

Welcome to Vespers for the **Tuesdays of the Season of Easter**. The Service is on p142-153 in the Lutheran Book of Worship (LBW). The Psalms are **Psalm 66 on p243** and **Psalm 116 on p272**. The hymn is **#133**.

PSALM 66 (*The cantor will sing / speak the antiphon. The psalm will be sung / spoken in unison.*)

ANTIPHON

Bless our God, who holds our | souls in life,
al | leluia.*

¹Be joyful in God, | all you lands;*
sing the glory of his name; sing the glory | of his praise.

²Say to God, “How awesome | are your deeds!*
Because of your great strength your enemies | cringe before you.

³All the earth bows | down before you,*
sings to you, sings | out your name.”

⁴Come now and see the | works of God,*
how wonderful he is in his doing | toward all people.

⁵He turned the sea into dry land, so that they went through the wat- | er on foot,*
and there we re- | joiced in him.

⁶In his might he rules forever; his eyes keep watch o- | ver the nations;*
let no rebel rise | up against him.

⁷Bless our | God, you peoples;*
make the voice of his praise | to be heard,

⁸who holds our | souls in life,*
and will not allow our | feet to slip.

⁹For you, O | God, have proved us;*
you have tried us just as sil- | ver is tried.

¹⁰You brought us in- | to the snare;*
you laid heavy burdens up- | on our backs.

¹¹You let enemies ride over our heads; we went through | fire and water,*
but you brought us out into a place | of refreshment.

¹²I will enter your house with burnt-offerings and will pay | you my vows,*
which I promised with my lips and spoke with my mouth when I | was in trouble.

¹³I will offer you sacrifices of fat beasts with the | smoke of rams;*
I will give you ox- | en and goats.

¹⁴Come and listen, all you | who fear God,*
and I will tell you what he has | done for me.

¹⁵I called out to him | with my mouth,*
and his praise was | on my tongue.

¹⁶If I had found evil | in my heart,*
the Lord would | not have heard me;

¹⁷but in truth | God has heard me;*
he has attended to the voice | of my prayer.

¹⁸Blessed be God, who has not reject- | ed my prayer,*
nor withheld his | love from me.

ANTIPHON

Bless our God, who holds our | souls in life,
al | leluia.*

PSALM 116 (*The cantor will sing / speak the antiphon. The psalm will be sung / spoken in unison.*)

ANTIPHON

You have freed me from my | bonds, O Lord,
I will offer you the sacrifice of thanksgiving, | alleluia.*

¹I love the LORD, because he has heard the voice of my | supplication,*
because he has inclined his ear to me whenever I | called upon him.

²The cords of death entangled me; the grip of the grave took | hold of me;*
I came to | grief and sorrow.

³Then I called upon the name | of the LORD:*
“O LORD, I pray you, | save my life.”

⁴Gracious is the | LORD and righteous,*
our God is full | of compassion.

- ⁵The LORD watches o- | ver the innocent;*
I was brought very low, | and he helped me.
- ⁶Turn again to your rest, | O my soul.*
for the LORD has treat- | ed you well.
- ⁷For you have rescued my | life from death,*
my eyes from tears, and my | feet from stumbling.
- ⁸I will walk in the presence | of the LORD*
in the land | of the living.
- ⁹I believed, even when I said, “I have been brought | very low.”*
In my distress I said, “No one | can be trusted.”
- ¹⁰How shall I re- | pay the LORD*
for all the good things he has | done for me?
- ¹¹I will lift up the cup | of salvation*
and call upon the name | of the LORD.
- ¹²I will fulfill my vows | to the LORD*
in the presence of | all his people.
- ¹³Precious in the sight | of the LORD*
is the death | of his servants.
- ¹⁴O LORD, I | am your servant;*
I am your servant and the child of your handmaid; you have freed me | from my bonds.
- ¹⁵I will offer you the sacrifice | of thanksgiving*
and call upon the name | of the LORD.
- ¹⁶I will fulfill my vows | to the LORD*
in the presence of | all his people,
- ¹⁷in the courts of | the LORD’s house,*
in the midst of you, O Jerusalem. | Hallelujah!

ANTIPHON

You have freed me from my | bonds, O Lord,
I will offer you the sacrifice of thanksgiving, | alleluia.*

Jesus Lives! The Victory's Won!



1 Je - sus lives! The vic - t'ry's won! Death no long - er can ap - pall me;
2 Je - sus lives! To him the throne there a - bove all things is giv - en.
3 Je - sus lives! For me he died, hence will I, to Je - sus liv - ing,
4 Je - sus lives! And I am sure, nei - ther life nor death shall sev - er
5 Je - sus lives! And now is death but the gate of life im - mor - tal;



Je - sus lives! Death's reign is done! From the grave will Christ re - call me.
I shall go where he is gone, live and reign with him in heav - en.
pure in heart and act a - bide, praise to him and glo - ry giv - ing.
me from him. I shall en - dure in his love, through death, for - ev - er.
this shall calm my trem - bling breath when I pass its gloom - y por - tal.



Bright - er scenes will then com - mence; this shall be my con - fi - dence.
God is faith - ful; doubt - ings, hence! This shall be my con - fi - dence.
All I need God will dis - pense; this shall be my con - fi - dence.
God will be my sure de - fense; this shall be my con - fi - dence.
Faith shall cry, as fails each sense: Je - sus is my con - fi - dence!

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