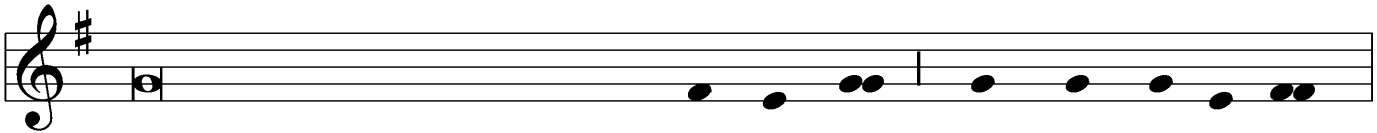
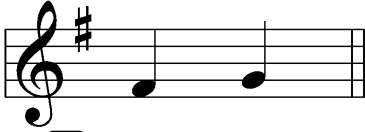


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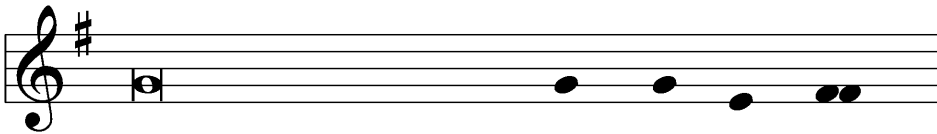
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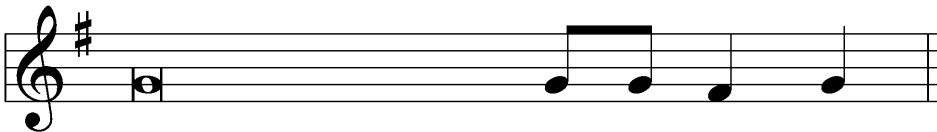
**L** The Lord Almighty grant us a qui - et night and peace at the last.



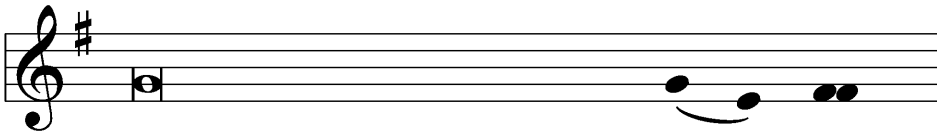
**C** A - men.



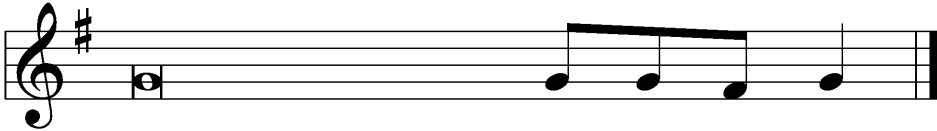
**L** It is good to give thanks to the Lord,



**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.

### CONFESSION

- L** Let us confess our sin in the presence of God and of one another.
- 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.
- C** 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.
- L** The almighty and merciful Lord grant you pardon, forgiveness, and remission of all your sins.
- C** Amen.

### **PSALM 73:21–26**

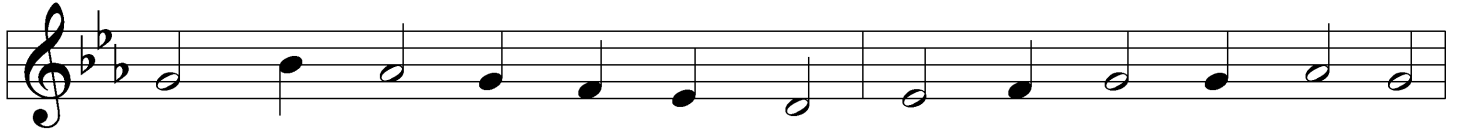
When my soul was em- | bittered,\*  
    **when I was | pricked in heart,**  
I was brutish and | ignorant,\*  
    **I was like a | beast toward you.**  
Nevertheless, I am continually | with you,\*  
    **you hold my | right hand.**  
You guide me with your | counsel,\*  
    **and afterward you will receive me to | glory.**  
Whom have I in | heaven but you?\*  
    **And there is nothing on earth that I desire be- | sides you.**  
My flesh and my | heart may fail,\*  
    **but God is the strength of my heart and my portion for- | ever.**  
**Glory be to the father and | to the Son\***  
    **and to the Holy | Spirit;**  
**as it was in the be- | ginning,\***  
    **is now, and will be forever. | Amen.**

