

THE CATHEDRAL OF SAINT PAUL

BIRMINGHAM, ALABAMA



II VESPERS FOR THE FIRST SUNDAY OF LENT

FEBRUARY 21, 2021

Welcome: please note the symbols for cantor or celebrant (V.) and assembly (R.) and pray accordingly. The opening verse and Magnificat may be found on the insert. The psalmody of the office alternates, beginning with the cantor, then followed by assembly, etc. Antiphons are intoned by the cantor up to the asterisk, then all join.

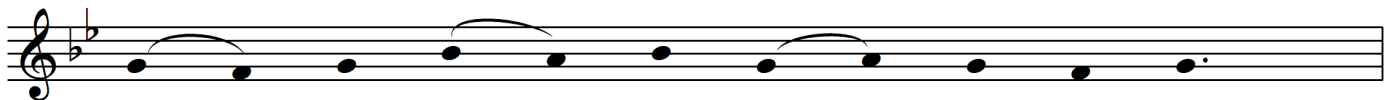
OPENING VERSE

(see insert)

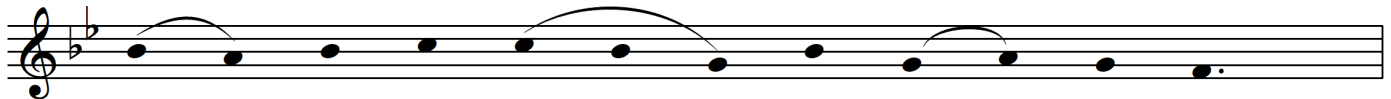
HYMN

Audi benigne Conditor

Hymn is sung in alternation between cantor (odds) and all (evens); all sing doxology (vs. 5).



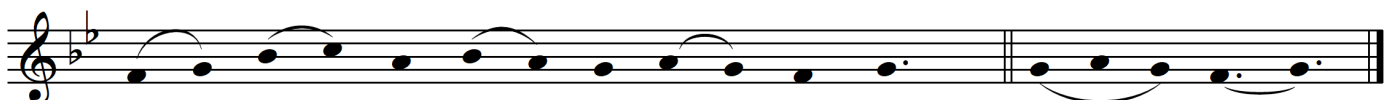
1. O _____ kind Cre - a - tor, _____ bow Thine ear
 2. Our _____ hearts are _____ o - pen, _____ Lord to Thee:
 3. Our _____ sins are _____ man - y, _____ this we know;
 4. Give _____ us the _____ self - con - trol that springs
 5. We _____ pray Thee, _____ Ho - ly _____ Trin - i - ty,



To _____ mark the cry _____ to know _____ the tear
 Thou _____ know - est our _____ in - fir - mi - ty;
 Spare _____ us good Lord, _____ Thy mer - cy show;
 From _____ dis - ci - pline _____ of out - ward things,
 One _____ God, un - chang - ing U - ni - ty,



Be - fore Thy throne _____ of mer - cy spent
 Pour out on all _____ who seek Thy face
 And for the hon - or of Thy Name
 That fast - ing in - ward se - cret - ly
 That we from this _____ our ab - sti - nence



In _____ this _____ our ho - ly fast _____ of Lent.
 A - bun - dance of _____ Thy par - d'ning grace.
 Our _____ faint - ing souls to life _____ re - claim.
 The _____ soul _____ may pure - ly dwell with Thee.
 May _____ reap _____ the fruit _____ of pen - i - tence. A - men. _____

PSALMODY

ANTIPHON I

Matthew 4:10


VIII

Dominum * De-um tu-um adorá- bis, et illi so-li sérví- es.

Worship your Lord and God; serve him alone.

PSALM 110:1-5, 7

THE MESSIAH IS KING AND PRIEST

VIII G


The Lord's revelation to my Master: †
 "Sit on my **right**: *
 your foes I will put be-neath your **feet**."

The Lord will wield from Zion your sce-pter of **power**: *
 rule in the midst of *all your foes*.

A prince from the day of your birth on the *ho-ly*
mountains; *
 from the womb before the dawn *I be-got* you.

The Lord has sworn an oath he will not change. †
 "You are a *priest for ever*, *
 a priest like Melchize-dek of **old**."

The Master standing *at your right* hand *
 will shatter kings in the day of *his great wrath*.

He shall drink from the stream *by the wayside* *
 and therefore he shall lift *up his head*.

