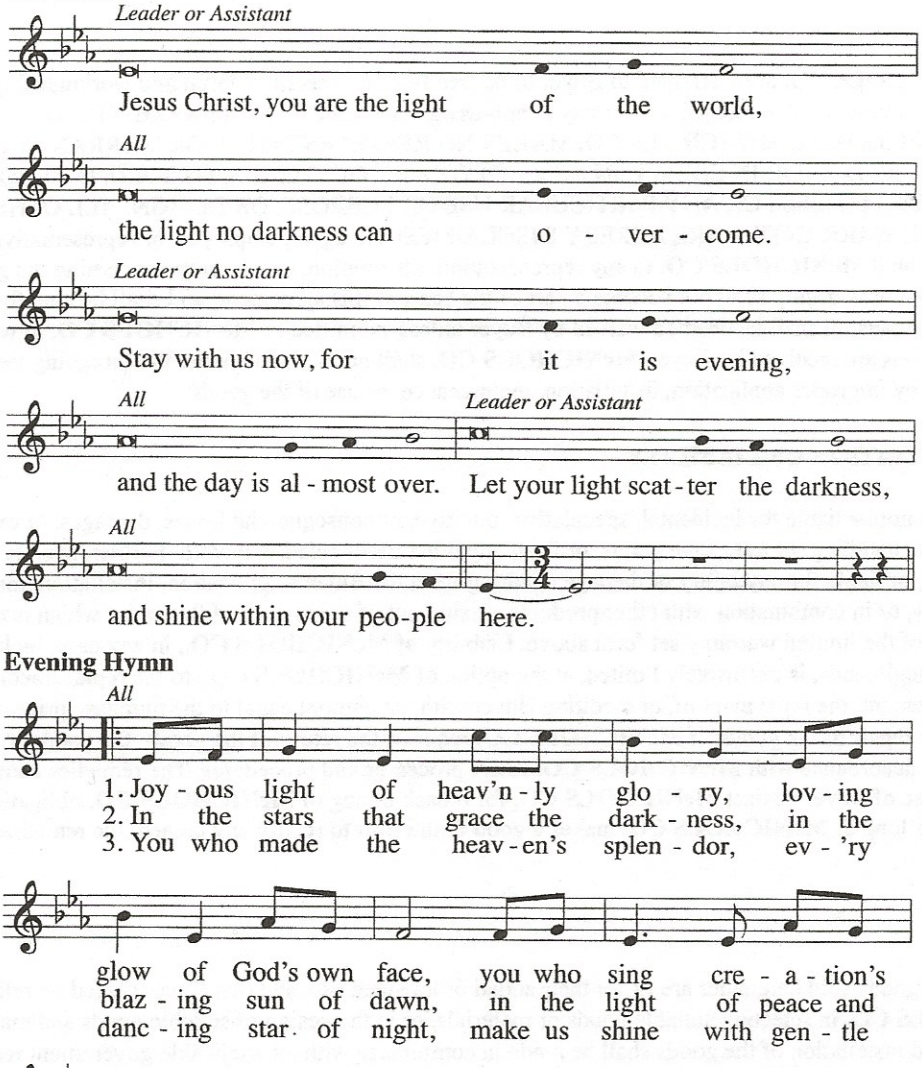
to the people of the Winter Community at Holden, 1985–1986

