

# The Order for Matins

*All stand and the officiant may sing or say the opening sentence (page 246). Then follows:*



☩ O Lord, o-pen thou our lips.



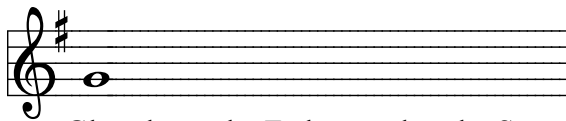
*People* **And our mouth shall show forth thy praise.**



*Officiant* ☩ O God, make speed to save us.



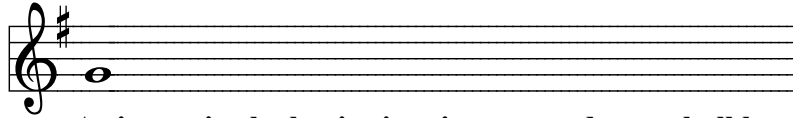
*People* **O Lord, make haste to help us.**



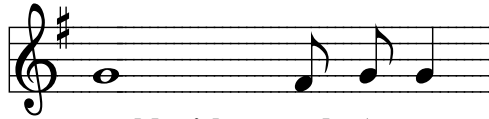
*Officiant* Glory be to the Father, and to the Son,



and to the Ho-ly Ghost:



*People* **As it was in the beginning, is now, and ever shall be,**



**world without end. A - men.**



*Officiant* **Praise ye the Lord.**



*People* **The Lord's Name be prais-ed.**

*Then is sung Venite, exultemus. A proper antiphon may be sung with the response "O come / let us worship." During the Paschal season and on major feasts the response is "O come let us worship. / Alleluia." Note that Psalm 95 is sung in place of the Venite on the 19<sup>th</sup> day and in Penitential seasons.*

### **Venite, exultemus**

*Tone V 3*



O COME, let us sing unto the / Lord; \* let us heartily rejoice in the strength of / our salvation.

Let us come before his presence with thanks/giving, \* and show ourselves / glad in him with psalms.

For the Lord is a great / God, \* and a great King / above all gods.

In his hand are all the corners of the / earth, \* and the strength of the hills / is his also.

The sea is his and he / made it, \* and his hands pre/pared the dry land.  
O come, let us worship and fall / down \* and kneel before the / Lord  
our Maker.

For he is the Lord our / God, \* and we are the people of his pasture  
and the / sheep of his hand.

*Conclusion of Venite*

O worship the Lord in the  
beauty of / holiness; \* let the  
whole earth / stand in awe  
of him.

For he cometh, for he cometh  
to judge the / earth, \* and  
with righteousness to judge  
the world and the / peoples  
with his truth.

Glory be to the Father, and to  
the / Son, \* and / to the  
Holy Ghost:

As it was in the beginning, †  
is now, and ever / shall  
be, \* world / without end.  
Amen.

*Conclusion of Psalm 95*

*(sung on the 19<sup>th</sup> Day and on  
penitential occasions)*

Today if ye will hear his voice,  
harden not your / hearts \* as  
in the provocation, and as in  
the day of temptation / in the  
wilderness;

When your fathers / tempted  
me, \* proved / me, and saw  
my works.

Forty years long was I grieved  
with this generation and /  
said, \* It is a people that do  
err in their hearts, for they /  
have not known my ways:

Unto whom I swear in my /  
wrath, \* that they should  
not en/ter into my rest.

Glory be to the Father, and to  
the / Son, \* and / to the  
Holy Ghost:

As it was in the beginning, †  
is now, and ever / shall  
be, \* world / without end.  
Amen.

*The antiphon is repeated. Then shall be sung the Psalm or Psalms  
appointed for the day (psalm antiphons may be sung), followed by the  
First Lesson.*

*The first canticle is then sung. The Te Deum laudamus is sung on most Sundays and feast days. Note that in Advent and Lent Benedicticite omnia (p. 5) is sung in place of Te Deum when Matins is sung with two lessons. The canticle Benedictus es, Domine (p. 7) may also be sung in place of Te Deum at any time. Following local custom, Matins may be sung with one lesson and canticle.*

**Te Deum laudamus**

*Tone VIII 1*



WE PRAISE thee, O God; we acknowledge thee to be the / Lord. \*

All the earth doth worship thee, the Father / everlasting.

