

# ORDER OF COMPLINE



LENT

The congregation assembles in silence

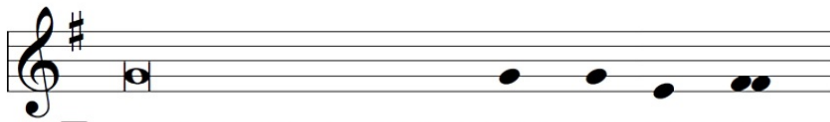
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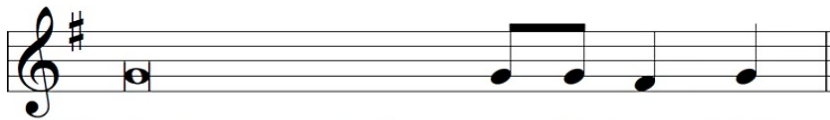
**L** The Lord Almighty grant us a qui - et night and peace at the last.



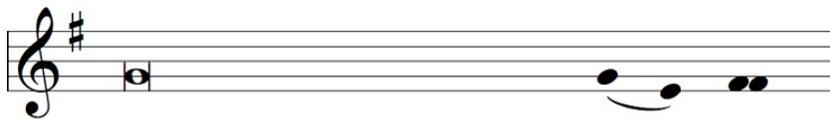
**C** A - men.



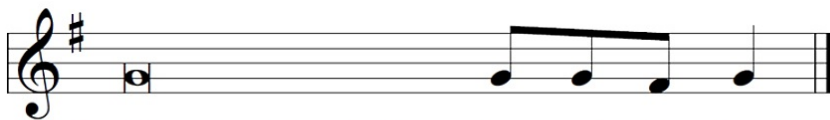
**L** It is good to give thanks to the Lord,



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



**L** to herald Your love in the morn - ing,



**C** Your truth at the close of the day.

*Psalm 92:1*

## CONFESSION

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

*Silence for self-examination*

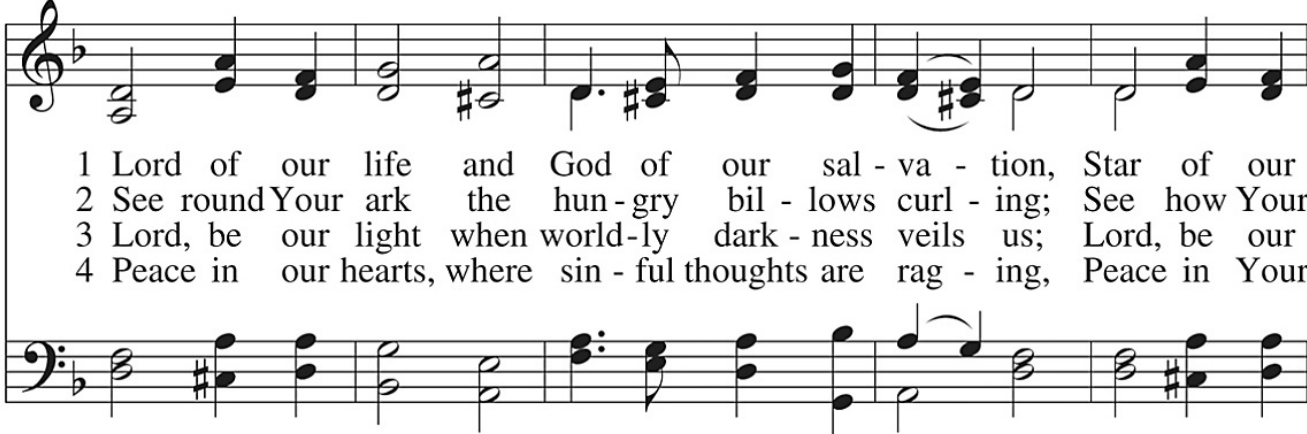
**L** I confess to God Almighty, before the whole company of heaven and to you, my brothers and sisters, that I have sinned in thought, word, and deed by my fault, by my own fault, by my own most grievous fault; wherefore I pray God Almighty to have mercy on me, forgive me all my sins, and bring me to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

