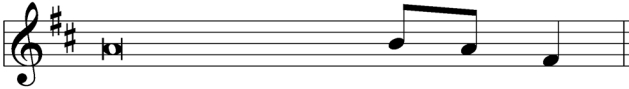


David, the youngest of his brothers, was discounted as not being a candidate for the Lord's service. Samuel anointed him as the shepherd turned king. He ends up being a living, breathing prophecy of the Shepherd-King, Jesus, who laid down His life and took it up again. That seems backwards, that the One who would save the world dies. That's exactly how the Gospel works.

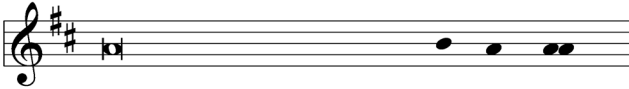
Stand



L O Lord, o - pen my lips,



C and my mouth will de - clare Your praise.



L Make haste, O God, to de - liv - er me;



C make haste to help me, O Lord.



C Glo-ry be to the Father and to the Son and to the Holy Spir - it;



as it was in the be - gin - ning, is now, and will be for-ev-er. A - men.



Praise to You, O Christ. Al - le - lu - ia.

PSALMODY



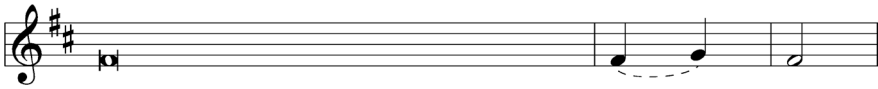
[L] Blessed be God. the Fa-ther. the Son. and the Ho-ly Spir-it.



[C] O come, let us wor-ship Him.

Venite

O Come, Let Us Sing: Psalm 95:1-7



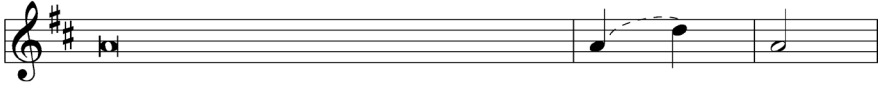
- [C]** 1 O come, let us sing to the Lord,
 2 For the Lord is a great God
 3 The sea is His, for He made it,

5 Glory be to the Father and to the Son

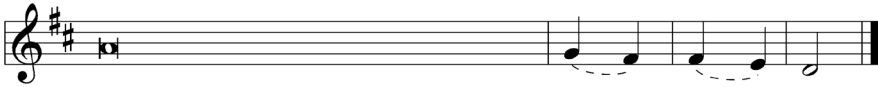


- 1 let us make a joyful noise to the rock of our sal-va-tion.
 2 and a great king a-bove all gods.
 3 and His hand formed the dry land.

5 and to the Ho-ly Spir-it;



- 1 Let us come into His presence with thanks-giv-ing,
 2 The deep places of the earth are in His hand;
 3 O come, let us worship and bow down,
 4 For He is our God,
 5 as it was in the be-gin-ning,



- 1 let us make a joyful noise to Him with songs of praise.
 2 the strength of the hills is His al-so.
 3 let us kneel before the Lord, our mak-er.
 4 and we are the people of His pasture and the sheep of His hand.
 5 is now, and will be for ev-er. A-men.



L Blessed be God, the Fa-ther, the Son, and the Ho-ly Spir-it.



C O come, let us wor-ship Him.

Sit

The King of Love My Shepherd Is

LSB 709

Psalms 23



1 The King of love my shep-herd is, Whose good-ness
2 Where streams of liv-ing wa-ter flow, My ran-somed
3 Per-verse and fool-ish oft I strayed, But yet in
Choir 4 In death's dark vale I fear no ill With Thee, dear



fail-eth nev-er; I noth-ing lack if
soul He lead-eth And, where the ver-dant
love He sought me And on His shoul-der
Lord, be-side me, Thy rod and staff my



I am His And He is mine for-ev-er.
pas-tures grow, With food ce-les-tial feed-eth.
gent-ly laid And home re-joic-ing brought me.
com-fort still, Thy cross be-fore to guide me.

5 Thou spreadst a table in my sight;
Thine unction grace bestoweth;
And, oh, what transport of delight
From Thy pure chalice floweth!

6 And so through all the length of days
Thy goodness faileth never;
Good Shepherd, may I sing Thy praise
Within Thy house forever!

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READINGS

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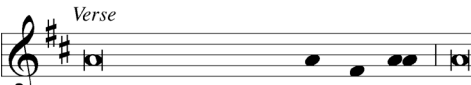
1 Samuel 16:1-13
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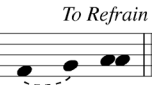
After each reading

- A** O Lord, have mercy on us.
- G** Thanks be to God.

Responsory (Easter)

Psalm 96:2, 29:1-2; 1 Corinthians 15:20

Verse

To Refrain

- L** 1 Sing to the Lord and bless His name, proclaim His salvation from day to day.
- 2 Now is Christ risen from the dead and become the firstfruits of them that sleep.
- 3 Glory be to the
Father and to the Son and to the Holy Spir - it.

Refrain

- G** Give to the Lord all glo - ry and strength, give Him the



hon - or due His name. Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia.

Sing Praise to God, the Highest Good

LSB 819



1 Sing praise to God, the high - est good, The au - thor of cre -
 2 What God's al - might - y pow'r has made, In mer - cy He is
 Men 3 We sought the Lord in our dis - tress; O God, in mer - cy
 Women 4 He nev - er shall for - sake His flock, His cho - sen gen - er -
 5 All who con - fess Christ's ho - ly name, Give God the praise and



a - tion, The God of love who un - der - stood
 keep - ing. By morn - ing glow or eve - ning shade
 hear us. Our Sav - ior saw our help - less - ness
 a - tion; He is their ref - uge and their rock,
 glo - ry. Let all who know His pow'r pro - claim



Our need for His sal - va - tion. With heal - ing balm our
 His eye is nev - er sleep - ing. With - in the king - dom
 And came with peace to cheer us. For this we thank and
 Their peace and their sal - va - tion. As with a moth - er's
 A - loud the won - drous sto - ry. Cast ev - 'ry i - dol



souls He fills And ev - 'ry faith - less mur - mur stills:
 of His might All things are just and good and right:
 praise the Lord, Who is by one and all a - dored:
 ten - der hand, He leads His own, His cho - sen band:
 from its throne, For God is God, and He a - lone:



To God all praise and glo - ry!
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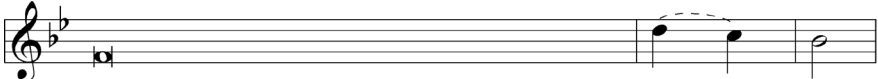
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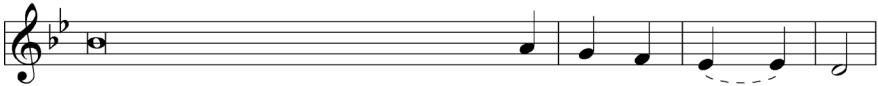
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Te Deum

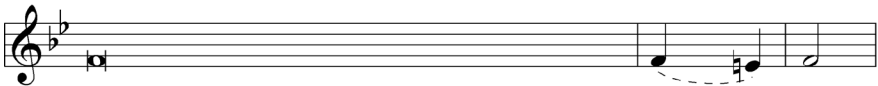
We Praise You, O God



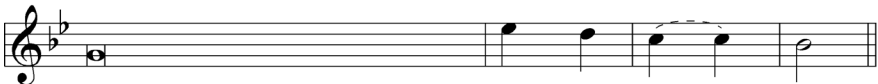
- C** 1 We praise You, O God; we acknowledge You to be the Lord.
 2 Holy, holy, holy, Lord God of Sab - a - oth;
 3 The noble army of martyrs praise — You.



