

CHRISTMAS SEASON

VOLUME 1

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DECEMBER 24
EVENING PRAYER I
The Nativity of the Lord (Christmas)

CALL TO WORSHIP (*stand*)

Tone 9



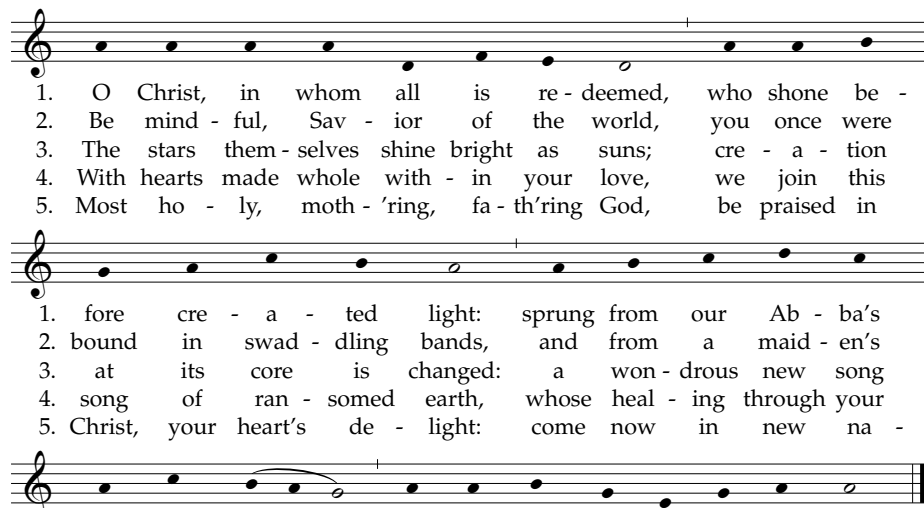
Cantor Christ is born for us;
All come, let us adore him.

(*bow*) Glory to the Father, and to the Son,
and to the Holy Spirit:
(*upright*) as it was in the beginning,
is now, and will be for everer. Amen. Alleluia.



HYMN

O Christ, in Whom All is Redeemed



1. O Christ, in whom all is re - deemed, who shone be -
2. Be mind - ful, Sav - ior of the world, you once were
3. The stars them - selves shine bright as suns; cre - a - tion
4. With hearts made whole with - in your love, we join this
5. Most ho - ly, moth - 'ring, fa - th'ring God, be praised in

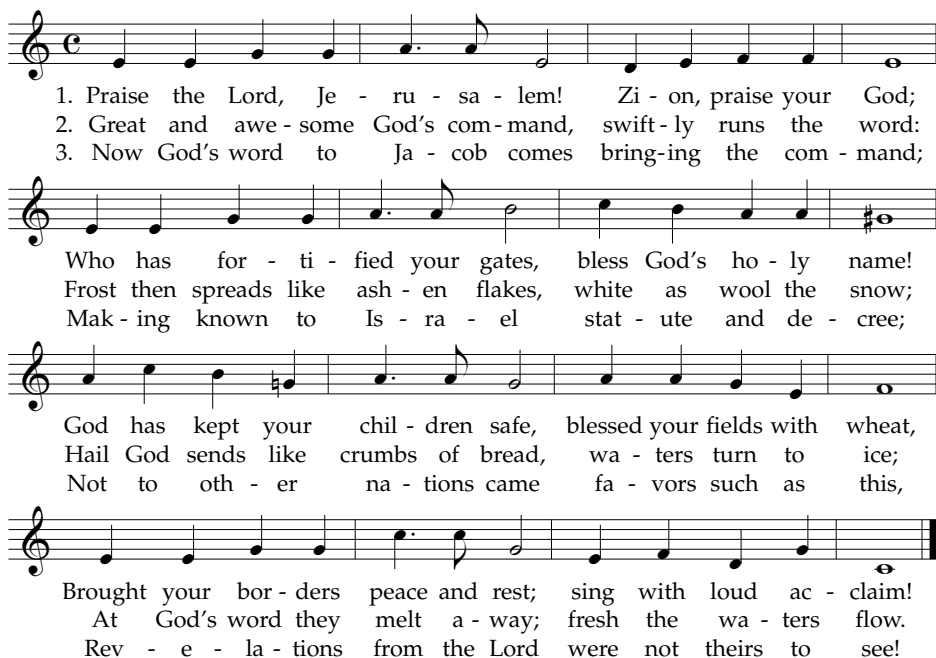
1. fore cre - a - ted light: sprung from our Ab - ba's
2. bound in swad - dling bands, and from a maid - en's
3. at its core is changed: a won - drous new song
4. song of ran - somed earth, whose heal - ing through your
5. Christ, your heart's de - light: come now in new na -

1. bound - less heart, by God be - got - ten, God's de - light!
2. hal - lowed womb you gave your - self in - to our hands.
3. fills the night, the gal - ax - ies can - not con - tain!
4. cross be - gan this hal - lowed night that saw your birth.
5. tiv - i - ty and find your joy in us this night.

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Psalm 147:12-20

Antiphon He sends forth his word to the earth,
and his command spreads swiftly through the land.



1. Praise the Lord, Je - ru - sa - lem! Zi - on, praise your God;
2. Great and awe - some God's com - mand, swift - ly runs the word;
3. Now God's word to Ja - cob comes bring - ing the com - mand;

Who has for - ti - fied your gates, bless God's ho - ly name!
Frost then spreads like ash - en flakes, white as wool the snow;
Mak - ing known to Is - ra - el stat - ute and de - cree;

God has kept your chil - dren safe, blessed your fields with wheat,
Hail God sends like crumbs of bread, wa - ters turn to ice;
Not to oth - er na - tions came fa - vors such as this,

Brought your bor - ders peace and rest; sing with loud ac - claim!
At God's word they melt a - way; fresh the wa - ters flow.
Rev - e - la - tions from the Lord were not theirs to see!

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Tone 6



2 Choirs

So at the name of Jesus
every **knee** will bend
in heaven, on earth,
and in the **world** below,
and every tongue exclaim
to the glory of **God** the Father,
“Jesus **Christ** is Lord.”

PSALMODY DOXOLOGY

Tone 6



All (bow) Glory to the Father, and to the Son,
and to the Holy Spirit:
(upright) as it was in the beginning,
is now, and will be for everer. Amen.

READING *(be seated)*

RESPONSORY

CANON

Glo - ri - a, glo - ri - a, in ex - cel - sis De - o!

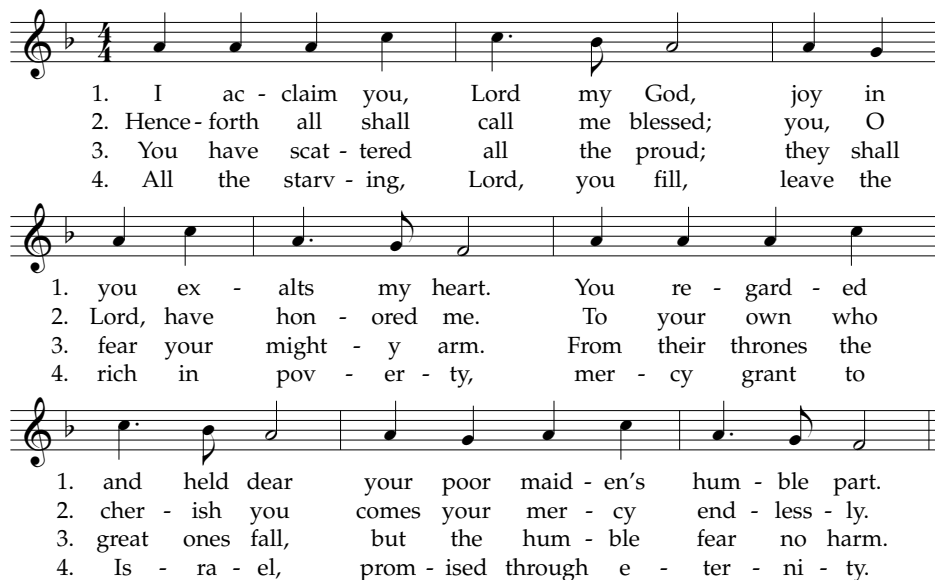
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CANTICLE OF MARY (stand)

Antiphon When the sun rises in the morning sky, you will see the King of kings coming forth from the Father like a radiant bridegroom from the bridal chamber.

VERSES



1. I ac - claim you, Lord my God, joy in
 2. Hence - forth all shall call me blessed; you, O
 3. You have scat - tered all the proud; they shall
 4. All the starv - ing, Lord, you fill, leave the

1. you ex - alts my heart. You re - gard - ed
 2. Lord, have hon - ored me. To your own who
 3. fear your might - y arm. From their thrones the
 4. rich in pov - er - ty, mer - cy grant to

1. and held dear your poor maid - en's hum - ble part.
 2. cher - ish you comes your mer - cy end - less - ly.
 3. great ones fall, but the hum - ble fear no harm.
 4. Is - ra - el, prom - ised through e - ter - ni - ty.

REFRAIN



Glo - ri - a.

Ho - ly is your name, O God.

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 Music: GLORIA, 77 77 with refrain; Trad. French Carol.

INTERCESSIONS

OUR FATHER

CONCLUDING PRAYER

DECEMBER 25
MORNING PRAYER
The Nativity of the Lord (Christmas)

CALL TO WORSHIP (*stand*)

Tone 6



Cantor Christ is born for us;
All come, let us adore him.

(*bow*) Glory to the Father, and to the Son,
and to the Holy Spirit:
(*upright*) as it was in the beginning,
is now, and will be for everer. Amen. Alleluia.



HYMN

From East to West, from Shore to Shore



1. From east to west, from shore to shore, let all the
2. Be - hold, the world's cre - a - tor wears the form and
3. How won - drous this, the work God wrought: a vir - gin's
4. The One on whom bright an - gels gaze is warmed by
5. The an - gels' cho - rus fills the air and ech - oes
6. God's glo - ry, Christ, O Vir - gin - born, is yours from



1. earth a - wake and sing! A - dore the child whom
2. fash - ion of a slave; our ver - y flesh our
3. womb, God's dwell - ing place! Be - yond the bounds of
4. cat - tle from the herd. On wood, warm - nes - tled
5. through the si - lent fields. A - lone, un - let - tered
6. all e - ter - ni - ty. Ac - cept our praise this



1. Mar - y bore, an in - fant, yet our Lord and King.
2. mak - er shares, that none be lost and all be saved.
3. should and ought her "Yes" now floods the world with grace.
4. in some straw, is laid God's un - cre - a - ted Word.
5. shep - herds see the shep - herd - God their song re - veals.
6. bless - ed morn, O love out - poured, O Trin - i - ty!

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PSALMODY (*be seated*)

Psalm 63

Tone 3



Antiphon We have seen a newborn infant, the Messiah and Lord.
Hemos visto a un recién nacido, el Mesías y Señor.

Cantor/All

¡Oh Dios, tú eres mi Dios,
por ti madrugo:
mi garganta está sedienta de ti,
mi carne desfallece por ti
como tierra seca, reseca sin agua!
Que así te contemple en el santuario
viendo tu poder y tu gloria.

Your love is better than life,
my speech is full of praise.
I give you a lifetime of worship,
my hands raised in your name.
I feast at a rich table,
my lips sing of your glory.

Si en mi lecho me acuerdo de ti,
en mis vigilias medito en ti,
porque tú has sido mi ayuda,
y a la sombra de tus alas
salto de gozo.
Mi vida está unida a ti
y tu mano me sostiene.

Let those who want me dead
end up deep in the grave!
They will die by the sword,
their bodies food for jackals.
But let the king find joy in God.
All who swear the truth be praised,
every lying mouth be shut.

*God, my God, you I crave; my soul
thirsts for you, my body aches for
you like a dry and weary land. Let
me gaze on you in your temple: a
vision of strength and glory.*

*Porque tu amor vale más que la
vida, te alabarán mis labios. Que
así te bendiga mientras viva,
alzando las manos en tu Nombre.
Me saciaré como de enjundia y de
manteca, y mi boca te alabará con
labios jubilosos.*

*On my bed I lie awake, your
memory fills the night. You have
been my help, I rejoice beneath
your wings. Yes, I cling to you,
your right hand holds me fast.*

*Pero los que intentan quitarme
la vida vayan a lo profundo de la
tierra; sean pasados a filo de espa-
da, sirvan de pasto a los chacales.
Pero el rey se alegrará en Dios, el
que jura por él se felicitará, cuando
tapen la boca a los mentirosos.*

Daniel 3:56-88

Antiphon The angel said to the shepherds: I proclaim to you a great joy; today the Savior of the world is born for you, alleluia.

REFRAIN

All you works of God, ev-'ry moun - tain, star and tree,
 bless the One who shapes your beau-ty, who has caused you all to
 be one great song of love and grace, ev-er an - cient, ev - er
 new; raise your voic - es, all you works of God!

VERSES

Cantor Bless your mak - er! *All* Chant your praise!
Cantor Raise up your joy - ful song! *All* *To Refrain*

1. Sun and moon...Stars of heaven...Showers and dew...
2. Winds of God...Cold and winter...Snowstorms and ice...
3. Night and day...Light and darkness...Lightnings and clouds... (*Refrain*)
4. All the earth...Hills and mountains...Green things that grow...
5. Wells and springs...Seas and rivers...Whales in the deep...
6. Flying birds...Beasts and cattle...Children at play... (*Refrain*)
7. All who live...Men and women...Servants of God... (*Refrain*)

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Psalm 149

Tone 1



Antiphon A little child is born for us today;
little and yet called the mighty God, alleluia.

Sing a new **song**, you faithful,
praise God in **the** assembly.
Israel, rejoice in your maker,
Zion, **in** your king.
Dance in the Lord's name,
sounding harp and **tam**bourine.

The Lord delights
in saving a **helpless** people.
Revel in God's glory,
join in **clan** by clan.
Shout praise **from** your throat,
sword flashing in hand

to discipline nations
and punish the wicked,
to shackle their kings
and chain their leaders,
and execute God's sentence.
You faithful, this is your glory!

Alleluia!
Alleluia!

READING (*be seated*)

RESPONSORY

The musical score is written for three voices (Soprano, Alto, and Tenor) in G major (one sharp) and 4/4 time. The lyrics are in Latin. The score is divided into two systems, A and B, indicated by circled letters above the staves. System A covers the first two lines of music, and System B covers the last two lines. The lyrics are: Gau - de - te, gau - de - te! Chris - tus na - tus est ex Ma - ri - a Vir - gi - ne, ex Ma - ri - a Vir - gi - ne. Al - le - lu - ia. Al - le - lu - ia.

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CANTICLE OF ZECHARIAH (*stand*)

Antiphon Glory to God in the highest,
and peace to God's people on earth, alleluia.

1. Blessed be the God of Is - ra - el who comes to
2. With prom - ised mer - cy will God still the cov - e -
3. My child, as proph - et of the Lord you will pre -

set us free and rais - es up new hope for us: a
nant re - call, the oath once sworn to A - bra - ham from
pare the way, to tell God's peo - ple they are saved from

Branch from Da - vid's tree. So have the proph - ets
foes to save us all; that we might wor - ship
sin's e - ter - nal sway. Then shall God's mer - cy

long de - clared that with a might - y arm God would turn
with - out fear and of - fer lives of praise, in ho - li -
from on high shine forth and nev - er cease to drive a -

back our en - e - mies and all who wish us harm.
ness and right - eous - ness to serve God all our days.
way the gloom of death and lead us in - to peace.

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INTERCESSIONS

OUR FATHER

CONCLUDING PRAYER

DECEMBER 25
EVENING PRAYER II
The Nativity of the Lord (Christmas)

CALL TO WORSHIP (*stand*)

Tone 9



Cantor Christ is born for us;
All come, let us adore him.

(*bow*) Glory to the Father, and to the Son,
and to the Holy Spirit:
(*upright*) as it was in the beginning,
is now, and will be for everer. Amen. Alleluia.



HYMN

O Christ, in Whom All is Redeemed

1. O Christ, in whom all is re - deemed, who shone be -
2. Be mind - ful, Sav - ior of the world, you once were
3. The stars them - selves shine bright as suns; cre - a - tion
4. With hearts made whole with - in your love, we join this
5. Most ho - ly, moth - 'ring, fa - th'ring God, be praised in

1. fore cre - a - ted light: sprung from our Ab - ba's
2. bound in swad - dling bands, and from a maid - en's
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4. song of ran - somed earth, whose heal - ing through your
5. Christ, your heart's de - light: come now in new na -

1. bound - less heart, by God be - got - ten, God's de - light!
2. hal - lowed womb you gave your - self in - to our hands.
3. fills the night, the gal - ax - ies can - not con - tain!
4. cross be - gan this hal - lowed night that saw your birth.
5. tiv - i - ty and find your joy in us this night.

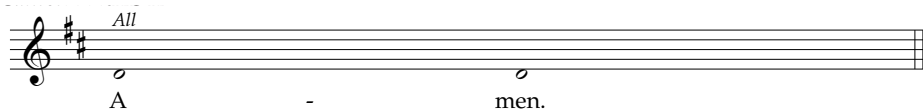
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SOLEMN PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING

Cantor. . . Let us give thanks to God the Father, always and for ev'rything.



Cantor.... Blessed are you, O Lord and mighty God,
our eternal Father and David's King.
You have made our gladness greater and increas'd our joy
by sending to dwell among us the Wonder Counselor, the Prince of Peace.
Born of Mary, proclaimed to the shepherds
and acknowledged to the ends of the earth,
your unconquered Son of Justice destroys our darkness
and establishes us in freedom and we are led forth from bondage.
All glory in the highest be to you, through Christ, the Son of your favor,
in the anointing love of his Spirit, this night and for ever and ever.



PSALMODY (*be seated*)

Psalm 110

Antiphon You have been endowed from your birth with princely gifts; in eternal splendor, before the dawn of light on earth, I have begotten you.

REFRAIN / ESTRIBILLO



Responsorial



El Señor extenderá desde Sión
el poder de tu reinado:
¡domina entre tus enemigos!

"Your people stand behind you
on the day you take command.
You are made holy, splendid
newborn like the dawn,
fresh like the dew."

El Señor lo ha jurado
y no se arrepiente:
"Tú eres sacerdote del Eterno,
al modo de Melquisedec."
El Señor está a tu derecha:
exterminará a los reyes
el día de su cólera.

God executes judgment,
crushes the heads of nations
and brings carnage worldwide.
The victor drinks
from a wayside stream
and rises refreshed.

The Lord decrees to the king:
"Take the throne at my right hand,
and I will make your enemies a footrest.
I will raise your scepter
over Zion and beyond,
over all your enemies.

"Tu pueblo está dispuesto
para el día de la movilización,
cuando aparezcas majestuoso;
desde el seno de la aurora
tuya es la flor de la juventud."

God's oath is firm:
"You are a priest for ever,
the rightful king by my decree."
The Lord stands at your side
to destroy kings on the day of wrath.

Sentenciará a los reyes,
amontonará cadáveres,
aplastará cabezas sobre la ancha tierra.
En el camino beberá del torrente,
así levantará su cabeza.

Psalm 130

Antiphon With the Lord is unfailing love; great is his power to save.