# JESUS, I WILL PONDER NOW

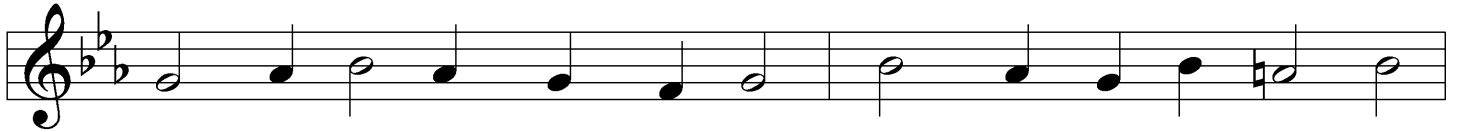
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1 Je - sus, I will pon - der now On Your ho - ly pas - sion;  
2 Make me see Your great dis - tress, An - guish, and af - flic - tion,  
3 Yet, O Lord, not thus a - lone Make me see Your pas - sion,  
4 Grant that I Your pas - sion view With re - pen - tant griev - ing.



With Your Spir - it me en - dow For such med - i - ta - tion.  
Bonds and stripes and wretch - ed - ness And Your cru - ci - fix - ion;  
But its cause to me make known And its ter - mi - na - tion.  
Let me not bring shame to You By un - ho - ly liv - ing.



Grant that I in love and faith May the im - age cher - ish  
Make me see how scourge and rod, Spear and nails did wound You,  
Ah! I al - so and my sin Wrought Your deep af - flic - tion;  
How could I re - fuse to shun Ev - 'ry sin - ful plea - sure



Of Your suf - f'ring, pain, and death That I may not per - ish.  
How for them You died, O God, Who with thorns had crowned You.  
This in - deed the cause has been Of Your cru - ci - fix - ion.  
Since for me God's on - ly Son Suf - fered with - out mea - sure?

5 If my sins give me alarm  
And my conscience grieve me,  
Let Your cross my fear disarm;  
Peace of conscience give me.  
Help me see forgiveness won  
By Your holy passion.  
If for me He slays His Son,  
God must have compassion!

6 Graciously my faith renew;  
Help me bear my crosses,  
Learning humbleness from You,  
Peace mid pain and losses.  
May I give You love for love!  
Hear me, O my Savior,  
That I may in heav'n above  
Sing Your praise forever.

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## 1ST READING

*Acts 3:11-16*

<sup>11</sup>While he clung to Peter and John, all the people ran together to them in the portico called Solomon's, astounded. <sup>12</sup>And when Peter saw it he addressed the people: "Men of Israel, why do you wonder at this, or why do you stare at us, as though by our own power or piety we have made him walk? <sup>13</sup>The God of Abraham, the God of Isaac, and the God of Jacob, the God of our fathers, glorified his servant Jesus, whom you delivered over and denied in the presence of Pilate, when he had decided to release him. <sup>14</sup>But you denied the Holy and Righteous One, and asked for a murderer to be granted to you, <sup>15</sup>and you killed the Author of life, whom God raised from the dead. To this we are witnesses. <sup>16</sup>And his name—by faith in his name—has made this man strong whom you see and know, and the faith that is through Jesus has given the man this perfect health in the presence of you all.

## 2ND READING

*Matthew 21:18-22*

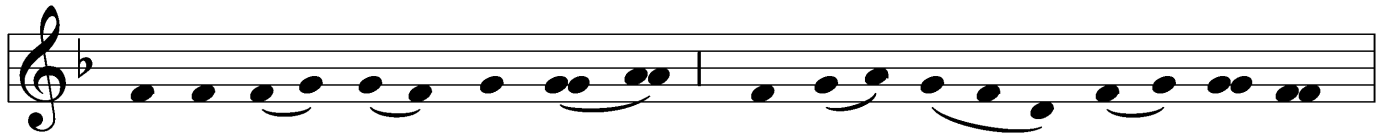
<sup>18</sup>In the morning, as he was returning to the city, he became hungry. <sup>19</sup>And seeing a fig tree by the wayside, he went to it and found nothing on it but only leaves. And he said to it, "May no fruit ever come from you again!" And the fig tree withered at once.

