



Friday 18 June 2021

Morning Song

Choral Worship to Start the Day

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Introit Libera nos, salva nos *Sheppard*

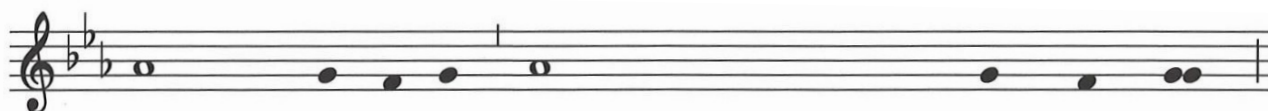
Libera nos, salva nos, iustifica nos,
o beata Trinitas.

*Free us, save us, justify us,
O blessed Trinity.*

6th Psalm Antiphon at Matins on Trinity Sunday

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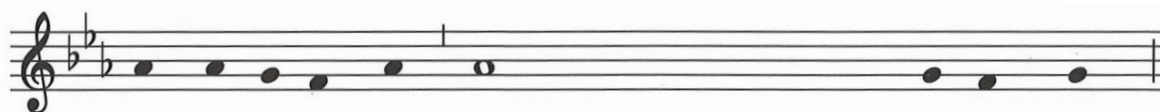
O Lord, o-pen our lips **and our mouth shall pro-claim your praise.**



Give us the joy of your sa-ving help



and sus-tain us with your life-giv-ing Spi-rit.



Bless-ed is the Lord, **for he has heard the voice of our prayer;**



therefore shall our hearts dance for joy



and in our song will we praise our God.

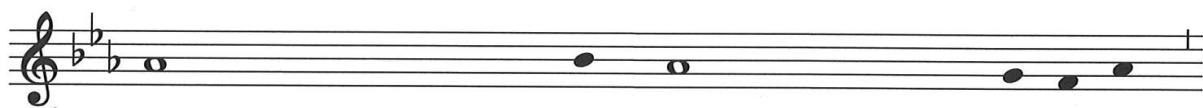
The night has passed, and the day lies open before us; let us pray with one heart and mind.

Silence is kept.

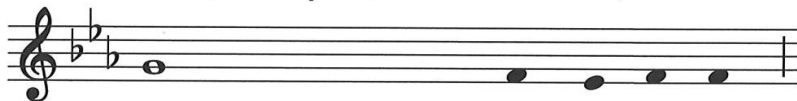
As we rejoice in the gift of this new day, so may the light of your presence, O God, set our hearts on fire with love for you; now and for ever.

All **Amen.**

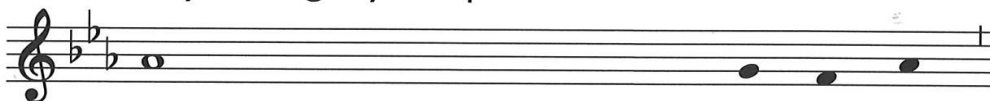
Prayer of Thanksgiving



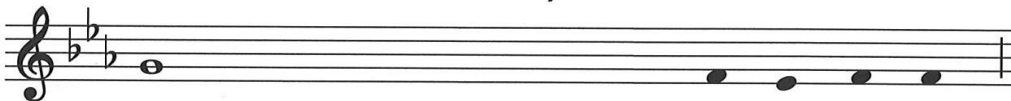
Blessèd are you, Lord our God, creator and redeem-er of all;



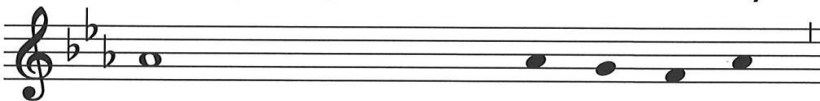
to you be glory and praise for ev - er.



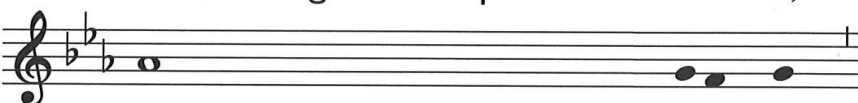
From the waters of chaos you drew forth the world



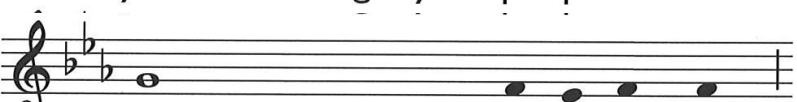
and in your great love fashioned us in your im-age.