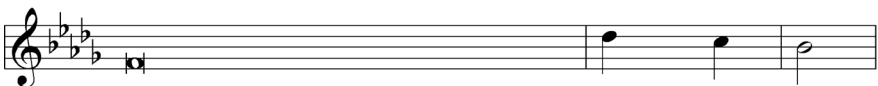
- 1 All the earth now worships You, the Fa-ther ev - er - last - ing.
 2 heaven and earth are full of the majes - ty of Your glo - ry.
 3 The holy Church throughout all the world does ac - knowl-edge You:



- 1 To You all angels cry aloud, the heavens and all the pow'rs there-in.
 2 The glorious company of the apostles praise — You.
 3 The Father of an infinite majesty; Your adorable, true, and on - ly Son;
 4 You are the king of glory, O — Christ;



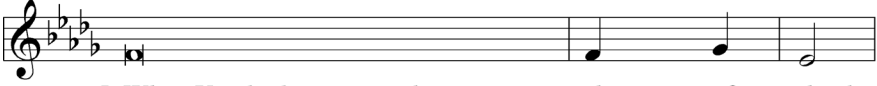
- 1 To You cherubim and seraphim con - tin - ual - ly do cry:
 2 The goodly fellowship of the proph-ets praise — You.
 3 also the Holy Ghost, the Com-fort - er.
 4 You are the everlasting Son of the Fa - ther.



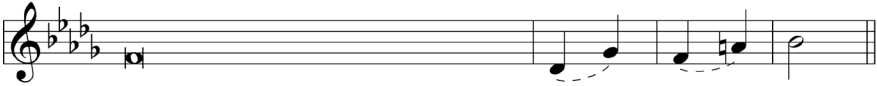
- 5 When You took upon Yourself to de - liv - er man,
 6 You sit at the right hand of God



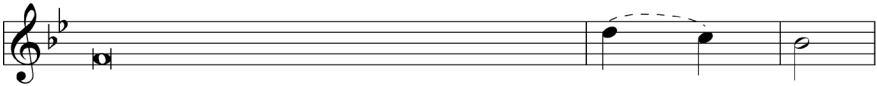
5 You humbled Yourself to be born of a vir - gin.
6 in the glory of the Fa - ther.



5 When You had overcome the sharpness of death,
6 We believe that You will come



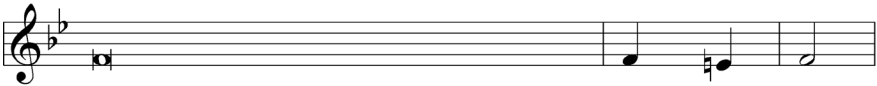
5 You opened the kingdom of heaven to all be - liev - ers.
6 to be our judge.



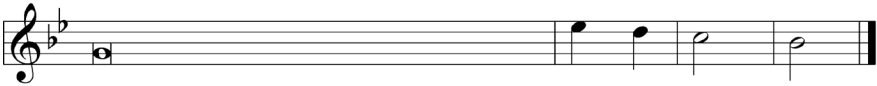
7 We therefore pray You to help Your ser - vants,
8 O Lord, save Your people and bless Your . . . her - i - tage.
9 Grant, O Lord, to keep us this day with - out sin.



7 whom You have redeem - ed with Your pre - cious blood.
8 Govern them and lift them up for - ev - er.
9 O Lord, have mercy upon us, have mercy up - on us.



7 Make them to be numbered with Your saints
8 Day by day we magni - fy You.
9 O Lord, let Your mercy be upon us, as our trust is in You.



7 in glory ev - er - last - ing.
8 And we worship Your name for - ever and ev - er.
9 O Lord, in You have I trusted; let me never be con - found - ed.



PRAYER

Kyrie

Lord, Have Mercy; Mark 10:47



C Lord, have mer-cy; Christ, have mer-cy; Lord, have mer-cy.

Lord's Prayer

Matthew 6:9-13

C Our Father who art in heaven,
 hallowed be Thy name,
 Thy kingdom come,
 Thy will be done on earth
 as it is in heaven;
 give us this day our daily bread;
 and forgive us our trespasses
 as we forgive those
 who trespass against us;
 and lead us not into temptation,
 but deliver us from evil.
 For Thine is the kingdom
 and the power and the glory
 forever and ever. Amen.

Collects



L O Lord, hear my prayer.



C And let my cry come to You.

Collect of the Day

Collect

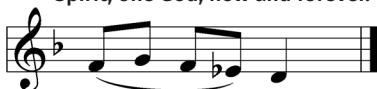
O God, through the humiliation of Your Son You raised up the fallen world. Grant to Your faithful people, rescued from the peril of everlasting death, perpetual gladness and eternal joys; through Jesus Christ, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

C Amen.

Additional Collects

Collect for Grace

L O Lord, our heavenly Father, almighty and everlasting God, You have safely brought us to the beginning of this day. Defend us in the same with Your mighty power and grant that this day we fall into no sin, neither run into any kind of danger, but that all our doings, being ordered by Your governance, may be righteous in Your sight; through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.



C A - men.

Benedicamus



L Let us bless the Lord.



C Thanks be to God.

Benediction

2 Corinthians 13:14



P The grace of our Lord Je - sus Christ and the love of God



and the communion of the Holy Spir - it be with you all.



C A - men.

Lord, 'Tis Not That I Did Choose Thee

LSB 573



1 Lord, 'tis not that I did choose Thee; That, I know, could
2 It was grace in Christ that called me, Taught my dark - ened
△ 3 Praise the God of all cre - a - tion; Praise the Fa - ther's



nev - er be; For this heart would still re - fuse Thee Had Thy
heart and mind; Else the world had yet en - thrall'd me, To Thy
bound - less love. Praise the Lamb, our ex - pi - a - tion, Priest and



grace not cho - sen me. Thou hast from the sin that stained me
heav'n - ly glo - ries blind. Now I wor - ship none a - bove Thee;
King en - throned a - bove. Praise the Spir - it of sal - va - tion,



Washed and cleansed and set me free And un - to this
For Thy grace a - lone I thirst, Know - ing well that,
Him by whom our spir - its live. Un - di - vid - ed



end or - dained me, That I ev - er live to Thee.
if I love Thee, Thou, O Lord, didst love me first.
ad - o - ra - tion To the great Je - ho - vah give.

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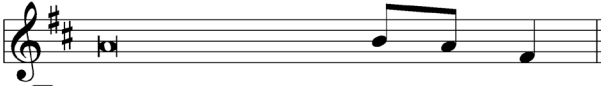
WEDNESDAY

Despair and loneliness are things that people today, even you, know and feel. The Lord answered Elijah's doubts and despair, and Jesus challenged His disciples about those who left Him because of His hard sayings. The psalm this afternoon was even used by Jesus on the cross, when He prayed, "My God, My God, why have You forsaken Me?" The Lord has an answer for the lonely and forsaken, because you are not alone.

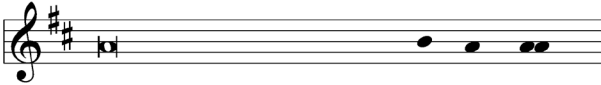
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C Glo-ry be to the Father and to the Son and to the Holy Spir - it;



as it was in the be - gin - ning, is now, and will be for-ev-er. A - men.