To thee all Angels cry aloud, the Heavens and all the / Powers

therein. \* To thee Cherubim and Seraphim con/tinually do cry:

Holy, holy, holy, Lord God of / Sabaoth; \* Heaven and earth are full

of the majesty / of thy glory.

The glorious company of the Apostles / praise thee: \* the goodly

fellowship of the / prophets praise thee.

The noble army of martyrs / praise thee: \* the holy Church throughout

all the world / doth acknowledge thee,

The Father of an infinite majesty, † thine adorable, true, and only /

Son, \* also the Holy / Ghost the Comforter.

*Tone VII 3*



Thou art the King of / glory, O Christ: \* thou art the everlasting / Son  
of the Father.

When thou tookest upon thee / to deliver man, \* thou didst humble  
thyself to be / born of a Virgin.

When thou hadst overcome the / sharpness of death, \* thou didst open  
the kingdom of heaven to / all believers.

Thou sittest at the / right hand of God, \* in the glory / of the Father.

We believe that thou shalt / come to be our judge: \* we therefore pray  
thee, help thy servants, whom thou hast redeemed / with thy  
precious blood.

Make them to be / numbered with thy saints, \* in glory / everlasting.

*Tone VIII 1*



O Lord, save thy people, and bless thine / heritage; \* Govern them and  
lift them / up for ever.

Day by day we magnify / thee; \* And we worship thy Name ever /  
world without end.

Vouchsafe, O Lord, to keep us this day without / sin; \* O Lord, have  
mercy upon us, have mer/cy upon us.

O Lord, let thy mercy be upon us; as our trust is in / thee. \* O Lord, in  
thee have I trusted; Let me never / be confounded.

**Benedicite, omnia opera**

*Tone I B 7*



O ALL ye Works of the Lord, / bless ye the Lord \* praise him, and  
magnify / him for ever.

O ye Angels of the Lord, / bless ye the Lord \* praise him, and  
magnify / him for ever.

O ye Heavens, / bless ye the Lord \* praise him, and magnify / him  
for ever.

O ye Waters that be above the Firmament, / bless ye the Lord \*  
praise him, and magnify / him for ever.

O all ye Powers of the Lord, / bless ye the Lord \* praise him, and  
magnify / him for ever.

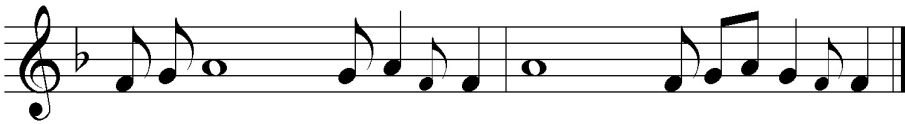
O ye Sun and Moon, / bless ye the Lord \* praise him, and  
magnify / him for ever.

- O ye Stars of Heaven, / bless ye the Lord \* praise him, and magnify / him for ever.
- O ye Showers and Dew, / bless ye the Lord \* praise him, and magnify / him for ever.
- O ye Winds of God, / bless ye the Lord \* praise him, and magnify / him for ever.
- O ye Fire and Heat, / bless ye the Lord \* praise him, and magnify / him for ever.
- O ye Winter and Summer, / bless ye the Lord \* praise him, and magnify / him for ever.
- O ye Dews and Frosts, / bless ye the Lord \* praise him, and magnify / him for ever.
- O ye Frost and Cold, / bless ye the Lord \* praise him, and magnify / him for ever.
- O ye Ice and Snow, / bless ye the Lord \* praise him, and magnify / him for ever.
- O ye Nights and Days, / bless ye the Lord \* praise him, and magnify / him for ever.
- O ye Light and Darkness, / bless ye the Lord \* praise him, and magnify / him for ever.
- O ye Lightnings and Clouds, / bless ye the Lord \* praise him, and magnify / him for ever.
- O let the / Earth bless the Lord \* yea, let it praise him, and magnify / him for ever.
- O ye Mountains and Hills, / bless ye the Lord \* praise him, and magnify / him for ever.
- O all ye Green Things upon the Earth, / bless ye the Lord \* praise him, and magnify / him for ever.
- O ye Wells, / bless ye the Lord \* praise him, and magnify / him for ever.
- O ye Seas and Floods, / bless ye the Lord \* praise him, and magnify / him for ever.
- O ye Whales, and all that move in the Waters, / bless ye the Lord \* praise him, and magnify / him for ever.
- O all ye Fowls of the Air, / bless ye the Lord \* praise him, and magnify / him for ever.
- O all ye Beasts and Cattle, / bless ye the Lord \* praise him, and magnify / him for ever.

