433 God Was There on Calvary

- God was there on Calvary,God the Father's only Son,dying that the world might live,there on Calvary.
- 2 All the world on Calvary crucified the Prince of life, pierced the hands of God's own Son, there on Calvary.
- 3 Sin was there on Calvary, all the sins of ev'ryone, laid upon God's sinless Lamb there on Calvary.
- Love was there on Calvary,
 streaming from the heart of God,
 reaching out for ev'ryone
 there on Calvary.

- Life was there on Calvary,
 flowing from his wounded side,
 spent that death itself might die
 there on Calvary.
- 6 We were there on Calvary; we were pardoned, saved, set free, saved to live eternally blessèd Calvary!

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(Stand)

Opening Sentences

CW 215

Jesus Christ is the light of the world, the light no darkness can overcome.

Stay with us, Lord, for it is evening, and the day is almost over.

Be our light and scatter the darkness,

and hear our evening prayer and praise.

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Hymn of Light

CW 216

- Gladd'ning light of purest glory, shining down from heav'n on high, from the everliving Father—hail, most blessed Jesus Christ!
- In the fading light of evening, as the setting sun departs, Father, Son, and Holy Spirit—we adore you, Lord our God.
- For your gift of life unending, joyful voices ever sing hymns of praise that rightly honor, Son of God, your saving name.

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Prayer

Blessed are you, O Lord our God, King of the universe, who led your people Israel with a pillar of cloud by day

and a pillar of fire by night. Enlighten our darkness by the light of your Christ. May his Word be a lamp to our feet and a light to our path, for you are merciful and you love your whole creation. We, your creatures, glorify you—Father, Son, and Holy Spirit.

Amen.

(Be seated)

Psalm 141 CW 217

Let my prayer rise before you as incense, the lifting up of my hands as the evening sacrifice.

O Lord, I call to you; come to me quickly; hear my voice when I cry to you.

Let my prayer rise before you as incense, the lifting up of my hands as the evening sacrifice.

Let the incense of our prayers rise before you, O Lord, and let your mercy descend on us, that we may sing your praises with the Church on earth and forever in heaven; through Jesus Christ our Lord.

Amen.

85 LORD, in Your Mercy, Hear My Prayer

Psalm 85

Refrain

LORD, in your mercy hear my prayer; your goodness never fails.

You, LORD, forgave the iniquity of your / people and covered / all their sins.

You set aside / all your wrath and turned from your fierce / anger.

Show us your unfailing / love, LORD, and grant us your sal- / vation. *Refrain*

I will listen to what God the / LORD says; he promises peace to his / people.

Surely his salvation is near those who / fear him, that his glory may dwell / in our land.

Love and faithfulness meet to- / gether; righteousness and peace kiss each / other.

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. Refrain

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(The following prayer is said:)

God of love and faithfulness, you showed favor to your people by sending your one and only Son to be our Savior. Help us to trust in him as our gracious Redeemer and so enjoy the peace he came to bring, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

Amen.

The Sixth Part of the Passion History

The Word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

658 With All My Heart I Praise You, Lord

CW 658

With all my heart I praise you, Lord,that in your Son you saved me.You saw in me what you deplored;

my grievous sin enslaved me.

Yet, Lord, you paid the highest price,
Jesus' atoning sacrifice,
that you might ever own me.
Were I to bless you all my days,
it would be insufficient praise
for kindness you have shown me.

- When I confess my sin and shame, peace and forgiveness seeking, you grant me pardon in your name before I've finished speaking! In love you listen carefully to all our sighs of misery, our ev'ry need addressing.
 Our guilt should make you turn away; instead you turn toward us and say: "Receive my gracious blessing."
- 2 Lord, I rejoice to be your guest, at your rich table feeding, there, by your mercy, finding rest

and all my soul is needing.

Let your good Spirit work within to show that all my wretched sin has truly been forgiven.

Thus, well prepared, Lord, I believe that in your supper I receive life, pardon, peace, and heaven.

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Sermon (Stand)

Song of Mary

CW 220

My soul proclaims the greatness of the Lord; my spirit rejoices in God my Savior, for he has looked with favor on his lowly servant. From this day all generations will call me blessed

The Almighty has done great things for me, and holy is his name.

He has mercy on those who fear him in ev'ry generation.

He has shown the strength of his arm; he has scattered the proud in their conceit. He has cast down the mighty from their thrones and has lifted up the lowly. He has filled the hungry with good things, and the rich he has sent away empty

He has come to the help of his servant Israel, for he has remembered his promise of mercy, the promise made to our fathers, to Abraham, and to his children forever. Amen.

(Be seated)

Offering

(Stand)

Lord, Have Mercy

In peace let us pray to the Lord:

Lord, have mercy.

For the peace from above and for our salvation, let us pray to the Lord:

Lord, have mercy.

For the peace of the whole world, for the well-being of the Church of God, and for the unity of all, let us pray to the Lord:

Lord, have mercy.

For this holy house and for all who offer here their worship and praise, let us pray to the Lord: **Lord, have mercy.**

For the leaders of our synod and district, for all pastors in Christ, for all who are servants of the Church, and for all the people of God, let us pray to the Lord:

Lord, have mercy.

For all who govern our nation and for all public servants, that they may be upheld and strengthened for every good deed, let us pray to the Lord:

Lord, have mercy.

For those who work to bring peace, justice, health, and protection in this and every place, let us pray to the Lord:

Lord, have mercy.

For those who bring offerings, those who do good works in this congregation, those who toil, those who sing, and all who await from the Lord great and abundant mercy, let us pray to the Lord:

Lord, have mercy.

For favorable weather, for an abundance of the fruits of the earth, and for peaceful times, let us pray to the Lord: **Lord, have mercy.**

For our deliverance from all affliction, wrath, danger, and need, let us pray to the Lord:

Lord, have mercy.

For . . . [additional bids for prayer may be inserted here] . . . let us pray to the Lord:

Lord, have mercy.

For the faithful who have gone before us and are with Christ, let us give thanks to the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

Help, save, comfort, and defend us, gracious Lord.

Silence for individual prayer may follow.

Rejoicing in the fellowship of all the saints, let us commend ourselves, one another, and our whole life to Christ our Lord:

to you, O Lord.

(Prayers of intercession, seasonal prayers, and the Prayer of the Day may follow.)

Prayer of the Day

Abide with us, Lord, for it is evening and the day is almost over. Abide with us and with your whole Church.

Abide with us in the evening of the day, in the evening of life, in the evening of the world. Abide with us in your grace and goodness, in your holy Word and sacrament, in your comfort and blessing. Abide with us when we are overcome by the night of sorrow and fear, by the night of doubt and affliction, by the night of bitter death. Abide with us and with all your people in time and in eternity.

Amen.

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.

Benedicamus

Let us praise the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

Blessing

The grace of our Lord + Jesus Christ and the love of God and the fellowship of the Holy Spirit be with you all.

Amen.

(Be seated)

794 Now Rest beneath Night's Shadow

CW 794

Now rest beneath night's shadow the woodland, field, and meadow; the world in slumber lies.
But you, my heart, awaken, with prayer and song be taken; let praise to your Creator rise.

The rule of day is over
and shining jewels cover
the heaven's boundless blue.
Thus I shall shine in heaven,
where crowns of gold are given
to all who faithful prove and true.
Lord Jesus, since you love me,

O spread your wings above me and shield me from alarm.
Though Satan would assail me,

your mercy will not fail me;
I rest in your protecting arm.

4 My loved ones, rest securely, for God this night will surely from peril guard your heads.

Sweet slumbers may he send you and bid his hosts attend you and through the night watch o'er your beds.

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