

Midweek of the Fourth Sunday in Lent

March 25, 2020

772 In Holy Conversation

LSB 772

- 1 In holy conversation
 We speak to God in prayer,
And at His invitation
 Our deepest thoughts we share.
We come, His will obeying,
 As children bringing needs;
And to support our praying,
 His Spirit intercedes.
- 2 These holy conversations
 Begin in childlike ways;
We bring our supplications
 And words of thanks and praise.
With care our Father listens
 To ev'ry thought expressed,
Then answers our petitions
 In ways He knows are best.
- 3 As holy conversation,
 In silence or by word,
In ev'ry situation
 Through Jesus, we are heard.
So let us pray securely,
 Expressing hopes and fears
With confidence that surely
 Our Father ever hears.

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L The Lord Almighty grant us a quiet night and peace at the last.

C **Amen.**

L It is good to give thanks to the Lord,

C **to sing praises to Your name, O Most High;**

L to herald Your love in the morning,

C **Your truth at the close of the day.**

L Let us confess our sin in the presence of God and of one another.

Silence for self-examination.

- L Holy and gracious God,
 C **I confess that I have sinned against You this day. Some of my sin I know—the thoughts and words and deed of which I am ashamed—but some is known only to You. In the name of Jesus Christ I ask forgiveness. Deliver and restore me that I may rest in peace.**
 L By the mercy of God we are redeemed by Jesus Christ, and in Him we are forgiven. We rest now in His peace and rise in the morning to serve Him.
 C **Amen.**

Stand

Psalmody

Psalm

Psalm 28:1–9

- C ¹To you, O LORD, I call;
 my rock, be not | deaf to me,*
 lest, if you be silent to me,
 I become like those who go down | to the pit.
²Hear the voice of my pleas for mercy,
 when I cry to | you for help,*
 when I lift up my hands
 toward your most holy sanctu- | ary.
³Do not drag me off with the wicked,
 with the workers of | evil,*
 who speak peace with their neighbors
 while evil is | in their hearts.
⁴Give to them according to their work
 and according to the evil | of their deeds;*
 give to them according to the work of their hands;
 render them their | due reward.
⁵Because they do not regard the works of the LORD
 or the work | of his hands,*
 he will tear them down and build them | up no more.
⁶Blesséd | be the LORD!*
 for he has heard the voice of my pleas for | mercy.
⁷The LORD is my strength and my shield;
 in him my heart trusts, and | I am helped;*
 my heart exults,
 and with my song I give | thanks to him.
⁸The LORD is the strength of his | people;*
 he is the saving refuge of his a- | nointed.
⁹Oh, save your people and bless your | heritage!*
 Be their shepherd and carry them for- | ever.
 Glory be to the Father and | to the Son*
 and to the Holy | Spirit;
 as it was in the be- | ginning,*
 is now, and will be forever. | Amen.

Sit

Readings from Holy Scripture

Luke 23: 1-25

Matthew 6: 31-33 ³¹ [Jesus said,] "Therefore do not be anxious, saying, 'What shall we eat?' or 'What shall we drink?' or 'What shall we wear?' ³²For the Gentiles seek after all these things, and your heavenly Father knows that you need them all. ³³But seek first the kingdom of God and his righteousness, and all these things will be added to you."

Responsory

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- L Into Your hands, O Lord, I commend my spirit.
C **Into Your hands I commend my spirit.**
L You have redeemed me, O Lord, God of truth.
C **Into Your hands I commend my spirit.**
L Glory be to the Father and to the Son and to the Holy Spirit.
C **Into Your hands I commend my spirit.**

766 Our Father, Who from Heaven Above

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- 1 Our Father, who from heav'n above
Bids all of us to live in love
As members of one family
And pray to You in unity,
Teach us no thoughtless words to say
But from our inmost hearts to pray.
- 5 Give us this day our daily bread,
And let us all be clothed and fed.
Save us from hardship, war, and strife;
In plague and famine, spare our life,
That we in honest peace may live,
To care and greed no entrance give.
- 9 Amen, that is, so shall it be.
Make strong our faith in You, that we
May doubt not but with trust believe
That what we ask we shall receive.
Thus in Your name and at Your Word
We say, "Amen, O hear us, Lord!"

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Kneel/Stand

Prayer

L Hear my prayer, O Lord;

C **listen to my cry.**

L Keep me as the apple of Your eye;

C **hide me in the shadow of Your wings.**

L In righteousness I shall see You;

C **when I awake Your presence will give me joy.**

L Be present, merciful God, and protect us through the hours of this night, so that we who are wearied by the changes and chances of life may find our rest in You; through Jesus Christ, our Lord.

C **Amen.**

L Abide with us, Lord, for it is toward evening, and the day is far spent. Abide with us and with Your whole Church. Abide with us at the end of the day, at the end of our life, at the end of the world. Abide with us with Your grace and goodness, with Your holy word and Sacrament, with Your strength and blessing. Abide with us when the night of affliction and temptation comes upon us, the night of fear and despair, the night when death draws near. Abide with us and with all the faithful, now and forever.

C **Amen.**

Lord's Prayer

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L Taught by our Lord and trusting His promises, we are bold to pray:

C **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.

Stand

Nunc Dimittis

LSB 258

L Guide us waking, O Lord,
and guard us sleeping
that awake we may watch with Christ
and asleep we may rest in peace.

C **Lord, now You let Your servant go in peace;
Your word has been fulfilled.
My own eyes have seen the salvation
which you have prepared in the sight of ev'ry people:
a light to reveal You to the nations
and the glory of Your people Israel.
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.
Guide us waking, O Lord,
and guard us sleeping
that awake we may watch with Christ
and asleep we may rest in peace.**

Benediction

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L The almighty and merciful Lord, the Father, the T Son, and the Holy Spirit, bless us and keep us.
C **Amen.**

877 God, Who Made the Earth and Heaven

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1 God, who made the earth and heaven,
Darkness and light:
You the day for work have given,
For rest the night.
May Your angel guards defend us,
Slumber sweet Your mercy send us,
Holy dreams and hopes attend us
All through the night.

2 And when morn again shall call us
To run life's way,
May we still, whate'er befall us,
Your will obey.
From the pow'r of evil hide us,
In the narrow pathway guide us,
Never be Your smile denied us
All through the day.

3 Guard us waking, guard us sleeping,
And when we die,
May we in Your mighty keeping
All peaceful lie.
When the last dread call shall wake us,
Then, O Lord, do not forsake us,
But to reign in glory take us
With You on high.

4 Holy Father, throned in heaven,
All-holy Son,
Holy Spirit, freely given,
Blest Three in One:
Grant us grace, we now implore You,
Till we lay our crowns before You
And in worthier strains adore You
While ages run.

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