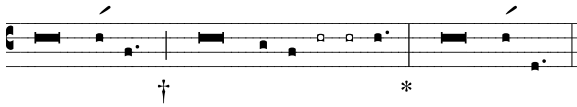
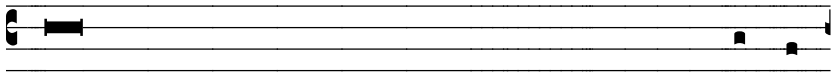


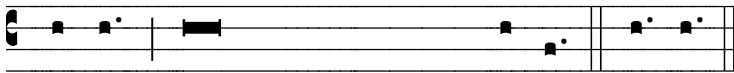
PRAYER



Almighty God, who command us to
prepare the way for | **Christ** the Lord, †
grant in your kindness, we pray,
that no infirmi-|ty may wear-y us *
as we long for the comforting
presence of our heavenly phy-|si-cian.



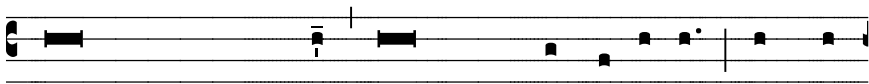
Who lives and reigns with you in the unity of the Ho-ly



Spir-it, one God, for ever and ev-er. R. A-men.

DISMISSAL

in the absence of a priest or deacon



May the Lord bless us, protect us from all e-vil and bring



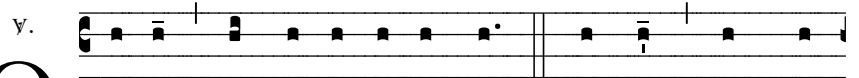
us to ever-last-ing life. R. A-men

EVENING PRAYER OF WEDNESDAY IN ADVENT

WEEK 2 OF THE PSALTER

OPENING VERSICLE AND RESPONSE

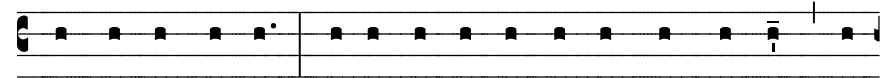
*Please stand as the priest enters. All make the sign of the cross
and bow at "Glory to the Father...Holy Spirit" (throughout).*



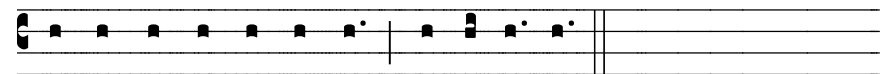
O God, come to my as-sis-tance. R. O Lord, make haste



