

Welcome to Vespers for **Fridays in the Season of Lent**. The Service for Vespers is on p141-153 in the Lutheran Book of Worship. The Psalms for this evening are **Psalm 119:73-80 on page 275-6** and **Psalm 130 on page 281**. The hymn tonight is **#91**.

PSALM 119:73-80 (*The cantor will sing the antiphon. The psalm will be sung in unison.*)

ANTIPHON

Give me | understanding,
that I may learn | your commandments.*

⁷³Your hands have made me and | fashioned me;*
give me understanding, that I may learn | your commandments.

⁷⁴Those who fear you will be glad | when they see me,*
because I trust | in your word.

⁷⁵I know, O LORD, that your judg- | ments are right*
and that in faithfulness you have af- | flicted me.

⁷⁶Let your lovingkindness | be my comfort,*
as you have promised | to your servant.

⁷⁷Let your compassion come to me, that | I may live,*
for your law is | my delight.

⁷⁸Let the arrogant be put to shame, for they wrong | me with lies;*
but I will meditate on | your commandments.

⁷⁹Let those who fear you | turn to me,*
and also those who know | your decrees.

⁸⁰Let my heart be sound | in your statutes,*
that I may not be | put to shame.

ANTIPHON

Give me | understanding,
that I may learn | your commandments.*

PSALM 130

(The cantor will sing the antiphon. The psalm will be sung in unison.)

ANTIPHON

*With the LORD | there is mercy;**
with him there is plen- | teous redemption.

¹Out of the depths have I called to you, O LORD; LORD, | hear my voice;*
let your ears consider well the voice of my | supplication.

²If you, LORD, were to note what is | done amiss,*
O Lord, | who could stand?

³For there is forgive- | ness with you;*
therefore you | shall be feared.

⁴I wait for the LORD; my soul | waits for him;*
in his word | is my hope.

⁵My soul waits for the LORD, more than watchmen | for the morning,*
more than watchmen | for the morning.

⁶O Israel, wait | for the LORD,*
for with the LORD | there is mercy;

⁷with him there is plen- | teous redemption,*
and he shall redeem Israel from | all their sins.

ANTIPHON

*With the LORD | there is mercy;**
with him there is plen- | teous redemption.

Savior, When in Dust to You



1 Sav-ior, when in dust to you low we bow in hom - age due;
2 By your help - less in - fant years, by your life of want and tears,
3 By your hour of dire de - spair, by your ag - o - ny of prayer,
4 By your deep ex - pir - ing groan, by the sad se - pul - chral stone,



when, re - pen - tant, to the skies scarce we lift our weep - ing eyes;
by your days of deep dis - tress in the sav - age wil - der - ness,
by the cross, the nail, the thorn, pierc - ing spear, and tor - turing scorn,
by the vault whose dark a - bode held in vain the ris - ing God,



oh, by all your pains and woe suf - fer - ed once for us be - low,
by the dread, mys - te - rious hour of the in - sult - ing tempt - er's pow'r,
by the gloom that veiled the skies o'er the dread - ful sac - ri - fice,
oh, from earth to heav'n re - stored, might - y, re - as - cend - ed Lord,



bend - ing from your throne on high, hear our pen - i - ten - tial cry!
turn, oh, turn a fa - v'ring eye; hear our pen - i - ten - tial cry!
lis - ten to our hum - ble sigh; hear our pen - i - ten - tial cry!
bend - ing from your throne on high, hear our pen - i - ten - tial cry!

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