THE GREEN SHEET

Fifth Sunday in Lent Introit

March 17, 2024

Psalm 116:1-4, 8; antiphon: Psalm 43:1

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from the deceitful and unjust man deliver me!

I love the Lord, because he has heard

my voice and my pleas for mercy.

Because he inclined his ear to me,

therefore I will call on him as long as I live.

The snares of death encompassed me; the pangs of Sheol laid hold on me;

I suffered distress and anguish.

Then I called on the name of the Lord:

"O Lord, I pray, deliver my soul!"

For you have delivered my soul from death,

my eyes from tears, my feet from stumbling.

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.

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Almighty God, by Your great goodness mercifully look upon Your people that we may be governed and preserved evermore in body and soul; through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

Amen.

Gradual Hebrews 12:2

[O come, let us fix our eyes on] Jesus,

the founder and perfecter of our faith,

who for the joy that was set before him endured the cross, despising the shame,

and is seated at the right hand of the throne of God.

Learn by Heart: Mark 10:45

Even the Son of Man came not to be served but to serve, and to give his life as a ransom for many.

Readings for Next Sunday: John 12:12-19; Zechariah 9:9-12; Psalm 118:19-29; Psalm 31:9-16; Philippians 2:5-11; Mark 14:1-15:47

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•that those wandering from the Body of Christ would return to receive His gifts of grace and mercy

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