1. From deep - est need we cry, O God. To
2. Your love un - fail - ing gives us hope. We
3. In you we find for - give - ness, God. For -

you we cry for mer - cy. Hear us, then, Ho - ly
hope in your re - demp - tion. Loose, then, our bonds and
give - ness is sal - va - tion. Free us, then, from all

One, O hear and grant our pray'r for mer - cy.
bind our wounds and bless us with re - demp - tion.
sin and shame and show us your sal - va - tion.

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Colossians 1:12-20

Please stand for this canticle of praise.

Tone 2



Antiphon In the beginning, before time began, the **Word** was God;
today he is born, the Savior **of** the world.

2 Choirs

Give thanks **to** the Father,
who made us fit
for the holy community of light
and rescued us from darkness,
bringing us into the realm
of his **be**loved Son
who redeemed us,
forgiv**ing** our sins.

Christ is the image
of the God we **can**not see.
Christ is firstborn in **all** creation.

Through Christ the **universe**
was made,
things seen and unseen,
thrones, authorities, **for**ces,
powers.
Everything **was** created —

through Christ **and** for Christ.

Before anything came to **be**, Christ
was,
and the universe is held together**er** by
Christ.

Christ is also head of the body, the
church,
its beginning as firstborn
from the dead
to become in **all** things first.

For by **God's** good pleasure
Christ encompasses
the full **measur**e of power,
reconciling creation **with** its source
and making peace by the blood **of**
the cross.

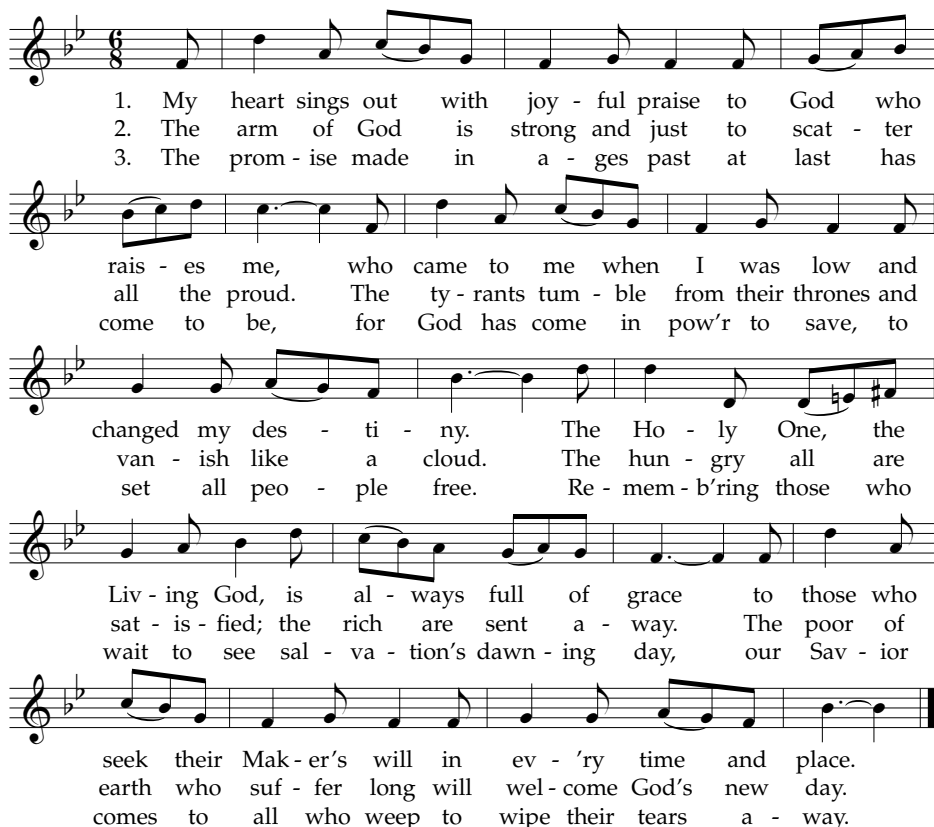
(*upright*) as it was in the beginning,
is now, and will be for ever. Amen.

RESPONSORY

23

CANTICLE OF MARY (stand)

Antiphon Christ the Lord is born today; today, the Savior has appeared. Earth echoes songs of angel choirs, archangels' joyful praise. Today on earth his friends exult: Glory to God in the highest, alleluia.



1. My heart sings out with joy - ful praise to God who
 2. The arm of God is strong and just to scat - ter
 3. The prom - ise made in a - ges past at last has

rais - es me, who came to me when I was low and
 all the proud. The ty - rants tum - ble from their thrones and
 come to be, for God has come in pow'r to save, to

changed my des - ti - ny. The Ho - ly One, the
 van - ish like a cloud. The hun - gry all are
 set all peo - ple free. Re - mem - b'ring those who

Liv - ing God, is al - ways full of grace to those who
 sat - is - fied; the rich are sent a - way. The poor of
 wait to see sal - va - tion's dawn - ing day, our Sav - ior

seek their Mak - er's will in ev - 'ry time and place.
 earth who suf - fer long will wel - come God's new day.
 comes to all who weep to wipe their tears a - way.

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INTERCESSIONS
 OUR FATHER
 CONCLUDING PRAYER

DECEMBER 26
MORNING PRAYER
Stephen

CALL TO WORSHIP (*stand*)

Tone 1



Cantor Come, let us worship the newborn Christ
All who has given the glorious crown to Saint Stephen.

(*bow*) Glory to the Father, and to the Son,
and to the Holy Spirit:
(*upright*) as it was in the beginning,
is now, and will be for everer. Amen. Alleluia.



HYMN

By All Your Saints Still Striving

1. By all your saints still striv - ing, for all your
2. All praise, O Lord, for Ste - phen who, mar - tyred,
3. Then let us praise the Fa - ther and wor - ship

saints at rest, Your ho - ly name, O Je - sus, for
saw you stand to help in time of tor - ment, to
God the Son and sing to God the Spir - it, E -

ev - er - more be blessed. You rose, our King vic -
plead at God's right hand. Like you, our suf - f'ring
ter - nal Three in One, Till all the ran - somed

to - rious, that they might wear the crown And ev - er
Sav - ior, his en - e - mies he blessed, with "Lord, re -
num - ber who stand be - fore the throne, A - scribe all

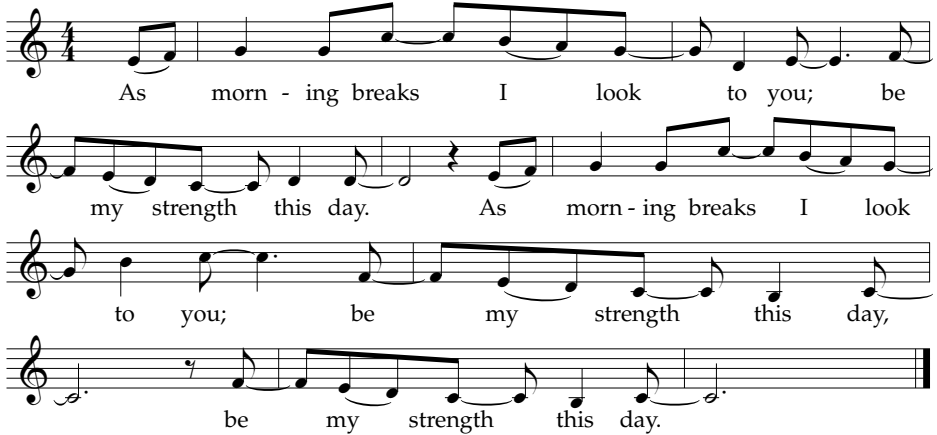
shine in splen - dor re - flect - ed from your throne.
ceive my spir - it," his faith, in death, con - fessed.
pow'r and glo - ry and praise to God a - lone.

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PSALMODY (*be seated*)

Psalm 63

Antiphon My soul has held fast to you, my God; for your sake I
suffered death by stoning.



1. O God, you are my God, and I will always praise you.
In the shadow of your wings I cling to you and you hold me high.
2. Through the day you walk with me;
all the night your love surrounds me.
To the glory of your name I lift my hands, I sing your praise.
3. I will never be afraid, for I will not be abandoned.
Even when the road grows long and weary your love will rescue me.

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Daniel 3:56-88

Tone 1



Antiphon Stephen saw the heavens open; he saw and **en**tered in.
Happy the man to whom the **heavens** opened.

2 Choirs

Bless God beyond the stars.
Give **praise** and glory.
Bless God, heaven and earth.
Give praise and glory for ever.

Bless God, **dew** and snow.
Give **praise** and glory.
Bless God, **ice** and cold.
Give **praise** and glory.

Bless God, angels of God.
Give **praise** and glory.
Bless God, highest heavens.
Give **praise** and glory.

Bless God, **frost** and sleet.
Give **praise** and glory.
Bless God, **night** and day.
Give **praise** and glory.

Bless God, **waters** above.
Give **praise** and glory.
Bless God, **spirits** of God.
Give **praise** and glory.

Bless God, **light** and darkness.
Give **praise** and glory.
Bless God, **lightning** and clouds.
Give praise and **glory** for ever.

Bless God, **sun** and moon.
Give **praise** and glory.
Bless God, **stars** of heaven.
Give praise and **glory** for ever.

Bless God, **earth** and sea.
Give **praise** and glory.
Bless God, mount**ains** and hills.
Give **praise** and glory.

Bless God, rainstorm and dew.
Give **praise** and glory.
Bless God, gales and winds.
Give **praise** and glory.

Bless God, **trees** and plants.
Give **praise** and glory.
Bless God, fount**ains** and
springs.
Give **praise** and glory.

Bless God, **fire** and heat.
Give **praise** and glory.
Bless God, **frost** and cold.
Give **praise** and glory.

Bless God, rivers and seas.
Give **praise** and glory.
Bless God, fishes and whales.
Give **praise** and glory.

Tone 1



Bless God, birds of the air.
Give praise and glory.
Bless God, beasts of the earth.
Give praise and glory for ever.

Bless God, children of earth.
Give praise and glory.
Bless God, Israel.
Give praise and glory.

Bless God, priests of God.
Give praise and glory.
Bless God, servants of God.
Give praise and glory.

Bless God, just and faithful souls.
Give praise and glory.
Bless God, holy and humble
hearts.

Give praise and glory.
Bless God, Hananiah,
Azariah, and Mishael.
Give praise and glory for ever.

Bless God beyond the stars.
Give praise and glory.
Bless God, heaven and earth.
Give praise and glory for ever.



Psalm 149

Please stand for this psalm of praise.

Tone 1



Antiphon I see the Son of Man standing at the right hand of God.
Estoy viendo al Hijo del Hombre de pie
a la derecha de Dios.

Cantor/All

Canten al Señor un canto nuevo,
su alabanza en la asamblea de los fieles.
Alégrese Israel por su Creador,
salten de gozo los hijos de Sión por su
Rey;
alaben su Nombre con danzas,
tocando tambores y cítaras;

The Lord delights
in saving a helpless people.
Revel in God's glory,
join in clan by clan.
Shout praise from your throat,
sword flashing in hand

para tomar venganza de las naciones,
y aplicar el castigo a los pueblos;
para atar a sus reyes con cadenas
y a sus nobles con esposas de hierro;
para aplicarles la sentencia escrita:
¡qué honor para todos sus fieles!

Alleluia!
Alleluia!

*Sing a new song, you faithful,
praise God in the assembly. Israel,
rejoice in your maker, Zion, in
your king. Dance in the Lord's
name, sounding harp and
tambourine.*

*porque el Señor ama a su pueblo
y corona con su victoria a los
humildes. Que los justos celebren
su gloria y lo aclamen aun en sus
lechos: con vítores a Dios en su
garganta, y espadas de dos filos en
las manos,*

*to discipline nations and punish
the wicked, to shackle their kings
and chain their leaders, and
execute God's sentence. You
faithful, this is your glory!*

¡Aleluya! ¡Aleluya!

PSALMODY DOXOLOGY

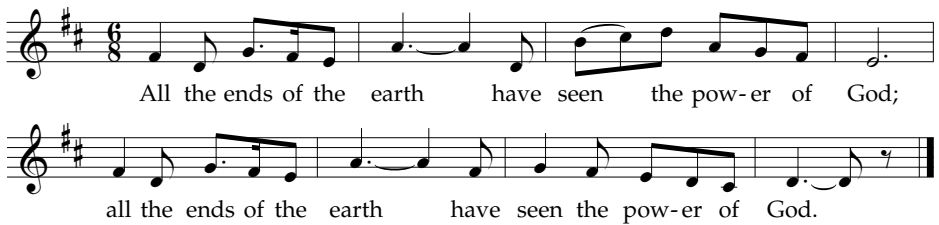
Tone 1



All (bow) Glory to the Father, and to the Son,
and to the Holy Spirit:
(upright) as it was in the beginning,
is now, and will be for everer. Amen.

READING (*be seated*)

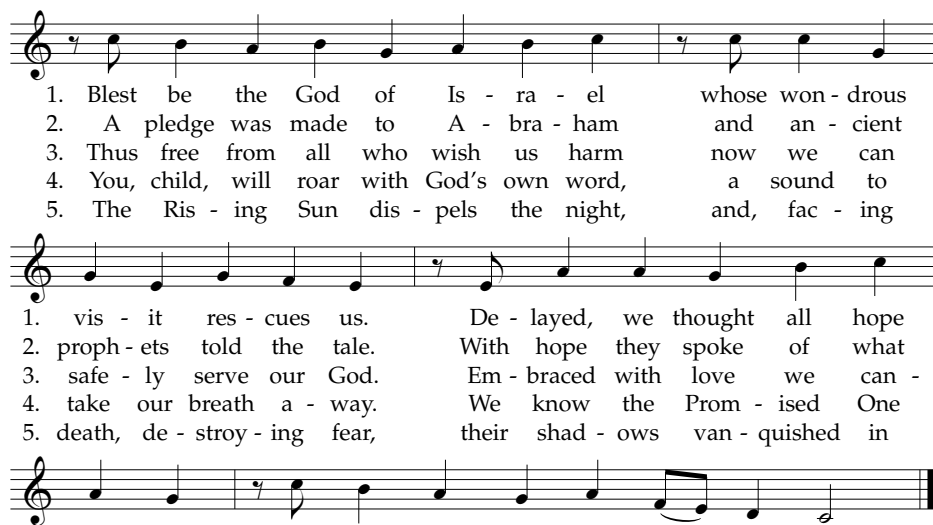
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CANTICLE OF ZECHARIAH (*stand*)

Antiphon The gates of heaven opened out to blessed Stephen,
and he was crowned first of martyrs.



1. Blest be the God of Is - ra - el whose won - drous
2. A pledge was made to A - bra - ham and an - cient
3. Thus free from all who wish us harm now we can
4. You, child, will roar with God's own word, a sound to
5. The Ris - ing Sun dis - pels the night, and, fac - ing

1. vis - it res - cues us. De - layed, we thought all hope
2. proph - ets told the tale. With hope they spoke of what
3. safe - ly serve our God. Em - braced with love we can -
4. take our breath a - way. We know the Prom - ised One
5. death, de - stroy - ing fear, their shad - ows van - quished in

1. was lost; from Da - vid's house the Sav - ior comes.
2. would be; our God would guard us from our foes.
3. not doubt, we wor - ship God for - ev - er - more.
4. has come; our ten - der God for - gives us all.
5. the light, now guides us in - to last - ing peace.

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INTERCESSIONS
OUR FATHER
CONCLUDING PRAYER

DECEMBER 26
EVENING PRAYER
Octave of Christmas

CALL TO WORSHIP (*stand*)

Tone 9



Cantor Christ is born for us;
All come, let us adore him.

(*bow*) Glory to the Father, and to the Son,
and to the Holy Spirit:
(*upright*) as it was in the beginning,
is now, and will be for everer. Amen. Alleluia.



HYMN

A Carol for a Carpenter



1. A stone to be the lin - tel a - bove the
2. As seed is for the sow - er and bread is
3. A colt to be his charg - er and palms for
4. With wood to work our ran - som he mas - tered

1. o - pen door, a bed of straw for sta - ble and
2. for the home, so bronze is for the breast - plate and
3. glo - ry now; a reed shall be for scep - ter and
4. death and grave; the gates of heav - en o - pened on

1. tram - pled earth a floor; but wood is for the
2. all the might of Rome. But wood is for the
3. thorn up - on his brow; but wood is for the
4. all he came to save; a tree of life un -

1. man - ger, so pat - terned, smooth and worn, Oh, wood is
2. Crafts - man by whom the world was made, Oh, wood is
3. cross - es a - gainst a dark - ened sky, Oh, wood and
4. fad - ing be - yond our mor - tal pains, whose leaves are

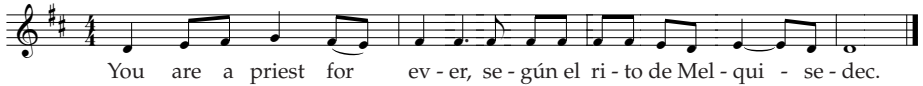
1. for the cra - dle where Je - sus Christ is born.
2. for the work - shop where Je - sus learned his trade.
3. nails to - geth - er when Je - sus came to die.
4. for our heal - ing where Je - sus lives and reigns.

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PSALMODY (*be seated*)

Psalm 110

Antiphon You have been endowed from your birth with princely gifts; in eternal splendor, before the dawn of light on earth, I have begotten you.



VERSES



Alternate English and Spanish (as you are able)

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|--|---|
| <p>1. Thus says the Lord to my lord:
 <i>"Sit at my right hand,
 and I will make your enemies
 a footstool for your feet."</i></p> | <p><i>Oráculo del Señor a mi Señor:</i>
 <i>"Siéntate a mi derecha,
 y haré de tus enemigos
 estrado de tus pies."</i></p> |
| <p>2. El Señor extenderá el poder
 de tu cetro desde Sión:
 somete en la batalla
 a tus enemigos.</p> | <p><i>The Lord will extend the power
 of your scepter from Zion:
 he makes your enemies
 submit in battle.</i></p> |
| <p>3. "You are a prince from the day
 you were born
 among sacred splendor;
 I myself will beget you like dew,
 before the dawn."</p> | <p><i>Eres príncipe desde el día
 que naciste entre esplendores sagrados;
 yo mismo te engendré como rocío,
 antes de la aurora."</i></p> |
| <p>4. El Señor lo ha jurado
 y no se arrepiente:
 <i>"Tú eres sacerdote eterno,
 según el rito de Melquisedec."</i></p> | <p><i>The Lord has sworn it
 and does not change his mind:
 "You are a priest forever
 according to the order of Melchizedek."</i></p> |

All sing Antiphon together

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Psalm 130

Tone 3



Antiphon With the Lord is unfailing love;
great is God's power to save.

2 Choirs

From the depths I call to you,
Lord, hear my cry.
Catch the sound of my voice
raised up, pleading.

If you record our sins,
Lord, who could survive?
But because you forgive
we stand in awe.

I trust in God's word,
I trust in the Lord.
More than sentries for dawn
I watch for the Lord.

More than sentries for dawn
let Israel watch.
The Lord will bring mercy
and grant full pardon.
The Lord will free Israel
from all its sins.

Colossians 1:12-20

Please stand for this canticle of praise.

Antiphon In the beginning, before time began, the Word was
God; today he is born, the Savior of the world.