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

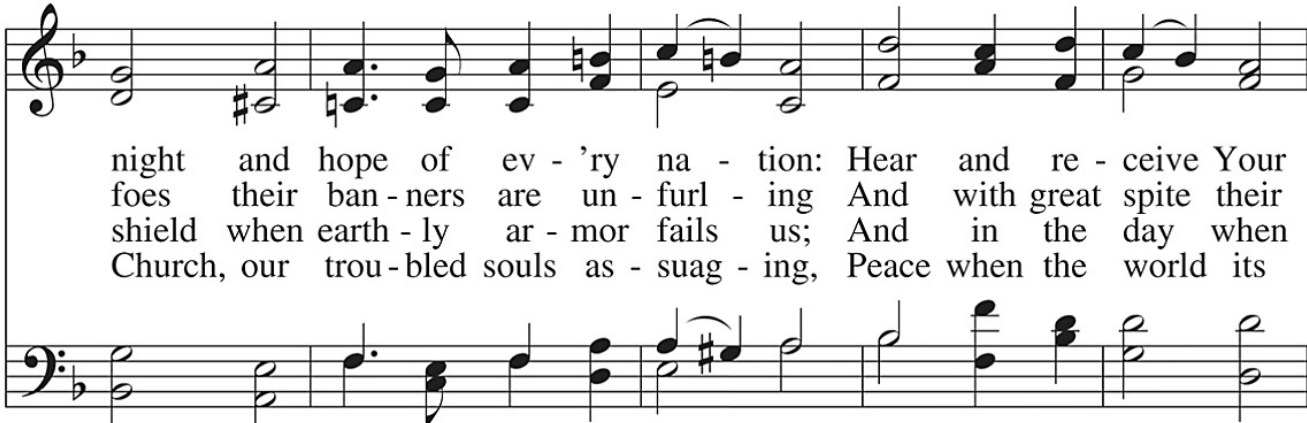
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**L** The almighty and merciful Lord grant you pardon, forgiveness, and remission of all your sins.

**C** **Amen.**



1 Lord of our life and God of our sal - va - tion, Star of our  
 2 See round Your ark the hun - gry bil - lows curl - ing; See how Your  
 3 Lord, be our light when world - ly dark - ness veils us; Lord, be our  
 4 Peace in our hearts, where sin - ful thoughts are rag - ing, Peace in Your



night and hope of ev - 'ry na - tion: Hear and re - ceive Your  
 foes their ban - ners are un - furl - ing And with great spite their  
 shield when earth - ly ar - mor fails us; And in the day when  
 Church, our trou - bled souls as - suag - ing, Peace when the world its



Church's sup - pli - ca - tion, Lord God Al - might - y.  
 fi - ery darts are hurl - ing, O Lord, pre - serve us.  
 hell it - self as - sails us, Grant us Your peace, Lord:  
 end - less war is wag - ing, Peace in Your heav - en.

## READINGS FROM HOLY SCRIPTURE

### OLD TESTAMENT ~ Genesis 3:1-24

**L** O Lord, have mercy on us.

**C** Thanks be to God

*Stand*

**THE PASSION OF OUR LORD**  
**According to St. Matthew - Part 1: Matthew 26:1-29**

Evangelist: *When Jesus had finished all these sayings, he said to his disciples,*  
CHRIST: “You know that after two days the Passover is coming, and the Son of Man will be delivered up to be crucified.”

Evangelist: *Then the chief priests and the elders of the people gathered in the palace of the high priest, whose name was Caiaphas, and plotted together in order to arrest Jesus by stealth and kill him. But they said,*

**CHORUS: “Not during the feast, lest there be an uproar among the people.”**

Evangelist: *Now when Jesus was at Bethany in the house of Simon the leper, a woman came up to him with an alabaster flask of very expensive ointment, and she poured it on his head as he reclined at table. And when the disciples saw it, they were indignant, saying,*

**CHORUS: “Why this waste? For this could have been sold for a large sum and given to the poor.”**

Evangelist: *But Jesus, aware of this, said to them,*  
CHRIST: “Why do you trouble the woman? For she has done a beautiful thing to me. For you always have the poor with you, but you will not always have me. In pouring this ointment on my body, she has done it to prepare me for burial. Truly, I say to you, wherever this gospel is proclaimed in the whole world, what she has done will also be told in memory of her.”