Praise to You, O Christ. Al - le - lu - ia.

PSALMODY

Psalm

Psalm 22



- ¹My God, my God, why have you for- | saken me?*
- Why are you so far from saving me, from the words of my | groaning?
- ²O my God, I cry by day, but you do not | answer,*
- and by night, but I | find no rest.
- ³Yet you are | holy,*
- enthroned on the praises of | Israel.
- ⁴In you our fathers | trusted;*
- they trusted, and you de- | livered them.
- ⁵To you they cried and were | rescued;*
- in you they trusted and were not | put to shame.
- ⁶But I am a worm and | not a man;*
- scorned by mankind and despised by the | people.
- ⁷All who see me | mock me;*
- they make mouths at me; they | wag their heads;
- ⁸“He trusts in the Lord; let him de- | liver him;*
- let him rescue him, for he de- | lights in him!”
- ⁹Yet you are he who took me | from the womb;*
- you made me trust you at my | mother’s breasts.
- ¹⁰On you was I cast | from my birth,*
- and from my mother’s womb you have | been my God.
- ¹¹Be not far from me,
- for trouble | is near;*
- and there is | none to help.
- ¹²Many bulls en- | compass me;*
- strong bulls of Bashan sur- | round me;
- ¹³they open wide their | mouths at me,*
- like a ravening and roaring | lion.
- ¹⁴I am poured out like water,
- and all my bones are | out of joint;*
- my heart is like wax;
- it is melted with- | in my breast;
- ¹⁵my strength is dried up like a potsherd,
- and my tongue sticks | to my jaws;*
- you lay me in the | dust of death.
- ¹⁶For dogs en- | compass me;*
- a company of evildoers encircles me;
- they have pierced my | hands and feet—
- ¹⁷I can count all my bones—
- they stare and gloat | over me;*

¹⁸they divide my garments among them,
and for my clothing they | cast lots.
¹⁹**But you, O Lord, do not be | far off!***
O you my help, come quickly | to my aid!
²⁰**Deliver my soul | from the sword,***
my precious life from the power | of the dog!
²¹Save me from the mouth of the | lion!*

You have rescued me from the horns of the wild | oxen!
²²I will tell of your name to my | brothers;*
in the midst of the congregation I will | praise you:
²³**You who fear the Lord, praise him!**
All you offspring of Jacob, glo- | rify him,*
and stand in awe of him, all you offspring of | Israel!
²⁴**For he has not despised or abhorred the affliction of the afflicted,**
and he has not hidden his | face from him,*
but has heard, when he | cried to him.
²⁵From you comes my praise in the great congre- | gation;*

my vows I will perform before those who | fear him.
²⁶The afflicted shall eat and be satisfied;
those who seek him shall | praise the Lord!*

May your hearts live for- | ever!
²⁷**All the ends of the earth shall remember**
and turn | to the Lord,*
and all the families of the nations
shall worship be- | fore you.
²⁸**For kingship belongs | to the Lord,***
and he rules over the | nations.
²⁹All the prosperous of the earth eat and | worship;*

before him shall bow all who go down to the dust,
even the one who could not keep him- | self alive.
³⁰Posterity shall | serve him;*

it shall be told of the Lord to the coming gener- | ation;
³¹**they shall come and proclaim his righteousness to a people | yet unborn,***
that he has | done it.

Glory be to the Father and | to the Son
and to the Holy | Spirit;
as it was in the be- | ginning,
is now, and will be forever. | Amen.

Sit



The Church's One Foundation

LSB 644



1 The Church's one foun-da-tion Is Je-sus Christ, her Lord;
 2 E-lect from ev-'ry na-tion, Yet one o'er all the earth;
 3 Though with a scorn-ful won-der The world sees her op-pressed,
 4 Through toil and trib-u-la-tion And tu-mult of her war
 5 Yet she on earth has u-nion With God, the Three in One,



She is His new cre-a-tion By wa-ter and the Word.
 Her char-ter of sal-va-tion: One Lord, one faith, one birth.
 By schisms rent a-sun-der, By her-e-sies dis-tressed,
 She waits the con-sum-ma-tion Of peace for-ev-er-more
 And mys-tic sweet com-mu-nion With those whose rest is won.



From heav'n He came and sought her To be His ho-ly bride;
 One ho-ly name she bless-es, Par-takes one ho-ly food,
 Yet saints their watch are keep-ing; Their cry goes up, "How long?"
 Till with the vi-sion glo-rious Her long-ing eyes are blest,
 O bless-ed heav'n-ly cho-rus! Lord, save us by Your grace



With His own blood He bought her, And for her life He died.
 And to one hope she press-es With ev-'ry grace en-dued.
 And soon the night of weep-ing Shall be the morn of song.
 And the great Church vic-to-rious Shall be the Church at rest.
 That we, like saints be-fore us, May see You face to face.

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READINGS

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1 Kings 19:1–18

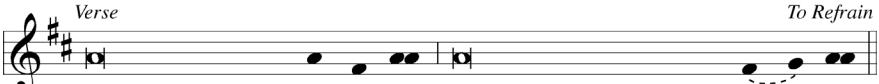
John 6:60–71

After each reading:

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C Thanks be to God.

Responsory (Easter)

Psalm 96:2, 29:1-2; 1 Corinthians 15:20



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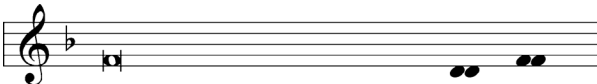


- C** Give to the Lord all glo - ry and strength, give Him the
 hon - or due His name. Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia.

Sermon

CANTICLE

Stand



- L** Let my prayer rise before You as in - cense,



- C** and the lifting up of my hands as the eve - ning sac - ri - fice.

Magnificat

Song of Mary; Luke 1:46-55



- C** My soul mag-ni-fies the Lord, and my spirit rejoices in God, my Sav-ior;



- L** for He has re - gard - ed the lowliness of His hand-maid - en.



II For be-hold, from this day all generations will call me bless-ed.



I For the Mighty One has done great things to me, and holy is His name;



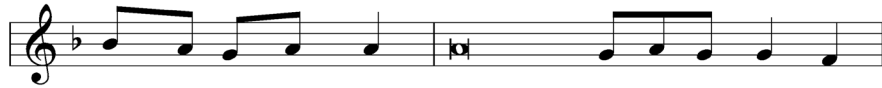
II and His mercy is on those who fear Him from generation to gen-er-a-tion.



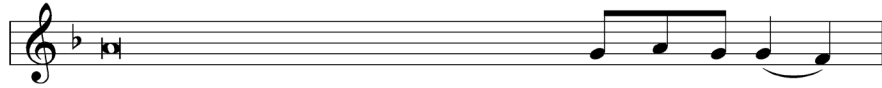
I He has shown strength with His arm; He has scattered the proud in the



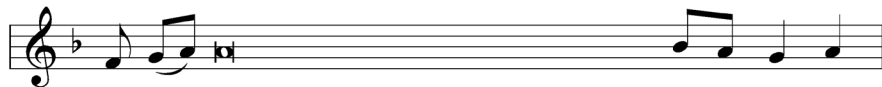
imagination of their hearts. II He has cast down the



might-y from their thrones and has ex-alt-ed the low-ly.



and the rich He has sent emp-ty a-way.



II He has helped His servant Israel in remembrance of His mer-cy



as He spoke to our fathers, to Abraham and to his seed for-ev-er.



III Glo-ry be to the Fa-ther and to the Son and to the Ho-ly Spir-it;



as it was in the be-gin-ning, is now, and will be for-ev-er. A-men.