Glory to the Father, and to the **Son**, *
 and to the *Ho-ly Spirit*.

As it was in the begin-ning, is **now**, *
 and will be forev-er. **Amen**.

(repeat Antiphon on previous page)

ANTIPHON II

2 Cor 6:2,4,5-6

VIII

Ecce nunc * tempus acceptábi-le, ecce nunc dí- es sa-lú-tis : in his ergo

 di- é-bus exhibe- ámus nos si-cut De- i mi-nístros, in mul-ta pa- ti- énti- a, in

 vi-gí- li- is, in ie-iúni- is, et in ca-ri-tá- te non ficta.

Behold, now is the acceptable time; behold, now is the day of salvation: in everything we commend ourselves as ministers of God through much patience, in vigils, in fasts, and in unfeigned love.

PSALM 114

THE ISRAELITES ARE DELIVERED FROM THE BONDAGE OF EGYPT



When Israel came *forth from Egypt*, *
Jacob's sons from an *a-li-en people*."

Judah became *the LORD's temple*, *
Israel be-came *his kingdom*.

The sea fled *at the sight*: *
the Jordan turned back *on its course*.

The mountains *leapt like rams* *
and the hills like *year-ling sheep*."

Why was it, sea, *that you fled*, *
that you turned back, Jordan, *on your course*?

Mountains, that you *leapt like rams*, *
hills, like *year-ling sheep*?

Tremble, O earth, *be-fore the LORD*, *
in the presence of the *God of Jacob*.

Who turns the rock in-*to a pool**
and flint into a spring of water.

Glory to the Father, and *to the Son*, *
and to the *Ho-ly Spirit*.

As it was in the *begin-ning, is now*, *
and will be *forev-er. A-men.* (repeat Antiphon)

ANTIPHON III

Matthew 20:18-19

VII

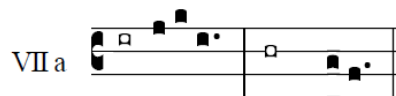
E c-ce ascén dimus * Ie- ro- só- lýmam: et Fí- li- us hó mi- nis tra- dé- tur ad
cru- ci- fi- gén dum.

Behold, we go up to Jerusalem, and the Son of Man shall be handed over to be crucified.

CANTICLE

1 PETER 2:21-24

THE WILLING ACCEPTANCE OF HIS PASSION BY CHRIST, THE SERVANT OF GOD



Christ suffered for you, † and left you *an ex-ample*, *
to have you follow in *his footsteps*.

He *did no wrong*; *
No deceit was found in *his mouth*.

When he *was in-sulted*, *
he returned *no insult*.

When he was *made to suffer*, *
he did not counter *with threats*."

Instead he delivered *him-self up* *
to the One who *judg-es justly*.

In *his own body* *
he brought your sins to *the cross*,

So that all of us, *dead to sin*, *
could live in accord with *God's will*.

[omit 1st half]
By his wounds you *were healed*.

Glory to the Father, and *to the Son*, *
and to the *Ho-ly Spirit*.

As it was in the *begin-ning, is now*, *
and will be *forever. A-men.* (repeat Antiphon)

RESPONSORY

I. Cantor; II. All

R. br.

Listen to us, O Lord, and have mercy, for we have sinned against you.

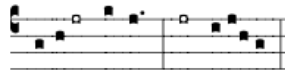
V. Christ Je- sus hear our hum ble pe-titions, **R.** for we have sinned against you.

V. Glory to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Ho-ly Spirit. Listen to us,

O Lord, and have mercy, for we have sinned against you.

MAGNIFICAT

(Antiphon below; please see insert for verses)



Antiphon Watch over us, eternal Savior; * do not let the cunning tempt-er **seize** us. *
We place all our trust in *your un-fail-ing* help.

INTERCESSIONS

After the Celebrant's invocation and each cantor petition, the following response is sung:

R.

Lord, be gracious to your people.

PATER NOSTER

Pater noster, qui es in cælis; sanctificétur nomen tuum; advéniat regnum tuum; fiat volúntas tua, sicut in cælo, et in terra. Panem nostrum cotidiánum da nobis hódie; et dimítte nobis débita nostra, sicut et nos dimíttimus debitóribus nostris; et ne nos indúcas in tentatiónem; sed líbera nos a malo.

CONCLUDING PRAYER

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