<sup>20</sup>When the disciples saw it, they marveled, saying, "How did the fig tree wither at once?" <sup>21</sup>And Jesus answered them, "Truly, I say to you, if you have faith and do not doubt, you will not only do what has been done to the fig tree, but even if you say to this mountain, 'Be taken up and thrown into the

sea,' it will happen. <sup>22</sup>And whatever you ask in prayer, you will receive, if you have faith."

## RESPONSORY

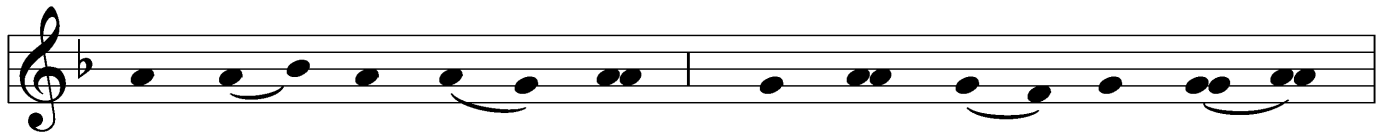
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**L** In-to Your hands, O Lord, I com - mend my spir - it.



**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.



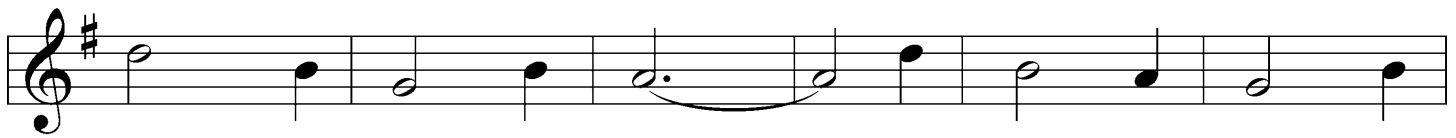
**C** In-to Your hands I com - mend my spir - it.

## ALAS! AND DID MY SAVIOR BLEED

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1	A - las!	And	did	my	Sav - ior	bleed,	And		
2	Was	it	for	crimes	that	I	had	done	He
3	Well	might	the	sun	in	dark - ness	hide	And	
4	Thus	might	I	hide	my	blush - ing	face	While	
5	But	drops	of	grief	can	ne'er	re - pay	The	



did my sov - 'reign die? Would He de - vote that  
 groaned up - on the tree? A - maz - ing pit - y,  
 shut his glo - ries in When God, the might - y  
 His dear cross ap - pears, Dis - solve my heart in  
 debt of love I owe; Here, Lord, I give my -



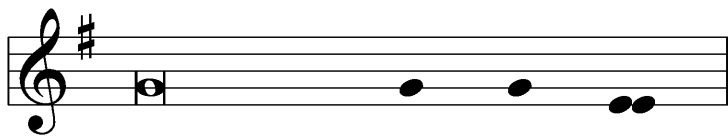
sa - cred head For such a worm as I?  
 grace un - known, And love be - yond de - gree!  
 mak - er, died For His own crea - tures' sin.  
 thank - ful - ness, And melt mine eyes to tears.  
 self a - way: 'Tis all that I can do.

