Welcome to Vespers for **Thursday (Week 4)**. The Service for Vespers can be found on p142-153 in the Lutheran Book of Worship (LBW). The Psalms for this evening are **Psalm 26 found on page 226-7 and Psalm 87 found on page 255**. The hymn is **#405**.

PSALM 26 (*The cantor will speak / sing the antiphon. The psalm will be spoken / sung in unison.*)

ANTIPHON

I have trusted in the Lord and have not faltered.

¹Give judgment for me, O LORD, for I have lived | with integrity;* I have trusted in the Lord and | have not faltered.

²Test me, O | LORD, and try me;* examine my heart | and my mind.

³For your love is be- | fore my eyes;*

I have walked faith- | fully with you.

⁴I have not sat | with the worthless,* nor do I consort with | the deceitful.

⁵I have hated the company of | evildoers;*
I will not sit down | with the wicked.

⁶I will wash my hands in inno- | cence, O LORD,* that I may go in procession | round your altar,

⁷singing aloud a song | of thanksgiving* and recounting all your won- | derful deeds.

⁸LORD, I love the house in | which you dwell* and the place where your glo- | ry abides.

⁹Do not sweep me a- | way with sinners,* nor my life with those who | thirst for blood,

whose hands are full of | evil plots,* and their right hand | full of bribes.

¹¹As for me, I will live | with integrity;* redeem me, O LORD, and have pit- | y on me.

¹²My foot stands on | level ground;* in the full assembly I will | bless the LORD.

ANTIPHON

I have trusted in the Lord and have not faltered.

PSALM 87 (*The cantor will speak / sing the antiphon. The psalm will be spoken / sung in unison.)*

ANTIPHON

Glorious things are spo- | ken of you,*
O city | of our God.

¹On the holy mountain stands the city | he has founded;* the LORD loves the gates of Zion more than all the dwell- | ings of Jacob.

²Glorious things are spo- | ken of you,* O city | of our God.

³I count Egypt and Babylon among | those who know me;* behold Philistia, Tyre, and Ethiopia: in Zion | were they born.

⁴Of Zion it shall be said, "Everyone was | born in her,* and the Most High himself | shall sustain her."

⁵The LORD will record as he en- | rolls the peoples,* "These al- | so were born there."

⁶The singers and the danc- | ers will say,* "All my fresh springs | are in you."

ANTIPHON

Glorious things are spo- | ken of you,*
O city | of our God.

Lord of Light



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