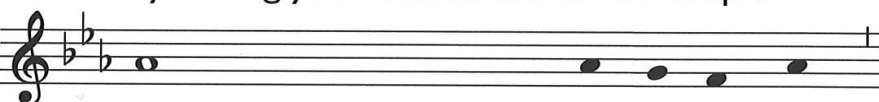
Now, through the deep wa - ters of death,



you have brought your people to new birth



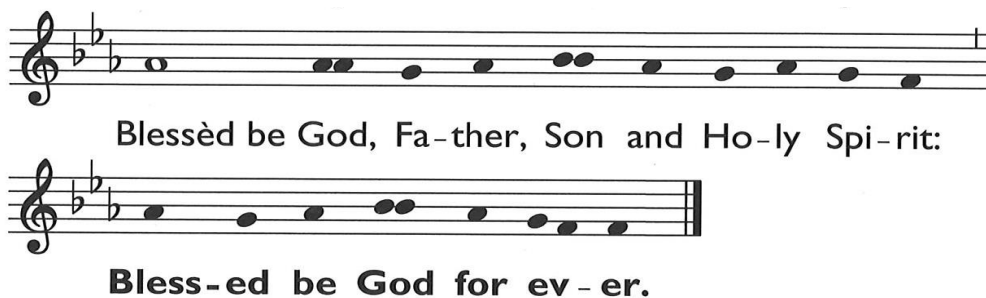
by raising your Son to life in tri-umph.



May Christ your light ever dawn in our hearts



as we offer you our sacrifice of thanks and praise.



Psalmody Psalm 51. 1-8

- 1 Have mercy on me, O God, in your great goodness;
according to the abundance of your compassion blot out my offences.
- 2 Wash me thoroughly from my wickedness
and cleanse me from my sin.
- 3 For I acknowledge my faults
and my sin is ever before me.
- 4 Against you only have I sinned
and done what is evil in your sight,
- 5 So that you are justified in your sentence
and righteous in your judgement.
- 6 I have been wicked even from my birth,
a sinner when my mother conceived me.
- 7 Behold, you desire truth deep within me
and shall make me understand wisdom in the depths of my heart.
- 8 Purge me with hyssop and I shall be clean;
wash me and I shall be whiter than snow.

Old Testament Reading Job 24

‘Why are times not kept by the Almighty, and why do those who know him never see his days? The wicked remove landmarks; they seize flocks and pasture them. They drive away the donkey of the orphan; they take the widow’s ox for a pledge. They thrust the needy off the road; the poor of the earth all hide themselves. Like wild asses in the desert they go out to their toil, scavenging in the waste-land food for

their young. They reap in a field not their own and they glean in the vineyard of the wicked. They lie all night naked, without clothing, and have no covering in the cold. They are wet with the rain of the mountains, and cling to the rock for want of shelter. 'There are those who snatch the orphan child from the breast, and take as a pledge the infant of the poor. They go about naked, without clothing; though hungry, they carry the sheaves; between their terraces they press out oil; they tread the wine presses, but suffer thirst. From the city the dying groan, and the throat of the wounded cries for help; yet God pays no attention to their prayer. 'There are those who rebel against the light, who are not acquainted with its ways, and do not stay in its paths. The murderer rises at dusk to kill the poor and needy, and in the night is like a thief. The eye of the adulterer also waits for the twilight, saying, "No eye will see me"; and he disguises his face. In the dark they dig through houses; by day they shut themselves up; they do not know the light. For deep darkness is morning to all of them; for they are friends with the terrors of deep darkness. 'Swift are they on the face of the waters; their portion in the land is cursed; no treader turns towards their vineyards. Drought and heat snatch away the snow-waters; so does Sheol those who have sinned. The womb forgets them; the worm finds them sweet; they are no longer remembered; so wickedness is broken like a tree. 'They harm the childless woman, and do no good to the widow. Yet God prolongs the life of the mighty by his power; they rise up when they despair of life. He gives them security, and they are supported; his eyes are upon their ways. They are exalted a little while, and then are gone; they wither and fade like the mallow; they are cut off like the heads of grain. If it is not so, who will prove me a liar, and show that there is nothing in what I say?'

