



Commencement Vespers

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Bethany
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***Indicates all may stand**

Prelude

***Hymn: From All that Dwell Below the Skies**, ELH 16

***Versicles and Gloria Patri**, p.120 (led by Concert Choir)

Choral Anthem (Concert Choir)

Ubi caritas - Maurice Duruflé

Ubi caritas et amor, Deus ibi est.
Congregavit nos in unum Christi amor.
Exultemus, et in ipso iucundemur.
Timeamus, et amemus Deum vivum.
Et ex corde diligamus nos sincero. Amen.

*Where charity and love are, God is there.
Christ's love has gathered us into one.
Let us rejoice and be pleased in him.
Let us fear, and let us love the living God.
And may we love each other
with a sincere heart. Amen.*

Lesson: John 8:31-32

Then Jesus said to those Jews who believed Him, "If you abide in My word, you are My disciples indeed. And you shall know the truth, and the truth shall make you free."

Responsory (Mary Martha Singers)

Arise, My Soul, Arise - Dan Forrest

Arise, my soul, arise, Shake off thy guilty fears;
The bleeding Sacrifice in my behalf appears:
Before the Throne, my Surety stands.
My name is written on His hands.

Five bleeding wounds He bears, Received on Calvary,
They pour effectual prayers, they strongly plead for me:
"Forgive her, O forgive," they cry,
"Nor let that ransomed sinner die."

My God is reconciled, His pard'ning voice I hear;
He owns me for His child, I can no longer fear;
With confidence I now draw nigh,
And "Father, Abba, Father," cry.
Arise, my soul, arise.

Homily

***Canticle Hymn: All Glory Be to God on High**, ELH 35

***Kyrie, Lord's Prayer**, p. 124

***Hymn: Grant Peace, We Pray**, ELH 584

***Collects, with sung "Amen,"** p. 125

***Benedicamus and Benediction**, p. 125-127 (led by Concert Choir)

***Hymn: Come, Holy Ghost, God and Lord**, ELH 2

Announcements: President Gene R. Pfeifer

Postlude

Participants:

Officiant: Chaplain Don Moldstad
Concert Choir: Directed by David Paulson
Mary Martha Singers: Directed by Ann Fredrickson
Organ: Mark DeGarmeaux, Naomi Anderson,
Cyril Palm, Hannah Caauwe
Violin: Annika Doberenz
Piano: Hannah Caauwe