to help me. *All:* Glo-ry to the Fa-ther, and to the Son, and to



the Ho-ly Spir-it: as it was in the be-gin-ning, is now, and



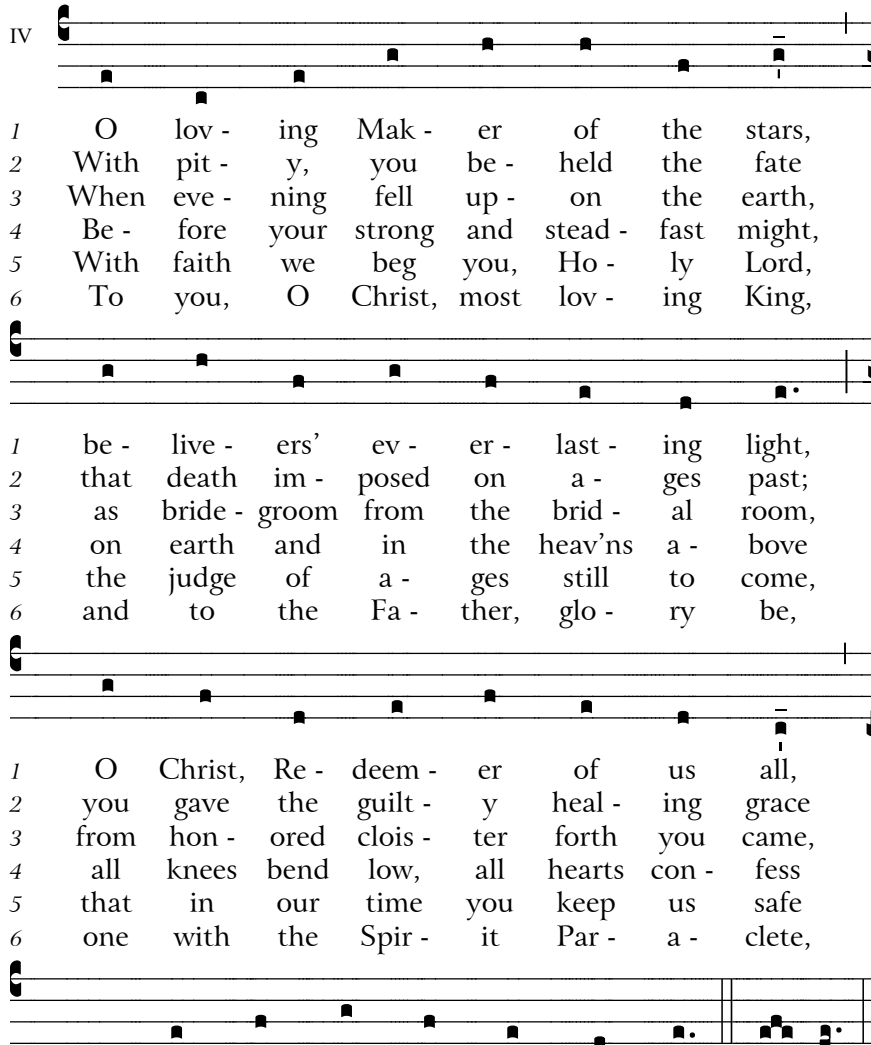
will be for ev-er. A-men. Al-le-lu-ia.

HYMN

Conditor alme siderum

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IV



1 O lov - ing Mak - er of the stars,
 2 With pit - y, you be - held the fate
 3 When eve - ning fell up - on the earth,
 4 Be - fore your strong and stead - fast might,
 5 With faith we beg you, Ho - ly Lord,
 6 To you, O Christ, most lov - ing King,

1 be - live - ers' ev - er - last - ing light,
 2 that death im - posed on a - ges past;
 3 as bride - groom from the brid - al room,
 4 on earth and in the heav'ns a - bove
 5 the judge of a - ges still to come,
 6 and to the Fa - ther, glo - ry be,

1 O Christ, Re - deem - er of us all,
 2 you gave the guilt - y heal - ing grace
 3 from hon - ored clois - ter forth you came,
 4 all knees bend low, all hearts con - fess
 5 that in our time you keep us safe
 6 one with the Spir - it Par - a - clete,

1 with kind - ness hear our hum - ble prayer.
 2 and saved a weak and fall - en world.
 3 born from the Vir - gin Moth - er pure.
 4 sub - mis - sion to your sov - ereign will.
 5 from snares of our de - ceit - ful foe.
 6 from age to age for ev - er - more. A - men.

Please be seated after the hymn

OUR FATHER

as at Mass, or using the Office tone:

P



A - ter noster, qui es in cæ - lis, sancti - fi - cé - tur
Our Fa - ther, who art in heav - en, hallowed

nomen tu - um, advé - ni - at regnum tu - um, fi - at vo - lún -
be thy name; thy king - dom come, thy will be done

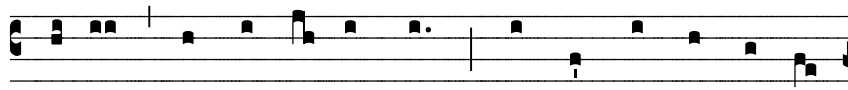
tas tu - a sic - ut in cæ - lo et in ter - ra. Panem nostrum
on earth as it is in heav - en. Give us this day

co - ti - di - á - num da no - bis hó - di - e; et di - mít - te no - bis
our dai - ly bread, and for - give us our

dé - bi - ta nostra, sic - ut et nos dimít - timus de - bi - tó - ri - bus
tres - pass - es, as we forgive those who tres - pass a -

nostris; et ne nos indú - cas in tenta - ti - ó - nem, sed
gainst us; and lead us not in - to tempta - tion, but

lí - be - ra nos a ma - lo.
deliver us from e - vil.

