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EVENING PRAYER

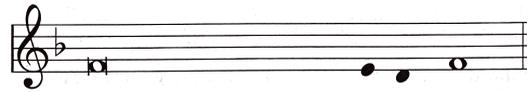
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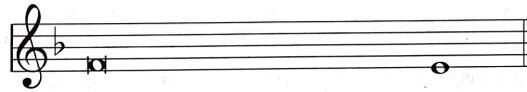
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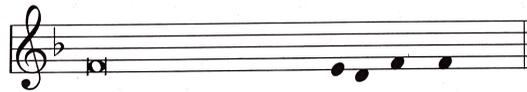
SERVICE OF LIGHT



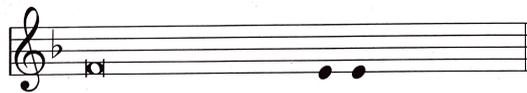
Je-sus Christ is the Light of the world,



the light no darkness can over-come.



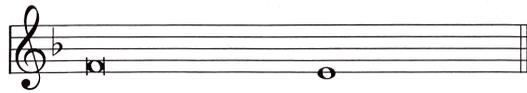
Stay with us, Lord, for it is eve-ning,



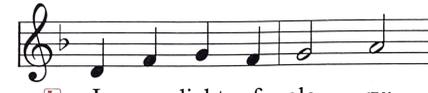
and the day is almost o-ver.



Let your light scat-ter the dark-ness,



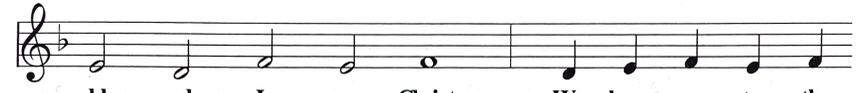
and illumine your Church.



Joy-ous light of glo - ry:



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



bles - ed Je - sus Christ. We have come to the



set - ting of the sun, and we look to the eve - ning light.



We sing to God, the Fa - ther, Son, and Ho - ly Spir - it:



You are wor - thy of be - ing praised with pure voic - es for -



ev - er. O Son of God, O Giv - er of life:



The u - ni - verse pro - claims your glo - ry.



The Lord be with you.



And al - so with you.



Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.



It is right to give him thanks and praise.



Blessed are you, O Lord our God, king of the universe, who led your people



Israel by a pil-lar of cloud by day and a pil-lar of fire by night:



Enlighten our darkness by the light of your Christ; may his Word be a lamp



to our feet and a light to our path; for you are mer-ci-ful, and you love



your whole cre-a-tion, and we, your crea-tures, glo-ri-fy you, Fa-ther,



Son, and Ho-ly Spir-it.



A - men

PSALMODY



Let my prayer rise be - fore you as in - cense; the



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



O Lord, I call to you; come to me quick - ly; hear my voice when



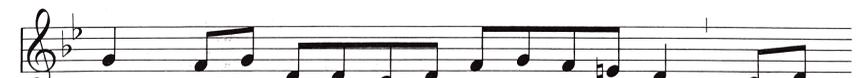
I cry to you. Let my prayer rise be - fore you as in - cense;



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



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



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



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



But my eyes are turned to you, Lord God; in you I take ref - uge.



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

Son, and to the Ho-ly Spir - it; **I** as it was in the be - gin -
ning, is now, and will be for - ev - er. A - men. **C** Let my
prayer rise be - fore you as in - cense; the lift - ing
up of my hands as the eve - ning sac - ri - fice.

Let the incense of our repentant prayer ascend before you, O Lord, and let your lovingkindness descend upon us, that with purified minds we may sing your praises with the Church on earth and the whole heavenly host, and may glorify you forever and ever. **Amen**

Psalm 130

Chanted responsively

Out¹ of the depths

I cry to¹ you, O Lord;

O Lord,¹ hear my voice!

let your ears be attentive to the voice of my¹ supplication.

If you were to keep watch¹ over sins,

O Lord,¹ who could stand?

Yet with you¹ is forgiveness,

in order that you¹ may be feared.

I wait for you, O Lord;¹ my soul waits;

in your word¹ is my hope.

My soul waits for the Lord more than those who keep watch¹ for the morning,

more than those who keep watch¹ for the morning.

O Israel, wait for the Lord, for with the Lord there is¹ steadfast love;

with the Lord there is plen¹-teous redemption.

For the Lord shall¹ redeem Israel

from¹ all their sins.

Hymn

Creator Spirit, Heavenly Dove

1 Cre - a - tor Spir - it, heav'n - ly dove,
2 To you, the Com - fort - er, we cry;
3 In you, with grac - es sev - en - fold,
4 Your light to ev - 'ry sense im - part,
5 Keep far from us our cru - el foe,
6 Teach us to know the Fa - ther, Son,
de - scend up - on us from a - bove;
to you, the gift of God most high,
we God's al - might - y hand be - hold;
and shed your love in ev - 'ry heart;
and peace from your own hand be - stow;
and you, of both, to be but one;
with grac - es man - i - fold re - store
true fount of life, the fire of love,
while you with tongues of fire pro - claim
your own un - fail - ing might sup - ply
up - held by you, our strength and guide,
that through the a - ges all a - long
your crea - tures as they were be - fore.
the soul's a - noint - ing from a - bove.
to all the world God's ho - ly name.
to strength - en our in - fir - mi - ty.
no e - vil can our steps be - tide.
your praise may be our end - less song.
7 Praise to your e - ter - nal mer - it,
Fa - ther, Son, and Ho - ly Spir - it. A - men.

