear, The battle belongs to the Lord.

Take courage, my friend, your redemption is near, The battle belongs to the Lord.

And we sing glory, honor, pow'r and strength to the Lord. We sing glory, honor, pow'r and strength to the Lord. And we sing glory, honor, pow'r and strength to the Lord. We sing glory, honor, pow'r and strength to the Lord.

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