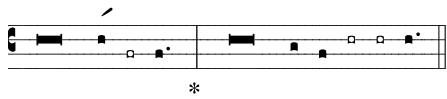


A. Zi-on, you will be re-newed, and you will see the Just

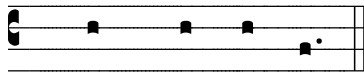


One who is com-ing to you.

INTERCESSIONS



We humbly pray to Jesus Christ, who
rescues us from the darkness |of sin, *
and in faith |we cry out:

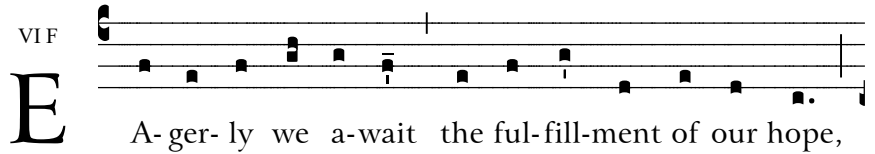


R. Come, Lord Je-|sus!

- Lord, gather together all the people |of *the* earth, *
and establish with them your ever-|last-ing *cov-e-nant*. *R.*
- Lamb of God, you came of old to
take away the sin |of *the* world, *
purge us from the dregs |of our guilt. *R.*
- You came to recover |*what was* lost, *
come once again in your mercy lest
you punish what you |have re-*cov-ered*. *R.*
- Our faith |*seeks you* out, *
let us find everlasting joy with you |when you come. *R.*
- You will judge the living |and *the* dead, *
graciously gather the dead
into the ranks |of the *bles-s-ed*. *R.*

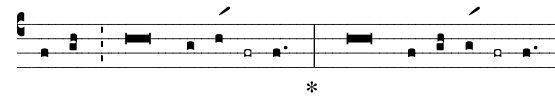
PSALMODY

ANTIPHON I



A-ger-ly we a-wait the ful-fill-ment of our hope,
the glo-ri-ous com-ing of our Sav-ior.

PSALM 62, IN DEO TANTUM QUIESCE



In God alone is |my soul at rest; *
my |help comes from him.
He alone is my rock, |my strong-hold, *
my for-|tress: I stand firm.

How long will you all |at-tack *one* man *
- - - |to break him down,
as though he were a tot-|ter-ing wall, *
- - - |or a tum-*bling* fence?

Their plan is on-|ly to *de-destroy*: *
they take |pleas-ure in lies.
With their mouth they ut-|ter *bles-sing* *
but |in their heart *they* curse.

In God alone be |at rest, *my* soul; *
for my |hope comes from him.
He alone is my rock, |my strong-hold, *
my for-|tress: I stand firm.

In God is my safety |and glo-ry, *
the |rock of my strength.
Take refuge in God, all |you peo-ple. *
Trust |him at all times.

Pour out your hearts |be-fore him *
for God |is our ref-uge.

Common folk are on-|ly a breath, *
 great men |an il-lu-sion.
 Placed in |the **scales**, *they* rise; *
 they weigh |less than a breath.

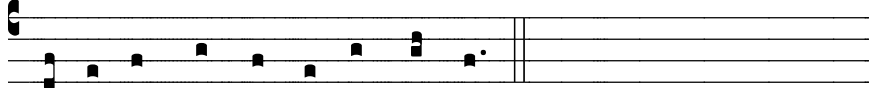
Do not put your trust in |op-pres-sion *
 nor vain |hopes on **plun**-der.
 Do not set your heart |on **rich**-es *
 e-|ven when **they** in-crease.

