

Lent 4 Midweek Vespers

A warm welcome to you! The theme of our Lenten midweek services this year is *Vision Problems*. In this calendar year 2020, we will consider what keeps us from having spiritual 20/20 vision, using analogies from the physical vision problems many of us have, and seeing how people in the Passion Story displayed these problems in a spiritual way. Tonight we will consider the problem of *Glaucoma*. The Lord be with you and bless our time together in His Word and prayer.

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Hymns: 666, Special Hymn (below), 883

Readings: 1 Kings 12:1-20
John 18:28 - 19:16a

The Great Litany, p. 288

Psalm: *Psalm 43*



HYMN O Holy Spirit, Grant Us Grace

[for Lent 2020]



1 O Ho - ly Spir - it, grant us grace That we our Lord and Sav - ior
2 Help us to see Christ's sav - ing love, All He for us ac - comp - lished
3 Then when the trials of life draw nigh I see in full - est mea - sure
4 And when our earth - ly race is run Death's bit - ter hour im - pend - ing,



In faith and fer - vent love em - brace And tru - ly serve Him ev - er.
When He de - scend - ed from a - bove And sin and death He van - quished.
My Sav - ior lift - ed up on high My life to Him a trea - sure
Grant that Thy work in us be - gun Con - tin - ue to life's end - ing.



The hour of death can - not bring loss When we are shel - tered
My doubt and blind - ness, dread and fear, Are ov - er - come when
Our Sav - ior sees our help - less - ness, And comes to help in
And when my time on earth doth end, Called forth by Him who



by the cross That can - celed our trans - gres - sions.
He draws near, His heal - ing touch be - stow - ing.
all dis - tress: His watch - ful eye ne'er sleep - eth.
calls me friend, I'll see His glo - ry ev - er!

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v. 2-4 - James and Robert Douthwaite
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