PRAYER

Kyrie

Lord, Have Mercy; Mark 10:47



C Lord, have mer-cy; Christ, have mer-cy; Lord, have mer-cy.

Lord's Prayer

Matthew 6:9-13

- C** Our Father who art in heaven,
hallowed be Thy name,
Thy kingdom come,
Thy will be done on earth
as it is in heaven;
give us this day our daily bread;
and forgive us our trespasses
as we forgive those
who trespass against us;
and lead us not into temptation,
but deliver us from evil.
For Thine is the kingdom
and the power and the glory
forever and ever. Amen.



Collects



L O Lord, hear my prayer.



C And let my cry come to You.

Collect of the Day

- P** Almighty God, whom to know is everlasting life, grant us to know Your Son, Jesus, to be the way, the truth, and the life, that we may steadfastly follow His steps in the way that leads to life eternal; through Jesus Christ, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

Additional Collects

Collect for Peace

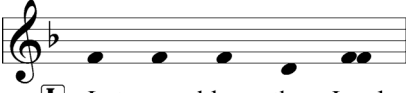
- L** O God, from whom come all holy desires, all good counsels, and all just works, give to us, Your servants, that peace which the world cannot give, that our hearts may be set to obey Your commandments and also that we, being defended from the fear of our enemies, may live in peace and quietness; through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.



C A - men.

Benedicamus

Psalm 103:1



L Let us bless the Lord.



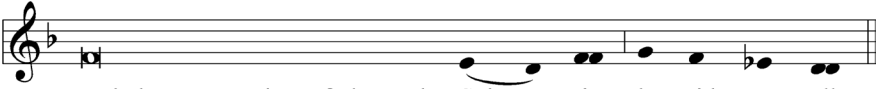
C Thanks be to God.

Benediction

2 Corinthians 13:14



P The grace of our Lord ✠ Je - sus Christ and the love of God



and the communion of the Holy Spir - it be with you all.



C A - men.

Lord, Thee I Love with All My Heart

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1 Lord, Thee I love with all my heart; I pray Thee, ne'er from
 2 Yea, Lord, 'twas Thy rich boun-ty gave My bod - y, soul, and
 3 Lord, let at last Thine an - gels come, To A-br'ham's bos - om



me de - part, With ten - der mer - cy cheer me. Earth
 all I have In this poor life of la - bor. Lord,
 bear me home, That I may die un - fear - ing; And



has no plea - sure I would share. Yea, heav'n it - self were
 grant that I in ev - 'ry place May glo - ri - fy Thy
 in its nar - row cham - ber keep My bod - y safe in



void and bare If Thou, Lord, wert not near me. And should my
 lav - ish grace And help and serve my neigh - bor. Let no false
 peace-ful sleep Un - til Thy re - ap - pear - ing. And then from



heart for sor - row break, My trust in Thee can noth - ing shake.
 doc - trine me be - guile; Let Sa - tan not my soul de - file.
 death a - wak - en me, That these mine eyes with joy may see,



Thou art the por - tion I have sought; Thy pre - cious
 Give strength and pa - tience un - to me To bear my
 O Son of God, Thy glo - rious face, My Sav - ior



blood my soul has bought. Lord Je - sus Christ, my God and
cross and fol - low Thee. Lord Je - sus Christ, my God and
and my fount of grace. Lord Je - sus Christ, my prayer at -



Lord, my God and Lord, For - sake me not! I trust Thy Word.
Lord, my God and Lord, In death Thy com - fort still af - ford.
tend, my prayer at - tend, And I will praise Thee with - out end.

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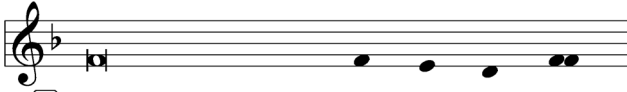


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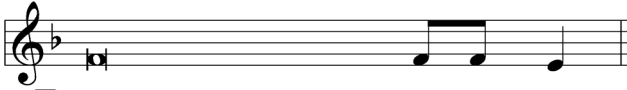
Why you? Why not someone else? Why would God give the riches of the Gospel to you, while others don't believe? From Abram to this foreign eunuch to you, the Lord picks His people in His wisdom, and that's how you see His gracious love.

SERVICE OF LIGHT

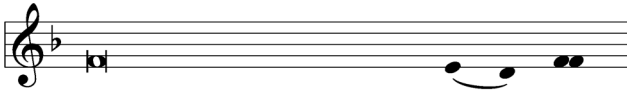
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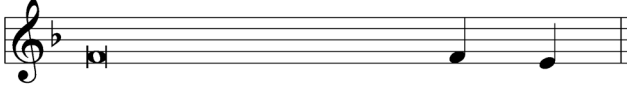
L Jesus Christ is the Light of the world,



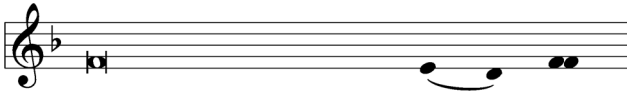
C the light no darkness can o - ver - come.



L Stay with us, Lord, for it is eve - ning,



C and the day is almost o - ver.



L Let Your light scatter the dark - ness



C and il - lu - mine Your Church.

Phos Hilaron

Hymn of Light



L Joy - ous light of glo - ry:



C of the im - mor - tal Fa - ther; heav - en - ly, ho - ly,

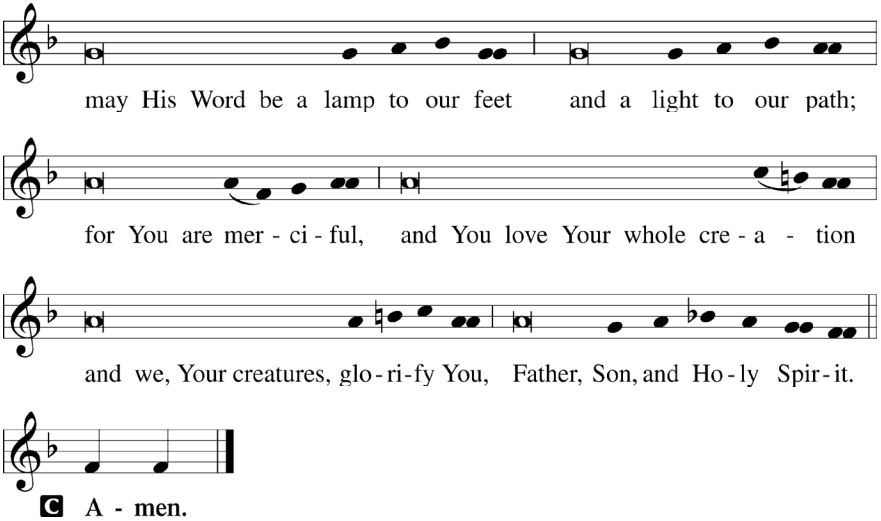


bless - ed Je - sus Christ. We have come to the
 set - ting of the sun, and we look to the eve - ning light.
 We sing to God, the Fa - ther, Son, and Ho - ly Spir - it:
 You are wor - thy of be - ing praised with pure voic - es for -
 ev - er. O Son of God, O Giv - er of life:
 the u - ni - verse pro - claims Your glo - ry.

Thanksgiving for Light



[L] Blessèd are You, O Lord our God, king of the u - ni - verse,
 who led Your people Israel by a pillar of cloud by day and a pillar of
 fire by night. Enlighten our darkness by the light of Your Christ;




may His Word be a lamp to our feet and a light to our path;
 for You are mer - ci - ful, and You love Your whole cre - a - tion
 and we, Your creatures, glo - ri - fy You, Father, Son, and Ho - ly Spir - it.
C A - men.

