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March 12 - April 9, 2025 - 7:00 pm

Mid-Week Lenten Vespers

Worship on Sundays: 8:00 & 10:15 am

Lenten Supper 6:00 Vespers 6:30

Season of Lent: Mid-Week Lenten Vespers

P: In the name of the Father, and the ✠ Son, and of the Holy Spirit.

C: Amen

P: Blessed be God who is merciful and gracious, slow to anger and rich in love.
God does not treat us as our sins deserve nor punish us according to our guilt,
But look upon us in compassion, forgives our sin, and heals our lives.
Therefore let us confess our sin in the presence of God and one another.

Have mercy, O God,

Against you, you alone, have we sinned.

In your compassion, cleanse us from our sin and take away our guilt.

Create in us a new heart, and give us a steadfast spirit.

**Do not cast us away, but fill us with your Holy Spirit
and restore your joy within us.**

P: As tender as parent to child, so gentle is God with you.
As high as heaven is above earth, so vast is God's love for you.
As far as east is from west, so far God removes your sin from you,
Renewing your life through Jesus Christ.

P: Blessed be God who crowns us with mercy and love.

C: Blessed be God forever.

Gathering- "Unfailing Light Liturgy" Martyr Haugen

L: O servants of God, let us sing our praise.

C: We bless your holy name, O God.

L: From the rising of the sun to its setting,

C: We bless your holy name, O God.

L: You lift up the weak and hungry.

C: We bless your holy name, O God.

L: And your glory shines above the heavens.

All: We bless your holy name O God.

- 1. Your canopy of vigil lights, each star your hand has set in place,
Bestows a blessing on the night, and all creation sings your praise.
You formed the moon and fired the sun, you quickened dust with holy breath
and binding us to your dear Son, renewed our life, destroyed our death.**
- 2. You walk with us along the way, your Word, a lamp to pilgrim feet.
Stay with us now at close of day, our unknown guest, our host and feast.
Grant those who share this evening meal the faith and vision to believe
that hearts might see what eyes conceal.
By grace your presence we receive.**

3. Refreshed by sabbath rest this night, awaken us to your shalom,
The reign of Christ, unfailing Light, where peace and justice are at home
And saints need neither moon nor sun to sing your praise eternally,
O merciful, immortal One, O blessed, holy Trinity.

GOSPEL READING

DEVOTION

LORD'S PRAYER

Our Father in heaven, Hallowed be your name, Your kingdom come,
Your will be done, On earth as 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 for ever. Amen

BLESSING

P: Holy God, Blessed Trinity, strengthen your faith
Increase your hope, deepen your love ✠ and give you peace this night and always
C: Amen

WATCH, O LORD

Refrain - Watch, O Lord with all those awake this night,
Watch, O Lord with all those who weep.
Give your angels and saints charge over all who sleep.

1. Tend your ailing ones, in your love, Lord.
Rest your weary ones, in you love Lord.
Bless your dying ones, in your love, O Lord of all. *Refrain*
2. Sooth your suff'ring ones, in your love, Lord.
Heal afflicted ones, in your love, Lord.
Shield your joyous ones, in your love, O Lord of all. *Refrain*
Refrain - Watch, O Lord with all those awake this night,
Watch, O Lord with all those who weep.
Give your angels and saints charge over all who sleep.
3. Hold your grieving ones, in your love, Lord.
Raise your fallen ones, in your love, Lord.
Mend your broken ones, in your love, O Lord of all. *Refrain*
4. Guard your little ones, in your love Lord.
Guide your searching ones, in your love, Lord.
Grant us all your peace, in your love, O Lord of all. *Refrain*

SENDING

P: Go in peace. Rest in God. Rise to serve.
C: Thanks be to God.