Holden Evening Prayer

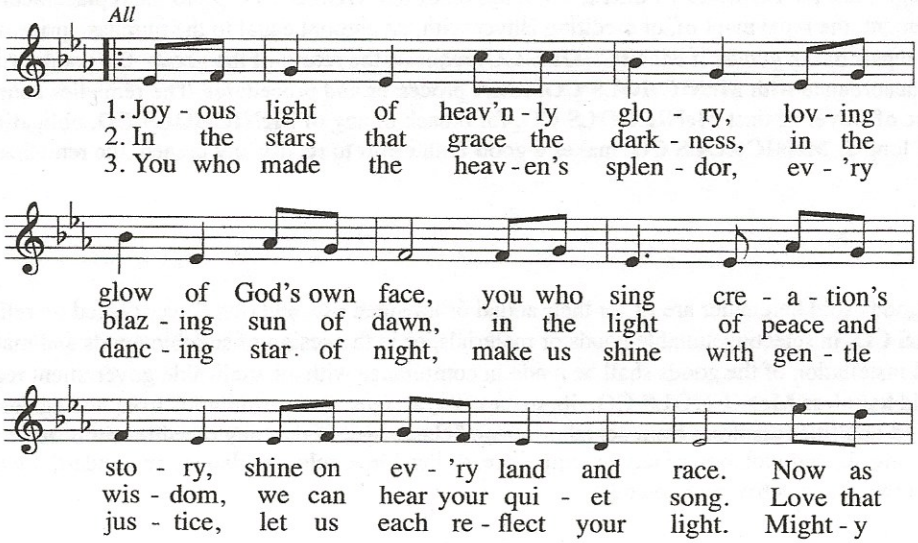
Setting by Marty Haugen

1. SERVICE OF LIGHT

Procession



Evening Hymn



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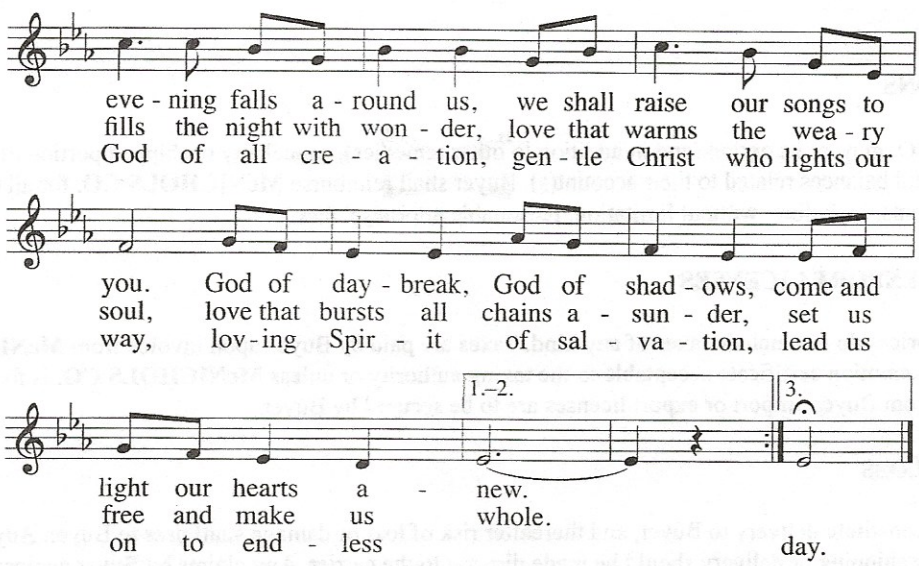
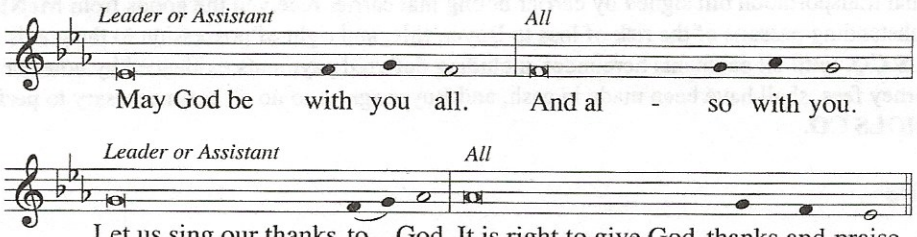
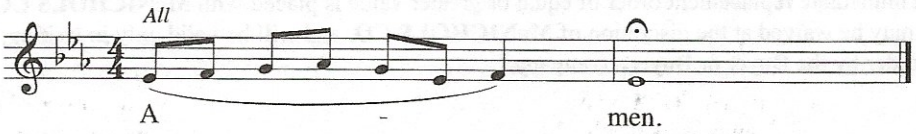


Evening Thanksgiving



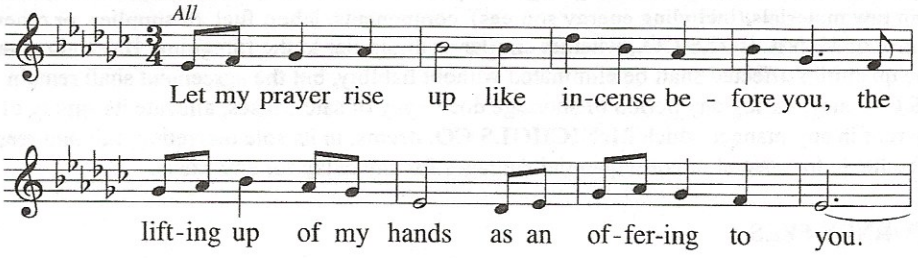
Leader Blessed are you, Creator of the universe, from old you have led your people by night and day. May the light of your Christ make our darkness bright, for your Word and your presence are the light of our pathways, and you are the light and life of all creation.