1. We thank with joy our lov - ing God who
2. In Christ our sins are wiped a - way: of
3. Head of the bod - y, of the Church, the
made us fit to share the one com - mu - ni -
God the im - age true, of all cre - a - tion
first-born ris - en Lord: Christ has be - come in
ty of light, re - served with ten - der care; Who
the first - born to whom all praise is due. By
all things first, in him God's full - ness stored. God
res - cued us from dark of night and made us
Christ the Lord were all things made on earth and
chose to set the whole world right; in Christ all
safe to be the peo - ple of his
heav'n a - bove, all seen and un - seen
con - flicts cease. His death up - on the
on - ly Son by whom we are set free.
spir - its bright, all crea - tures formed in love.
cross of love will bring the world true peace.

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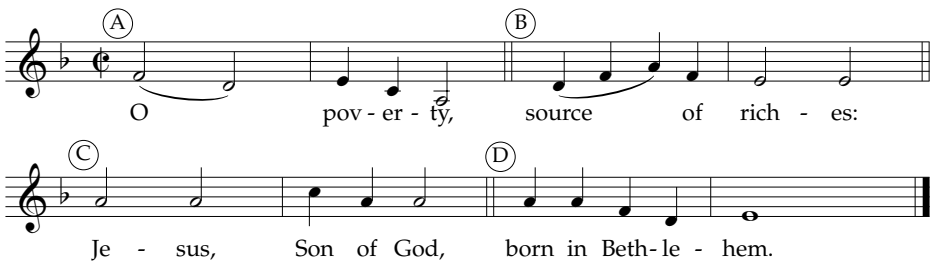
Tone 1



All (bow) Glory to the Father, and to the Son,
and to the Holy Spirit:
(upright) as it was in the beginning,
is now, and will be for everer. Amen.

READING *(be seated)*

RESPONSORY



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CANTICLE OF MARY (*stand*)

Antiphon While earth was rapt in silence and night only half
through its course, your almighty Word, O Lord, came
down from his royal throne, alleluia.



1. My soul pro - claims the great - ness of the Lord.
2. Through me great deeds will God make man - i - fest,
3. God's might - y arm, pro - tec - tor of the just,
4. Soon will the poor and hun - gry of the earth
5. All glo - ry be to God, Cre - a - tor blest,



1. My spir - it sings to God, my sav - ing God,
2. And all the earth will come to call me blest.
3. Will guard the weak and raise them from the dust.
4. Be rich - ly blest, be giv - en great - er worth.
5. To Je - sus Christ, God's love made man - i - fest,



1. Who tru - ly on this day did fa - vor me
2. Un - bound - ed love and mer - cy I pro - claim
3. But might - y kings will fall from thrones cor - rupt.
4. And Is - ra - el, as sworn to A - bra - ham,
5. And to the Ho - ly Spir - it Com - fort - er,



1. And raised me up, a light for all to see.
2. For all who know and praise God's ho - ly name.
3. The strong brought low, the low - ly lift - ed up.
4. Will live in peace through - out the prom - ised land.
5. All glo - ry be, both now and ev - er - more.

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INTERCESSIONS

OUR FATHER

CONCLUDING PRAYER

Tone 9



(*bow*) Glory to the Father, and to the Son,
and to the Holy Spirit:
(*upright*) as it was in the beginning,
is now, and will be for ever. Amen. Alleluia.

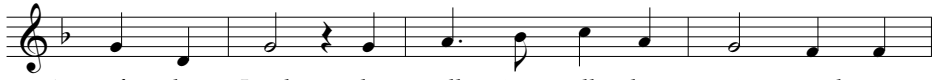


HYMN

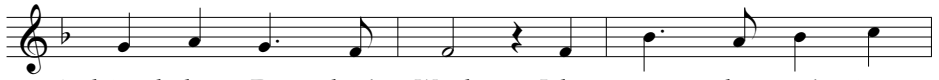
We Sing of that Disciple



1. We sing of that dis - ci - ple, be - lov - ed
2. His words dis - pel the dark - ness and God's own
3. John tells of birth in dark - ness, of yearn - ing
4. O sing of that great ea - gle, the trum - pet -
5. We praise you, God our Fa - ther, we praise you,



1. of the Lord, who, tell - ing all he wit - nessed, pro -
2. light re - veal: the mys - ter - y of Je - sus, the
3. for the Light: a man born blind a - noint - ed with
4. er of Light, who soars be - yond the dark - ness with
5. Christ the Lord, we praise you, Ho - ly Spir - it, through



1. claimed the Fa - ther's Word. John is that tow'r - ing
2. Word so long con - cealed. He tells of thirst for
3. mud re - ceives his sight. The proud he shows de -
4. mas - ter - y of flight. O sing of that dis -
5. whom we know the Word. We pray with that dis -



1. ea - gle who soars a - loft in flight and with great
2. wa - ter: a wom - an by a well; a Bread sent
3. spis - ing the one who gives this sign, and those with
4. ci - ple, be - lov - ed of the Lord, whose heart had
5. ci - ple, the one whom Je - sus loved, that we may



1. ease dis - clos - es the mys - ter - y of Light.
2. down to feed us that words will nev - er tell.
3. eyes to see by he shows re - main - ing blind.
4. learned in Je - sus the el - o - quence of God.
5. share the vic - t'ry, the vic - t'ry of his blood.

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PSALMODY (*be seated*)

Psalm 63

Tone 3



Antiphon John, the apostle and evangelist,
a virgin chosen by the Lord,
was loved by the Lord above the others.

2 Choirs

God, my God, you I crave;
my soul thirsts for you,
my body aches for you
like a dry and weary land.
Let me gaze on you in your
temple:
a vision of strength and glory.

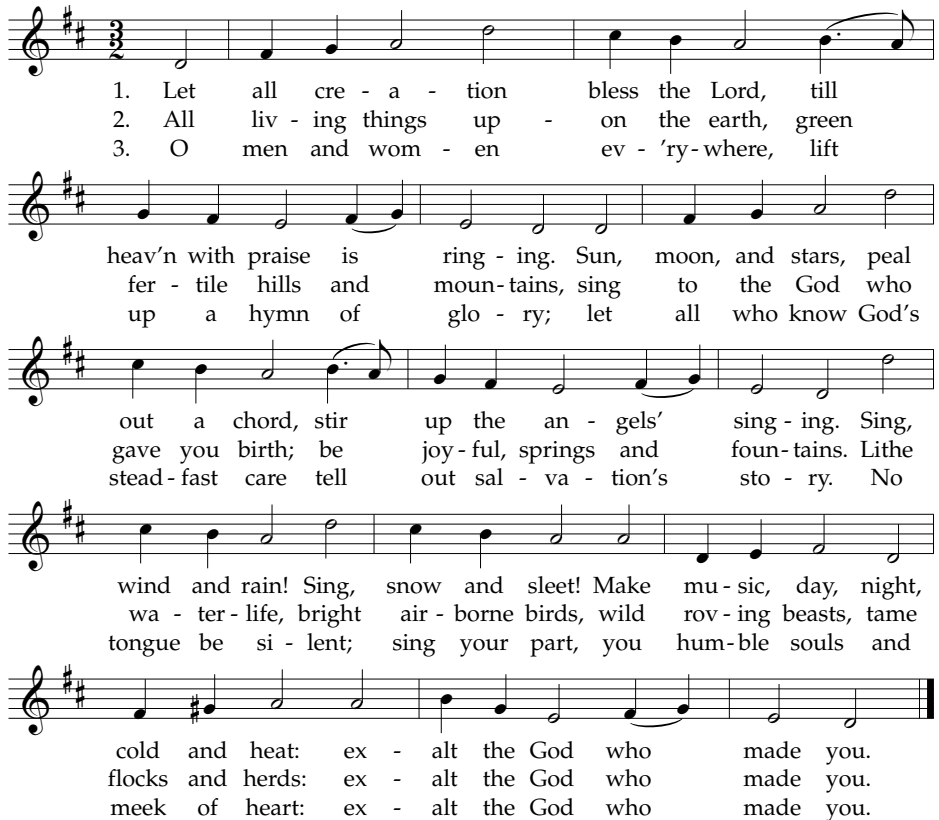
Your love is better than life,
my speech is full of praise.
I give you a lifetime of worship,
my hands raised in your name.
I feast at a rich table,
my lips sing of your glory.

On my bed I lie awake,
your memory fills the night.
You have been my help,
I rejoice beneath your wings.
Yes, I cling to you,
your right hand holds me fast.

Let those who want me dead
end up deep in the grave!
They will die by the sword,
their bodies food for jackals.
But let the king find joy in God.
All who swear the truth be
praised,
every lying mouth be shut.

Daniel 3:56-88

Antiphon To the virgin John, Christ, dying on the cross,
entrusted his virgin mother.



1. Let all cre - a - tion bless the Lord, till
 2. All liv - ing things up - on the earth, green
 3. O men and wom - en ev - 'ry-where, lift

heav'n with praise is ring - ing. Sun, moon, and stars, peal
 fer - tile hills and moun-tains, sing to the God who
 up a hymn of glo - ry; let all who know God's

out a chord, stir up the an - gels' sing - ing. Sing,
 gave you birth; be joy - ful, springs and foun-tains. Lithe
 stead-fast care tell out sal - va - tion's sto - ry. No

wind and rain! Sing, snow and sleet! Make mu - sic, day, night,
 wa - ter - life, bright air - borne birds, wild rov - ing beasts, tame
 tongue be si - lent; sing your part, you hum-ble souls and

cold and heat: ex - alt the God who made you.
 flocks and herds: ex - alt the God who made you.
 meek of heart: ex - alt the God who made you.

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Psalm 149

Please stand for this psalm of praise.

Tone 1



Antiphon The beloved disciple said: it **is** the Lord.

El discípulo amado dijo: es el Señor.

Cantor/All

Canten al Señor un **canto** nuevo,
su alabanza en la asamblea **de** los fieles.

Alégrese Israel por su Creador,
salten de gozo los hijos de Sión **por** su

Rey;
alaben su Nombre con danzas,
tocando tambores y cítaras;

*Sing a new song, you faithful,
praise God in the assembly. Israel,
rejoice in your maker, Zion, in
your king. Dance in the Lord's
name, sounding harp and
tambourine.*

The Lord delights
in saving a **helpless** people.

Revel in God's glory,
join in clan by clan.

Shout praise from your throat,
sword flashing in hand

*porque el Señor ama a su pueblo
y corona con su victoria a los
humildes. Que los justos celebren
su gloria y lo aclamen aun en sus
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¡qué honor para todos sus fieles!

*to discipline nations and punish
the wicked, to shackle their kings
and chain their leaders, and
execute God's sentence. You
faithful, this is your glory!*

Alleluia!

Alleluia!

¡Aleluya! ¡Aleluya!

PSALMODY DOXOLOGY

Tone 1



All (bow) Glory to the Father, and to the Son,
and to the Holy Spirit:
(upright) as it was in the beginning,
is now, and will be for ever. Amen.

READING *(be seated)*

RESPONSORY

Gau - de - te, gau - de - te! Chris - tus na - tus est
ex Ma - ri - a Vir - gi - ne, ex Ma - ri - a Vir - gi - ne.
Al - le - lu - ia. Al - le - lu - ia.

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CANTICLE OF ZECHARIAH (*stand*)

Antiphon The Word was made flesh and lived among us, and we
have seen his glory.



1. Blessed be the God of Is - rael, who comes to set us
2. Now from the house of Da - vid a child of grace is
3. Where once were fear and dark - ness the sun be - gins to
free, Who vis - its and re - deems us, and
giv'n; A Sav - ior comes a - mong us to
rise, The dawn - ing of for - give - ness up -
grants us lib - er - ty. The proph - ets spoke of
raise us up to heav'n. Be - fore him goes the
on the sin - ners' eyes, To guide the feet of
mer - cy, of free - dom and re - lease; God
her - ald, fore - run - ner in the way: The
pil - grims a - long the paths of peace: O
shall ful - fill the prom - ise to bring our peo - ple peace.
proph - et of sal - va - tion, the mes - sen - ger of Day.
bless our God and Sav - ior with songs that nev - er cease!

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INTERCESSIONS
OUR FATHER
CONCLUDING PRAYER

DECEMBER 27
EVENING PRAYER
Octave of Christmas

CALL TO WORSHIP (*stand*)

Tone 9



Cantor Christ is **born** for us;
All come, let **us** adore him.

(*bow*) Glory to the Father, and **to** the Son,
and to the **Holy** Spirit:
(*upright*) as it was in **the** beginning,
is now, and will be for ever. Amen. Alle**luia**.



HYMN

When the Universe

1. When the u - ni - verse was fash - ioned— night and day, dry
2. Dark - ness fell, but not for - ev - er; love ap - peared, un -
3. Hu - man eyes have seen God's glo - ry; hu - man hands have
land and sea, plants and ev - 'ry liv - ing
con - quered light. Wis - dom came to dwell a -
touched God's own. May we nev - er cease pro -
crea - ture— by God's word they came to be.
mong us— child be - lov - ed, God's de - light.
claim - ing Wis - dom we have seen and known.
In that word was breath of wis - dom. In that word was
In that child was light of wis - dom. In that child was
Je - sus is the word of wis - dom. Je - sus is the
breath of life. In that word was breath of God.
light of life. In that child was light of God.
word of life. Je - sus is the word of God.

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PSALMODY (*be seated*)

Psalm 110

Tone 7



Antiphon I have begotten you before the dawn of **light** on earth.
Yo mismo te engendré, como rocío, antes **de** la aurora.

Cantor/All

Dijo el Señor a mi señor;
Siéntate a **mi** derecha
hasta que haga a tus enemigos
estrado **de** tus pies.
El Señor extenderá desde Sión
el poder de **tu** reinado:
¡domina entre tus **en**emigos!

The Lord decrees to the king: "Take the throne at my right hand, I will make your enemies a footrest. I will raise your scepter over Zion and beyond, over all your enemies.

"Your people **stand** behind you
on the day you **take** command.
You are made holy, splendid,
newborn **like** the dawn,
fresh **like** the dew."

Tu pueblo está dispuesto para el día de la movilización, cuando aparezcas majestuoso; desde el seno de la aurora tuya es la flor de la juventud.

El Señor lo ha jurado
y no se **ar**repiente:
Tú eres sacerdote del Eterno,
al modo de Mel**qui**sedec
El Señor está a **tu** derecha:
exterminará a los reyes
el día **de** su cólera;

God's oath is firm: "You are a priest for ever, the rightful king by my decree." The Lord stands at your side to destroy kings on the day of wrath.

God executes judgment,
crushes the **heads** of nations,
and brings **carnage** worldwide.
The victor drinks
from a **w**ayside stream
and **ri**ses refreshed.

sentenciará a los reyes, amontonará cadáveres, aplastará cabezas sobre la ancha tierra. En el camino beberá del torrente así levantará su cabeza.

Psalm 130

Antiphon With the Lord is unfailing love; great is his power to save.

1. From the depths I cry, O Lord, Be at - ten - tive
2. Lo, my soul now waits for God, More than those who
to my voice: If you mark our sins, O Lord,
watch for dawn; So let Is - ra - el a - wait
Who can stand, who can re - joice? But you grant for -
Till the dark of night be gone. Kind - est mer - cy
give - ness, Lord, That you may be served and praised; In the
is in God, There our full re - demp - tion stored; Who shall
Lord I put my trust, In God's word my hopes are raised.
ran - som Is - ra - el From its sins: our sav - ing Lord!

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Colossians 1:12-20

Please stand for this canticle of praise.

Tone 2



Antiphon In the beginning, before time began, the Word was God;
today he is born, the Savior of the world.

2 Choirs

Give thanks to the Father,
who made us fit
for the holy community of light
and rescued us from darkness,
bringing us into the realm
of his beloved Son
who redeemed us,
forgiving our sins.

Christ is the image
of the God we cannot see.
Christ is firstborn in all creation.

Through Christ the universe
was made,
things seen and unseen,
thrones, authorities, forces,
powers.
Everything was created —

through Christ and for Christ.

Before anything came to be, Christ
was,
and the universe is held together by
Christ.

Christ is also head of the body, the
church,
its beginning as firstborn
from the dead
to become in all things first.

For by God's good pleasure
Christ encompasses
the full measure of power,
reconciling creation with its source
and making peace by the blood of
the cross.

All (bow) Glory to the Father, and **to** the Son,
and to the **Holy** Spirit:
(upright) as it was in **the** beginning,
is now, and will be for ever. Amen.

READING (*be seated*)

RESPONSORY

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CANTICLE OF MARY (stand)

Antiphon Virgin Mary, all that the prophets foretold of Christ has been fulfilled through you as a virgin, you conceived, and after you gave birth, a virgin you remained.



1. Sing with glad - ness o - ver - flow - ing; all my
 2. Gra - cious is our God all - ho - ly, ev - er
 3. Gath - 'ring ev - 'ry ser - vant hum - ble, scat - t'ring
 4. Faith - ful is our God for - ev - er, as the
 5. Praise our God with glad thanks - giv - ing through the

1. be - ing, bless God's name! Mar - vels yet be -
 2. mind - ful of our need, who, with mer - cy
 3. all the proud of heart, lift - ing up the
 4. proph - ets long fore - told, prom - is - es for -
 5. Christ who con - quered death, in the Spir - it

1. yond our know - ing fu - ture a - ges will pro -
 2. for the low - ly, would the faint - ing hun - gry
 3. frail who stum - ble, let - ting might - y ones de -
 4. sak - ing nev - er, wit - nessed by the saints of
 5. ev - er liv - ing, ev - er lov - ing, flow - ing

1. claim. Sing your prais - es might - i - ly!
 2. feed. Fa - vor - ing my pov - er - ty,
 3. part, grant - ing weak - ness vic - to - ry,
 4. old. Keep - ing trust e - ter - nal - ly,
 5. breath. Praise the Ho - ly Trin - i - ty,

1-5. God has done great things for me!

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INTERCESSIONS

OUR FATHER

CONCLUDING PRAYER

DECEMBER 28
MORNING PRAYER
Holy Innocents

CALL TO WORSHIP (*stand*)

Tone 3



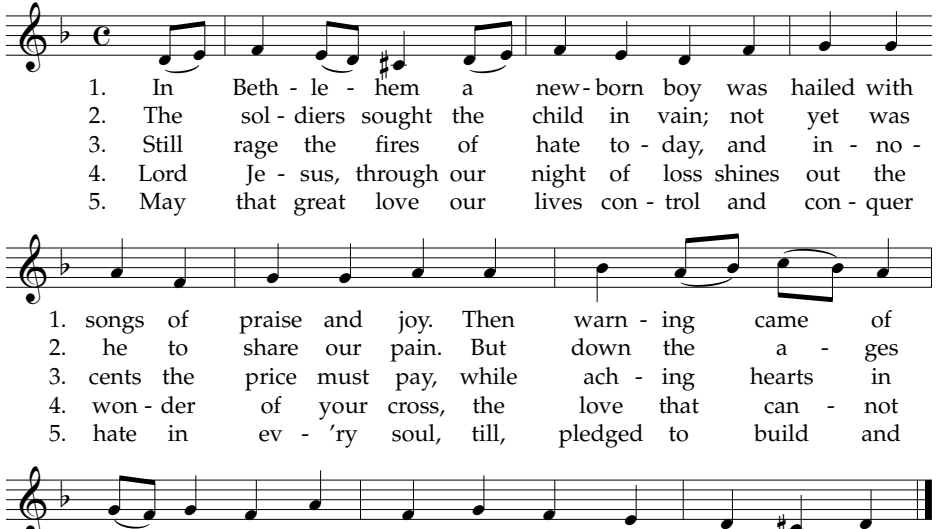
Cantor Come, let us worship the newborn Christ
All who crowns with joy these children who died for him.