Canticle *Plainsong*

We praise you, O God, we acclaim you as Lord;
all creation worships you, the Father everlasting.
To you all angels, all the powers of heav'n,
the cherubim and seraphim, sing in endless praise:
Holy, holy, holy Lord, God of pow'r and might,
heaven and earth are full of your glory,
full of your glory.
The glorious company of apostles praise you.
The noble fellowship of prophets praise you.
The white-robed army of martyrs praise you.

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Throughout the world the holy church acclaims you:
Father, of majesty unbounded;
your true and only Son, worthy of all praise;
the Holy Spirit, advocate and guide.

You, Christ, are the king of glory,
the eternal Son of the Father.
When you took our flesh to set us free
you humbly chose the Virgin's womb.
You overcame the sting of death
and opened the kingdom of heav'n to all believers.
You are seated at God's right hand in glory.
We believe that you will come to be our judge.
Come, then, Lord, and help your people,
bought with the price of your own blood,
and bring us with your saints to glory everlasting.

New Testament Reading Romans 11. 1-12

I ask, then, has God rejected his people? By no means! I myself am an Israelite, a descendant of Abraham, a member of the tribe of Benjamin. God has not rejected his people whom he foreknew. Do you not know what the scripture says of Elijah, how he pleads with God against Israel? 'Lord, they have killed your prophets, they have demolished your altars; I alone am left, and they are seeking my life.' But what is the divine reply to him? 'I have kept for myself seven thousand who have not bowed the knee to Baal.' So too at the present time there is a remnant, chosen by grace. But if it is by grace, it is no longer on the basis of works, otherwise grace would no longer be grace. What then? Israel failed to obtain what it was seeking. The elect obtained it, but the rest were hardened, as it is written, 'God gave them a sluggish spirit, eyes that would not see and ears that would not hear, down to this very day.' And David says, 'Let their table become a snare and a trap, a stumbling-block and a retribution for them; let their eyes be darkened so that they cannot see, and keep their backs for ever bent.' So I ask, have they stumbled so as to fall? By no means! But through their stumbling salvation has come to the Gentiles, so as to make Israel jealous. Now if their stumbling means riches for the world, and if their defeat means riches for Gentiles, how much more will their full inclusion mean!

Gospel Canticle *Plainsong*

- 1 Blessed be the Lord the God of Israel,
who has come to his people and set them free.
- 2 He has raised up for us a mighty Saviour,
born of the house of his servant David.
- 3 Through his holy prophets God promised of old
to save us from our enemies, from the hands of all that hate us,
- 4 To show mercy to our ancestors,
and to remember his holy covenant.
- 5 This was the oath God swore to our father Abraham:
to set us free from the hands of our enemies,
- 6 Free to worship him without fear,
holy and righteous in his sight all the days of our life.
- 7 And you, child, shall be called the prophet of the Most High,
for you will go before the Lord to prepare his way,
- 8 To give his people knowledge of salvation
by the forgiveness of all their sins.
- 9 In the tender compassion of our God
the dawn from on high shall break upon us,
- 10 To shine on those who dwell in darkness and the shadow of death,
and to guide our feet into the way of peace.

Luke 1.68–79

Glory to the Father and to the Son
and to the Holy Spirit;
as it was in the beginning is now
and shall be for ever. Amen.

Prayers

The response to the prayers is:

Lord, in your mercy,
All hear our prayer.

Lord's Prayer *Plainsong*

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.
Lead us not into temptation
but deliver us from evil.
For the kingdom, the power,
and the glory are yours
now and for ever. Amen.

Collect for the Day

Lord, you have taught us that all our doings without love are nothing worth: send your Holy Spirit and pour into our hearts that most excellent gift of love, the true bond of peace and of all virtues, without which whoever lives is counted dead before you. Grant this for your only Son Jesus Christ's sake, who is alive and reigns with you, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever.

All **Amen.**

Notices

Blessing

Anthem *O nata lux Morten Lauridsen*

O nata lux de lumine,
jesu redemptor saeculi,
dignare clemens supplicum
Laudes preces que sumere.
Qui carne quondam contegi
dignatus es pro perditis.
Nos membra confer effici,
tui beati corporis.

*O born light of light,
Jesus, redeemer of the owrld,
mercifully deem worthy and accept
the praises and prayers of your supplicants.
thou who once deigned to be clothed in flesh
for the sake of the lost ones.
grant us to be made members
of your holy body.*

Lux Aeterna

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