For God has said on-|ly **one** thing: *
 on-|ly two **do** I know:
 that to God alone be-|longs **pow**-er *
 and |to you, **Lord**, love;
 and that you |re-pay *each* man *
 ac-|cord-ing to *his* deeds.

Glory to the Father, |and **to** *the* Son, *
 and to the |Ho-ly **Spir**-it:
 as it was in the be-gin-|ning, **is** now, *
 and will be for |ev-er. **A**-men. *A.*



A. Ea-ger-ly we a-wait the ful-fill-ment of our hope, the

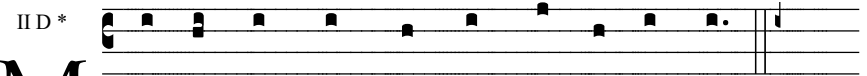


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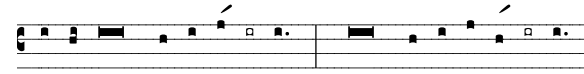
Psalm-prayer: Lord God, you reward each one according to his works. Hear us as we pour out our hearts to you seeking your grace and secure protection. We look to you for our stable hope in a constantly changing world.

MAGNIFICAT, LUKE 1: 46–55

All make the sign of the cross. The Priest or Cantor may sing the first line, then all sing the entire Magnificat. The psalmtone intonation is used throughout.



MY soul pro-claims the great-ness of the Lord,



my spir-it rejoices in |God my **Sav**-ior *
 for he has looked with favor on |his low-ly **ser**-vant.

From this day all |gen-er-a-tions *
 - - - |will call me **bles**-ed:
the Al-mighty has |done great **things** for me, *
 - - - |and ho-ly **is** *his* Name.

He has mercy on |those who **fear** him *
 in eve-|ry gen-er-a-tion.
He has shown the |strength of **his** arm, *
 he has scattered |the proud in **their** con-*ceit*.

He has cast down the |might-y **from** *their* thrones, *
 and has lift-|ed up the **low**-ly.
He has filled the hun-|gry with **good** things, *
 and the rich he has |sent a-way **emp**-ty.

He has come to the help of his |ser-vant **Is-ra**-el *
 for he has remembered his |prom-ise of **mer**-cy, *
the prom-ise he made |to our **fa**-thers, *
 to Abraham and his |chil-dren for **ev**-er.

Glo-ry to the Fa-|ther, and **to** *the* Son, *
 and to |the Ho-ly **Spir**-it:
 as *it* was in the be-|gin-ning, **is** now, *
 and will be |for ev-er. **A**-men. *A.*

RESPONSORY

The cantor sings the verses *v.*, and all make the responses *R.*

v. VI

Come and set us free, Lord God of pow-er and might.

R. Come and set us free, Lord God of pow-er and might. *v.* Let

your face shine up-on us and we shall be saved. *R.* Lord God

of pow-er and might. *v.* Glo-ry to the Fa-ther, and to the Son,

and to the Ho-ly Spir-it. *R.* Come and set us free, Lord God

of pow-er and might.

GOSPEL CANTICLE

Please stand

ANTIPHON — GOSPEL CANTICLE

II * D

ZI- on, you will be re-newed, and you will see the

Just One who is com-ing to you.

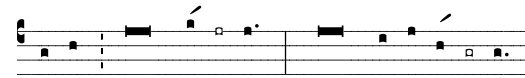
ANTIPHON 2

VIII G

MAy God turn his ra-di-ant face toward us and fill

us with his bless-ings.

PSALM 67, DEUS MISEREATUR



*

O God, be gracious and | **ble**ss us *
and let your face shed its | light up-on us.
So will your ways be known up-| **on** earth *
and all nations | learn your **sav**-ing help.