The reading concludes: The word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

Long ago God spoke to our ancestors in many and various ways by the prophets,

But in these last days God has spoken to us by the Son.

My soul pro-claims the great-ness of the Lord; my spir - it re-
 joic-es in God my Sav-ior, for he has looked with fa - vor
 on his low - ly ser - vant. From this day all gen - er -
 a - tions will call me bless - ed. The Al - might - y has
 done great things for me, and ho - ly is his name. He has
 mer-cy on those who fear him in ev - 'ry gen - er - a - tion.
 He has shown the strength of his arm; he has scat-tered 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 re-mem-bered his prom-ise of mer-cy, the prom-ise he
 made to our fa-thers, to A-bra-ham 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

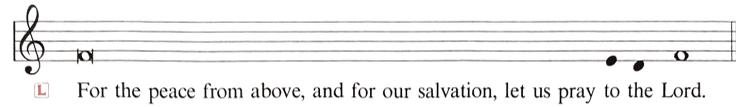


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L In peace, let us pray to the Lord.

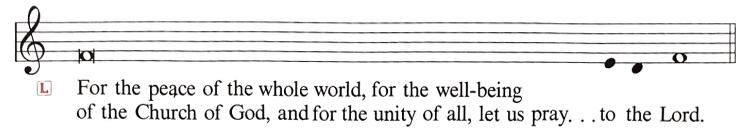
C Lord, have mer - cy.



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



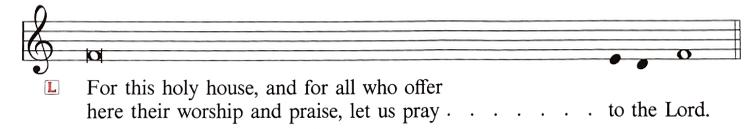
C Lord, have mer - cy.



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



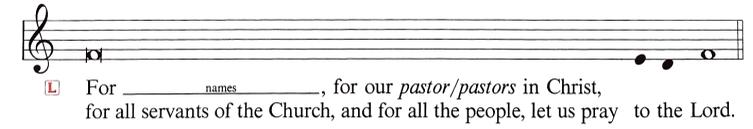
C Lord, have mer - cy.



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



C Lord, have mer - cy.



L For _____ names _____, for our *pastor/pastors* in Christ, for all servants of the Church, and for all the people, let us pray to the Lord.



C Lord, have mer - cy.

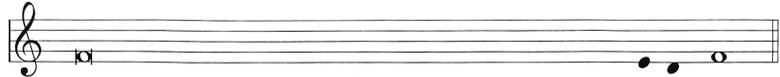




For our public servants, for the government and those who protect us, that they may be upheld and strengthened in every good deed, let us pray . . . to the Lord.



Lord, have mer - cy.



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



Lord, have mer - cy.



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



Lord, have mer - cy.



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



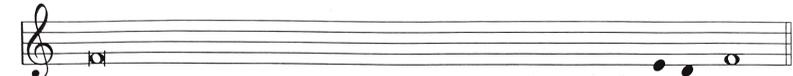
Lord, have mer - cy.



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



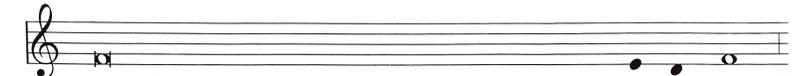
Lord, have mer - cy.



For the faithful who have gone before us and are at rest, let us give thanks . . . to the Lord.



Al - le - lu - ia.



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

Silence for meditation



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



To you, O Lord.

O God, from whom come all holy desires, all good counsels, and all just works: Give to us, your servants, that peace which the world cannot give, that our hearts may be set to obey your commandments; and also that we, being defended from the fear of our enemies, may live in peace and quietness; through the merits of Jesus Christ our Savior, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, God forever. **Amen**

Lord, remember us in your kingdom, and teach us to pray.

Our Father in heaven,

**hallowed be your name, your kingdom come,
your will be done, on earth as in heaven.**

Give us today our daily bread.

**Forgive us our sins as we forgive those who sin against
us. Save us from the time of trial and deliver us from evil.**

**For the kingdom, the power,
and the glory are yours, now and forever. Amen**



Let us bless the Lord.



Thanks be to God.

Hymn

Eternal Spirit of the Living Christ



1 E - ter - nal Spir - it of the liv - ing Christ, I know not how to
2 Come, pray in me the prayer I need this day; help me to see your
3 Come with the vi - sion and the strength I need to serve my God and



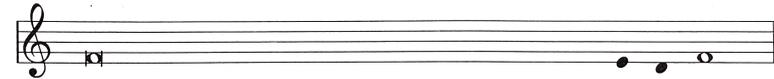
ask or what to say; I on - ly know my need, as deep as life,
pur - pose and your will, where I have failed, what I have done a - miss;
all hu - man - i - ty; ful - fill - ment of my life in love out-poured:



and on - ly you can teach me how to pray.
held in for - giv - ing love, let me be still.
my life in you, O Christ, your love in me. A - men.

Sermon

Lord God, you have called your servants to ventures of which we cannot see the ending, by paths as yet untrodden, through perils unknown. Give us faith to go out with courage, not knowing where we go, but only that your hand is leading us and your love supporting u; through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen**



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



A - men