Sit

PSALMODY

Psalm 141



C Let my prayer rise be - fore You as in - cense,
 the lift - ing up of my hands as the eve - ning sac - ri - fice.
I O Lord, I call to You; come to me quick - ly; hear my voice
 when I cry to You. **C** Let my prayer rise be - fore You as in - cense,



the lift-ing up of my hands as the eve-ning sac-ri-fice.



II Set a watch be-fore my mouth, O Lord, and guard the door of my lips.



I Let not my heart in-cline to an-y e-vil thing;



let me not be oc-cu-pied in wick-ed-ness with e-vil-do-ers.



II But my eyes are turned to You, O God; in You I take ref-u-ge.



Strip me not of my life. C Glo-ry be to the Fa-ther and



to the Son and to the Ho-ly Spir-it; as it was in



the be-gin-ning, is now, and will be for-ev-er. A-men.



Let my prayer rise be-fore You as in-cense,



L Let us pray.

Let the incense of our repentant prayer ascend before You, O Lord, and let Your loving-kindness descend on us that, with purified minds, we may sing Your praises with the Church on earth and the whole heavenly host and may glorify You forever.

G Amen.

Psalm

Psalm 121, antiphon vs. 8

Antiphon (sung by the choir):

The Lord will keep your going out and your coming in from this time forth and forevermore.



¹I lift up my eyes | to the hills.*

From where does my | help come?

²My help comes | from the Lord,*

who made | heaven and earth.

³He will not let your | foot be moved;*

he who keeps you will not | slumber.

⁴Behold, he who keeps | Israel*

will neither slum- | ber nor sleep.

⁵The Lord is your | keeper;*

the Lord is your shade on your | right hand.

⁶The sun shall not strike | you by day,*

nor the | moon by night.

⁷The Lord will keep you from all | evil;*

he will | keep your life.

⁸The Lord will keep

your going out and your | coming in*

from this time forth and for- | evermore.

Glory be to the Father and | to the Son*

and to the Holy | Spirit;

as it was in the be- | ginning,*

is now, and will be forever. | Amen.

The LORD will keep your going out and your coming in from this time forth and forevermore.



The God of Abraham Praise

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1 The God of A-br'ham praise, Who reigns en-throned a - bove;
 2 The God of A-br'ham praise, At whose su-preme com-mand
 Choir 3 The God of A-br'ham praise, Whose all - suf - fi - cient grace
 4 He by Him - self has sworn; I on His oath de - pend.



An - cient of ev - er - last - ing days And God of love.
 From earth I rise and seek the joys At His right hand.
 Shall guide me all my pil - grim days In all my ways.
 I shall, on ea - gle wings up - borne, To heav'n as - cend.



Je - ho - vah, great I AM! By earth and heav'n con - fessed;
 I all on earth for - sake, Its wis - dom, fame, and pow'r,
 He deigns to call me friend; He calls Him - self my God.
 I shall be - hold His face; I shall His pow'r a - dore



I bow and bless the sa - cred name For - ev - er blest.
 And Him my on - ly por - tion make, My shield and tow'r.
 And He shall save me to the end Through Je - sus' blood.
 And sing the won - ders of His grace For - ev - er - more.

5 Though nature's strength decay,
 And earth and hell withstand,
 To Canaan's bounds I urge my way
 At His command.
 The wat'ry deep I pass,
 With Jesus in my view,
 And through the howling wilderness
 My way pursue.

Men 6 The goodly land I see,
 With peace and plenty blest:
 A land of sacred liberty
 And endless rest.
 There milk and honey flow,
 And oil and wine abound,
 And trees of life forever grow
 With mercy crowned.

Women 7 There dwells the Lord our king,
 The Lord our righteousness,
 Triumphant o'er the world and sin,
 The Prince of Peace.
 On Zion's sacred height
 His kingdom He maintains
 And glorious with His saints in light
 Forever reigns.

8 The God who reigns on high
 The great archangels sing,
 And "Holy, holy, holy!" cry,
 "Almighty King!
 Who was and is the same
 And evermore shall be:
 Jehovah, Father, great I AM!
 We worship Thee!"

- △ 9 The whole triumphant host
Give thanks to God on high.
“Hail, Father, Son, and Holy Ghost!”
They ever cry.
Hail, Abr’ham’s God and mine!
I join the heav’nly lays:
All might and majesty are Thine
And endless praise!

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READINGS

Readings

Genesis 15
Acts 8:26–40

After each reading

- A** O Lord, have mercy on us.
C **Thanks be to God.**

Final response.

- L** In many and various ways, God spoke to His people of old by the prophets.
C **But now in these last days, He has spoken to us by His Son.**

CANTICLE

Stand

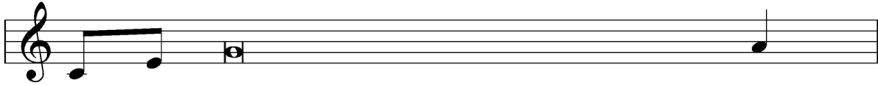
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Song of Mary; Luke 1:46–55

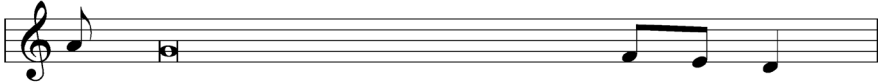
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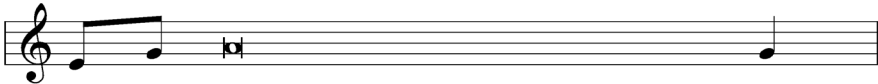
C My soul mag-ni - fies the Lord, and my spir - it re -
joic - es in God, my Sav - ior. My soul mag-ni-fies the
Lord, and my spir - it re - joic - es in God, my Sav - ior.



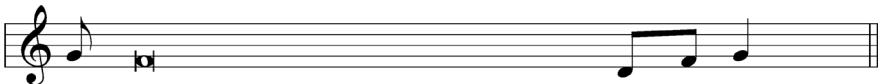
- 1 For ——— He has re — — — — — garded
 2 For the Mighty One has done great things to me,
 3 He has shown strength with His arm;
 4 He has filled the hungry with good things,
 5 Glo - ry be to the Father and to the Son



- 1 the lowliness of His hand - maiden.
 2 and holy is His name;
 3 He has scattered the proud in the imagination of their hearts.
 4 and the rich He has sent emp - - - ty a - way.
 5 and to the Ho - ly Spirit;



- 1 For be - hold, from this day
 2 and His mercy is on those who fear Him
 3 He has cast down the mighty from their thrones
 4 He has helped His servant Israel in remembrance of His mercy
 5 as it was in the be - - - ginning,



- 1 all generations will call me blessed.
 2 from generation to gen - er - ation. *Refrain*
 3 and has exalt - - - ed the lowly.
 4 as He spoke to our fathers, to Abraham and to his seed for - ever.
 5 is now, and will be forever. A - men. *Refrain*

PRAYER

Litany

The congregation's response may begin just as the leader's petition ends so that the word "Lord" is sung simultaneously by both leader and congregation.



L In peace let us pray to the Lord:



C Lord, have mer - cy.

