### 935 Tell Out, My Soul, the Greatness of the Lord

- Tell out, my soul, the greatness of the Lord! Unnumbered blessings, give my spirit voice; Tender to me the promise of His Word; In God my Savior shall my heart rejoice.
- Tell out, my soul, the greatness of His name! Make known His might, the deeds His arm has done; His mercy sure, from age to age the same: His holy name, the Lord, the Mighty One.
- Tell out, my soul, the greatness of His might! Pow'rs and dominions lay their glory by. Proud hearts and stubborn wills are put to flight, The hungry fed, the humble lifted high.
- Tell out, my soul, the glories of His Word! Firm is His promise, and His mercy sure. Tell out, my soul, the greatness of the Lord To children's children and forevermore!

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### **Opening Versicles**

- This is the day which the Lord has made;
- let us rejoice and be glad in it. C
- **I** From the rising of the sun to its setting,
- **C** the name of the Lord is to be praised.
- L Out of Zion, the perfection of beauty, God shines forth.
- Our God shall come; He does not keep silence.
- **I** Prepare the way of the Lord.
- **C** Make His paths straight.
- Shower, O heavens, from above, and let the skies rain down righteousness.
- Let the earth open, that salvation may sprout forth.
- L From the rising of the sun to its setting,
- **C** the name of the Lord is to be praised.
- **C** 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.

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# Readings From Holy Scripture

Reading Zephaniah 3:14-20

<sup>14</sup>Sing aloud, O daughter of Zion; shout, O Israel!

Rejoice and exult with all your heart,

O daughter of Jerusalem!

<sup>15</sup>The LORD has taken away the judgments against you;

he has cleared away your enemies.

The King of Israel, the LORD, is in your midst; you shall never again fear evil.

<sup>16</sup>On that day it shall be said to Jerusalem: "Fear not, O Zion; let not your hands grow weak. <sup>17</sup>The LORD your God is in your midst, a mighty one who will save; he will rejoice over you with gladness; he will quiet you by his love; he will exult over you with loud singing. <sup>18</sup>I will gather those of you who mourn for the festival, so that you will no longer suffer reproach. <sup>19</sup>Behold, at that time I will deal with all your oppressors. And I will save the lame and gather the outcast, and I will change their shame into praise and renown in all the earth. <sup>20</sup>At that time I will bring you in, at the time when I gather you together; for I will make you renowned and praised among all the peoples of the earth. when I restore your fortunes before your eyes," says the LORD.

Reading Luke 7:18–28

<sup>18</sup>The disciples of John reported all these things to him. And John, <sup>19</sup>calling two of his disciples to him, sent them to the Lord, saying, "Are you the one who is to come, or shall we look for another?" <sup>20</sup>And when the men had come to him, they said, "John the Baptist has sent us to you, saying, 'Are you the one who is to come, or shall we look for another?" <sup>21</sup>In that hour he healed many people of diseases and plagues and evil spirits, and on many who were blind he bestowed sight. <sup>22</sup>And he answered them, "Go and tell John what you have seen and heard: the blind receive their sight, the lame walk, lepers are cleansed, and the deaf hear, the dead are raised up, the poor have good news preached to them. <sup>23</sup>And blessed is the one who is not offended by me."

<sup>24</sup>When John's messengers had gone, Jesus began to speak to the crowds concerning John: "What did you go out into the wilderness to see? A reed shaken by the wind? <sup>25</sup>What then did you go out to see? A man dressed in soft clothing? Behold, those who are dressed in splendid clothing and live in luxury are in kings' courts. <sup>26</sup>What then did you go out to see? A prophet? Yes, I tell you, and more than a prophet. <sup>27</sup>This is he of whom it is written,

"Behold, I send my messenger before your face, who will prepare your way before you.'

<sup>28</sup>I tell you, among those born of women none is greater than John. Yet the one who is least in the kingdom of God is greater than he."

Psalms, hymns, or choral music may be sung between the readings.

## Responsory

- **L** Behold, the days are coming, says the Lord, when I will raise up for David a righteous Branch.
- This is the name by which He will be called: The Lord Is Our Righteousness.
- L He shall reign as king and deal wisely, and shall execute justice and righteousness in the land.
- This is the name by which He will be called: The Lord Is Our Righteousness.
- **L** Glory be to the Father and to the Son and to the Holy Spirit.
- This is the name by which He will be called: The Lord Is Our Righteousness.

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#### Ten Commandments

**C** You shall have no other gods.

You shall not misuse the name of the Lord your God.

Remember the Sabbath day by keeping it holy.

Honor your father and your mother.

You shall not murder.

You shall not commit adultery.

You shall not steal.

You shall not give false testimony against your neighbor.

You shall not covet your neighbor's house.

You shall not covet your neighbor's wife, or his manservant or maidservant, his ox or donkey, or anything that belongs to your neighbor.

## **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.

### 348 The King Shall Come When Morning Dawns

- The King shall come when morning dawns
   And light triumphant breaks,
   When beauty gilds the eastern hills
   And life to joy awakes.
- Not as of old a little child,
   To bear and fight and die,
   But crowned with glory like the sun
   That lights the morning sky.
- 3 Oh, brighter than the rising morn When Christ, victorious, rose And left the lonesome place of death Despite the rage of foes.
- 4 Oh, brighter than that glorious morn
  Shall dawn upon our race
  The day when Christ in splendor comes
  And we shall see His face.

The King shall come when morning dawns
 And light and beauty brings.

 Hail, Christ the Lord! Your people pray:
 Come quickly, King of kings!

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### Sermon

### Offering

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# Lord's Prayer

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.

#### Collect for the Word

- E Blessed Lord, You have caused all Holy Scriptures to be written for our learning. Grant that we may so hear them, read, mark, learn, and take them to heart that, by the patience and comfort of Your holy Word, we may embrace and ever hold fast the blessed hope of everlasting life; through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.
- C Amen.

## **Evening Prayer**

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.

Amen.

## **Blessing**

- **L** Let us bless the Lord.
- **C** Thanks be to God.
- The almighty and merciful Lord, the Father, the 'H' Son, and the Holy Spirit, bless and preserve you.
- C Amen.

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