O ye Children of Men, / bless ye the Lord \* praise him, and  
 magnify / him for ever.  
 O let / Israel bless the Lord \* praise him, and magnify / him for ever.  
 O ye Priests of the Lord, / bless ye the Lord \* praise him, and  
 magnify / him for ever.  
 O ye Servants of the Lord, / bless ye the Lord \* praise him, and  
 magnify / him for ever.  
 O ye Spirits and Souls of the Righteous, / bless ye the Lord \*  
 praise him, and magnify / him for ever.  
 O ye holy and humble Men of heart, / bless ye the Lord \* praise  
 him, and magnify / him for ever.  
 O Ananias, Azarias and Misael, / bless ye the Lord \* praise him,  
 and magnify / him for ever.  
 Let us bless the Father, and the / Son and the Holy Ghost; \* praise  
 him, and magnify / him for ever.

**Benedictus es, Domine**

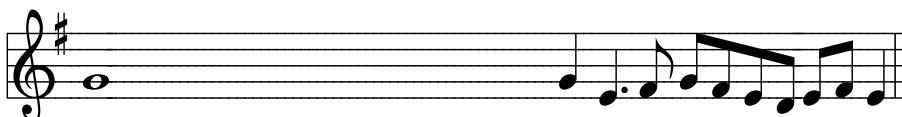
*Tone VI C*



BLESSED art thou, O Lord God of / our fathers: \* praised and exalted  
 above / all forever.  
 Blessed art thou for the Name of / thy Majesty: \* praised and exalted  
 above / all forever.  
 Blessed art thou in the temple of / thy holiness: \* praised and exalted  
 above / all forever.  
 Blessed art thou that beholdest the depths, and dwellest between / the  
 Cherubim: \* praised and exalted above / all forever.  
 Blessed art thou on the glorious throne of / thy kingdom: \* praised  
 and  
 exalted above / all forever.  
 Blessed art thou in the firmament / of heaven: \* praised and exalted  
 above / all forever.

*The Second Lesson is read, as appointed.*

*The Office Hymn, Versicle and Response shall then be sung. The Versicle and Response for the Second Sunday after Epiphany to Quinquagesima and the Sundays after Trinity are:*



*V.* The Lord is King and hath put on glorious appar/el.  
*R.* **The Lord hath put on his apparel, and girded himself with / strength.**

*The canticle Benedictus Dominus is then sung, with the proper antiphon. Another setting is found on page 15.*

**Benedictus Dominus**

Tone VII 5



✠ BLESSED be the Lord / God of Israel, \* for he hath visited and re/deemed his people;  
 AND HATH raised up a mighty sal/vation for us \* in the house of his / servant David,  
 AS HE spake by the mouth of his / holy prophets, \* which have / been since the world began:  
 THAT WE should be saved / from our enemies, \* and from the hand of / all that hate us;  
 TO PERform the mercy promised / to our forefathers, \* and to remember his / holy covenant;  
 TO PERform the oath which he sware to our fore/father Abraham, \* that / he would give us,  
 THAT WE being delivered out of the hand / of our enemies \* might / serve him without fear,  
 IN HOLiness and righteous/ness before him, \* all the / days of our life.  
 AND THOU, child, shalt be called the prophet / of the Highest, \* for thou shalt go before the face of the Lord / to prepare his ways;



TO GIVE knowledge of salvation un/to his people \* for the re/mission  
of their sins,  
THROUGH THE tender / mercy of our God, \* whereby the dayspring  
from on high hath / visited us;  
TO GIVE light to them that sit in darkness † and in the / shadow of  
death, \* and to guide our feet / into the way of peace.  
GLORY be to the / Father, and to the Son, \* and / to the Holy Ghost:  
AS IT was in the beginning, † is now, and / ever shall be, \* – / world  
without end. Amen.