L For the peace from above and for our salvation, let us pray to the Lord:

C **Lord, have mercy.**

L For the peace of the whole world, for the well-being of the Church of God, and for the unity of all, let us pray to the Lord:

C **Lord, have mercy.**

L For this holy house and for all who offer here their worship and praise, let us pray to the Lord:

C **Lord, have mercy.**

L For Matthew Harrison, president of the Synod, and for all District Presidents, for all pastors in Christ, for all servants of the Church, and for all the people, let us pray to the Lord:

C **Lord, have mercy.**

L For Joseph, the President, for all public servants, for the government and those who protect us, that they may be upheld and strengthened in every good deed, let us pray to the Lord:

C **Lord, have mercy.**

L For those who work to bring peace, justice, health, and protection in this and every place, let us pray to the Lord:

C **Lord, have mercy.**

L For those who bring offerings, those who do good works in this congregation, those who toil, those who sing, and all the people here present who await from the Lord great and abundant mercy, let us pray to the Lord:

C **Lord, have mercy.**

L For favorable weather, for an abundance of the fruits of the earth, and for peaceful times, let us pray to the Lord:

C **Lord, have mercy.**

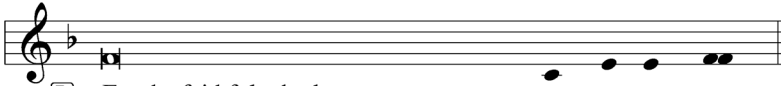
L For our deliverance from all affliction, wrath, danger, and need, let us pray to the Lord:

C **Lord, have mercy.**



- L** For . . . *[additional bids for prayer may be inserted here]* . . . let us pray to the Lord:
C **Lord, have mercy.**

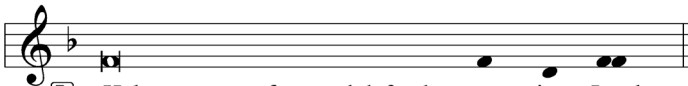
The prayers then continue:



L For the faithful who have gone
before us and are with Christ, let us give thanks to the Lord:

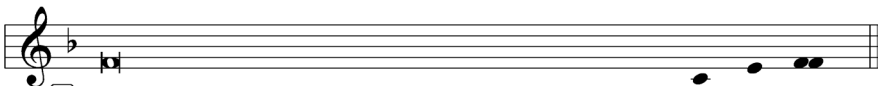


C Al - le - lu - ia.



L Help, save, comfort, and defend us, gra - cious Lord.

Silence for individual prayer may follow.



L Rejoicing in the fellowship of all the saints, let us
commend ourselves, one another, and our whole life to Christ, our Lord:



C To You, O Lord.

Collect for Peace

- L** O God, from whom come all holy desires, all good counsels, and all just works, give to us, Your servants, that peace which the world cannot give, that our hearts may be set to obey Your commandments and also that we, being defended from the fear of our enemies, may live in peace and quietness; through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.



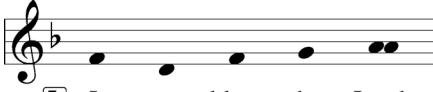
Lord's Prayer

Matthew 6:9-13

- L** Taught by our Lord and trusting His promises, we are bold to pray:
- C** **Our Father who art in heaven,**
hallowed be Thy name,
Thy kingdom come,
Thy will be done on earth
as it is in heaven;
give us this day our daily bread;
and forgive us our trespasses
as we forgive those
who trespass against us;
and lead us not into temptation,
but deliver us from evil.
For Thine is the kingdom
and the power and the glory
forever and ever. Amen.

Benedicamus

Psalm 103:1



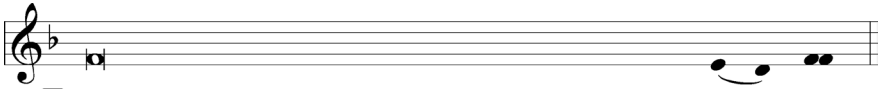
L Let us bless the Lord.



C Thanks be to God.

Benediction

2 Corinthians 13:14



P The almighty and merciful Lord,
the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit, bless and pre - serve you.



C A - men.

All Christians Who Have Been Baptized

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1 All Chris-tians who have been bap-tized, Who know the God of
2 You were be-fore your day of birth, In-deed, from your con-
3 But all of that was washed a-way— Im-mersed and drowned for-
4 In Bap-tism we now put on Christ— Our shame is ful-ly



heav-en, And in whose dai-ly life is prized The name of
cep-tion, Con-demned and lost with all the earth, None good, with-
ev-er. The wa-ter of your Bap-tism day Re-stored a-
cov-ered With all that He once sac-ri-ficed And free-ly



Christ once giv-en: Con-sid-er now what God has done, The
out-ex-cep-tion. For like your par-ents' flesh and blood, Turned
gain what-ev-er Old Ad-am and his sin de-stroyed And
for us suf-fered. For here the flood of His own blood Now



gifts He gives to ev-'ry-one Bap-tized in-to Christ Je-sus!
in-ward from the high-est good, You con-stant-ly de-nied Him.
all our sin-ful selves em-ployed Ac-cord-ing to our na-ture.
makes us ho-ly, right, and good Be-fore our heav'n-ly Fa-ther.

5 O Christian, firmly hold this gift
And give God thanks forever!
It gives the power to uplift
In all that you endeavor.
When nothing else revives your soul,
Your Baptism stands and makes you whole
And then in death completes you.

6 So use it well! You are made new—
In Christ a new creation!
As faithful Christians, live and do
Within your own vocation,
Until that day when you possess
His glorious robe of righteousness
Bestowed on you forever!

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Compline

The congregation assembles in silence.

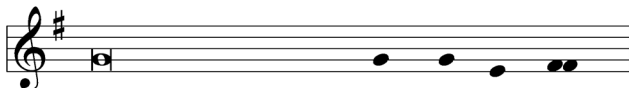
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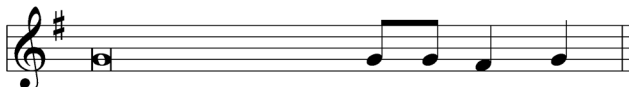
L The Lord Almighty grant us a qui - et night and peace at the last.



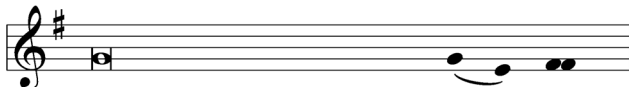
C A - men.



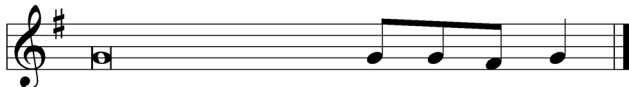
L It is good to give thanks to the Lord,



C to sing praise to Your name, O Most High;



L to herald Your love in the morn - ing,



C Your truth at the close of the day.

Confession

L Let us confess our sin in the presence of God and of one another.

Silence for self-examination.

L I confess to God Almighty, before the whole company of heaven and to you, my brothers and sisters, that I have sinned in thought, word, and deed by my fault, by my own fault, by my own most grievous fault; wherefore I pray God Almighty to have mercy on me, forgive me all my sins, and bring me to everlasting life. Amen.

C The almighty and merciful Lord grant you pardon, forgiveness, and remission of all your sins. Amen.

C I confess to God Almighty, before the whole company of heaven and to you, my brothers and sisters, that I have sinned in thought, word, and deed by my fault, by my own fault, by my own most grievous fault; wherefore I pray God Almighty to have mercy on me, forgive me all my sins, and bring me to everlasting life. Amen.



Compline

L The almighty and merciful Lord grant you pardon, forgiveness, and remission of all your sins.

C Amen.

Stand

Psalm

Tuesday Psalm 91



¹He who dwells in the shelter of the | Most High*
will abide in the shadow of the Al- | mighty.

