

HYMN OF PRAISE (We Are All One.....)

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WORD

Psalm 146

Praise the Lord!

Let all that I am praise the Lord.

I will praise the Lord as long as I live.

I will sing praises to my God with my dying breath.

Don't put your confidence in powerful people;
there is no help for you there.

When they breathe their last, they return to the earth,
and all their plans die with them.

But joyful are those who have the God of Israel as their helper,
whose hope is in the Lord their God.

He made heaven and earth, the sea, and everything in them.
He keeps every promise forever.

He gives justice to the oppressed and food to the hungry.
The Lord frees the prisoners.

The Lord opens the eyes of the blind.
The Lord lifts up those who are weighed down.
The Lord loves the godly.

The Lord protects the foreigners among us.
He cares for the orphans and widows,
but he frustrates the plans of the wicked.

The Lord will reign forever.
He will be your God, O Jerusalem, throughout the generations. Praise the Lord!

Word of God, Word of Life
Thanks be to God

Gospel Acclamation

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The Holy Gospel according to the 4th chapter of Luke
Glory to you, O Lord

Gospel

Luke 4:14 -30
Jesus Rejected at Nazareth

- 14 Then Jesus returned to Galilee, filled with the Holy Spirit's power. Reports about him spread quickly through the whole region.
- 15 He taught regularly in their synagogues and was praised by everyone.
- 16 When he came to the village of Nazareth, his boyhood home, he went as usual to the synagogue on the Sabbath and stood up to read the Scriptures.
- 17 The scroll of Isaiah the prophet was handed to him. He unrolled the scroll and found the place where this was written:
- 18 "The Spirit of the Lord is upon me, for he has anointed me to bring Good News to the poor. He has sent me to proclaim that captives will be released, that the blind will see, that the oppressed will be set free,
- 19 and that the time of the Lord's favor has come."
- 20 He rolled up the scroll, handed it back to the attendant, and sat down. All eyes in the synagogue looked at him intently.
- 21 Then he began to speak to them. "The Scripture you've just heard has been fulfilled this very day!"
- 22 Everyone spoke well of him and was amazed by the gracious words that came from his lips. "How can this be?" they asked. "Isn't this Joseph's son?"
- 23 Then he said, "You will undoubtedly quote me this proverb: 'Physician, heal yourself'—meaning, 'Do miracles here in your hometown like those you did in Capernaum.'
- 24 But I tell you the truth, no prophet is accepted in his own hometown.
- 25 "Certainly there were many needy widows in Israel in Elijah's time, when the heavens were closed for three and a half years, and a severe famine devastated the land.
- 26 Yet Elijah was not sent to any of them. He was sent instead to a foreigner—a widow of Zarephath in the land of Sidon.
- 27 And many in Israel had leprosy in the time of the prophet Elisha, but the only one healed was Naaman, a Syrian."

28 When they heard this, the people in the synagogue were furious.

29 Jumping up, they mobbed him and forced him to the edge of the hill on which the town was built. They intended to push him over the cliff,

30 but he passed right through the crowd and went on his way.

The Gospel of the Lord
Praise to you, O Christ

GOSPEL HYMN (In Christ There Is No East or West)

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