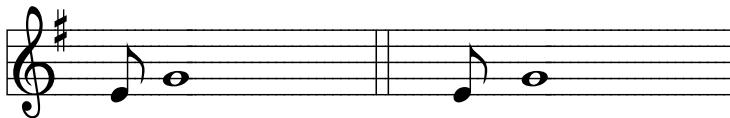
*The antiphon is repeated.*

*Then all shall say **The Apostles' Creed**, or the Nicene Creed (p. 14)  
may be said as announced. Note that the Creed may be omitted when  
the Office precedes the Mass.*

**I believe in God, \* the Father Almighty, maker of heaven and  
earth; And in Jesus Christ his only Son our Lord; who was  
conceived by the Holy Ghost, born of the Virgin Mary, suffered  
under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, dead, and buried. He  
descended into hell. The third day he rose again from the dead.  
He ascended into heaven, and sitteth on the right hand of God the  
Father Almighty. From thence he shall come to judge the quick  
and the dead. I believe in the Holy Ghost, the holy Catholic  
Church, the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins, the  
resurrection of the body, † and the life everlasting.**



**A-men.**



**V. The Lord be with you. R. And with thy spirit.**

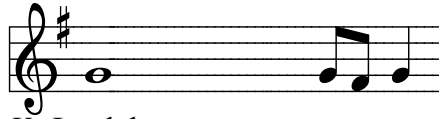


*Officiant* Let us pray.

*Then in Greek or English:*



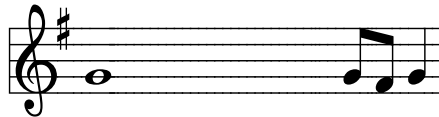
*V.* Ky-ri - e e - lei- son.



*V.* Lord, have mercy up-on us.



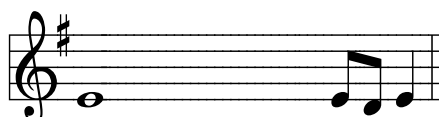
*R.* Chris-te e- lei- son.



*R.* Christ, have mercy up-on us.



*All* Ky-ri - e e - lei - son.



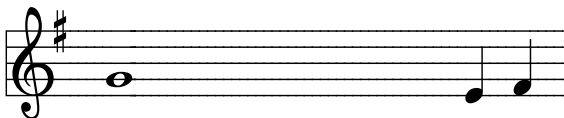
*V.* Lord, have mercy up-on us.

*The Officiant and People then say together*

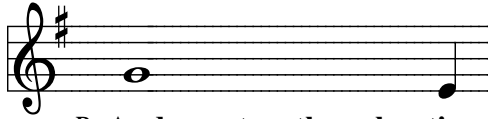
**Our Father, \* who art in heaven, hallowed be thy Name, thy kingdom come, thy will be done, on earth as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread. And forgive us our trespasses, as we forgive those who trespass against us. And lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil.**



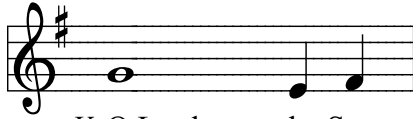
**A-men.**



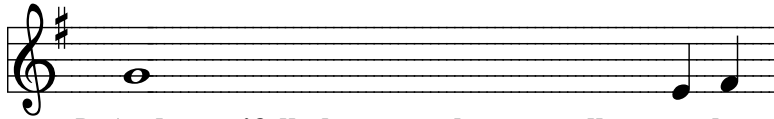
*V.* O Lord, show thy mercy up-on us.



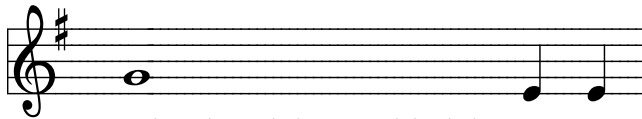
*R.* **And grant us thy salva-tion.**



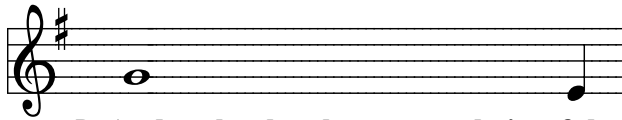
*V.* O Lord, save the State.