²**I will say to the Lord, “My refuge and my | fortress,*
my God, in | whom I trust.”**

³For he will deliver you from the snare of the | fowler*
and from the deadly | pestilence.

**⁴He will cover you with his pinions,
and under his wings you will find | refuge,*
his faithfulness is a shield and | buckler.**

⁵You will not fear the terror | of the night,*
nor the arrow that | flies by day,

**⁶nor the pestilence that stalks in | darkness,*
nor the destruction that wastes at | noonday.**

⁷A thousand may fall at your side,
ten thousand at your | right hand,*
but it will not come | near you.

**⁸You will only look | with your eyes*
and see the recompense of the | wicked.**

⁹Because you have made the LORD your | dwelling place—*
the Most High, who is my | refuge—

**¹⁰no evil shall be allowed to be- | fall you,*
no plague come | near your tent.**

¹¹For he will command his angels con- | cerning you*
to guard you in | all your ways.

**¹²On their hands they will | bear you up,*
lest you strike your foot a- | gainst a stone.**

¹³You will tread on the lion and the | adder,*
the young lion and the serpent you will trample | underfoot.

**¹⁴“Because he holds fast to me in love, I will de- | liver him;*
I will protect him, because he | knows my name.**

¹⁵When he calls to me, I will answer him;
I will be with him in | trouble;*
I will rescue him and | honor him.

Compline

16With long life I will sat- | isfy him*
and show him my sal- | vation.”
Glory be to the Father and | to the Son*
and to the Holy | Spirit;
as it was in the be- | ginning,*
is now, and will be forever. | Amen.

Psalm



Wednesday Psalm 4

1Answer me when I call, O God of my righteousness!
You have given me relief when I was | in distress.*
Be gracious to me and | hear my prayer!

2O men, how long shall my honor be turned | into shame?*
How long will you love vain words and seek | after lies?

3But know that the LORD has set apart the godly | for himself,*
the LORD hears when I | call to him.

4Be angry, and | do not sin;*
ponder in your own hearts on your beds, and be | silent.

5Offer right sacri- | fices,*
and put your trust | in the LORD.

6There are many who say, “Who will show | us some good?*
Lift up the light of your face upon us, | O LORD!”

7You have put more joy | in my heart*
than they have when their grain and | wine abound.

8In peace I will both lie | down and sleep;*
for you alone, O LORD, make me dwell in | safety.

Glory be to the Father and | to the Son*
and to the Holy | Spirit;

as it was in the be- | ginning,*
is now, and will be forever. | Amen.

Compline

Psalm

Thursday Psalm 133



¹Behold, how good and pleasant it is*
when brothers dwell in unity!

**2It is like the precious oil on the head,
running down on the beard,
on the beard of | Aaron,*
running down on the collar | of his robes!**

31It is like the dew of Hermon,
which falls on the mountains of | Zion!*

For there the Lord has commanded the blessing,
life for- | evermore.

Psalm

Friday Psalm 134



¹Come, bless the Lord, all you servants | of the Lord,*
who stand by night in the house | of the Lord!

**²Lift up your hands to the | holy place*
and | bless the Lord!**

³May the Lord bless you from | Zion,*
he who made | heaven and earth!

Sit

Compline

Abide with Me

Tuesday: LSB 878



1 A - bide with me, fast falls the e - ven - tide.
 2 I need Thy pres - ence ev - 'ry pass - ing hour;
 3 Come not in ter - rors, as the King of kings,
 4 Swift to its close ebbs out life's lit - tle day;



The dark - ness deep - ens; Lord, with me a - bide.
 What but Thy grace can foil the tempt - er's pow'r?
 But kind and good, with heal - ing in Thy wings;
 Earth's joys grow dim, its glo - ries pass a - way;



When oth - er help - ers fail and com - forts flee,
 Who like Thy - self my guide and stay can be?
 Tears for all woes, a heart for ev - 'ry plea.
 Change and de - cay in all a - round I see;



Help of the help - less, O a - bide with me.
 Through cloud and sun - shine, O a - bide with me.
 Come, Friend of sin - ners, thus a - bide with me.
 O Thou who chang - est not, a - bide with me.

- 5 I fear no foe with Thee at hand to bless;
 Ills have no weight and tears no bitterness.
 Where is death's sting? Where, grave, thy victory?
 I triumph still if Thou abide with me!
- 6 Hold Thou Thy cross before my closing eyes;
 Shine through the gloom, and point me to the skies.
 Heav'n's morning breaks, and earth's vain shadows flee;
 In life, in death, O Lord, abide with me.

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Compline

Christ, Mighty Savior

Wednesday: LSB 881



1 Christ, might - y Sav - ior, Light of all cre - a - tion,
2 Now comes the day's end as the sun is set - ting,
3 There - fore we come now eve - ning rites to of - fer,
4 Give heed, we pray You, to our sup - pli - ca - tion,
5 Though bod - ies slum - ber, hearts shall keep their vig - il,



You make the day - time ra - diant with the sun - light
Mir - ror of day - break, pledge of res - ur - rec - tion;
Joy - ful - ly chant - ing ho - ly hymns to praise You,
That You may grant us par - don for of - fens - es,
For - ev - er rest - ing in the peace of Je - sus,



And to the night give glit - ter - ing a -
While in the heav - ens choirs of stars ap -
With all cre - a - tion join - ing hearts and
Strength for our weak hearts, rest for ach - ing
In light or dark - ness wor - ship - ing our



dorn - ment, Stars in the heav - ens.
pear - ing Hal - low the night - fall.
voic - es Sing - ing Your glo - ry.
bod - ies, Sooth - ing the wea - ry.
Sav - ior Now and for - ev - er.

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Compline

The Day Thou Gavest

Thursday: LSB 886



1 The day Thou gavest, Lord, is end - ed,
 2 We thank Thee that Thy Church, un - sleep - ing
 3 As o'er each con - ti - nent and is - land
 4 The sun, that bids us rest, is wak - ing
 5 So be it, Lord! Thy throne shall nev - er,

The dark - ness falls at Thy be - hest;
 While earth rolls on - ward in - to light,
 The dawn leads on an - oth - er day,
 Thy saints be - neath the west - ern skies,
 Like earth's proud em - pires, pass a - way;

To Thee our morn - ing hymns as - cend - ed,
 Through all the world her watch is keep - ing,
 The voice of prayer is nev - er si - lent,
 And hour by hour, as day is break - ing,
 Thy king - dom stands and grows for - ev - er,

Thy praise shall sanc - ti - fy our rest.
 And nev - er rests by day or night.
 Nor dies the strain of praise a - way.
 Fresh hymns of thank - ful praise a - rise.
 Till all Thy crea - tures own Thy sway.

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Compline

Christ Be My Leader

Friday: LSB 861



1 Christ be my Lead - er by night as by day; Safe through the
2 Christ be my Teach - er in age as in youth, Drift - ing or
3 Christ be my Sav - ior in calm as in strife; Death can - not

dark - ness, for He is the way. Glad - ly I fol - low, my
doubt - ing, for He is the truth. Grant me to trust Him; though
hold me, for He is the life. Nor dark - ness nor doubt - ing nor

fu - ture His care, Dark - ness is day - light when Je - sus is there.
shift - ing as sand, Doubt can - not daunt me; in Je - sus I stand.
sin and its stain Can touch my sal - va - tion: with Je - sus I reign.