Evangelist: *Then one of the twelve, whose name was Judas Iscariot, went to the chief priests and said,*

**CHORUS: “What will you give me if I deliver him over to you?”**

Evangelist: *And they paid him thirty pieces of silver. And from that moment he sought an opportunity to betray him. Now on the first day of Unleavened Bread the disciples came to Jesus, saying,*

**CHORUS: “Where will you have us prepare for you to eat the Passover?”**

Evangelist: *He said,*  
CHRIST: “Go into the city to a certain man and say to him, ‘The Teacher says, My time is at hand. I will keep the Passover at your house with my disciples.’”

Evangelist: *And the disciples did as Jesus had directed them, and they prepared the Passover. When it was evening, he reclined at table with the twelve. And as they were eating, he said,*

CHRIST: “Truly, I say to you, one of you will betray me.”

Evangelist: *And they were very sorrowful and began to say to him one after another,*

**CHORUS: “Is it I, Lord?”**

Evangelist: *He answered,*

CHRIST: “He who has dipped his hand in the dish with me will betray me. The Son of Man goes as it is written of him, but woe to that man by whom the Son of Man is betrayed! It would have been better for that man if he had not been born.”

Evangelist: *Judas, who would betray him, answered,*

**CHORUS: “Is it I, Rabbi?”**

Evangelist: *He said to him,*

CHRIST: “You have said so.”

Evangelist: *Now as they were eating, Jesus took bread, and after blessing it broke it and gave it to the disciples, and said,*

CHRIST: “Take, eat; this is my body.”

Evangelist: *And he took a cup, and when he had given thanks he gave it to them, saying,*

CHRIST: “Drink of it, all of you, for this is my blood of the covenant, which is poured out for many for the forgiveness of sins. I tell you I will not drink again of this fruit of the vine until that day when I drink it new with you in my Father’s kingdom.”

**L** O Lord, have mercy on us.

**C** Thanks be to God

## **HOLY GOSPEL ~ John 6:25-35**

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**C** Thanks be to God

## RESPONSORY



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



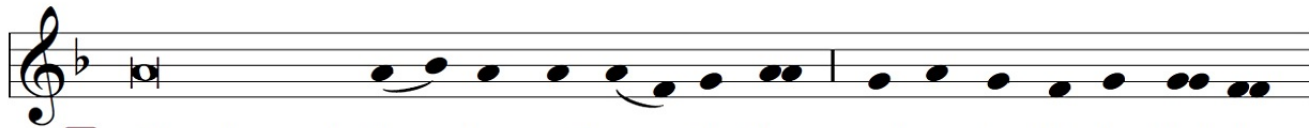
**C** In-to Your hands I com - mend my spir - it.



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



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



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



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

*Sit*

1 The tree of life with ev - 'ry good In E - den's  
 2 The still - ness of that sa - cred grove Was bro - ken,  
 3 What mer - cy God showed to our race, A plan of  
 4 Now from that tree of Je - sus' shame Flows life e -

ho - ly or - chard stood, And of its fruit so pure and  
 as the ser - pent strove With tempt - ing voice Eve to be -  
 res - cue by His grace: In send - ing One from wom - an's  
 ter - nal in His name; For all who trust and will be -

sweet God let the man and wom - an eat. Yet in this  
 guile And Ad - am too by sin de - file. O day of  
 seed, The One to fill our great - est need— For on a  
 lieve, Sal - va - tion's liv - ing fruit re - ceive. And of this

gar - den al - so grew An - oth - er tree, of which they  
 sad - ness when the breath Of fear and dark - ness, doubt and  
 tree up - lift - ed high His on - ly Son for sin would  
 fruit so pure and sweet The Lord in - vites the world to

knew; Its love - ly limbs with fruit a -  
 death, Its aw - ful poi - son first dis -  
 die, Would drink the cup of scorn and  
 eat, To find with - in this cross of

dorned A - gainst whose eat - ing God had warned.  
 played With - in the world so new - ly made.  
 dread To crush the an - cient ser - pent's head!  
 wood The tree of life with ev - 'ry good.

