

Welcome to Vespers for **Saturday (Week 1)**. The Service for Vespers can be found on p142-153 in the Lutheran Book of Worship (LBW). The Psalms for this evening are **Psalm 42 found on page 234 and Psalm 43 on page 234**. The hymn is **#173**.

PSALM 42 *(The cantor will speak / sing the antiphon. The psalm will be spoken / sung in unison.)*

ANTIPHON

My soul is athirst for God, athirst for the | living God;
when shall I come to appear before the pres- | ence of God?*

¹As the deer longs | for the water-brooks,*
so longs my soul for | you, O God.

²My soul is athirst for God, athirst for the | living God;*
when shall I come to appear before the pres- | ence of God?

³My tears have been my food | day and night,*
while all day long they say to me, “Where now | is your God?”

⁴I pour out my soul when I think | on these things;*
how I went with the multitude and led them into the | house of God,

⁵with the voice of praise | and thanksgiving,*
among those | who keep holy-day.

⁶Why are you so full of heaviness, | O my soul?*

And why are you so disquiet- | ed within me?

⁷Put your | trust in God;*
for I will yet give thanks to him, who is the help of my countenance, | and my God.

⁸My soul is heav- | y within me;*
therefore I will remember you from the land of Jordan, and from the peak of Mizar
among the | heights of Hermon.

⁹One deep calls to another in the noise | of your cataracts;*
all your rapids and floods have gone | over me.

¹⁰The LORD grants his lovingkindness | in the daytime;*
in the night season his song is with me, a prayer to the God | of my life.

¹¹I will say to the God of my strength, “Why have you for- | gotten me,*
and why do I go so heavily while the enemy op- | presses me?”

¹²While my bones are | being broken,*
my enemies mock me | to my face;

¹³all day | long they mock me*
and say to me, “Where now | is your God?”

¹⁴Why are you so full of heaviness, | O my soul?*

And why are you so disquiet- | ed within me?

¹⁵Put your | trust in God;*

for I will yet give thanks to him, who is the help of my countenance, | and my God.

ANTIPHON

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PSALM 43 *(The cantor will speak / sing the antiphon. The psalm will be spoken / sung in unison.)*

ANTIPHON

*Send out your light | and your truth,**
that | they may lead me.

¹Give judgment for me, O God, and defend my cause against an un- | godly people;*

deliver me from the deceitful | and the wicked.

²For you are the God of my strength; why have you put | me from you,*
and why do I go so heavily while the enemy op- | presses me?

³Send out your light and your truth, that | they may lead me,*
and bring me to your holy hill and | to your dwelling;

⁴that I may go to the altar of God, to the God of my | joy and gladness;*

and on the harp I will give thanks to you, O | God my God.

⁵Why are you so full of heaviness, | O my soul?*

And why are you so disquiet- | ed within me?

⁶Put your | trust in God;*

for I will yet give thanks to him, who is the help of my countenance | and my God.

ANTIPHON

*Send out your light | and your truth,**

that | they may lead me.

The Head That Once Was Crowned

1 The head that once was crowned with thorns is crowned with glo - ry now;
2 The high - est place that heav'n af - fords is his by sov-'reign right,
3 The joy of all who dwell a - bove, the joy of all be - low
4 To them the cross, with all its shame, with all its grace, is giv'n;

a roy - al di - a - dem a - dorns the might - y vic - tor's brow.
the King of kings, and Lord of lords, and heav'n's e - ter - nal light.
to whom he man - i - fests his love, and grants his name to know;
their name, an ev - er - last - ing name, their joy, the joy of heav'n.

5 They suffer with their Lord below;
they reign with him above;
their profit and their joy to know
the myst'ry of his love.

6 The cross he bore is life and health,
though shame and death to him;
his people's hope, his people's wealth,
their everlasting theme!

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