

**Offering**

*We return to the Lord a portion of the many blessings that He has given to us.*

**The Prayers of the Church**

**The Confession and Absolution**  
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**The Order of Holy Communion**  
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**Distribution Hymns**

TLH #115 "O Blessed Day When First was Poured."  
TLH #119 "Great God, We Sing that Mighty Hand."

**The Thanksgiving**

*P: Let us pray. . . ever one God, world without end.*  
*C: (sung) Amen.*

**The Salutation, Benedicamus, and Benediction**

*P: The Lord be with you.*  
*C: (sung) And with your spirit*  
*P: Bless we the Lord.*  
*C: (sung) Thanks be to God*  
*P: The Lord bless you and keep you; the Lord make His face shine upon you and be gracious to you; the Lord lift up His countenance upon you, and give you His peace. In the name of the Father, and of the +Son, and of the Holy Spirit.*  
*C: (sung) Amen, Amen, Amen*

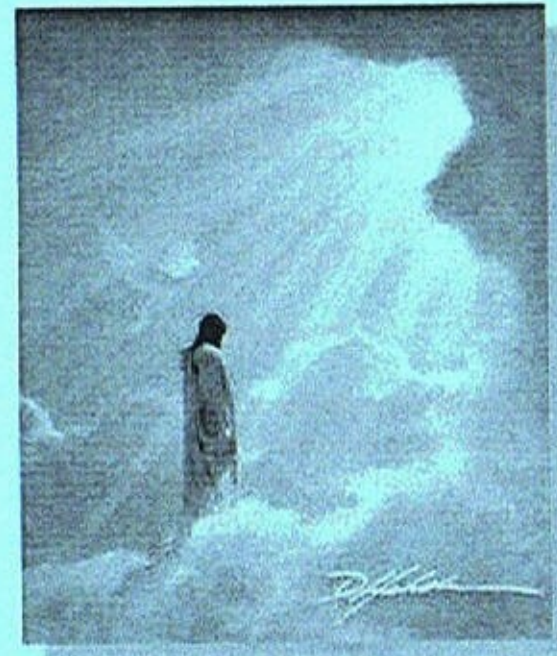
**Hymn to Depart**

TLH #110, "Across the Sky the Shade of Night"

**Hymn for the Nation**  
"God Bless America"

◆ Soli Deo Gloria ◆

# Help Us, O Lord



*New Year's Eve*  
*December 31, 2011*



✠In Nomine Jesu Christi✠

The Order of Service

The Eve of the Circumcision of Our Lord  
New Year's Eve

Pre-Service Music

The Candles are Lit and the Bell is Rung

Pastor's Welcome

Opening Hymn

TLH #123, "O God, Our Help in Ages Past"

The Order of Vespers

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Psalmody

*Pastor:* God be merciful to us and bless us,  
Congregation: And cause His face to shine upon us

*P:* That Your way may be known on earth.

*C:* Your Salvation among all nations.

*P:* Let the people praise You, O God;

*C:* Let all the people praise you.

*P:* Oh, let the nations be glad to sing for joy!

*C:* For you shall judge the people righteously, and govern the nations on earth.

*P:* Let the people praise You, O God;

*C:* Let all the people praise You.

*P:* Then the earth shall yield her increase;

*C:* God, our own God, shall bless us.

*P:* God shall bless us,

*C:* And all the ends of the earth shall fear Him.

**All:** Glory be to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Spirit; as it was in the beginning, is now, and will be forever. Amen.

*P:* God be merciful to us and bless us,

*C:* And cause His face to shine upon us.

Old Testament Reading

Isaiah 43:1-7

*P:* But you, O Lord, have mercy upon us.

*C:* (sung) Thanks be to Thee, O Lord!

Epistle Reading

Galatians 4:4-7

*P:* But You, O Lord, have mercy upon us.

*C:* (sung) Thanks be to Thee, O Lord!

Gospel Reading

Matthew 2:13-23

*P:* But You, O Lord have mercy upon us.

*C:* (sung) Thanks be to Thee, Oh Lord!

Nicene Creed

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Sermon Hymn

TLH #120, vs. 1-3 "Help Us, O Lord! Behold, We Enter"

The Meditation

Responsive Hymn

TLH #120 vs. 4-6 "Help Us, O Lord! Behold, We Enter"