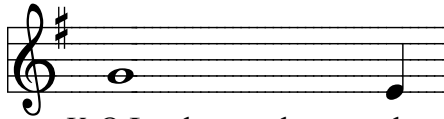
*R.* **And mercifully hear us when we call up-on thee.**



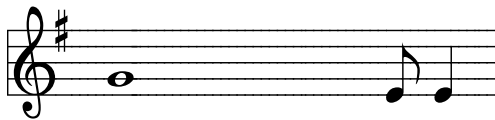
*V.* Endue thy ministers with right-eous-ness.



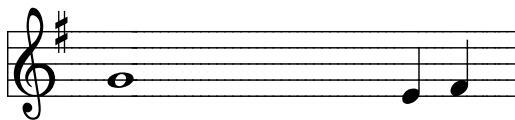
*R.* **And make thy chosen people joy-ful.**



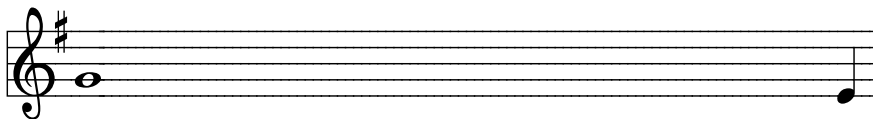
*V.* O Lord, save thy peo-ple.



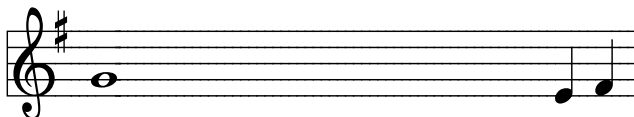
*R.* **And bless thine inher-it-ance.**



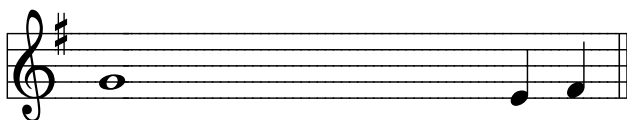
*V.* Give peace in our time, O Lord.



**R. For it is thou, Lord, only, that makest us dwell in safe-ty.**



**V. O God, make clean our hearts with-in us**



**R. And take not thy Holy Spirit from us.**

*The Officiant then says the Collect(s) of the Day and the following:*

*Collect for Peace*

O God, who art the author of peace and lover of concord, in knowledge of whom standeth our eternal life, whose service is perfect freedom; defend us thy humble servants in all assaults of our enemies, that we, surely trusting in thy defense, may not fear the power of any adversaries, through the might of Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

*Collect for Grace*

O Lord, our heavenly Father, Almighty and everlasting God, who hast safely brought us to the beginning of this day; defend us in the same with thy mighty power; and grant that this day we fall into no sin, neither run into any kind of danger; but that all our doings, being ordered by thy governance, may be righteous in thy sight; through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

*Collect for Divine Protection*

Defend us, we beseech thee, O Lord, from all perils of mind and body; and at the intercession of the blessed and glorious Mary, the ever

Virgin Mother of God, of blessed Joseph, of thy blessed Apostles Peter and Paul, (of blessed *N.*) and of all thy saints, graciously bestow upon us both peace and safety: that all adversity and error being done away, thy Church may serve thee in untroubled freedom. Through Jesus Christ, thy Son our Lord, who liveth and reigneth with thee and the Holy Spirit ever, one God, world without end. **Amen.**

*Other collects may be added, after which is said*



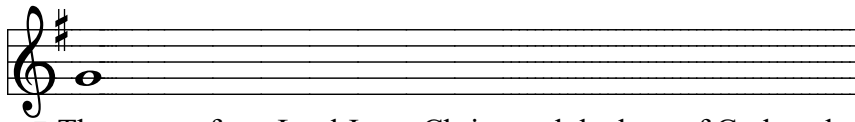
*V.* The Lord be with you. *R.* **And with thy Spi-rit.**



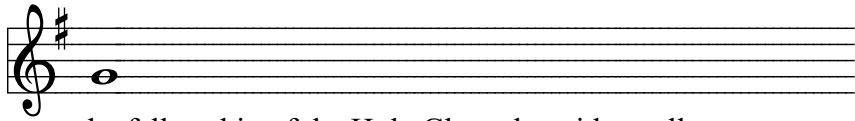
*V.* Let us bless the Lord.