**SERMON** ~ "Angels of the Passion: How It All Started"

John 6:25-35

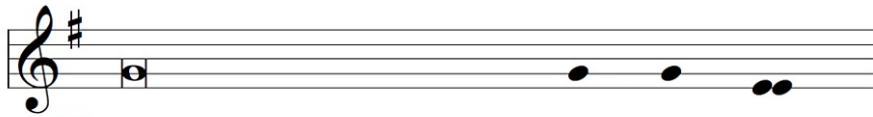
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**PRAYER**

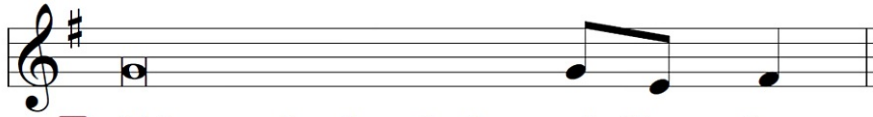
**L** Hear my prayer, O Lord;

**C** listen to my cry.

*Psalms 102:1*

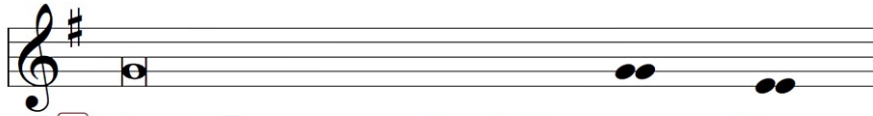


**L** Keep me as the apple of Your eye;

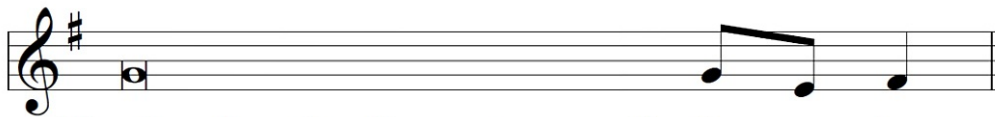


**C** hide me in the shadow of Your wings.

*Psalm 17:8*



**L** In righteousness I shall see You;



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

*Psalm 17:15*

*One or more prayers are said.*

*After each prayer:*

**C** Amen.

## LORD'S PRAYER

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

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

**For Thine is the kingdom and the power and the glory forever and ever.**

**Amen.**



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



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



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



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



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



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



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



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



ev-er. A - men. Guide us wak - ing, O Lord,

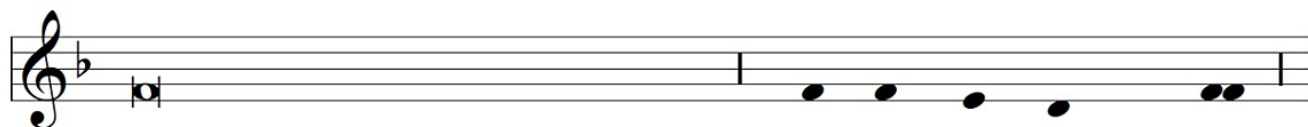


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## BENEDICTION



**P** The almighty and merciful Lord, the Fa - ther, the † Son,  
**L** The almighty and merciful Lord, the Fa - ther, the † Son,



and the Holy Spir - it, bless you and keep you.  
and the Holy Spir - it, bless us and keep us.



**C** A - men.

+ *Soli Deo Gloria* +

# HYMN TO DEPART ~ Lord, Keep Us Steadfast in Your Word

LSB 655

1 Lord, keep us stead - fast in Your Word; Curb those who  
 2 Lord Je - sus Christ, Your pow'r make known, For You are  
 3 O Com - fort - er of price - less worth, Send peace and

by de - ceit or sword Would wrest the king - dom from Your  
 Lord of lords a - lone; De - fend Your ho - ly Church that  
 u - ni - ty on earth; Sup - port us in our fi - nal

Son And bring to naught all He has done.  
 we May sing Your praise e - ter - nal - ly.  
 strife And lead us out of death to life.