(*bow*) Glory to the Father, and to the Son,
and to the Holy Spirit:
(*upright*) as it was in the beginning,
is now, and will be for everer. Amen. Alleluia.



HYMN

In Bethlehem a Newborn Boy



1. In Beth - le - hem a new-born boy was hailed with
 2. The sol - diers sought the child in vain; not yet was
 3. Still rage the fires of hate to - day, and in - no -
 4. Lord Je - sus, through our night of loss shines out the
 5. May that great love our lives con - trol and con - quer

1. songs of praise and joy. Then warn - ing came of
 2. he to share our pain. But down the a - ges
 3. cents the price must pay, while ach - ing hearts in
 4. won - der of your cross, the love that can - not
 5. hate in ev - 'ry soul, till, pledged to build and

1. dan - ger near; King He - rod's troops would soon ap - pear.
 2. rings the cry of those who saw their chil - dren die.
 3. ev - 'ry land cry out: "We can - not un - der-stand."
 4. cease to bear our hu - man an - guish ev - 'ry - where.
 5. not de - stroy, we share your pain and find your joy.

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PSALMODY (*be seated*)

Psalm 63

Tone 3



Antiphon Clothed in white robes, they will walk with the Lord.
Vestidos de ropas blancas, ellos caminarán con el Señor.

Cantor/All

¡Oh Dios, tú eres mi Dios,
por ti madrugo:
mi garganta está sedienta de ti,
mi carne desfallece por ti
como tierra seca, reseca sin agua!
Que así te contemple en el santuario
viendo tu poder y tu gloria.

Your love is better than life,
my speech is full of praise.
I give you a lifetime of worship,
my hands raised in your name.
I feast at a rich table,
my lips sing of your glory.

Si en mi lecho me acuerdo de ti,
en mis vigilias medito en ti,
porque tú has sido mi ayuda,
y a la sombra de tus alas
salto de gozo.
Mi vida está unida a ti
y tu mano me sostiene.

Let those who want me dead
end up deep in the grave!
They will die by the sword,
their bodies food for jackals.
But let the king find joy in God.
All who swear the truth be praised,
every lying mouth be shut.

*God, my God, you I crave; my soul
thirsts for you, my body aches for
you like a dry and weary land. Let
me gaze on you in your temple: a
vision of strength and glory.*

*Porque tu amor vale más que la
vida, te alabarán mis labios. Que
así te bendiga mientras viva,
alzando las manos en tu Nombre.
Me saciaré como de enjundia y de
manteca, y mi boca te alabará con
labios jubilosos.*

*On my bed I lie awake, your
memory fills the night. You have
been my help, I rejoice beneath
your wings. Yes, I cling to you,
your right hand holds me fast.*

*Pero los que intentan quitarme
la vida vayan a lo profundo de la
tierra; sean pasados a filo de espa-
da, sirvan de pasto a los chacales.
Pero el rey se alegrará en Dios, el
que jura por él se felicitará, cuando
tapen la boca a los mentirosos.*

Daniel 3:56-88

Antiphon These children cry out their praises to the Lord; by their death they have proclaimed what they could not preach with their infant voices.

Bless the Lord, all you works of the Lord.
Praise and ex - alt him a - bove all for - ev - er.
An - gels of God, bless the Lord. High - est heav - ens, bless the Lord.

Waters above,
Spirits of God,
Sun and moon,
Stars of heaven,
Rainstorm and dew,
Gales and winds,
Fire and heat,
Frost and cold,

Dew and snow,
Ice and cold,
Frost and sleet,
Night and day,
Light and darkness,
Lightning and clouds,

Let the earth bless the Lord.
Praise and ex - alt him a - bove all for - ev - er.
Moun - tains and hills, bless the Lord. Trees and plants, bless the Lord.

Fountains and springs,
Rivers and seas,
Fishes and whales,
Birds of the air,

Beasts of the earth,
Children of earth,



Octave of Christmas

Cantor; All
O Is - ra - el, bless the Lord.
Praise and ex - alt him a - bove all for - ev - er.
Cantor All Cantor All
Priests of God, bless the Lord. Ser - vants of God, bless the Lord.
Just and faithful souls, Hananiah,
Holy, humble hearts, Azariah, Mishael,
Cantor; All
Bless the Lord, all you works of the Lord.
Praise and ex - alt him a - bove all for - ev - er.



Tone 1



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READING (*be seated*)

RESPONSORY

The image shows a musical score for a hymn. It consists of two staves, both in treble clef with a key signature of two sharps (F# and C#). The time signature is 6/8. The melody is written on a single line for each staff. The lyrics are: "All the ends of the earth have seen the pow-er of God;" on the first staff and "all the ends of the earth have seen the pow-er of God." on the second staff. The notes are as follows: Staff 1: G4 (quarter), A4 (quarter), B4 (quarter), A4-G4 (beamed eighth notes), F#4 (quarter), E4 (half). Staff 2: G4 (quarter), A4 (quarter), B4 (quarter), A4-G4 (beamed eighth notes), F#4 (quarter), E4 (half).

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CANTICLE OF ZECHARIAH (*stand*)

Antiphon At the king's command these innocent babies and children were put to death; they died for Christ, and now in the glory of heaven as they follow him, the sinless Lamb, they sing for ever: Glory to you, O Lord.



1. Blessed are you, O Lord our God! Un - to Is - ra -
 2. Mer - cy to your peo - ple came, ho - ly cov - e -
 3. You, my child, shall lead the way, proph - et of our

el you came, brought re - demp - tion to your own,
 nant was made; oath to A - bra - ham you kept:
 God most high; bring us word, "The Lord will come,

saved us in your ho - ly name. House of Da - vid,
 "Loved of God, be not a - fraid!" Now from e - vil
 now is your sal - va - tion nigh!" You, O God, will

cho - sen one, sees the proph - e - cy ful - filled:
 we are saved, we may serve you with - out fear,
 vis - it us in the shades of death and night:

en - e - mies shall not pre - vail, we are res - cued as you willed.
 all our days in ho - li - ness, in your love, till you ap - pear.
 from our sins you set us free, lead our steps to peace and light.

Bless - ed be the Lord our God who has come to set us free.

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INTERCESSIONS

OUR FATHER

CONCLUDING PRAYER

Tone 9

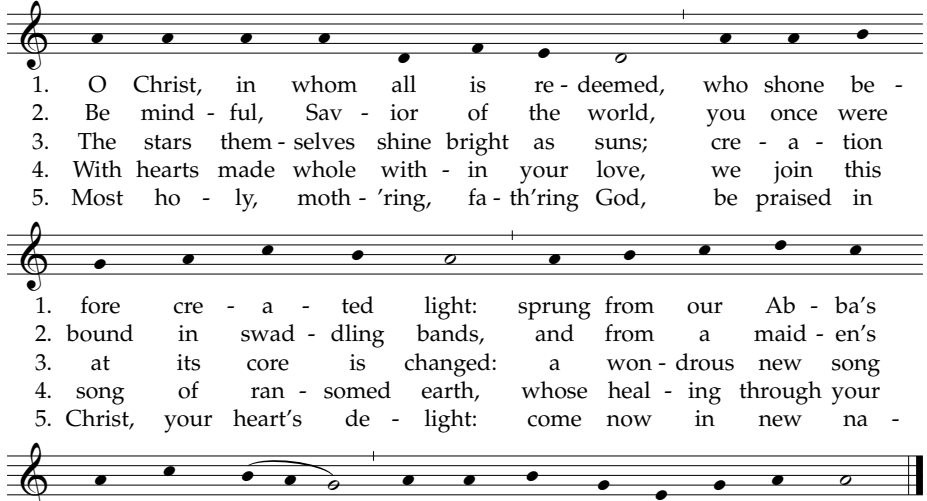


(*bow*) Glory to the Father, and to the Son,
and to the Holy Spirit:
(*upright*) as it was in the beginning,
is now, and will be for ever. Amen. Alleluia.



HYMN

O Christ, in Whom All is Redeemed



1. O Christ, in whom all is re - deemed, who shone be -
2. Be mind - ful, Sav - ior of the world, you once were
3. The stars them - selves shine bright as suns; cre - a - tion
4. With hearts made whole with - in your love, we join this
5. Most ho - ly, moth - 'ring, fa - th'ring God, be praised in

1. fore cre - a - ted light: sprung from our Ab - ba's
2. bound in swad - dling bands, and from a maid - en's
3. at its core is changed: a won - drous new song
4. song of ran - somed earth, whose heal - ing through your
5. Christ, your heart's de - light: come now in new na -

1. bound - less heart, by God be - got - ten, God's de - light!
2. hal - lowed womb you gave your - self in - to our hands.
3. fills the night, the gal - ax - ies can - not con - tain!
4. cross be - gan this hal - lowed night that saw your birth.
5. tiv - i - ty and find your joy in us this night.

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PSALMODY (*be seated*)

Psalm 110

Tone 7



Antiphon I have begotten you before the dawn of **light** on earth.
Yo mismo te engendré, como rocío, antes **de** la aurora.

Cantor/All

Dijo el Señor a mi señor;
Siéntate a **mi** derecha
hasta que haga a tus enemigos
estrado **de** tus pies.
El Señor extenderá desde Sión
el poder de **tu** reinado:
¡domina entre tus **en**emigos!

The Lord decrees to the king: "Take the throne at my right hand, I will make your enemies a footrest. I will raise your scepter over Zion and beyond, over all your enemies.

"Your people **stand** behind you
on the day you **take** command.
You are made holy, splendid,
newborn **like** the dawn,
fresh **like** the dew."

Tu pueblo está dispuesto para el día de la movilización, cuando aparezcas majestuoso; desde el seno de la aurora tuya es la flor de la juventud.

El Señor lo ha jurado
y no se **arrepiente**:
Tú eres sacerdote del Eterno,
al modo de Mel**qui**sedec
El Señor está a **tu** derecha:
exterminará a los reyes
el día **de** su cólera;

God's oath is firm: "You are a priest for ever, the rightful king by my decree." The Lord stands at your side to destroy kings on the day of wrath.

God executes judgment,
crushes the **heads** of nations,
and brings **carnage** worldwide.
The victor drinks
from a **wayside** stream
and **ris**es refreshed.

sentenciará a los reyes, amontonará cadáveres, aplastará cabezas sobre la ancha tierra. En el camino beberá del torrente así levantará su cabeza.

Psalm 130

Tone 3



Antiphon With the Lord is unfailing love;
great is God's power to save.

2 Choirs

From the depths I call to you,
Lord, hear my cry.
Catch the sound of my voice
raised up, pleading.

If you record our sins,
Lord, who could survive?
But because you forgive
we stand in awe.

I trust in God's word,
I trust in the Lord.
More than sentries for dawn
I watch for the Lord.

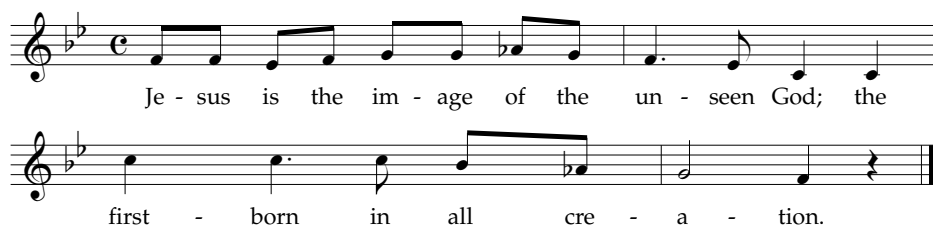
More than sentries for dawn
let Israel watch.
The Lord will bring mercy
and grant full pardon.
The Lord will free Israel
from all its sins.

Colossians 1:12-20

Please stand for this canticle of praise.

Antiphon In the beginning, before time began, the Word was God;
today he is born, the Savior of the world.

ANTIPHON



PSALM TONE



Give thanks to the Father,
who made us fit
for the holy community of light
and rescued us from darkness,
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Christ is firstborn in all creation.

Through Christ the universe was made,
things seen and unseen,
thrones, authorities, forces, powers.
Everything was created
through Christ and for Christ.

Before anything came to be,
Christ was,
and the universe is held
together by Christ.

Christ is also head of
the body, the church,
its beginning as firstborn
from the dead
to become in all things first.

For by God's good pleasure
Christ encompasses
the full measure of power,
reconciling creation
with its source
and making peace by the
blood of the cross.

PSALMODY DOXOLOGY

Tone 4



All (bow) Glory to the Father, and to the Son,
and to the Holy Spirit:
(upright) as it was in the beginning,
is now, and will be for ever. Amen.

READING *(be seated)*

RESPONSORY

O pov - er - ty, source of rich - es:

Je - sus, Son of God, born in Beth - le - hem.

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CANTICLE OF MARY (stand)

Antiphon The holy Virgin gave birth to God who became for us the frail, tender baby she nursed at her breast. Let us worship the Lord who comes to save us.

VERSES

1. I ac - claim you, Lord my God, joy in
2. Hence - forth all shall call me blessed; you, O
3. You have scat - tered all the proud; they shall
4. All the starv - ing, Lord, you fill, leave the

1. you ex - alts my heart. You re - gard - ed
2. Lord, have hon - ored me. To your own who
3. fear your might - y arm. From their thrones the
4. rich in pov - er - ty, mer - cy grant to

1. and held dear your poor maid - en's hum - ble part.
2. cher - ish you comes your mer - cy end - less - ly.
3. great ones fall, but the hum - ble fear no harm.
4. Is - ra - el, prom - ised through e - ter - ni - ty.

REFRAIN

Glo - ri - a.

Ho - ly is your name, O God.

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INTERCESSIONS
OUR FATHER
CONCLUDING PRAYER

DECEMBER 29
MORNING PRAYER
Octave of Christmas

CALL TO WORSHIP (*stand*)

Tone 6



Cantor Christ is born for us;
All come, let us adore him.

(*bow*) Glory to the Father, and to the Son,
and to the Holy Spirit:
(*upright*) as it was in the beginning,
is now, and will be for everer. Amen. Alleluia.



HYMN

From East to West, from Shore to Shore



1. From east to west, from shore to shore, let all the
2. Be - hold, the world's cre - a - tor wears the form and
3. How won - drous this, the work God wrought: a vir - gin's
4. The One on whom bright an - gels gaze is warmed by
5. The an - gels' cho - rus fills the air and ech - oes
6. God's glo - ry, Christ, O Vir - gin - born, is yours from



1. earth a - wake and sing! A - dore the child whom
2. fash - ion of a slave; our ver - y flesh our
3. womb, God's dwell - ing place! Be - yond the bounds of
4. cat - tle from the herd. On wood, warm - nes - tled
5. through the si - lent fields. A - lone, un - let - tered
6. all e - ter - ni - ty. Ac - cept our praise this



1. Mar - y bore, an in - fant, yet our Lord and King.
2. mak - er shares, that none be lost and all be saved.
3. should and ought her "Yes" now floods the world with grace.
4. in some straw, is laid God's un - cre - a - ted Word.
5. shep - herds see the shep - herd - God their song re - veals.
6. bless - ed morn, O love out - poured, O Trin - i - ty!

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PSALMODY (*be seated*)

Psalm 63

Tone 3



Antiphon We have seen a **new**born infant, the Messiah and Lord.
Hemos visto a un recién nacido, el Mesías y Señor.

Cantor/All

¡Oh Dios, tú eres mi Dios,
por ti madrugo:
mi garganta está sedienta de ti,
mi carne desfallece por ti
como tierra seca, reseca sin agua!
Que así te contemple en el santuario
viendo tu poder y tu gloria.

*God, my God, you I crave; my soul
thirsts for you, my body aches for
you like a dry and weary land. Let
me gaze on you in your temple: a
vision of strength and glory.*

Your love is **better** than life,
my speech is **full** of praise.
I give you a lifetime of worship,
my hands raised **in** your name.
I feast at a rich table,
my lips sing **of** your glory.

Porque tu amor vale más que la vida, te alabarán mis labios. Que así te bendiga mientras viva, alzando las manos en tu Nombre. Me saciaré como de enjundia y de manteca, y mi boca te alabará con labios jubilosos.

Si en mi lecho me acuerdo de ti,
en mis vigilias medito en ti,
porque tú has sido mi ayuda,
y a la sombra de tus alas
 salto de gozo.
Mi vida está unida a ti
y tu mano me sostiene.

*On my bed I lie awake, your
memory fills the night. You have
been my help, I rejoice beneath
your wings. Yes, I cling to you,
your right hand holds me fast.*

Let those who want me dead
end up deep in the grave!
They will die by the sword,
their bodies food for jackals.
But let the king find joy in God.
All who swear the truth be praised,
every lying mouth be shut.

Pero los que intentan quitarme la vida vayan a lo profundo de la tierra; sean pasados a filo de espada, sirvan de pasto a los chacales. Pero el rey se alegrará en Dios, el que jura por él se felicitará, cuando tapen la boca a los mentirosos.

Daniel 3:56-88

Tone 1



Antiphon The angel said to the shepherds:
I proclaim to you a great joy;
today the Savior of the world is born for you, alleluia.

2 Choirs

Bless God beyond the stars.
Give praise and glory.
Bless God, heavenen and earth.
Give praise and glory for ever.

Bless God, angels of God.
Give praise and glory.
Bless God, highest heavens.
Give praise and glory.

Bless God, waters above.
Give praise and glory.
Bless God, spirits of God.
Give praise and glory.

Bless God, sun and moon.
Give praise and glory.
Bless God, stars of heaven.
Give praise and glory for ever.

Bless God, rainstorm and dew.
Give praise and glory.
Bless God, gales and winds.
Give praise and glory.

Bless God, fire and heat.
Give praise and glory.
Bless God, frost and cold.
Give praise and glory.

Bless God, dew and snow.
Give praise and glory.
Bless God, ice and cold.
Give praise and glory.

Bless God, frost and sleet.
Give praise and glory.
Bless God, night and day.
Give praise and glory.

Bless God, light and darkness.
Give praise and glory.
Bless God, lightning and clouds.
Give praise and glory for ever.

Bless God, earth and sea.
Give praise and glory.
Bless God, mountains and hills.
Give praise and glory.

Bless God, trees and plants.
Give praise and glory.
Bless God, fountains and
springs.
Give praise and glory.

Bless God, rivers and seas.
Give praise and glory.
Bless God, fishes and whales.
Give praise and glory. ⇒

Tone 1



Bless God, birds of the air.
Give praise and glory.
Bless God, beasts of the earth.
Give praise and glory for ever.

Bless God, children of earth.
Give praise and glory.
Bless God, Israel.
Give praise and glory.

Bless God, priests of God.
Give praise and glory.
Bless God, servants of God.
Give praise and glory.

Bless God, just and faithful souls.
Give praise and glory.
Bless God, holy and humble
hearts.

Give praise and glory.
Bless God, Hananiah,
Azariah, and Mishael.
Give praise and glory for ever.

Bless God beyond the stars.
Give praise and glory.
Bless God, heaven and earth.
Give praise and glory for ever.



Psalm 149

Please stand for this psalm of praise.

Antiphon A little child is born for us today;
little and yet called the mighty God, alleluia.

