

Entrance Hymn: Abide with Me

Abide with me; fast falls the eventide; The darkness deepens; Lord with me abide; When other helpers fail, and comforts flee, Help of the helpless, O abide with me.

Swift to its close ebbs out life's little day; Earth's joys grow dim, its glories pass away; Change and decay in all around I see; O Thou, Who changes not, abide with me.

I need Thy presence every passing hour; What but Thy grace can foil the tempter's power? Who like Thyself my guide and stay can be? Through cloud and sunshine, Lord abide with me.

I fear no foe with Thee at hand to bless; Ills have no weight, and tears no bitterness; Where is death's sting? Where grave, thy victory? I triumph still, if Thou abide with me.

Hold Thou Thy cross before my closing eyes; Shine through the gloom, and point me to the skies; Heav'n's morning breaks, and earth's vain shadows flee; In life, in death, O Lord, abide with me.

Text: Henry Francis Lyte 1793-1847. Tune: EVENTIDE 10 10 10 10; William Henry Monk 1823-1889.

Responsorial Psalm: Ps 125 (126). R. v.3

The Lord has done great things for us; we are filled with joy.

Gospel Acclamation

Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ, king of endless glory! With all your heart turn to me, for I am tender and compassionate. Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ, king of endless glory

Hymn: O God You Search Me

O God, you search me and you know me, All my thoughts lie open to your gaze, When I walk or lie down you are before me: Ever the maker and keeper of my days.

You know my resting and my rising, You discern my purpose from afar, And with love everlasting you besiege me: In ev'ry moment of life or death, you are.

Before a word is on my tongue, Lord, You have known its meaning through and through, You are with me beyond my understanding: God of my present, my past and future too.

Although your Spirit is upon me, Still I search for shelter from your light, There is nowhere on earth I can escape you: Even the darkness is radiant in your sight.

For you created me and shaped me, Gave me life within my mother's womb, For the wonders of who I am, I praise you: Safe in your hands, all creation is made new.

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Communion Hymn: Let all Mortal Flesh Keep Silence

Let all mortal flesh keep silence And with fear and trembling stand; Ponder nothing earthly-minded, For with blessing in his hand Christ our God to earth descendeth, Our full homage to demand.

King of kings, yet born of Mary, as of old on earth he stood, Lord of lords, in human vesture, in the body and the blood: he will give to all the faithful his own self for heav'nly food.

Rank on rank the host of heaven spreads its vanguard on the way, as the Light of light descendeth from the realms of endless day, that the pow'rs of hell may vanish as the darkness clears away.

Liturgy of St James tr G Moultrie (1829-85)

Recessional Hymn: Though the Mountains May Fall

Though the mountains may fall and the hills turn to dust, yet the love of the Lord will stand – as a shelter for all who will call on his name. Sing the praise and the glory of God.

Could the Lord ever leave you? Could the Lord forget his love? Though a mother forsake her child, God will not abandon you.

Should you turn and forsake him, He will gently call your name. Should you wander away from him, He will always take you back. As he swore to your fathers When the flood destroyed the land He will never forsake you He will swear to you again,

(Go to him when you're weary; He will give you eagle's wings. You will run, never tire, For your God will be your strength.)

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