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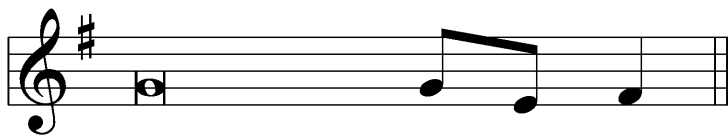
## SERMON

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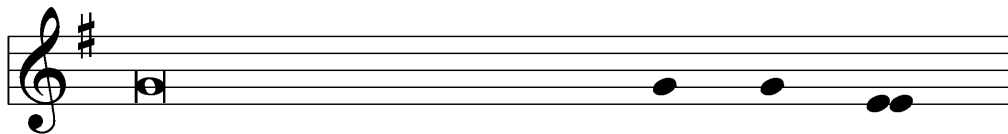
## PRAYER



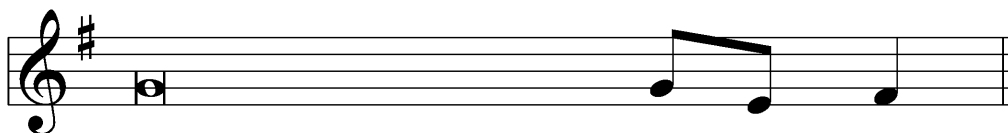
**L** Hear my prayer, O Lord;



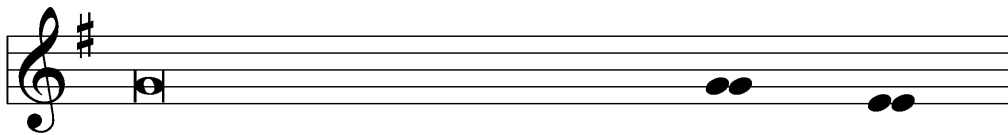
**C** listen to my cry.



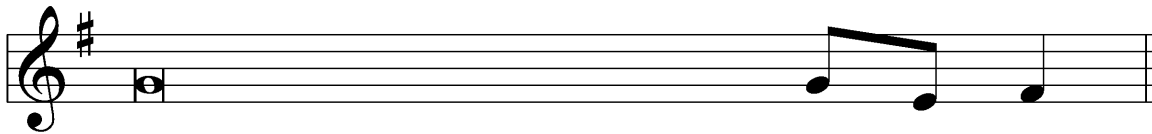
**L** Keep me as the apple of Your eye;



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

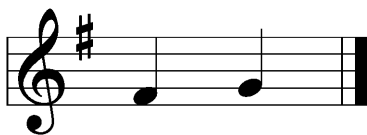


**L** In righteousness I shall see You;



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

**L** Abide with us, Lord, for it is toward evening, and the day is far spent. Abide with us and with Your whole Church. Abide with us at the end of the day, at the end of our life, at the end of the world. Abide with us with Your grace and goodness, with Your holy Word and Sacrament, with Your strength and blessing. Abide with us when the night of affliction and temptation comes upon us, the night of fear and despair, the night when death draws near. Abide with us and with all the faithful, now and forever.



**C** A - men.

## LORD'S PRAYER

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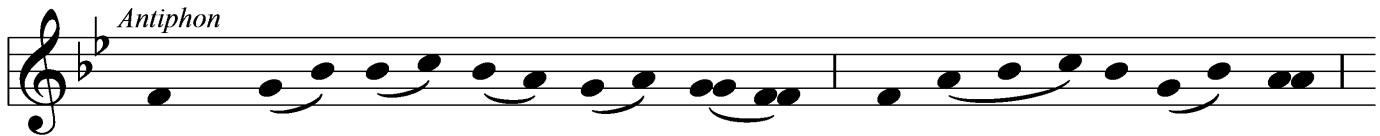
**L** Taught by our Lord and trusting His promises, we are bold to pray:

**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.

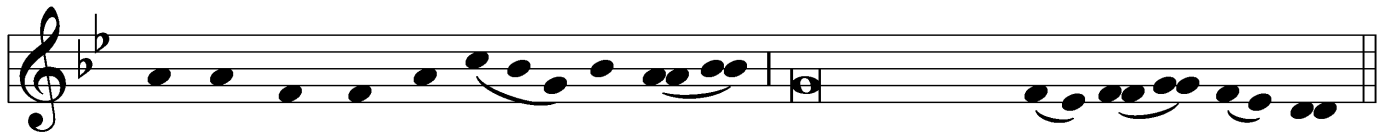
**NUNC DIMITTIS**

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*Antiphon*

**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.



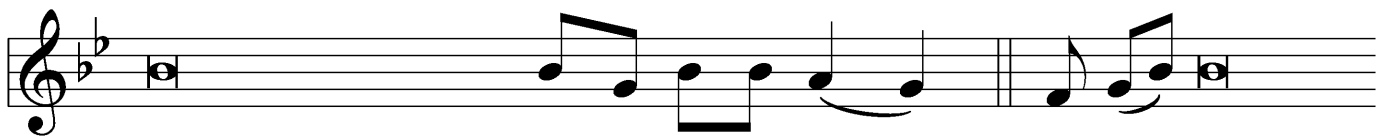
**C** Lord, now You let Your ser - vant go in peace; Your word has been ful - filled.



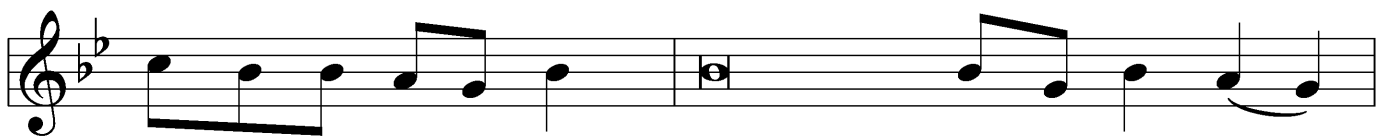
My own eyes have seen the sal - va - tion which You have prepared



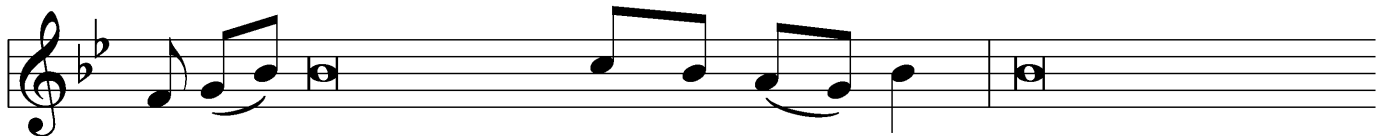
in the sight of ev - 'ry peo - ple: a light to reveal You to the na - tions



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 -



*Antiphon*

ev-er. A - men. 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.

## BENEDICTION

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[L] The almighty and merciful Lord, the Fa - ther, the ✠ Son,  
and the Holy Spir - it, bless us and keep us.  
[C] A - men.

## GO TO DARK GETHSEMANE

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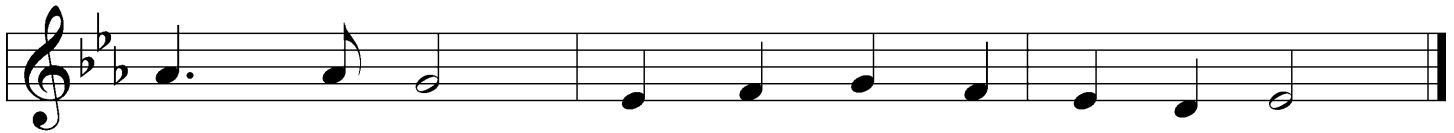
1 Go to dark Geth - sem - a - ne, All who feel the  
2 Fol - low to the judg - ment hall, View the Lord of  
3 Cal - v'ry's mourn - ful moun - tain climb; There, a - dor - ing  
4 Ear - ly has - ten to the tomb Where they laid His



tempt - er's pow'r;      Your    Re - deem - er's    con - flict    see,  
life    ar-raigned;      Oh,    the worm - wood    and    the gall!  
at    His feet,      Mark that mir - a - cle    of time,  
breath - less clay;      All    is sol - i - tude    and gloom.



Watch with Him one bit - ter hour;      Turn not from His  
Oh, the pangs His soul sus-tained!      Shun not suf - f'ring,  
God's own sac - ri - fice com-plete.      "It is fin - ished!"  
Who has tak - en Him a - way?      Christ is ris'n!    He



griefs    a - way;      Learn from Je - sus Christ to pray.  
shame,    or loss;      Learn from Him to bear the cross.  
hear Him cry;      Learn from Je - sus Christ to die.  
meets    our eyes.      Sav - ior, teach us so to rise.

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