1. Sing a new song to your Mak-er, praise the Lord in
2. Play for God your harp and tim-brel, let God's prais-es
3. Shout the praise of God, you faith-ful, two-edged swords be

ev - 'ry - thing. Now as - sem - bled all you faith - ful
set you free. God takes pleas - ure in the hum - ble,
in your hands to bring pun - ish - ment on sin - ners,

find new prais - es for your king; praise your God with
they are blest with vic - to - ry. So you faith - ful,
lock their kings in i - ron bands, ex - e - cut - ing

fes - tive danc - es, to God's glo - ry ev - er sing!
shout your glo - ry, sing your bless - ings joy - ful - ly.
now God's sen - tence. Faith - ful ones, your glo - ry stands!

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READING (*be seated*)

Gau - de - te, gau - de - te! Chris - tus na - tus est

ex Ma - ri - a Vir - gi - ne, ex Ma - ri - a Vir - gi - ne.

Al - le - lu - ia. Al - le - lu - ia.

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CANTICLE OF ZECHARIAH (*stand*)

Antiphon The shepherds said to one another: Let us make our way to Bethlehem and see for ourselves this thing which the Lord has revealed to us.



1. Blessed be the God of Is - ra - el who comes to
2. With prom - ised mer - cy will God still the cov - e -
3. My child, as proph - et of the Lord you will pre -

set us free and rais - es up new hope for us: a
nant re - call, the oath once sworn to A - bra - ham from
pare the way, to tell God's peo - ple they are saved from

Branch from Da - vid's tree. So have the proph - ets
foes to save us all; that we might wor - ship
sin's e - ter - nal sway. Then shall God's mer - cy

long de - clared that with a might - y arm God would turn
with - out fear and of - fer lives of praise, in ho - li -
from on high shine forth and nev - er cease to drive a -

back our en - e - mies and all who wish us harm.
ness and right - eous - ness to serve God all our days.
way the gloom of death and lead us in - to peace.

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INTERCESSIONS
OUR FATHER
CONCLUDING PRAYER

DECEMBER 29
EVENING PRAYER
Octave of Christmas

CALL TO WORSHIP (*stand*)

Tone 9



Cantor Christ is **born** for us;
All come, let **us** adore him.

(*bow*) Glory to the Father, and to the Son,
and to the Holy Spirit:
(*upright*) as it was in the beginning,
is now, and will be for ever. Amen. Alleluia.



HYMN

A Carol for a Carpenter



1. A stone to be the lin - tel a - bove the
2. As seed is for the sow - er and bread is
3. A colt to be his charg - er and palms for
4. With wood to work our ran - som he mas - tered

1. o - pen door, a bed of straw for sta - ble and
2. for the home, so bronze is for the breast - plate and
3. glo - ry now; a reed shall be for scep - ter and
4. death and grave; the gates of heav - en o - pened on

1. tram - pled earth a floor; but wood is for the
2. all the might of Rome. But wood is for the
3. thorn up - on his brow; but wood is for the
4. all he came to save; a tree of life un -

1. man - ger, so pat - terned, smooth and worn, Oh, wood is
2. Crafts - man by whom the world was made, Oh, wood is
3. cross - es a - gainst a dark - ened sky, Oh, wood and
4. fad - ing be - yond our mor - tal pains, whose leaves are

1. for the cra - dle where Je - sus Christ is born.
2. for the work - shop where Je - sus learned his trade.
3. nails to - geth - er when Je - sus came to die.
4. for our heal - ing where Je - sus lives and reigns.

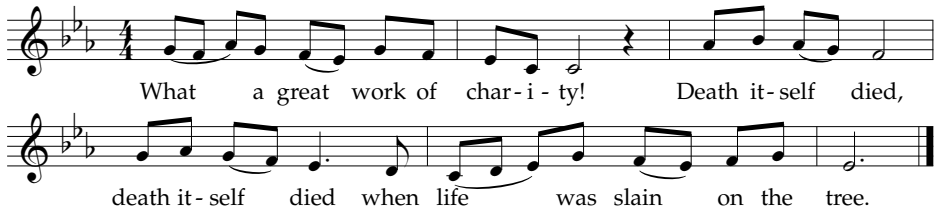
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PSALMODY (*be seated*)

Psalm 110

Antiphon You have been endowed from your birth with princely gifts; in eternal splendor, before the dawn of light on earth, I have begotten you.

ANTIPHON



VERSE TONE



Cantor:

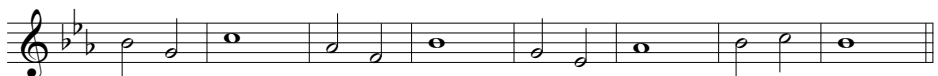
The Lord's revelation to my Master:
"Sit on my right;
your foes I will put beneath your feet.

A prince from the day of your birth
on the ho - ly mountains;
from the womb before the
dawn I begot you.

Assembly:

The Lord will wield from Zion
your scepter of pow'r:
rule in the midst of all your foes.

The Lord has sworn an oath
he will not change.
You are a priest for ever,
a priest like Melchizedek of old.



Cantor:

The Master standing at your right hand
will shatter kings in the day of his great wrath.
He shall drink from the stream by the wayside
and therefore he shall lift up his head.

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Psalm 130

Tone 3



Antiphon Great is God's powerer to save.
Grande es el poder del Señor paraa salvar.

Cantor/All

Desde lo hondo a ti clamo,
Señor, Dueño mío, escucha mi voz.
Estén tus oídos atentos
a la voz de mi súplica.

*From the depths I call to you,
Lord, hear my cry. Catch the
sound of my voice raised up,
pleading.*

If you record our sins,
Lord, who could survive?
But because you forgive
we stand in awe.

*Si recuerdas los delitos, Señor,
¿quién resistirá, Dueño mío?
Pero el perdón es cosa tuya, para
que seas respetado.*

Yo espero al Señor,
lo espero anhelante,
yo aguardo su palabra;
Mi vida aguarda a mi Dueño,
más que el centinelala la aurora.

*I trust in God's word, I trust in
the Lord. More than sentries for
dawn I watch for the Lord.*

More than sentries for dawn
let Israel watch.
The Lord will bring mercy
and grant full pardon.
The Lord will free Israel
from all its sins.

*¡Más que el centinela la aurora!
Aguarde Israel al Señor, que en
el Señor sólo hay amor y su
redención es generosa: Él
redimirá a Israel de todos sus
delitos.*

Colossians 1:12-20

Please stand for this canticle of praise.

Tone 2



Antiphon In the beginning, before time began, the **Word** was God;
today he is born, the Savior **of** the world.

2 Choirs

Give thanks **to** the Father,
who made us fit
for the holy community of light
and rescued us from darkness,
bringing us into the realm
of his beloved Son
who redeemed us,
forgiving our sins.

Christ is the image
of the God we cannot see.
Christ is firstborn in **all** creation.

Through Christ the universe
was made,
things seen and unseen,
thrones, authorities, **forces**,
powers.
Everything **was** created —

through Christ **and** for Christ.

Before anything came to **be**, Christ
was,
and the universe is held together **by**
Christ.

Christ is also head of the body, the
church,
its beginning as firstborn
from the dead
to become in **all** things first.

For by **God's** good pleasure
Christ encompasses
the full measure of power,
reconciling creation **with** its source
and making peace by the blood **of**
the cross.

PSALMODY DOXOLOGY

Tone 2

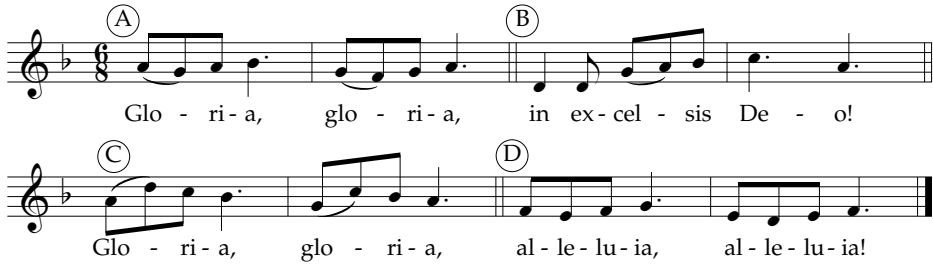


All (bow) Glory to the Father, and to the Son,
and to the Holy Spirit:
(upright) as it was in the beginning,
is now, and will be for everer. Amen.

READING *(be seated)*

RESPONSORY

CANON



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CANTICLE OF MARY (*stand*)

Antiphon The King of heaven humbled himself to be born of a virgin, that he might restore us to the kingdom we had lost.



1. My heart sings out with joy - ful praise to God who
2. The arm of God is strong and just to scat - ter
3. The prom - ise made in a - ges past at last has

rais - es me, who came to me when I was low and
all the proud. The ty - rants tum - ble from their thrones and
come to be, for God has come in pow'r to save, to

changed my des - ti - ny. The Ho - ly One, the
van - ish like a cloud. The hun - gry all are
set all peo - ple free. Re - mem - b'ring those who

Liv - ing God, is al - ways full of grace to those who
sat - is - fied; the rich are sent a - way. The poor of
wait to see sal - va - tion's dawn - ing day, our Sav - ior

seek their Mak - er's will in ev - 'ry time and place.
earth who suf - fer long will wel - come God's new day.
comes to all who weep to wipe their tears a - way.

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INTERCESSIONS

OUR FATHER

CONCLUDING PRAYER

DECEMBER 30
MORNING PRAYER
Octave of Christmas

CALL TO WORSHIP (*stand*)

Tone 1



Cantor Christ is born for us;
All come, let us adore him.

(*bow*) Glory to the Father, and to the Son,
and to the Holy Spirit:
(*upright*) as it was in the beginning,
is now, and will be for everer. Amen. Alleluia.



HYMN

Awake! Awake and Greet the New Morn

1. A - wake! A-wake, and greet the new morn, for an - gels
2. To us, to all in sor - row and fear, Em - man - u -
3. Re - joice, re-joyce, take heart in the night, though dark the

her - ald its dawn - ing. Sing out your joy, for
el comes a - sing - ing. His hum - ble song is
win - ter and cheer - less, the ris - ing sun shall

now he is born, be - hold! the Child of our long - ing.
qui - et and near, yet fills the earth with its ring - ing.
crown you with light, be strong and lov - ing and fear - less.

Come as a ba - by weak and poor, to bring all hearts to -
Mu - sic to heal the bro - ken soul and hymns of lov - ing
Love be our song and love our prayers, and love, our end - less

geth - er. He o - pens wide the heav'n - ly door and
kind - ness, the thun - der of his an - thems roll to
sto - ry. May God fill ev - 'ry day we share and

lives now in - side us for ev - er.
shat - ter all ha - tred and blind - ness.
bring us at last in - to glo - ry.

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PSALMODY (*be seated*)

Psalm 63

Tone 3



Antiphon Tell us, shepherds, what have you seen?
Who has appeared on earth?
We have seen a newborn infant
and a choir of angels praisinging the Lord,
alleluia.

2 Choirs

God, my God, you I crave;
my soul thirsts for you,
my body aches for you
like a dry and weary land.
Let me gaze on you in your
temple:
a vision of strength and glory.

Your love is better than life,
my speech is full of praise.
I give you a lifetime of worship,
my hands raised in your name.
I feast at a rich table,
my lips sing of your glory.

On my bed I lie awake,
your memory fills the night.
You have been my help,
I rejoice beneath your wings.
Yes, I cling to you,
your right hand holds me fast.


Let those who want me dead
end up deep in the grave!
They will die by the sword,
their bodies food for jackals.
But let the king find joy in God.
All who swear the truth be
praised,
every lying mouth be shut.

Daniel 3:56-88

Antiphon The angel said to the shepherds: I proclaim to you a great joy; today the Savior of the world is born for you, alleluia.

VERSES

Cantor *All*



1. O all you works of the Lord, bless the Lord.
2. And you, an - gels of the Lord, bless the Lord.
3. And you, the heav - ens of the Lord, bless the Lord. **R/.**
4. And you, sun and moon, bless the Lord.
5. And you, stars of the heav'ns, bless the Lord.
6. And you, show - ers and rain, bless the Lord. **R/.**
7. And you, all breez - es and winds, bless the Lord.
8. And you, cold and heat, bless the Lord.
9. And you, night - time and day, bless the Lord. **R/.**
10. And you, moun - tains and hills, bless the Lord.
11. And you, all plants of the earth, bless the Lord.
12. And you, riv - ers and seas, bless the Lord. **R/.**
13. And you, crea - tures of the sea, bless the Lord.
14. And you, ev-'ry bird in the sky, bless the Lord.
15. And you, wild beasts and tame, bless the Lord. **R/.**
16. And you, chil - dren of earth, bless the Lord.
17. And you, priests of the Lord, bless the Lord.
18. And you, ser - vants of the Lord, bless the Lord. **R/.**

REFRAIN

All



To God be high - est glo - ry and praise for ev - er.

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Psalm 149

Please stand for this psalm of praise.

Tone 1



Antiphon A little child is born for us today.
Hoy nace un niño pequeño para nosotros.

Cantor/All

Canten al Señor un canto nuevo,
su alabanza en la asamblea de los fieles.
Alégrese Israel por su Creador,
salten de gozo los hijos de Sión por su
Rey;
alaben su Nombre con danzas,
tocando tambores y cítaras;

The Lord delights
in saving a helpless people.
Revel in God's glory,
join in clan by clan.
Shout praise from your throat,
sword flashing in hand

para tomar venganza de las naciones,
y aplicar el castigo a los pueblos;
para atar a sus reyes con cadenas
y a sus nobles con esposas de hierro;
para aplicarles la sentencia escrita:
¡qué honor para todos sus fieles!

Alleluia!
Alleluia!

*Sing a new song, you faithful,
praise God in the assembly. Israel,
rejoice in your maker, Zion, in
your king. Dance in the Lord's
name, sounding harp and
tambourine.*

*porque el Señor ama a su pueblo
y corona con su victoria a los
humildes. Que los justos celebren
su gloria y lo aclamen aun en sus
lechos: con vítores a Dios en su
garganta, y espadas de dos filos en
las manos,*

*to discipline nations and punish
the wicked, to shackle their kings
and chain their leaders, and
execute God's sentence. You
faithful, this is your glory!*

¡Aleluya! ¡Aleluya!

READING (*be seated*)

All the ends of the earth have seen the pow-er of God;
 all the ends of the earth have seen the pow-er of God.

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CANTICLE OF ZECHARIAH (*stand*)

Antiphon At the Lord's birth the choir of angels sang: Blessed be our God enthroned as King and blessed be the Lamb.



1. Blest be the God of Is - ra - el whose won - drous
2. A pledge was made to A - bra - ham and an - cient
3. Thus free from all who wish us harm now we can
4. You, child, will roar with God's own word, a sound to
5. The Ris - ing Sun dis - pels the night, and, fac - ing



1. vis - it res - cues us. De - layed, we thought all hope
2. proph - ets told the tale. With hope they spoke of what
3. safe - ly serve our God. Em - braced with love we can -
4. take our breath a - way. We know the Prom - ised One
5. death, de - stroy - ing fear, their shad - ows van - quished in



1. was lost; from Da - vid's house the Sav - ior comes.
2. would be; our God would guard us from our foes.
3. not doubt, we wor - ship God for - ev - er - more.
4. has come; our ten - der God for - gives us all.
5. the light, now guides us in - to last - ing peace.

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INTERCESSIONS
OUR FATHER
CONCLUDING PRAYER

DECEMBER 30
EVENING PRAYER
Octave of Christmas

CALL TO WORSHIP (*stand*)

Tone 9



Cantor Christ is born for us;
All come, let us adore him.

(*bow*) Glory to the Father, and to the Son,
and to the Holy Spirit:
(*upright*) as it was in the beginning,
is now, and will be for everer. Amen. Alleluia.



HYMN

When the Universe

1. When the u - ni - verse was fash - ioned— night and day, dry
2. Dark - ness fell, but not for - ev - er; love ap - peared, un -
3. Hu - man eyes have seen God's glo - ry; hu - man hands have
land and sea, plants and ev - 'ry liv - ing
con - quered light. Wis - dom came to dwell a -
touched God's own. May we nev - er cease pro -
crea - ture— by God's word they came to be.
mong us— child be - lov - ed, God's de - light.
claim - ing Wis - dom we have seen and known.
In that word was breath of wis - dom. In that word was
In that child was light of wis - dom. In that child was
Je - sus is the word of wis - dom. Je - sus is the
breath of life. In that word was breath of God.
light of life. In that child was light of God.
word of life. Je - sus is the word of God.

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Psalm 130

Antiphon With the Lord is unfailing love; great is his power to save.

1. From deep - est need we cry, O God. To
2. Your love un - fail - ing gives us hope. We
3. In you we find for - give - ness, God. For -

you we cry for mer - cy. Hear us, then, Ho - ly
hope in your re - demp - tion. Loose, then, our bonds and
give - ness is sal - va - tion. Free us, then, from all

One, O hear and grant our pray'r for mer - cy.
bind our wounds and bless us with re - demp - tion.
sin and shame and show us your sal - va - tion.

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Colossians 1:12-20

Please stand for this canticle of praise.

Tone 2



Antiphon In the beginning, before time began, the **Word** was God;
today he is born, the Savior **of** the world.

2 Choirs

Give thanks **to** the Father,
who made us fit
for the holy community of light
and rescued us from darkness,
bringing us into the realm
of his be**loved** Son
who redeemed us,
forgiv**ing** our sins.

Christ is the image
of the God we **cannot** see.
Christ is firstborn in **all** creation.

Through Christ the un**iverse**
was made,
things seen and unseen,
thrones, authorities, **forces**,
powers.
Everything **was** created —

through Christ **and** for Christ.

Before anything came to **be**, Christ
was,
and the universe is held **together** by
Christ.

Christ is also head of the body, the
church,
its beginning as firstborn
from the dead
to become in **all** things first.

For by **God's** good pleasure
Christ encompasses
the full mea**sure** of power,
reconciling creation **with** its source
and making peace by the blood **of**
the cross.

PSALMODY DOXOLOGY

Tone 2



All (bow) Glory to the Father, and to the Son,
and to the Holy Spirit:
(upright) as it was in the beginning,
is now, and will be for everer. Amen.

READING *(be seated)*

RESPONSORY

O pov - er - ty, source of rich - es:

Je - sus, Son of God, born in Beth - le - hem.

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CANTICLE OF MARY (stand)

Antiphon We sing your praises, holy Mother of God: you gave birth to our Savior, Jesus Christ; watch over all who honor you.



1. My soul pro - claims the great - ness of the Lord.
2. Through me great deeds will God make man - i - fest,
3. God's might - y arm, pro - tec - tor of the just,
4. Soon will the poor and hun - gry of the earth
5. All glo - ry be to God, Cre - a - tor blest,



1. My spir - it sings to God, my sav - ing God,
2. And all the earth will come to call me blest.
3. Will guard the weak and raise them from the dust.
4. Be rich - ly blest, be giv - en great - er worth.
5. To Je - sus Christ, God's love made man - i - fest,



1. Who tru - ly on this day did fa - vor me
2. Un - bound - ed love and mer - cy I pro - claim
3. But might - y kings will fall from thrones cor - rupt.
4. And Is - ra - el, as sworn to A - bra - ham,
5. And to the Ho - ly Spir - it Com - fort - er,



1. And raised me up, a light for all to see.
2. For all who know and praise God's ho - ly name.
3. The strong brought low, the low - ly lift - ed up.
4. Will live in peace through - out the prom - ised land.
5. All glo - ry be, both now and ev - er - more.