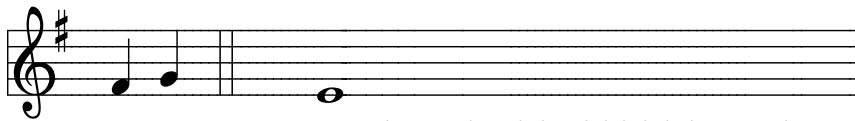
*R.* **Thanks be to God.**



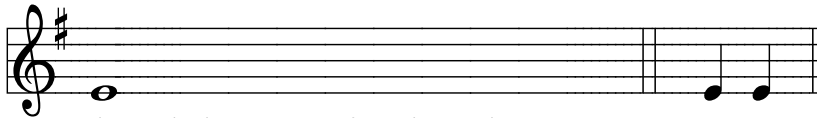
✠ The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, and the love of God, and



the fellowship of the Holy Ghost, be with us all evermore.



*R.* **A-men.** *V.* ✠ May the souls of the faithful departed,



through the mercy of God, rest in peace.      *R. A-men.*

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*When the Mass does not follow the Office, the Marian Anthem is sung.*

*Advent to Presentation -  
Gracious Mother of our Redeemer - SAH #172*

*Presentation to Wednesday of Holy Week -  
Queen of the Heavens, we hail thee - SAH #185*

*Paschaltide -  
O Queen of Heaven, be joyful - SAH #181*

*Trinity to Advent -  
Mary we hail thee - SAH #177*

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*The Nicene Creed may be sung in place of the Apostle's Creed.*

**I believe in one God, \* the Father Almighty, maker of heaven and earth, and of all things visible and invisible; And in one Lord Jesus Christ, the only-begotten Son of God, begotten of his Father before all worlds, God of God, Light of Light, very God of very God, begotten, not made, being of one substance with the Father; by whom all things were made; who for us men and for our salvation came down from, and was incarnate by the Holy Ghost and the Virgin Mary, and was made man; and was crucified also for us under Pontius Pilate; he suffered and was buried; and the third day he rose again according to the Scriptures, and ascended into heaven, and sitteth on the right hand of the Father; and he shall come again, with glory, to judge both the quick and the dead; whose kingdom shall have no end. And I believe in the Holy Ghost the Lord, and Giver of Life, who proceedeth from the Father; who with the Father and the Son together is worshiped and glorified; who spake by the Prophets. And I believe one holy Catholic and Apostolic Church; I acknowledge one Baptism for the remission of sins; and I look for the resurrection of the dead, and the life of the world to come. Amen.**

## Benedictus Dominus

*Tone III B 1*



✠ BLESSED be the Lord / God of Israel, \* for he hath visited and  
re/deemed his people;  
AND HATH raised up a mighty sal/vation for us \* in the house of  
his / servant David,  
AS HE spake by the mouth of his / holy prophets, \* which have been /  
since the world began:  
THAT WE should be saved / from our enemies, \* and from the hand  
of / all that hate us;  
TO PERform the mercy promised to / our forefathers, \* and to  
remember his / holy covenant;  
TO PERform the oath which he sware to our / forefather Abraham, \*  
that / he would give us,  
THAT WE being delivered out of the / hand of our enemies \* might /  
serve him without fear,  
IN HOliness and righteous/ness before him, \* all the / days of our life.  
AND THOU, child, shalt be called the / prophet of the Highest, \* for  
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death, \* and to guide our feet in/to the way of peace.  
GLORY be to the / Father, and to the Son, \* and / to the Holy Ghost:  
AS IT was in the beginning, † is now, and / ever shall be, \* world /  
without end. Amen.

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