Let the peoples praise you, | O God; *
let all the | peo-ple **pr**aise you.
Let the nations be glad | **and ex**-ult *
for you rule the | world with **ju**-stice.

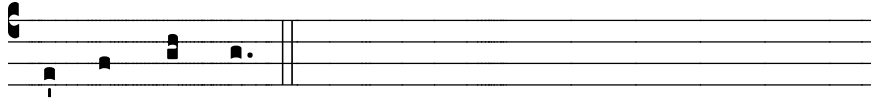
With fairness you rule the | peo-ple, *
you guide the | na-tions **on** earth.
Let the peoples praise you, | O God; *
let all the | peo-ple **pr**aise you.

The earth has yielded | its fruit *
for God, our | God, has **ble**ssed us.
May God still give us his | **ble**ss-ing *
till the ends of the | earth re-vere him.

Glory to the Father, and | **to the** Son, *
and to the | Ho-ly **Spir**-it:
as it was in the beginning, | **is** now, *
and will be for | ev-er. **A**-men. *A.*



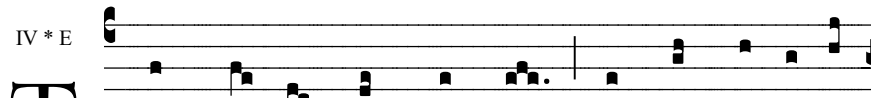
A. May God turn his ra-di-ant face toward us and fill us



with his bless-ings.

Psalm-prayer: Be gracious and bless us, Lord, and let your face shed its light on us, so that we can make you known with reverence and bring forth a harvest of justice.

ANTIPHON 3



Through him all things were made; he holds all cre-a-



tion to-geth-er in him-self.

NEW TESTAMENT CANTICLE COLOSSIANS 1: 12-20



Let *us* give thanks to the Fa-†ther
for having |made you **wor-thy** *
to share the |**lot** of the **saints** in light.

He rescued us from the pow-|er of **dark-ness** *
and brought us into the kingdom of |**his** be-**lov-ed** Son.

Through him we |have re-**demp-tion**, *
the for-|**give-ness** of *our* sins.

He is the image of the in-|vis-i-**ble** God, *
the first-born |of all **crea-tures**.

cont.

In him everything in heaven and on earth |was cre-**at-ed**, *
things visible |**and** in-**vis-i-ble**.

All were cre-|at-ed **through** him; *
all were cre-|**at-ed** for him.

He is be-|fore all **else** *that* is. *

In him everything con-|**tin-ues** in **be-ing**.

It is he who is head of the |bod-y, **the** church! *

he who |**is** *the* be-**gin-ning**,

the |first-born of *the* dead, *

so that primacy may be |**his** in **eve-ry-thing**.

It pleased God to make absolute full-|ness re-**side** in him *
and, by means of him, to

reconcile everything |in his **per-son**,

both on earth and |in the **heav-ens**, *

making peace through the |**blood** of his cross.

Glory to the Fa-|ther, and **to** *the* Son, *

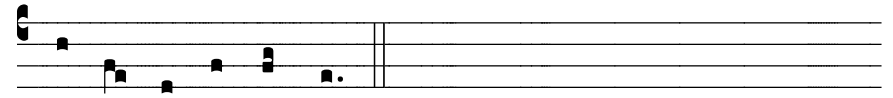
and to the |**Ho-ly** **Spir-it**:

as it was in the be-|gin-ning, **is** now, *

and will be for |**ev-er**. **A-men.** *A.*



A. Through him all things were made; he holds all cre-a-tion



to-geth-er in him-self.

READING

1 Corinthians 4: 5

Stop passing judgment before the time of the Lord's return. He will bring to light what is hidden in darkness and manifest the intentions of hearts. At that time, everyone will receive his praise from God.