

Welcome to Vespers for **The Mary, Mother of Our Lord**. The Service for Vespers can be found on p142-153 in the Lutheran Book of Worship (LBW). The Psalm for this evening is **Psalm 34 found on page 231-2**. The hymn is **#175**.

PSALM 34 *(The cantor will speak / sing the antiphon. The psalm will be spoken / sung in unison.)*

ANTIPHON

Those who seek the Lord lack nothing that is good.

¹I will bless the LORD | at all times;*
his praise shall ever be | in my mouth.

²I will glory | in the LORD;*
let the humble hear | and rejoice.

³Proclaim with me the greatness | of the LORD;*
let us exalt his | name together.

⁴I sought the LORD, and he | answered me*
and delivered me out of | all my terror.

⁵Look upon him | and be radiant,*
and let not your faces | be ashamed.

⁶I called in my affliction, and | the LORD heard me*
and saved me from | all my troubles.

⁷The angel of the LORD encompasses | those who fear him,*
and he will de- | liver them.

⁸Taste and see that the | LORD is good;*
happy are they who | trust in him!

⁹Fear the LORD, you that | are his saints,*
for those who fear | him lack nothing.

¹⁰The young lions lack and | suffer hunger,*
but those who seek the LORD lack nothing | that is good.

¹¹Come, children, and lis- | ten to me;*
I will teach you the fear | of the LORD.

¹²Who among | you loves life*
and desires long life to en- | joy prosperity?

- ¹³Keep your tongue from | evil-speaking*
and your lips from | lying words.
- ¹⁴Turn from evil | and do good;*
seek peace | and pursue it.
- ¹⁵The eyes of the LORD are up- | on the righteous,*
and his ears are open | to their cry.
- ¹⁶The face of the LORD is against those | who do evil,*
to root out the remembrance of them | from the earth.
- ¹⁷The righteous cry, and | the LORD hears them*
and delivers them from | all their troubles.
- ¹⁸The LORD is near to the | brokenhearted*
and will save those whose spir- | its are crushed.
- ¹⁹Many are the troubles | of the righteous,*
but the LORD will deliver him out | of them all.
- ²⁰He will keep safe | all his bones;*
not one of them | shall be broken.
- ²¹Evil shall | slay the wicked,*
and those who hate the righteous | will be punished.
- ²²The LORD ransoms the life | of his servants,*
and none will be punished who | trust in him.

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Ye Watchers and Ye Holy Ones



1 Ye watch - ers and ye ho - ly ones, bright
 2 O high - er than the cher - u - bim, more
 3 Re - spond, ye souls in end - less rest, ye
 4 O friends, in glad - ness let us sing, su -



ser - a - phs, cher - u - bim, and thrones, raise the glad strain:
 glo - rious than the ser - a - phim, lead their prais - es:
 pa - tri - archs and proph - ets blest: "Al - le - lu - ia!
 per - nal an - thems ech - o - ing: "Al - le - lu - ia!



"Al - le - lu - ia!" Cry out, do - min - ions, prince - doms,
 "Al - le - lu - ia!" Thou bear - er of the e - ter - nal
 Al - le - lu - ia!" Ye ho - ly twelve, ye mar - tyr
 Al - le - lu - ia!" To God the Fa - ther, God the



pow'rs, arch - an - gels, vir - tues, an - gel choirs:
 Word, most gra - cious, mag - ni - fy the Lord:
 strong, all saints tri - um - phant, raise the song:
 Son, and God the Spir - it, Three in One:



"Al - le - lu - ia! Al - le - lu - ia!" Al - le -



lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia!

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