

Welcome to Matins for **Wednesday (Week 1)**. The Service for Matins can be found on p131-141 in the Lutheran Book of Worship (LBW). The Psalms for this morning are **Psalm 1 on page 215 and Psalm 147:1-12 on page 287**. The hymn is **#268**.

PSALM 1 *(The cantor will speak / sing the antiphon. The psalm will be spoken / sung in unison.)*

ANTIPHON

Happy are they whose delight is in the law of the LORD.

¹Happy are they who have not walked in the counsel | of the wicked,*
nor lingered in the way of sinners, nor sat in the seats | of the scornful!

²Their delight is in the law | of the LORD,*
and they meditate on his law | day and night.

³They are like trees planted by streams of water, bearing fruit in due season, with leaves that |
do not wither;*
everything they | do shall prosper.

⁴It is not so | with the wicked;*
they are like chaff which the wind | blows away.

⁵Therefore the wicked shall not stand upright when | judgment comes,*
nor the sinner in the council | of the righteous.

⁶For the LORD knows the way | of the righteous,*
but the way of the wick- | ed is doomed.

ANTIPHON

Happy are they whose delight is in the law of the LORD.

PSALM 147:1-12 (*The cantor will speak / sing the antiphon. The psalm will be spoken / sung in unison.*)

ANTIPHON

How pleasant it is to honor God with praise!

¹Hallelujah! How good it is to sing praises | to our God!*
How pleasant it is to honor | him with praise!

²The LORD re- | builds Jerusalem;*
he gathers the ex- | iles of Israel.

³He heals the | brokenhearted*
and binds | up their wounds.

⁴He counts the number | of the stars*
and calls them all | by their names.

⁵Great is our LORD and might- | y in power;*
there is no limit | to his wisdom.

⁶The LORD lifts | up the lowly,*
but casts the wicked | to the ground.

⁷Sing to the LORD | with thanksgiving;*
make music to our God up- | on the harp.

⁸He covers the heav- | ens with clouds*
and prepares rain | for the earth;

⁹he makes grass to grow up- | on the mountains*
and green plants to | serve mankind.

¹⁰He provides food for | flocks and herds*
and for the young ravens | when they cry.

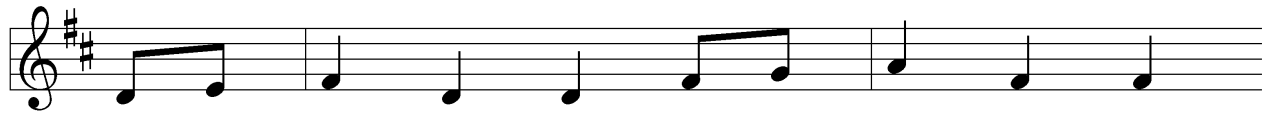
¹¹He is not impressed by the might | of a horse;*
he has no pleasure in the strength | of a man;

¹²but the LORD has pleasure in | those who fear him,*
in those who await his | gracious favor.

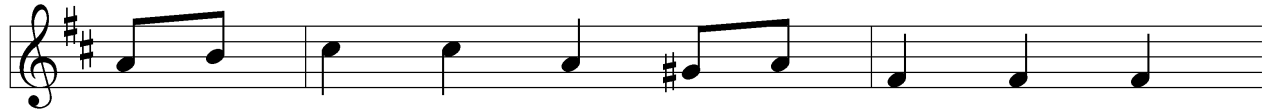
ANTIPHON

How pleasant it is to honor God with praise!

Now that the Daylight Fills the Sky



1 Now that the day - light fills the sky,
2 Would guard our hearts and tongues from strife;
3 So we, when this new day is gone
4 "All praise to you, cre - a - tor Lord!



we lift our hearts to God on high,
from an - ger's din would shield our life;
and night in turn is draw - ing on,
All praise to you, e - ter - nal Word!



that he, in all we do or say,
from e - vil sights would turn our eyes,
with con - science by the world un - stained
All praise to you, O Spir - it wise!"



would keep us free from harm to - day;
and close our ears to van - i - ties;
shall praise his name for vic - t'ry gained.
we sing as day - light fills the skies.

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