# **VESPERS**

for Midweek of Lent 2



Lent Versicles LSB 229

## **PSALMODY**

## Psalm 119:9–16 Beth

<sup>9</sup>How can a young man keep his | way pure?\*

By guarding it according to your word.

<sup>10</sup>With my whole heart I | seek you;\*

let me not wander from your com- | mandments!

<sup>11</sup>I have stored up your word | in my heart,\* that I might not sin a- | gainst you.

<sup>12</sup>Blessèd are you, | O LORD;\* teach me your | statutes!

<sup>13</sup>With my lips | I declare\*

all the just decrees | of your mouth.

<sup>14</sup>In the way of your testimonies | I delight\* as much as in all | riches.

<sup>15</sup>I will meditate on your | precepts\* and fix my eyes | on your ways.

<sup>16</sup>I will delight in your | statutes:\* I will not for- get your word.

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.

Office Hymn: God, Who Made the Earth and Heaven LSB 877

## READINGS

Reading Hebrews 4:14-16 Reading Matthew 10:28-39

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## Apostles' Creed

I believe in God, the Father Almighty, maker of heaven and earth. And in Jesus Christ, His only Son, our Lord, who was conceived by the Holy Spirit, born of the virgin Mary. 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 sits at the right hand of God the Father Almighty. From thence He will come to judge the living and the dead. I believe in the Holy Spirit. the holy Christian Church, the communion of saints. the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body, and the life + everlasting. Amen.

#### Catechetical Instruction

## **CANTICLE**

Antiphon (Common)	LSB 231
Magnificat	LSB 231

Offering

Hymn: 954 We All Believe in One True God LSB 954

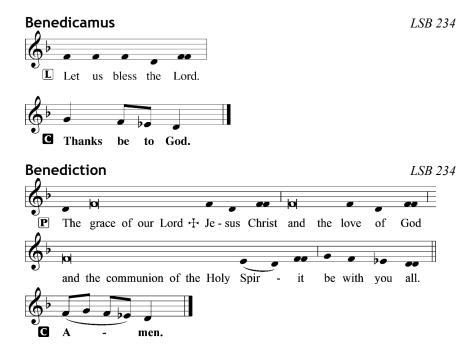
## **RESPONSIVE PRAYER 1**

- L Holy God, holy and most gracious Father,
- C have mercy and hear us.

## Lord's Prayer Apostles' Creed

- **L** Show us Your steadfast love, O Lord,
- **C** and grant us Your salvation.
- Let Your priests be clothed with righteousness;
- **C** and let Your saints shout for joy.
- L Lord, keep this nation under Your care,
- and guide us in the way of justice and truth.
- Let the nations be glad and sing for joy,
- for You judge the peoples with equity and guide the nations upon the earth.
- Let the peoples praise You, O God;
- C let all the peoples praise You!
- L For the needy shall not always be forgotten,
- and the hope of the poor shall not perish forever.
- L Create in me a clean heart, O God,
- and renew a right spirit within me.
- **L** Hear my prayer, O Lord;
- **C** let my cry come to You.
- **L** Let us pray.
  - O God, You see that of ourselves we have no strength. By Your mighty power defend us from all adversities that may happen to the body and from all evil thoughts that may assault and hurt the soul; through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.
- C Amen.

I thank You, my heavenly Father, through Jesus Christ, Your dear Son, that You have graciously kept me this day; and I pray that You would forgive me all my sins where I have done wrong, and graciously keep me this night. For into Your hands I commend myself, my body and soul, and all things. Let Your holy angel be with me, that the evil foe may have no power over me.



Hymn: 429 We Sing the Praise of Him Who Died LSB 429

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