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INTERCESSIONS

OUR FATHER

CONCLUDING PRAYER

DECEMBER 31
MORNING PRAYER
Octave of Christmas

CALL TO WORSHIP (*stand*)

Tone 1



Cantor Christ is born for us;
All come, let us adore him.

(*bow*) Glory to the Father, and to the Son,
and to the Holy Spirit:
(*upright*) as it was in the beginning,
is now, and will be for everer. Amen. Alleluia.



HYMN

All Creation, Clap Your Hands

VERSES



1. All cre - a - tion, clap your hands; God is come to save us!
2. Let the moun-tains dance and sing; God is come to save us!
3. Li - ons purr at peace with lambs; God is come to save us!



Joy is born to ev - 'ry land: here is God a - mong us!
All the earth with joy must ring; here is God a - mong us!
Ba - bies play in co - bras' dens: Christ is come a - mong us!

REFRAIN



Peo - ple, be not sad of heart; God is come to save us!



Be for - ev - er glad of heart; here is God a - mong us!

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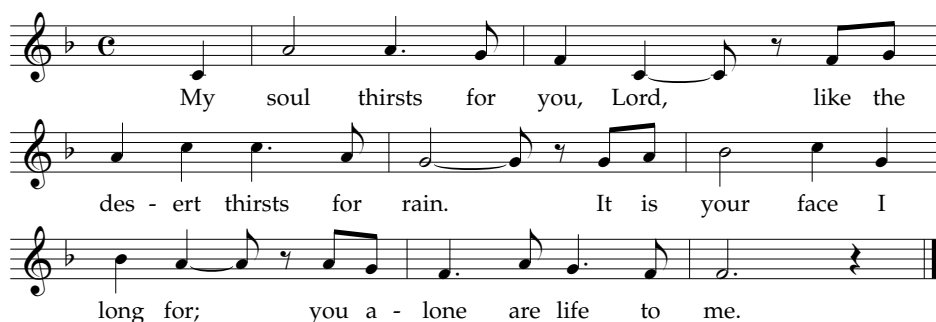
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PSALMODY (*be seated*)

Psalm 63

Antiphon Tell us, shepherds, what have you seen? Who has appeared on earth? We have seen a newborn infant and a choir of angels praising the Lord, alleluia.



1. I have walked in your temple,
and seen your mighty deeds.
Your love, O Lord, means more to me,
than all my days of life.
2. I can count on your mercy
to feed my hungry heart,
for when I lift my hands in need,
a banquet you provide.
3. I will make my dwelling
in the shelter of your wings.
Your hand, O Lord, will keep me safe
through darkest night and day.

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Daniel 3:56-88

Tone 1



Antiphon The angel said to the shepherds:

I proclaim to you a great joy;
today the Savior of the world is born for you, alleluia.

2 Choirs

Bless God beyond the stars.
Give praise and glory.
Bless God, heaven and earth.
Give praise and glory for ever.

Bless God, angels of God.
Give praise and glory.
Bless God, highest heavens.
Give praise and glory.

Bless God, waters above.
Give praise and glory.
Bless God, spirits of God.
Give praise and glory.

Bless God, sun and moon.
Give praise and glory.
Bless God, stars of heaven.
Give praise and glory for ever.

Bless God, rainstorm and dew.
Give praise and glory.
Bless God, gales and winds.
Give praise and glory.

Bless God, fire and heat.
Give praise and glory.
Bless God, frost and cold.
Give praise and glory.

Bless God, dew and snow.
Give praise and glory.
Bless God, ice and cold.
Give praise and glory.

Bless God, frost and sleet.
Give praise and glory.
Bless God, night and day.
Give praise and glory.

Bless God, light and darkness.
Give praise and glory.
Bless God, lightning and clouds.
Give praise and glory for ever.

Bless God, earth and sea.
Give praise and glory.
Bless God, mountains and hills.
Give praise and glory.

Bless God, trees and plants.
Give praise and glory.
Bless God, fountains and
springs.
Give praise and glory.

Bless God, rivers and seas.
Give praise and glory.
Bless God, fishes and whales.
Give praise and glory. ⇒ 101

Octave of Christmas

Tone 1



Bless God, birds of the air.
Give praise and glory.
Bless God, beasts of the earth.
Give praise and glory for ever.

Bless God, children of earth.
Give praise and glory.
Bless God, Israel.
Give praise and glory.

Bless God, priests of God.
Give praise and glory.
Bless God, servants of God.
Give praise and glory.

Bless God, just and faithful souls.
Give praise and glory.
Bless God, holy and humble
hearts.

Give praise and glory.
Bless God, Hananiah,
Azariah, and Mishael.
Give praise and glory for ever.

Bless God beyond the stars.
Give praise and glory.
Bless God, heaven and earth.
Give praise and glory for ever.



Psalm 149

Please stand for this psalm of praise.

Tone 1



Antiphon A little child is born for us today.
Hoy nace un niño pequeño para nosotros.

Cantor/All

Canten al Señor un canto nuevo,
su alabanza en la asamblea de los fieles.
Alégrese Israel por su Creador,
salten de gozo los hijos de Sión por su
Rey;
alaben su Nombre con danzas,
tocando tambores y cítaras;

*Sing a new song, you faithful,
praise God in the assembly. Israel,
rejoice in your maker, Zion, in
your king. Dance in the Lord's
name, sounding harp and
tambourine.*

The Lord delights
in saving a helpless people.
Revel in God's glory,
join in clan by clan.
Shout praise from your throat,
sword flashing in hand

*porque el Señor ama a su pueblo
y corona con su victoria a los
humildes. Que los justos celebren
su gloria y lo aclamen aun en sus
lechos: con vítores a Dios en su
garganta, y espadas de dos filos en
las manos,*

para tomar venganza de las naciones,
y aplicar el castigo a los pueblos;
para atar a sus reyes con cadenas
y a sus nobles con esposas de hierro;
para aplicarles la sentencia escrita:
¡qué honor para todos sus fieles!

*to discipline nations and punish
the wicked, to shackle their kings
and chain their leaders, and
execute God's sentence. You
faithful, this is your glory!*

Alleluia!
Alleluia!

¡Aleluya! ¡Aleluya!

(upright) as it was in **the** beginning,
is now, and will be for **ever**. Amen.

READING (*be seated*)

RESPONSORY

The image shows a musical score for a Christmas carol. It consists of three staves of music in G major (one sharp) and 4/4 time. The lyrics are written below the notes. The first staff has two measures, with a double bar line and a circled 'A' above the second measure. The second staff has two measures, with a double bar line and a circled 'B' above the second measure. The third staff has two measures. The lyrics are: 'Gau - de - te, gau - de - te! Chris - tus na - tus est ex Ma - ri - a Vir - gi - ne, ex Ma - ri - a Vir - gi - ne. Al - le - lu - ia. Al - le - lu - ia.' The music is written in a simple, folk-like style with a mix of eighth and quarter notes.

Gau - de - te, gau - de - te! Chris - tus na - tus est
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Al - le - lu - ia. Al - le - lu - ia.

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CANTICLE OF ZECHARIAH (*stand*)

Antiphon Suddenly there was with the angel a great company of the heavenly hosts, praising God and singing: Glory to God in the highest and on earth peace to people of good will, alleluia.



1. Blessed are you, O Lord our God! Un - to Is - ra -
 2. Mer - cy to your peo - ple came, ho - ly cov - e -
 3. You, my child, shall lead the way, proph - et of our

el you came, brought re - demp - tion to your own,
 nant was made; oath to A - bra - ham you kept:
 God most high; bring us word, "The Lord will come,

saved us in your ho - ly name. House of Da - vid,
 "Loved of God, be not a - fraid!" Now from e - vil
 now is your sal - va - tion nigh!" You, O God, will

cho - sen one, sees the proph - e - cy ful - filled:
 we are saved, we may serve you with - out fear,
 vis - it us in the shades of death and night:

en - e - mies shall not pre - vail, we are res - cued as you willed.
 all our days in ho - li - ness, in your love, till you ap - pear.
 from our sins you set us free, lead our steps to peace and light.

Bless - ed be the Lord our God who has come to set us free.

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INTERCESSIONS
 OUR FATHER
 CONCLUDING PRAYER

DECEMBER 31
EVENING PRAYER I
Mary, the Holy Mother of God

CALL TO WORSHIP (*stand*)

Tone 9



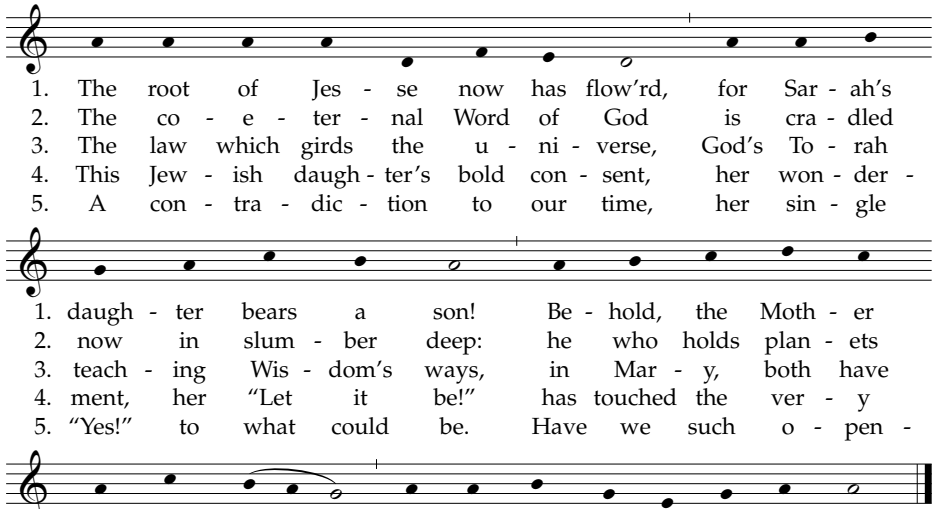
Cantor Let us celebrate the motherhood of the Virgin Mary;
All let us worship her Son, Christ the Lord.

(*bow*) Glory to the Father, and to the Son,
and to the Holy Spirit:
(*upright*) as it was in the beginning,
is now, and will be for everer. Amen. Alleluia.



HYMN

The Root of Jesse Now has Flow'rd



1. The root of Jes - se now has flow'rd, for Sar - ah's
 2. The co - e - ter - nal Word of God is cra - dled
 3. The law which girds the u - ni - verse, God's To - rah
 4. This Jew - ish daugh - ter's bold con - sent, her won - der -
 5. A con - tra - dic - tion to our time, her sin - gle

1. daugh - ter bears a son! Be - hold, the Moth - er
 2. now in slum - ber deep: he who holds plan - ets
 3. teach - ing Wis - dom's ways, in Mar - y, both have
 4. ment, her "Let it be!" has touched the ver - y
 5. "Yes!" to what could be. Have we such o - pen -

1. of our God draws to her breast the Ho - ly One.
 2. to their course now nes - tles in her arms, a - sleep.
 3. been en - fleshed— a source of scan - dal and God's praise.
 4. depths of God and ev - er changed the way we see.
 5. ness with - in to bring the Word to birth as she?

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 Music: JESU DULCIS MEMORIA, LM; Chant, Mode I.

PSALMODY (*be seated*)

Psalm 113

Antiphon O marvelous exchange! Our Creator has become flesh,
born of a virgin. We have been made sharers in the
divinity of Christ who humbled himself to share in our
humanity.



VERSES

1. Give praise, O servants of God! . . . O praise the name of the Lord . . .
Blessed be the name of the Lord.
2. Now and evermore . . . from dawn to close of the day . . .
Blessed be the name of the Lord.
3. High above earth tow'rs the Lord . . . God's glory above the sky . . .
Who compares to our God?
4. Enthroned in heaven on high . . . God views the earth and the sky . . .
raises the weak from the dust.
5. Lifts the poor from the mire . . . seating them among kings . . .
among the rulers of earth.
6. The childless no more alone . . . now abide in their homes . . .
with children to fill them with joy.
7. Let us sing to the Lord . . . singing glory and praise . . .
for evermore. Amen.

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Psalm 147:12-20

Tone 1



Antiphon By your miraculous birth of the Virgin
you have fulfilled the Scriptures.
Por tu milagroso nacimiento de la Virgen
has cumplido las Escrituras.

Cantor/All

¡Glorifica al Señor, Jerusalén,
alaba a tu Dios, Sión!,
que refuerza los cerrojos
de tus puertas
y bendice a tus hijos dentro de ti;
que da prosperidad a tu territorio
y te sacia en el mejor trigo;

God speaks to the earth,
the word speeds forth.
The Lord sends heavy snow
and scatters frost like ashes.

que arroja el granizo como migas,
ante su helada, ¿quién resistirá?
Envía una orden y se derrite,
sopla su aliento y fluyen las aguas.

God speaks his word to Jacob,
to Israel, his laws and decrees.
God has not done this for others,
no others receive this wisdom.

¡Aleluya!
¡Aleluya!

*Jerusalem, give glory! Praise God
with song, O Zion! For the Lord
strengthens your gates guarding
your children within. The Lord fills
your land with peace, giving you
golden wheat.*

*que envía su mensaje a la tierra y su
palabra corre veloz; que extiende la
nieve como lana y esparce la escarcha
como ceniza;*

*The Lord hurls chunks of hail. Who
can stand such cold? God speaks, the
ice melts; God breathes, the streams
flow.*

*Anuncia su mensaje a Jacob, sus
decretos y mandatos a Israel. Con
ninguna nación obró así ni les dio a
conocer sus mandatos.*

Alleluia! Alleluia!

Ephesians 1:3-10

Please stand for this canticle of praise.

Tone 2



Antiphon Your blessed and fruitful virginity is like the bush,
flaming yet unburned,
which Moses saw on Sinai.
Pray for us, Mother of God.

2 Choirs

Bless God, the Father of our Lord **J**esus Christ,
who blessed us from heaven through Christ
with every blessing of the spirit.

Before laying the world's foundation,
God chose us in Christ
to live a pure and holy life.

God determined out of love
to adopt us through **J**esus Christ
for the praise and glory of that grace
granted us in the Beloved.

By Christ's blood we were redeemed,
our sins forgiven
through extravagant love.

With perfect wisdom and insight
God freely displayed the mystery
of what was always intended:
a plan for the fullness of time
to unite the entire universe through Christ.

READING (*be seated*)

RESPONSORY

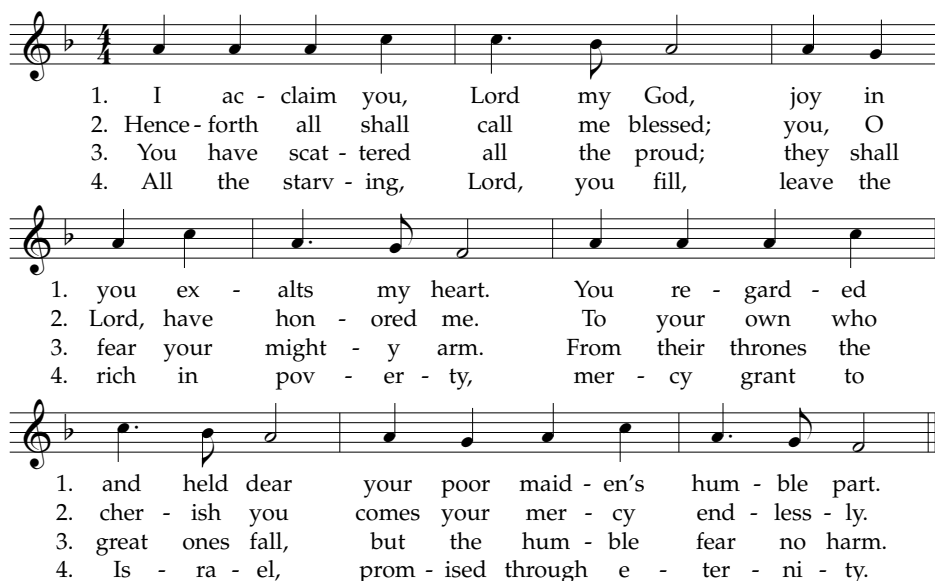
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 (C) Glo - ri - a, glo - ri - a, (D) al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia!

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CANTICLE OF MARY (*stand*)

Antiphon In his great love for us, God sent his Son in the likeness of our sinful nature, born of a woman and subject to the law, alleluia.

VERSES

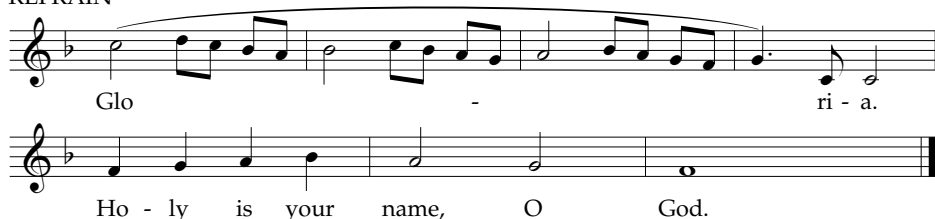


1. I ac - claim you, Lord my God, joy in
2. Hence - forth all shall call me blessed; you, O
3. You have scat - tered all the proud; they shall
4. All the starv - ing, Lord, you fill, leave the

1. you ex - alts my heart. You re - gard - ed
2. Lord, have hon - ored me. To your own who
3. fear your might - y arm. From their thrones the
4. rich in pov - er - ty, mer - cy grant to

1. and held dear your poor maid - en's hum - ble part.
2. cher - ish you comes your mer - cy end - less - ly.
3. great ones fall, but the hum - ble fear no harm.
4. Is - ra - el, prom - ised through e - ter - ni - ty.

REFRAIN



Glo - ri - a.

Ho - ly is your name, O God.

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INTERCESSIONS

OUR FATHER

CONCLUDING PRAYER

JANUARY 1
MORNING PRAYER
Mary, the Holy Mother of God

CALL TO WORSHIP (*stand*)

Tone 3



Cantor Let us celebrate the motherhood of the Virgin Mary;
All let us worship her Son, Christ the Lord.

(*bow*) Glory to the Father, and to the Son,
and to the Holy Spirit:
(*upright*) as it was in the beginning,
is now, and will be for everer. Amen. Alleluia.



HYMN

Hail Myriam, Most Holy Wisdom's Child



1. Hail My - ri - am, most ho - ly Wis - dom's child,
2. The par - a - dise that Eve, our sis - ter, left
3. O gate through which such roy - al pro - gress goes,
4. O Je - sus, born so fair of Mar - y's flesh,



1. you mod - el all we hope and yearn to be.
2. re - turns to us in you a hun - dred - fold.
3. O bea - con guid - ing all up - on their way,
4. she car - ried you to term, nine months, con - tent:



1. You are the crown of gen - 'rous wo - man - hood;
2. The child you bore has o - pened heav - en's doors
3. be - hold how peo - ples ev - 'ry - where re - deemed,
4. be praised for this, God's bound - less love for earth,



1. in you there dawns a new hu - man - i - ty!
2. and gath - ers all who stray in - to his fold.
3. have blessed the fruit your womb has borne this day!
4. which drew our sis - ter's bold and blest con - sent!

