

GATHERING MUSIC

Procession

Leader or Assistant

Jesus Christ, you are the light of the world,

All

the light no darkness can o - ver - come.

Leader or Assistant

Stay with us now, for it is evening,

All *Leader or Assistant*

and the day is al - most over. Let your light scat - ter the darkness,

All

and shine within your peo - ple here.

Evening Hymn

All: a tempo

1. Joy - ous light of heav - 'nly glo - ry, lov - ing
 2. In the stars that grace the dark - ness, in the
 3. You who made the heav - en's splen - dor, ev - ry

glow of God's own face, you who sing cre - a - tion's
 blaz - ing sun of dawn, in the light of peace and
 danc - ing star of night, make us shine with gen - tle

sto - ry, shine on ev - 'ry land and race. Now as
 wis - dom, we can hear your qui - et song. Love that
 jus - tice, let us each re - flect your light. Might - y

eve - ning falls a - round us, we shall raise our songs to
 fills the night with won - der, love that warms the wea - ry
 God of all cre - a - tion, gen - tle Christ who lights our

you, God of day - break, God of shad - ows, come and
 soul, Love that bursts all chains a - sun - der, set us
 way, Lov - ing Spir - it of sal - va - tion, lead us

light our hearts a - new. _____
 free and make us whole. _____
 on to end - less day. _____

**Evening
Thanksgiving**

Leader or Assistant *All*

May God be with you all. And al - so with you.

Leader or Assistant *All*

Let us sing our thanks to God. It is right to give God thanks and praise.

Leader Blessed are you, Creator of the universe, from old you have led your people by night and day. May the light of your Christ make our darkness bright, for your Word and your presence are the light of our pathways, and you are the light and life of all creation.

All

A - men.

Psalm 141

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All:

Let my prayer rise up like in - cense be -

fore you, the lift - ing up of my

hands as an of - fer - ing to you.

Leader or Group One:

O God, I call to you, come to me

All or Group Two:

O God, I

1

now; O hear my voice when I

2

call to you, come to me now; O

1

cry to you. Let my prayer rise

2

hear my voice when I cry to you.

1
up like in - cense be - fore you, the

2
Let my prayer rise up like in - cense be -

1
lift - ing up of my hands as an of - fer - ing to

2
fore you, the lift - ing up of my hands as an

1
you. ————— Keep watch with - in me, God;

2
of - fer - ing to you. Keep

1
deep in my heart may the light of your love be

2
watch with - in me, God; deep in my heart may the

1
burn - ing bright. ————— Let my prayer rise

2
light of your love be burn - ing bright.

1
up like in - cense be - fore you, the

2
Let my prayer rise up like in - cense be -

1 lift - ing up of my hands as an of - fer - ing to
 2 fore you, the lift - ing up of my hands as an
 1 you. All praise to the God of all - Cre -
 2 of - fer - ing to you. All

1 a - tor of life; all praise be to Christ and the
 2 praise to the God of all - Cre - a - tor of life; all
 1 Spir - it of love. Let my prayer rise
 2 praise be to Christ and the Spir - it of love.

1 up like in - cense be - fore you, the
 2 Let my prayer rise up like in - cense be -

1 lift - ing up of my hands as an of - fer - ing to
 2 fore you, the lift - ing up of my hands as an

1
you.

2
of - fer - ing to you.

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REFLECTION

The Annunciation

Luke 1:26–28, 30–32, 38

Leader: An angel went from God to a town called Nazareth to a woman whose name was Mary. The angel said to her, “Rejoice, O highly favored, for God is with you. You shall bear a child, and his name shall be Jesus, the Chosen One of God Most High.” And Mary said, “I am the servant of my God, I live to do your will.”

Magnificat

Luke 1:46–55

All

1., 3. My soul pro-claims your great-ness, O God, and my
2. You have cast the might - y down from their thrones, and up -

spir - it re - joic - es in you. You have looked with love on your
lift - ed the hum-ble of heart. You have filled the hun - gry with

ser - vant here, and blessed me all my life through.
won-drous things, and left the wealth-y no part.


Great and might - y are you, O Ho - ly One,
Great and might - y are you, O Faith - ful One,

strong is your kind-ness ev - er - more. How you fa - vor the
strong is your jus - tice, strong your love, as you prom-ised to

D.C.
weak and low-ly one, hum - bling the proud of heart!
Sar - ah and A - bra - ham, kind - ness for - ev - er - more.

Litany and Prayers

All
[A] *repeat continuously* [B]



Hmm. God of mer-cy, hold us in love.

[A] *Leader or Assistant* [B]



1. In peace, in peace, we pray to you:
2. For peace and sal - va - tion, we pray to you:
3. For peace be-tween na-tions, for peace be-tween peo - ples:
4. For us, who are gath-ered to wor-ship and praise you:
5. For all of your ser-vants who live out your gos - pel:
6. For all those who gov - ern, that jus - tice might guide them:
7. For all those who la - bor in ser-vice to oth - ers:
8. Grant weath-er that nour - ish - es all of cre - a - tion:
9. Keep watch on our loved ones and keep us from dan - ger:
10. For all the be - lov - ed who rest in your mer - cy:

[A] *Leader or Assistant*



Help us, com-fort us, all of our days:

All



Keep us, hold us, gra - cious God.

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LORD'S PRAYER

**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.**

Final Blessing

Let us bless our God. **Praise and Thanks to you.**
May God Creator, bless us and keep us. May Christ be ever light for our lives, may the Spirit of
Love be our guide and path for all of our days. **Amen.**