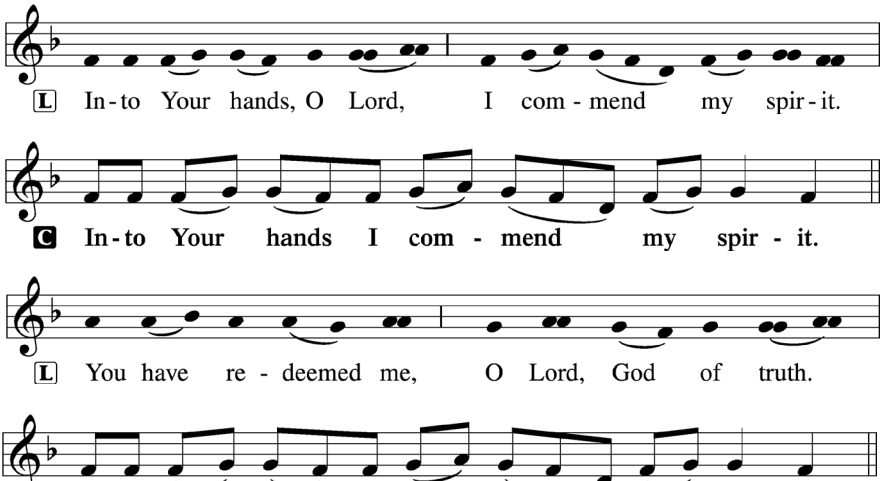
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Readings from Holy Scripture

Tuesday: 1 Peter 5:6-9a
Wednesday: Matthew 11:28-30
Thursday: Micah 7:18-19
Friday: Romans 8:38-39

Responsory

Psalm 31:5



L In-to Your hands, O Lord, I com - mend my spir - it.

C In-to Your hands I com - mend my spir - it.

L You have re - deemed me, O Lord, God of truth.

C In-to Your hands I com - mend my spir - it.

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L Glory be to the Fa - ther and to the Son and to the Ho-ly Spir-it.



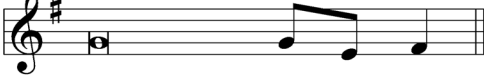
C In-to Your hands I com - mend my spir - it.

Kneel/Stand

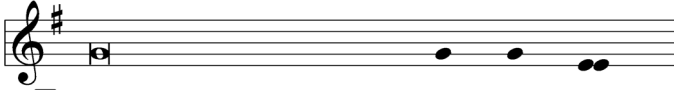
Prayer



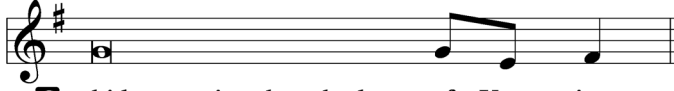
L Hear my prayer, O Lord;



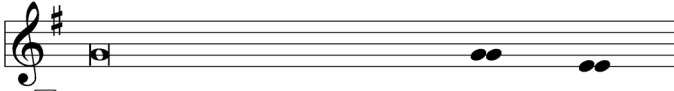
C listen to my cry.



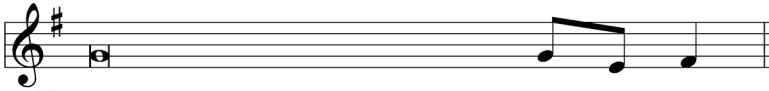
L Keep me as the apple of Your eye;



C hide me in the shadow of Your wings.



L In righteousness I shall see You;



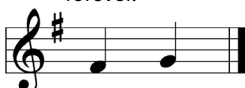
C when I awake, Your presence will give me joy.

One or more of the following are prayed.

- L** Be present, merciful God, and protect us through the hours of this night, so that we who are wearied by the changes and chances of life may find our rest in You; through Jesus Christ, our Lord.

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- L** O Lord, support us all the day long of this troubled life, until the shadows lengthen and the evening comes and the busy world is hushed, the fever of life is over, and our work is done. Then, Lord, in Your mercy grant us a safe lodging and a holy rest and peace at the last; through Jesus Christ, our Lord.
- L** Be our light in the darkness, O Lord, and in Your great mercy defend us from all perils and dangers of this night; for the love of Your only Son, Jesus Christ, our Lord.
- L** Visit our dwellings, O Lord, and drive from them all the snares of the enemy; let Your holy angels dwell with us to preserve us in peace; and let Your blessing be on us always; through Jesus Christ, our Lord.
- L** Eternal God, the hours both of day and night are Yours, and to You the darkness is no threat. Be present, we pray, with those who labor in these hours of night, especially those who watch and work on behalf of others. Grant them diligence in their watching, faithfulness in their service, courage in danger, and competence in emergencies. Help them to meet the needs of others with confidence and compassion; through Jesus Christ, our Lord.
- L** Abide with us, Lord, for it is toward evening, and the day is far spent. Abide with us and with Your whole Church. Abide with us at the end of the day, at the end of our life, at the end of the world. Abide with us with Your grace and goodness, with Your holy Word and Sacrament, with Your strength and blessing. Abide with us when the night of affliction and temptation comes upon us, the night of fear and despair, the night when death draws near. Abide with us and with all the faithful, now and forever.



C A - men.

Lord's Prayer

Matthew 6:9-13

- L** Taught by our Lord and trusting His promises, we are bold to pray:

C **Our Father who art in heaven,**
hallowed be Thy name,
Thy kingdom come,
Thy will be done on earth
as it is in heaven;
give us this day our daily bread;
and forgive us our trespasses
as we forgive those
who trespass against us;
and lead us not into temptation,
but deliver us from evil.
For Thine is the kingdom
and the power and the glory
forever and ever. Amen.

Stand

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Nunc Dimittis

Song of Simeon; Luke 2:29-32

Antiphon



L Guide us wak - ing, O Lord, and guard us sleep - ing



that a - wake we may watch with Christ and asleep we may rest in peace.



G Lord, now You let Your ser - vant go in peace; Your word has been ful - filled.



My own eyes have seen the sal - va - tion which You have prepared



in the sight of ev - 'ry peo - ple: a light to reveal You to the na - tions



and the glory of Your peo - ple Is - ra - el. Glo - ry be to the



Fa - ther and to the Son and to the Ho - ly Spir - it;



as it was in the be - gin - ning, is now, and will be for -

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Antiphon

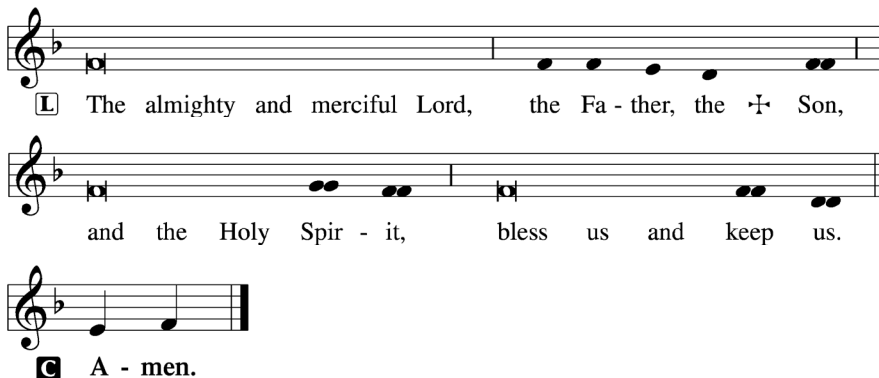
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and guard us sleep - ing that a - wake we may

watch with Christ and asleep we may rest in peace.

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Benediction



L The almighty and merciful Lord, the Fa - ther, the ✠ Son,
and the Holy Spir - it, bless us and keep us.

C A - men.