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PSALMODY (*be seated*)

Psalm 63

Tone 3



Antiphon The virgin has given birth **to** the Savior.
La virgen ha dado a luz al **Salvador**.

Cantor/All

¡Oh Dios, tú eres mi Dios,
por **ti** madrugo:
mi garganta está sedienta de ti,
mi carne desfallece por ti
como tierra seca, reseca sin agua!
Que así te contemple en **el** santuario
viendo tu poder **y** tu gloria.

Your love is better than life,
my speech is **full** of praise.
I give you a lifetime of worship,
my hands raised **in** your name.
I feast at a rich table,
my lips sing **of** your glory.

Si en mi lecho me acuerdo de ti,
en mis vigilias medito en ti,
porque tú has sido mi ayuda,
y a la sombra de tus alas
salto de gozo.
Mi vida está unida a ti
y tu mano **me** sostiene.

Let those who want me dead
end up deep **in** the grave!
They will die by the sword,
their bodies **food** for jackals.
But let the king find **joy** in God.
All who swear the truth be praised,
every lying **mouth** be shut.

*God, my God, you I crave; my soul
thirsts for you, my body aches for
you like a dry and weary land. Let
me gaze on you in your temple: a
vision of strength and glory.*

*Porque tu amor vale más que la
vida, te alabarán mis labios. Que
así te bendiga mientras viva,
alzando las manos en tu Nombre.
Me saciaré como de enjundia y de
manteca, y mi boca te alabará con
labios jubilosos.*

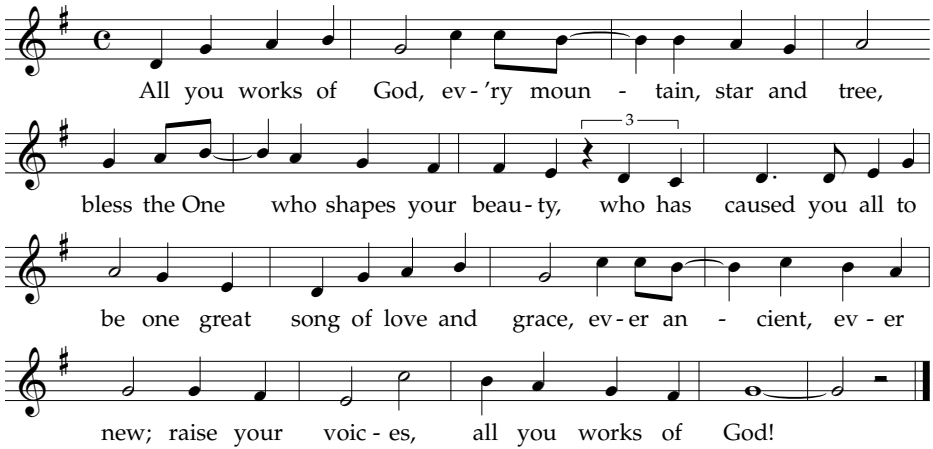
*On my bed I lie awake, your
memory fills the night. You have
been my help, I rejoice beneath
your wings. Yes, I cling to you,
your right hand holds me fast.*

*Pero los que intentan quitarme
la vida vayan a lo profundo de la
tierra; sean pasados a filo de espa-
da, sirvan de pasto a los chacales.
Pero el rey se alegrará en Dios, el
que jura por él se felicitará, cuando
tapan la boca a los mentirosos.*

Daniel 3:56-88

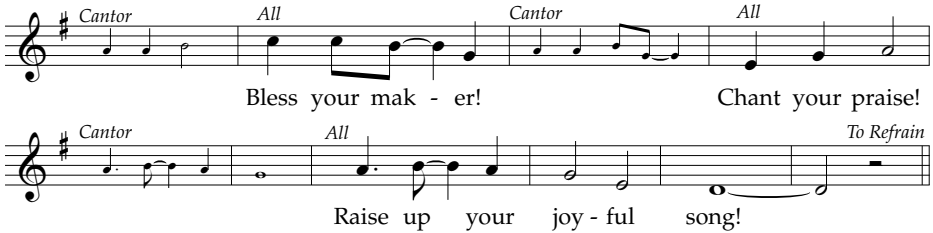
Antiphon Mary has given birth to our Savior. John the Baptist saw him and cried out: This is the Lamb of God, who takes away the sins of the world, alleluia.

REFRAIN



All you works of God, ev - 'ry moun - tain, star and tree,
bless the One who shapes your beau - ty, who has caused you all to
be one great song of love and grace, ev - er an - cient, ev - er
new; raise your voic - es, all you works of God!

VERSES



Cantor Bless your mak - er! *All* Chant your praise!
Cantor Raise up your joy - ful song! *All* *To Refrain*

1. Sun and moon...Stars of heaven...Showers and dew...
2. Winds of God...Cold and winter...Snowstorms and ice...
3. Night and day...Light and darkness...Lightnings and clouds... (*Refrain*)
4. All the earth...Hills and mountains...Green things that grow...
5. Wells and springs...Seas and rivers...Whales in the deep...
6. Flying birds...Beasts and cattle...Children at play... (*Refrain*)
7. All who live...Men and women...Servants of God... (*Refrain*)

Please stand for this canticle of praise.

Tone 1



Antiphon Mary has given birth to a King whose name is **e**verlasting;
hers the joy of motherhood, hers the **v**irgin's glory.
Never was the like **s**een before,
never shall it be seen again, alle**l**uia.

2 Choirs

Sing a new **song**, you faithful,
praise God in **the** assembly.
Israel, rejoice in your maker,
Zion, **in** your king.
Dance in the Lord's name,
sounding harp and **tam**bourine.

The Lord delights
in saving a **helpless** people.
Revel in God's glory,
join in **clan** by clan.
Shout praise **from** your throat,
sword flashing in hand

to discipline nations
and punish the wicked,
to shackle their kings
and chain their leaders,
and execute God's sentence.
You faithful, this is your glory!

Alleluia!
Alleluia!

READING (*be seated*)

RESPONSORY

The image shows a musical score for a hymn. It consists of two staves of music, both in G major (one sharp) and 6/8 time. The melody is written in a soprano voice. The lyrics are: "All the ends of the earth have seen the pow-er of God;" on the first staff, and "all the ends of the earth have seen the pow-er of God." on the second staff. The music features a mix of eighth and sixteenth notes, with some rests. The second staff ends with a double bar line.

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CANTICLE OF ZECHARIAH (*stand*)

Antiphon Marvelous is the mystery proclaimed today; human nature is made new as God becomes flesh; he remains what he was and becomes what he was not. Yet each nature stays distinct and for ever undivided.



1. Blessed be the God of Is - rael, who comes to set us
 2. Now from the house of Da - vid a child of grace is
 3. Where once were fear and dark - ness the sun be - gins to
 free, Who vis - its and re - deems us, and
 giv'n; A Sav - ior comes a - mong us to
 rise, The dawn - ing of for - give - ness up -
 grants us lib - er - ty. The proph - ets spoke of
 raise us up to heav'n. Be - fore him goes the
 on the sin - ners' eyes, To guide the feet of
 mer - cy, of free - dom and re - lease; God
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 pil - grims a - long the paths of peace: O
 shall ful - fill the prom - ise to bring our peo - ple peace.
 proph - et of sal - va - tion, the mes - sen - ger of Day.
 bless our God and Sav - ior with songs that nev - er cease!

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INTERCESSIONS
 OUR FATHER
 CONCLUDING PRAYER

JANUARY 1
EVENING PRAYER II
Mary, the Holy Mother of God

CALL TO WORSHIP (*stand*)

Tone 9



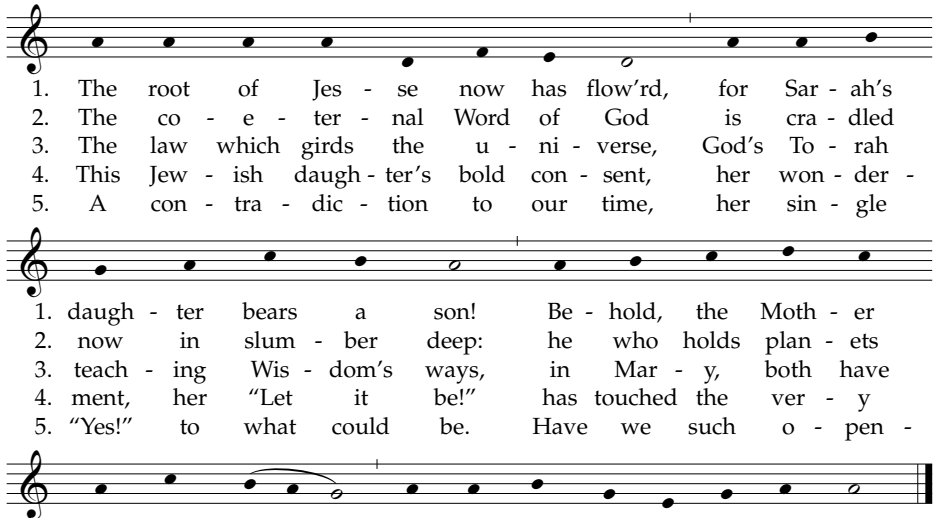
Cantor Let us celebrate the motherhood of the Virgin Mary;
All let us worship her Son, Christ the Lord.

(*bow*) Glory to the Father, and **to** the Son,
and to the **Holy** Spirit:
(*upright*) as it was in **the** beginning,
is now, and will be for ever. Amen. Alle**luia**.



HYMN

The Root of Jesse Now has Flow'rd



1. The root of Jes - se now has flow'rd, for Sar - ah's
2. The co - e - ter - nal Word of God is cra - dled
3. The law which girds the u - ni - verse, God's To - rah
4. This Jew - ish daugh - ter's bold con - sent, her won - der -
5. A con - tra - dic - tion to our time, her sin - gle

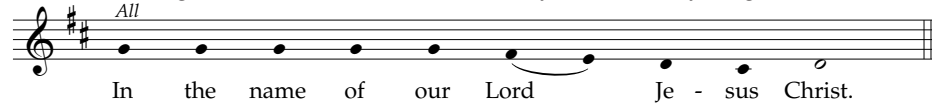
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SOLEMN PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING

Cantor. . . Let us give thanks to God the Father, always and for ev'rything.



Cantor.... Blessed are you, O Lord and mighty God,
our eternal Father and David's King.
You have made our gladness greater and increasæd our joy
by sending to dwell among us the Wonder Counselor, the Prince of Peace.
Born of Mary, proclaimed to the shepherds
and acknowledged to the ends of the earth,
your unconquered Son of Justice destroys our darkness
and establishes us in freedom and we are led forth from bondage.
All glory in the highest be to you, through Christ, the Son of your favor,
in the anointing love of his Spirit, this night and for ever and ever.



PSALMODY (*be seated*)

Psalm 122

Tone 2



Antiphon O marvelous exchange!
Our Creator has become flesh, born of a virgin.
We have been made sharers in the divinity of Christ
who humbled himself to share in our humanity.

2 Choirs

With joy I heard them say,
"Let us go to the Lord's house!"
And now, Jerusalem,
we stand inside your gates.

Jerusalem, the city so built
that city and temple are one.
To you the tribes go up,
every tribe of the Lord.

It is the law of Israel
to honor God's name.
The seats of law are here,
the thrones of David's line.

Pray peace for Jerusalem:
happiness for your homes,
safety inside your walls,
peace in your great houses.

For love of family and friends
I say, "Peace be with you!"
For love of the Lord's own house
I pray for your good.

Psalm 127

Tone 8



Antiphon By your miraculous birth of the Virgin
you have fulfilled the Scriptures.
Por tu nacimiento milagroso de la Virgen
has cumplido las Escrituras.

Cantor/All

Si el Señor no construye la casa,
en vano trabajan los albañiles;
si el Señor no cuida la ciudad,
en vano vigila la guardia.

*If God does not build the house, the
builders work in vain. If God does
not watch over the city, the guards
watch in vain.*

How foolish to rise early
and slave until night for bread.
Those who please God receive as
much
even while they sleep.

*Es inútil que se levanten temprano,
y retrasen el descanso los que
comen el pan de los ídolos, el Dios
fiel da el éxito a su amigo.*

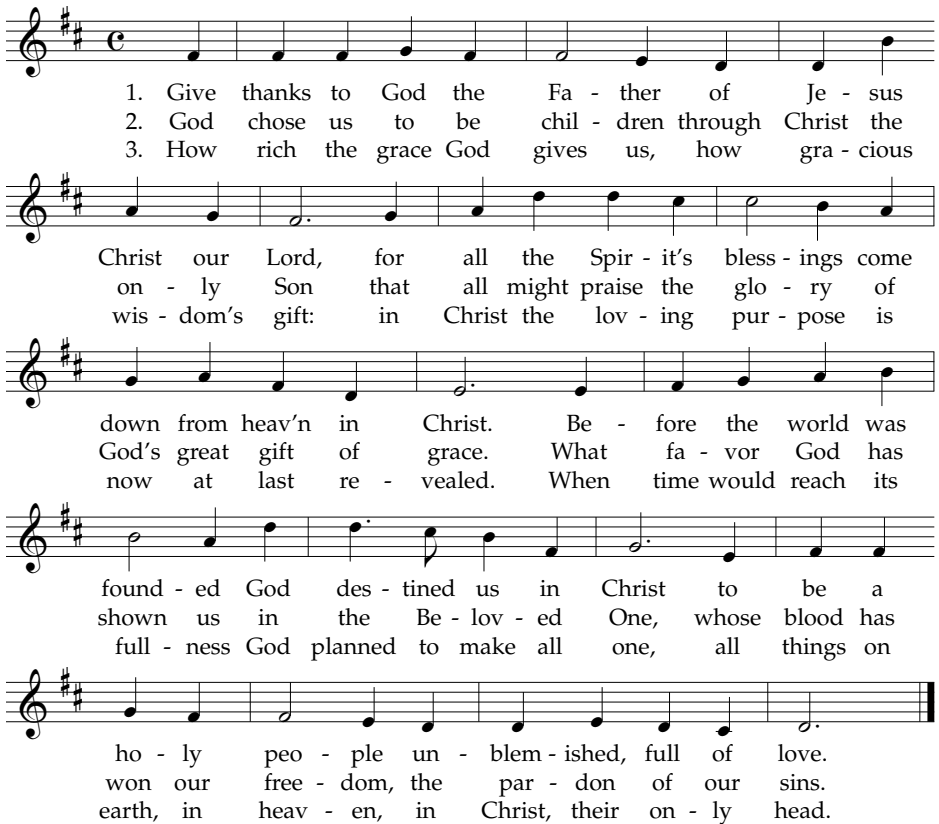
Miren: la herencia del Señor son los
hijos,
su salario el fruto del vientre.
Como saetas en manos de un guerrero
son los hijos de la juventud.
¡Dichoso el hombre que llena
con ellas la aljaba!
No será humillado,
al alejar de la puerta a sus enemigos.

*Children are God's gift, a blessing
to those who bear them; like
arrows in the hand of an archer are
children born to the young. Happy
those with a full quiver: facing their
enemies at the gate, they stand
without shame!*

Ephesians 1:3-10

Please stand for this canticle of praise.

Antiphon Your blessed and fruitful virginity is like the bush,
flaming yet unburned, which Moses saw on Sinai.
Pray for us, Mother of God.



1. Give thanks to God the Fa - ther of Je - sus
2. God chose us to be chil - dren through Christ the
3. How rich the grace God gives us, how gra - cious

Christ our Lord, for all the Spir - it's bless - ings come
on - ly Son that all might praise the glo - ry of
wis - dom's gift: in Christ the lov - ing pur - pose is

down from heav'n in Christ. Be - fore the world was
God's great gift of grace. What fa - vor God has
now at last re - vealed. When time would reach its

found - ed God des - tined us in Christ to be a
shown us in the Be - lov - ed One, whose blood has
full - ness God planned to make all one, all things on

ho - ly peo - ple un - blem - ished, full of love.
won our free - dom, the par - don of our sins.
earth, in heav - en, in Christ, their on - ly head.

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PSALMODY DOXOLOGY

Tone 5



All (bow) Glory to the Father, and to the Son,
and to the Holy Spirit:
(upright) as it was in the beginning,
is now, and will be for everer. Amen.

READING *(be seated)*

RESPONSORY

Ⓐ O pov - er - ty, Ⓑ source of rich - es:

Ⓒ Je - sus, Ⓓ Son of God, born in Beth - le - hem.

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CANTICLE OF MARY (*stand*)

Antiphon Blessed is the womb which bore you, O Christ, and the breast that nursed you, Lord and Savior of the world, alleluia.



1. Sing with glad - ness o - ver - flow - ing; all my
 2. Gra - cious is our God all - ho - ly, ev - er
 3. Gath - 'ring ev - 'ry ser - vant hum - ble, scat - t'ring
 4. Faith - ful is our God for - ev - er, as the
 5. Praise our God with glad thanks - giv - ing through the

1. be - ing, bless God's name! Mar - vels yet be -
 2. mind - ful of our need, who, with mer - cy
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 3. part, grant - ing weak - ness vic - to - ry,
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INTERCESSIONS

OUR FATHER

CONCLUDING PRAYER

HOLY FAMILY OF JESUS, MARY AND JOSEPH

EVENING PRAYER I

CALL TO WORSHIP (*stand*)

Tone 9



Cantor Come, let us worship Christ, the **Son** of God,
All who was obedient to **Mary** and Joseph.

(bow) Glory to the Father, and **to** the Son,
and to the **Holy** Spirit:
(upright) as it was in **the** beginning,
is now, and will be for ever. Amen. Alle**luia**.



HYMN

O Christ, in Whom All is Redeemed

1. O Christ, in whom all is re - deemed, who shone be -
2. Be mind - ful, Sav - ior of the world, you once were
3. The stars them - selves shine bright as suns; cre - a - tion
4. With hearts made whole with - in your love, we join this
5. Most ho - ly, moth - 'ring, fa - th'ring God, be praised in

1. fore cre - a - ted light: sprung from our Ab - ba's
2. bound in swad - dling bands, and from a maid - en's
3. at its core is changed: a won - drous new song
4. song of ran - somed earth, whose heal - ing through your
5. Christ, your heart's de - light: come now in new na -

1. bound - less heart, by God be - got - ten, God's de - light!
2. hal - lowed womb you gave your - self in - to our hands.
3. fills the night, the gal - ax - ies can - not con - tain!
4. cross be - gan this hal - lowed night that saw your birth.
5. tiv - i - ty and find your joy in us this night.

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Music: JESU DULCIS MEMORIA, LM; Chant, Mode I.

