



“Mary Magdalene”

**Lent Six: Wednesday, March 29, 2023
Online Worship**

HOLDEN EVENING PRAYER ~ Marty Haugen



Welcome and Announcements

Service of Light — Procession *(Sung)*

L: Jesus Christ, you are the light of the world;

All: the light no darkness can overcome;

L: Stay with us now, for it is evening,

All: and the day is almost over.

L: Let your light scatter the darkness,

All: and shine within your people here.

Service of Light — Evening Hymn *(Sung)*

¹ Joyous light of heav'nly glory, Loving glow of God's own face,
You who sing creation's story, Shine on ev'ry land and race.
Now as evening falls around us, We shall raise our songs to you,
God of daybreak, God of shadows, Come and light our hearts anew.

² In the stars that grace the darkness, In the blazing sun of dawn,
In the light of peace and wisdom, We can hear your quiet song.
Love that fills the night with wonder, Love that warms the weary soul,
Love that bursts all chains asunder, Set us free and make us whole.

³ You who made the heaven's splendor, Ev'ry dancing star of night,
Make us shine with gentle justice, Let us each reflect your light.
Mighty God of all creation, Gentle Christ who lights our way,
Loving Spirit of salvation, Lead us on to endless day.

Service of Light — Evening Thanksgiving *(Sung)*

L: May God be with you all,

All: and also with you;

L: Let us sing our thanks to God,

All: It is right to give God thanks and praise.

L: Blessed are you, Creator of the universe - from old you have led your people by night and day. May the light of your Christ make our darkness bright, for your Word and your presence are the light of our pathways, and you are the light and life of all creation.

All: Amen.

Psalmody, Readings and Canticles — Psalm 141 (*Sung*)

All: Let my prayer rise up like incense before you, the lifting up of my hands as an offering to you.

Group 1:

O God, I call to you, come to me now;
O hear my voice when I cry to you.

Let my prayer rise up like incense before you,
The lifting up of my hands as an offering to you.

Keep watch within me, God; deep in my heart
may the light of your love be burning bright.

Let my prayer rise up like incense before you,
The lifting up of my hands as an offering to you.

All praise to the God of all – Creator of life;
All praise be to Christ and the Spirit of love.

Let my prayer rise up like incense before you,
The lifting up of my hands as an offering to you.

Group 2 (begins a phrase behind Group 1):

O God, I call to you, come to me now;
O hear my voice when I cry to you.

Let my prayer rise up like incense before you,
The lifting up of my hands as an offering to you.

Keep watch within me, God; deep in my heart
may the light of your love be burning bright.

Let my prayer rise up like incense before you,
The lifting up of my hands as an offering to you.

All praise to the God of all – Creator of life;
All praise be to Christ and the Spirit of love.

Let my prayer rise up like incense before you,
The lifting up of my hands as an offering to you.

(*Spoken*)

L: May our prayers come before you, O God, as incense, and may your presence surround and fill us, so that in union with all creation, we might sing your praise and your love in our lives.

All: Amen.

The Readings:

Luke 8:1-3

¹ Soon afterward he went on through one town and village after another, proclaiming and bringing the good news of the kingdom of God. The twelve were with him, ² as well as some women who had been cured of evil spirits and infirmities: Mary, called Magdalene, from whom seven demons had gone out, ³ and Joanna, the wife of Herod's steward Chuza, and Susanna, and many others, who ministered to them out of their own resources.

John 20:11-18

¹¹ But Mary stood weeping outside the tomb. As she wept, she bent over to look into the tomb, ¹² and she saw two angels in white sitting where the body of Jesus had been lying, one at the head and the other at the feet. ¹³ They said to her, "Woman, why are you weeping?" She said to them, "They have taken away my Lord, and I do not know where they have laid him." ¹⁴ When she had said this, she turned around and saw Jesus standing there, but she did not know that it was Jesus. ¹⁵ Jesus said to her, "Woman, why are you weeping? Whom are you looking for?" Supposing him to be the gardener, she said to him, "Sir, if you have carried him away, tell me where you have laid him, and I will take him away." ¹⁶ Jesus said to her, "Mary!" She turned and said to him in Hebrew, "Rabbouni!" (which means Teacher). ¹⁷ Jesus said to her, "Do not touch me, because I have not yet ascended to the Father. But go to my brothers and say to them, 'I am ascending to my Father and your Father, to my God and your God.'" ¹⁸ Mary Magdalene went and announced to the disciples, "I have seen the Lord," and she told them that he had said these things to her.

Meditation

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L: The Light shines in the darkness

All: and the darkness has not overcome it.

Litany and Prayers (*Hum while Leader prays, then respond.*)

All: Hmmm. God of mercy, hold us in love.

Repeat until Leader sings:

L: Help us, comfort us, all of our days:

All: Keep us, hold us, gracious God.

(Spoken)

L: Great and merciful god, Source and Ground of all goodness and life, give to your people the peace that passes all understanding, and the will to live your Gospel of mercy and justice, through Jesus Christ our Lord.

All: Amen.

Words of Institution

L: God, remember us in your love, and teach us to pray:

All: Our Father in heaven, hallowed be your name. Your Kingdom come: your will be done on earth as in heaven. Give us today our daily bread. Forgive us our sins as we forgive those who sin against us. Save us from the time of trial, and deliver us from evil. For the Kingdom, the power, and the glory are yours, now and forever. Amen.

Communion Distribution

Final Blessing (*Sung*)

L: Let us bless our God:

All: praise and thanks to you.

L: May God, Creator bless us and keep us, may Christ be ever light for our lives, may the Spirit of Love be our guide and path, for all of our days.

All: Amen.

(Spoken)

L: Go in Peace. Serve the Lord.

C: Thanks be to God!

Worship Leaders

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