Tone 1



Cantor/All

*Servants of God, praise, praise
the name of the Lord. Bless the
Lord's name now and always.
Praise the Lord's name here and
in every place, from east to west.*

*El Señor es excelso sobre todos
los pueblos, su gloria sobre los
cielos. ¿Quién como el Señor,
Dios nuestro, que está
entronizado en lo alto*

*The Lord bends down to see
heaven and earth, to raise the
weak from the dust and lift the
poor from the mire, to seat them
with princes in the company of
their leaders.*

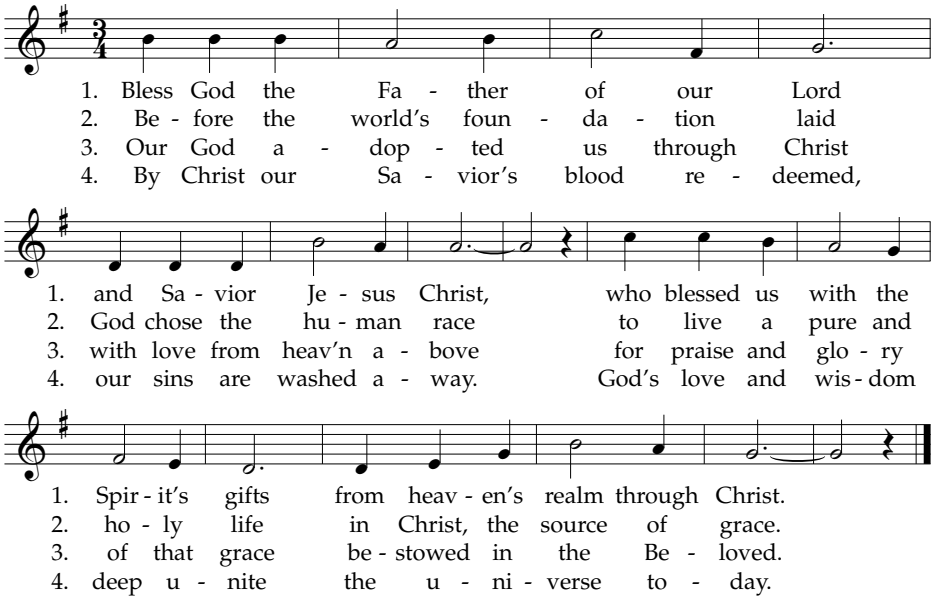
*Pone al frente de su casa a la
estéril, madre feliz de hijos.*

Alleluia! Alleluia!

Ephesians 1:3-10

Please stand for this canticle of praise.

Antiphon The shepherds went in haste and found Mary and Joseph, with the child cradled in a manger.



The musical score is written on three staves in G major (one sharp) and 3/4 time. The melody is simple and hymn-like, with lyrics printed below each staff. The lyrics are arranged in four systems, each corresponding to a staff. The first system covers the first line of lyrics, the second system covers the second line, the third system covers the third line, and the fourth system covers the fourth line. The lyrics are as follows:

1. Bless God the Fa - ther of our Lord
2. Be - fore the world's foun - da - tion laid
3. Our God a - dop - ted us through Christ
4. By Christ our Sa - vior's blood re - deemed,

1. and Sa - vior Je - sus Christ, who blessed us with the
2. God chose the hu - man race to live a pure and
3. with love from heav'n a - bove for praise and glo - ry
4. our sins are washed a - way. God's love and wis - dom

1. Spir - it's gifts from heav - en's realm through Christ.
2. ho - ly life in Christ, the source of grace.
3. of that grace be - stowed in the Be - loved.
4. deep u - nite the u - ni - verse to - day.

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READING (*be seated*)

RESPONSORY

The musical score is written on two staves. The first staff contains the melody for the first line of the hymn, starting with a treble clef and a key signature of one flat (B-flat). It begins with a whole note 'O' (labeled A), followed by a half note 'pov - er - ty,' (labeled B), and then a half note 'source' (labeled B), followed by a half note 'of' (labeled B), and finally a half note 'rich - es:' (labeled B). The second staff contains the melody for the second line of the hymn, starting with a treble clef and a key signature of one flat (B-flat). It begins with a whole note 'Je - sus,' (labeled C), followed by a half note 'Son of God,' (labeled D), and then a half note 'born in Beth - le - hem.' (labeled D). The lyrics are written below the notes.

O pov - er - ty, source of rich - es:

Je - sus, Son of God, born in Beth - le - hem.

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CANTICLE OF MARY

Antiphon The angel said: get up, take the child and his
(*Year A*) mother, and flee to Egypt.

Antiphon The child Jesus grew, filled with wisdom; and the
(*Year B*) favor of God was upon him.

Antiphon The child Jesus remained in Jerusalem, and his
(*Year C*) parents did not know it. They thought he was in the
group of travelers and looked for him among their
relatives and friends.



1. Sing with glad - ness o - ver - flow - ing; all my
2. Gra - cious is our God all - ho - ly, ev - er
3. Gath - 'ring ev - 'ry ser - vant hum - ble, scat - t'ring
4. Faith - ful is our God for - ev - er, as the
5. Praise our God with glad thanks - giv - ing through the



1. be - ing, bless God's name! Mar - vels yet be -
2. mind - ful of our need, who, with mer - cy
3. all the proud of heart, lift - ing up the
4. proph - ets long fore - told, prom - is - es for -
5. Christ who con - quered death, in the Spir - it



1. yond our know - ing fu - ture a - ges will pro -
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4. sak - ing nev - er, wit - nessed by the saints of
5. ev - er liv - ing, ev - er lov - ing, flow - ing



1. claim. Sing your prais - es might - i - ly!
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HOLY FAMILY OF JESUS, MARY AND JOSEPH

MORNING PRAYER

CALL TO WORSHIP (*stand*)

Tone 1



Cantor Come, let us worship Christ, the Son of God,
All who was obedient to Mary and Joseph.

(bow) Glory to the Father, and to the Son,
and to the Holy Spirit:
(upright) as it was in the beginning,
is now, and will be for ever. Amen. Alleluia.



HYMN

Awake! Awake and Greet the New Morn

1. A - wake! A-wake, and greet the new morn, for an - gels
2. To us, to all in sor - row and fear, Em - man - u -
3. Re - joice, re-joyce, take heart in the night, though dark the

her - ald its dawn - ing. Sing out your joy, for
el comes a - sing - ing. His hum - ble song is
win - ter and cheer - less, the ris - ing sun shall

now he is born, be - hold! the Child of our long - ing.
qui - et and near, yet fills the earth with its ring - ing.
crown you with light, be strong and lov - ing and fear - less.

Come as a ba - by weak and poor, to bring all hearts to -
Mu - sic to heal the bro - ken soul and hymns of lov - ing
Love be our song and love our prayers, and love, our end - less

geth - er. He o - pens wide the heav'n - ly door and
kind - ness, the thun - der of his an - thems roll to
sto - ry. May God fill ev - 'ry day we share and

lives now in - side us for ev - er.
shat - ter all ha - tred and blind - ness.
bring us at last in - to glo - ry.

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PSALMODY (*be seated*)

Psalm 63

Tone 3



Antiphon The parents of Jesus went each year **to** Jerusalem
for the solemn **feast** of Passover.

2 Choirs

God, my God, **you** I crave;
my soul thirsts for you,
my body aches for you
like a dry and **weary** land.
Let me gaze on you **in** your
temple:
a vision of **strength** and glory.

Your love is **better** than life,
my speech is **full** of praise.
I give you a lifetime of worship,
my hands raised **in** your name.
I feast at a rich table,
my lips sing **of** your glory.

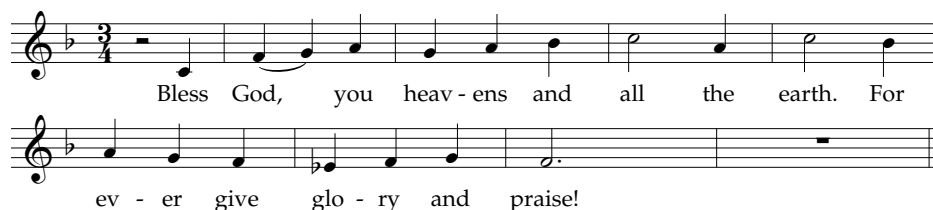
On my bed I lie awake,
your memory **fills** the night.
You have been my help,
I rejoice **beneath** your wings.
Yes, I **cling** to you,
your right hand **holds** me fast.

Let those who want me dead
end up deep **in** the grave!
They will die by the sword,
their bodies **food** for jackals.
But let the king find **joy** in God.
All who swear the truth be
praised,
every lying **mouth** be shut.

Daniel 3:56-88

Antiphon The child grew in wisdom and strength, and the favor of God was upon him.

1. Bless God, all works of creation! Praise and extol the Lord's name!
Bless God, all angels and heavens, waters in heaven's deep frame!



Bless God, O stars of night. Bless God, pale moon.
Bless God, fair shower and sunlight at noon.
Bless the Lord, chill of the winter.
Bless God, hot wind and bright flame! **R/.**

2. Bless the Lord, new rain in springtime.
Bless the Lord, hoarfrost and cold.
Ice and snow, bless God for ever! Bless God as seasons unfold. **R/.**
Day by day, sunlight and darkness of night,
bless God, deep storm clouds and flashes of light.
Bless God, O earth, ceasing never. Bless God for ages untold. **R/.**
3. Mountains and hills, rise to bless God.
Bless God, all plants and all trees.
Bless the Lord, all springs, seas and rivers,
creatures of fountain and sea. **R/.**
Bless the Lord, fish and all birds of the air.
Bless the Lord, tame beast and beast in the lair.
Bless the Lord, children, for ever! Bless God in jubilant prayer! **R/.**
4. Bless God, all just, faithful servants.
Priests of the Lord, bless God's name.
Spirits and souls who love justice, holy ones, sing and proclaim. **R/.**
Humble of heart, bless the Lord with your song,
for unto God all your praises belong.
Bless God, the Lord of all heavens! Bless God, for ever the same! **R/.**

Psalm 149

Please stand for this psalm of praise.

Tone 1



Antiphon His father and mother were amazed **at** their child.

Su padre y su madre estaban asombrados de su niño.

Cantor/All

Canten al Señor un **canto** nuevo,
su alabanza en la asamblea **de** los fieles.

Alégrese Israel por su Creador,
salten de gozo los hijos de Sión por su

Rey;
alaben su Nombre con danzas,
tocando tambores y cítaras;

*Sing a new song, you faithful,
praise God in the assembly. Israel,
rejoice in your maker, Zion, in
your king. Dance in the Lord's
name, sounding harp and
tambourine.*

The Lord delights
in saving a **helpless** people.

Revel in God's glory,
join in clan by clan.

Shout praise from your throat,
sword flashing in hand

*porque el Señor ama a su pueblo
y corona con su victoria a los
humildes. Que los justos celebren
su gloria y lo aclamen aun en sus
lechos: con vítores a Dios en su
garganta, y espadas de dos filos en
las manos.*

para tomar venganza de las naciones,
y aplicar el castigo a los pueblos;
para atar a sus reyes con cadenas
y a sus nobles con esposas de hierro;
para aplicarles la sentencia escrita:
¡qué honor para todos sus fieles!

to discipline nations and punish the wicked, to shackle their kings and chain their leaders, and execute God's sentence. You faithful, this is your glory!

Alleluia!

Alleluia!

¡Aleluya! ¡Aleluya!

PSALMODY DOXOLOGY

Tone 1



All (bow) Glory to the Father, and to the Son,
and to the Holy Spirit:
(upright) as it was in the beginning,
is now, and will be for everer. Amen.

READING *(be seated)*

RESPONSORY

Gau - de - te, gau - de - te! Chris - tus na - tus est
ex Ma - ri - a Vir - gi - ne, ex Ma - ri - a Vir - gi - ne.
Al - le - lu - ia. Al - le - lu - ia.

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CANTICLE OF ZECHARIAH (*stand*)

Antiphon Lord, give us light through the example of your family
and guide our feet into the way of peace.



1. Blessed be the God of Is - ra - el who comes to
2. With prom - ised mer - cy will God still the cov - e -
3. My child, as proph - et of the Lord you will pre -
set us free and rais - es up new hope for us: a
nant re - call, the oath once sworn to A - bra - ham from
pare the way, to tell God's peo - ple they are saved from
Branch from Da - vid's tree. So have the proph - ets
foes to save us all; that we might wor - ship
sin's e - ter - nal sway. Then shall God's mer - cy
long de - clared that with a might - y arm God would turn
with - out fear and of - fer lives of praise, in ho - li -
from on high shine forth and nev - er cease to drive a -
back our en - e - mies and all who wish us harm.
ness and right - eous - ness to serve God all our days.
way the gloom of death and lead us in - to peace.

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INTERCESSIONS

OUR FATHER

CONCLUDING PRAYER

HOLY FAMILY OF JESUS, MARY AND JOSEPH

EVENING PRAYER II

CALL TO WORSHIP (*stand*)

Tone 9



Cantor Come, let us worship Christ, the Son of God,
All who was obedient to Mary and Joseph.

(bow) Glory to the Father, and to the Son,
and to the Holy Spirit:
(upright) as it was in the beginning,
is now, and will be for ever. Amen. Alleluia.



HYMN

A Carol for a Carpenter

The musical notation is written on a single treble clef staff in a 2/4 time signature. The melody is simple and consists of eighth and quarter notes. The lyrics are arranged in four-line stanzas, with each line corresponding to a different verse. The first line of the first stanza is '1. A stone to be the lin - tel a - bove the'. The second line is '2. As seed is for the sow - er and bread is'. The third line is '3. A colt to be his charg - er and palms for'. The fourth line is '4. With wood to work our ran - som he mas - tered'. The second stanza begins with '1. o - pen door, a bed of straw for sta - ble and'. The third line is '3. glo - ry now; a reed shall be for scep - ter and'. The fourth line is '4. death and grave; the gates of heav - en o - pened on'. The third stanza begins with '1. tram - pled earth a floor; but wood is for the'. The second line is '2. all the might of Rome. But wood is for the'. The third line is '3. thorn up - on his brow; but wood is for the'. The fourth line is '4. all he came to save; a tree of life un -'. The fourth stanza begins with '1. man - ger, so pat - terned, smooth and worn, Oh, wood is'. The second line is '2. Crafts - man by whom the world was made, Oh, wood is'. The third line is '3. cross - es a - gainst a dark - ened sky, Oh, wood and'. The fourth line is '4. fad - ing be - yond our mor - tal pains, whose leaves are'. The fifth stanza begins with '1. for the cra - dle where Je - sus Christ is born.'. The second line is '2. for the work - shop where Je - sus learned his trade.'. The third line is '3. nails to - geth - er when Je - sus came to die.'. The fourth line is '4. for our heal - ing where Je - sus lives and reigns.'.

1. A stone to be the lin - tel a - bove the
2. As seed is for the sow - er and bread is
3. A colt to be his charg - er and palms for
4. With wood to work our ran - som he mas - tered

1. o - pen door, a bed of straw for sta - ble and
2. for the home, so bronze is for the breast - plate and
3. glo - ry now; a reed shall be for scep - ter and
4. death and grave; the gates of heav - en o - pened on

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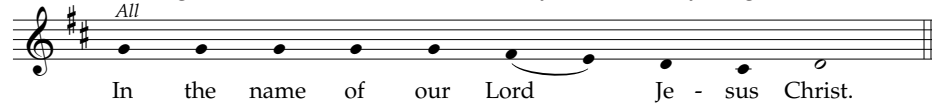
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4. for our heal - ing where Je - sus lives and reigns.

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SOLEMN PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING

Cantor. . . Let us give thanks to God the Father, always and for ev'rything.



Cantor.... Blessed are you, O Lord and mighty God,
our eternal Father and David's King.
You have made our gladness greater and increasæd our joy
by sending to dwell among us the Wonder Counselor, the Prince of Peace.
Born of Mary, proclaimed to the shepherds
and acknowledged to the ends of the earth,
your unconquered Son of Justice destroys our darkness
and establishes us in freedom and we are led forth from bondage.
All glory in the highest be to you, through Christ, the Son of your favor,
in the anointing love of his Spirit, this night and for ever and ever.



PSALMODY (*be seated*)

Psalm 122

Tone 2



Antiphon After three days, Jesus was found **in** the temple.

Duespués de tres días encontraron a Jesus **en** el templo.

Cantor/All

Me alegré con quienes **me** dijeron:
¡Iremos a la casa **del** Señor!
Nuestros pies **se** detienen
ante tus puertas, Jer**u**salén.

*With joy I heard them say, "Let us
go to the Lord's house!" And now,
Jerusalem, we stand inside your
gates.*

Jerusalem, the city so built
that city and temple are one.
To you the **tribes** go up,
every tribe **of** the Lord.

*¡Jerusalén!, edificada como ciudad
totalmente armoniosa, adonde
suben las tribus, las tribus del
Señor;*

según la ley de **I**srael,
a dar gracias al Nombre **del** Señor.
Allí reside el tribunal **de** justicia,
el tribunal del palacio **de** David.

*It is the law of Israel to honor
God's name. The seats of law are
here, the thrones of David's line.*

Pray peace **for** Jerusalem:
happiness **for** your homes,
safety **inside** your walls,
peace in **your** great houses.

*Pidan la paz para Jerusalén: Vivan
tranquilos los que te aman; haya
paz en tus murallas, tranquilidad
en tus palacios.*

Por mis hermanos y **compañeros**
quiero decir: La **paz** contigo.
Por la casa del Señor **nuestro** Dios
quiero pedir: El bien **para** ti.

*For love of family and friends I
say, "Peace be with you!" For love
of the Lord's own house I pray for
your good.*

Psalm 127

Antiphon Jesus returned with Mary and Joseph to Nazareth,
there he lived and was obedient to them.

1. Un - less the Lord shall build the house, The build - ers
2. Have trust in God, and chil - dren fair Are yours by
work in vain; Un - less the cit - y's strength is God, Un -
God's a - ward; Like ar - rows in a war - rior's hand Your
safe its walls re - main. What gain for us to
chil - dren from the Lord. Re - joice when you bear
rise at dawn, To work long days in pain? For when the
chil - dren fair, In them your hope is stored; Their love a
Lord is keep - ing watch, In sleep we thrive and gain.
for - tress and a shield From bond - age, fire and sword.

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Ephesians 1:3-10

Please stand for this canticle of praise.

Tone 2



Antiphon Jesus grew in wisdom with the years
and was pleasing to God and people.

2 Choirs

Bless God, the Father of our Lord Jesus Christ,
who blessed us from heaven through Christ
with every blessing of the spirit.

Before laying the world's foundation,
God chose us in Christ
to live a pure and holy life.

God determined out of love
to adopt us through Jesus Christ
for the praise and glory of that grace
granted us in the Beloved.

By Christ's blood we were redeemed,
our sins forgiven
through extravagant love.

With perfect wisdom and insight
God freely displayed the mystery
of what was always intended:
a plan for the fullness of time
to unite the entire universe through Christ.

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READING (*be seated*)

RESPONSORY

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CANTICLE OF MARY

Antiphon Joseph rose, took the child and his mother, and
(Year A) went to the land of Israel.

Antiphon Mary and Joseph took the child Jesus up to
(Year B) Jerusalem to present him to the Lord.

Antiphon Why did you look for me? Did you not know that I
(Year C) had to be in my Father's house?



1. My heart sings out with joy - ful praise to God who
2. The arm of God is strong and just to scat - ter
3. The prom - ise made in a - ges past at last has

rais - es me, who came to me when I was low and
all the proud. The ty - rants tum - ble from their thrones and
come to be, for God has come in pow'r to save, to

changed my des - ti - ny. The Ho - ly One, the
van - ish like a cloud. The hun - gry all are
set all peo - ple free. Re - mem - b'ring those who

Liv - ing God, is al - ways full of grace to those who
sat - is - fied; the rich are sent a - way. The poor of
wait to see sal - va - tion's dawn - ing day, our Sav - ior

seek their Mak - er's will in ev - 'ry time and place.
earth who suf - fer long will wel - come God's new day.
comes to all who weep to wipe their tears a - way.

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