2. PSALMODY, READINGS AND CANTICLES

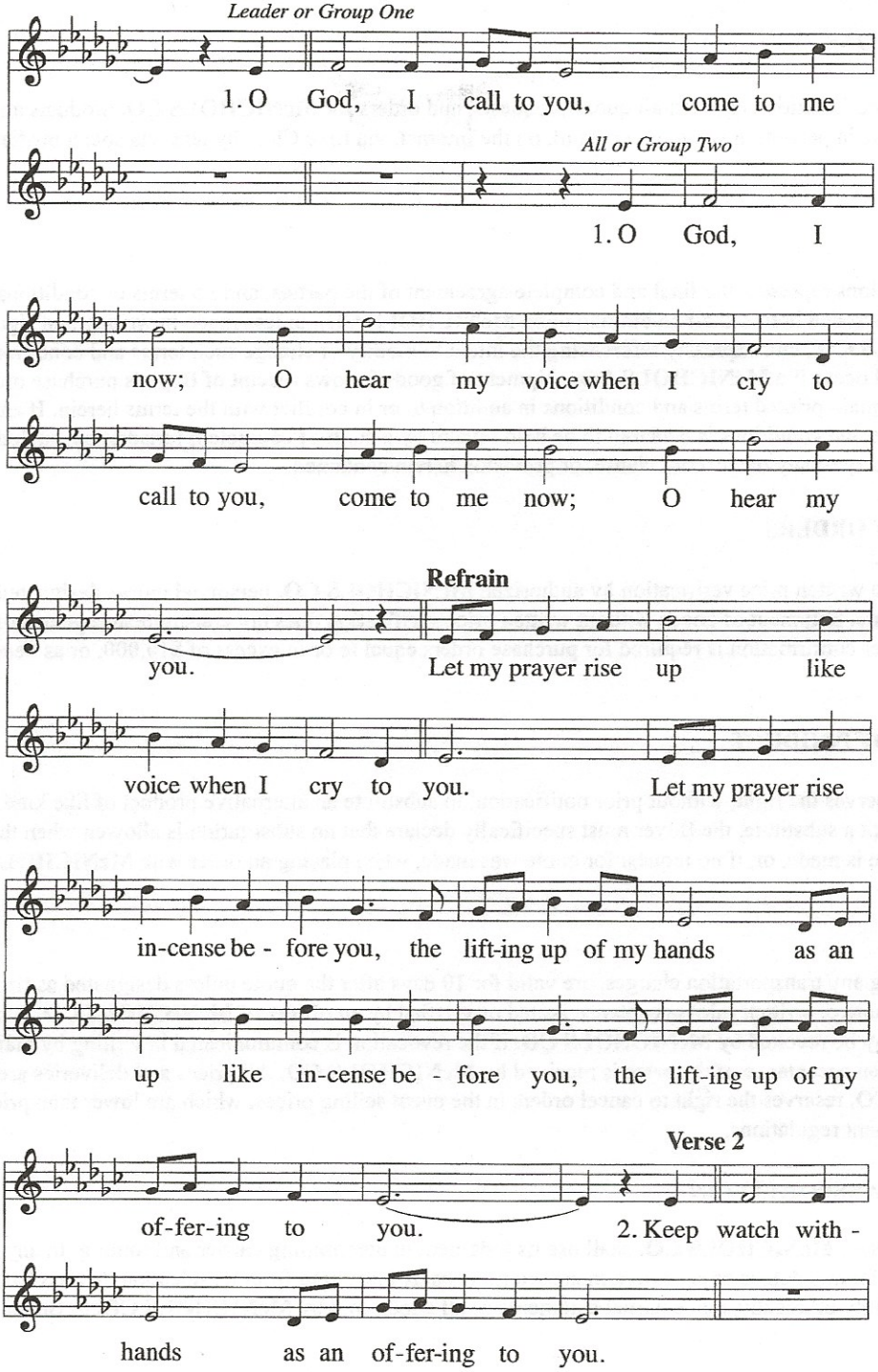
Psalm 141

Refrain



Verse 1

Leader or Group One



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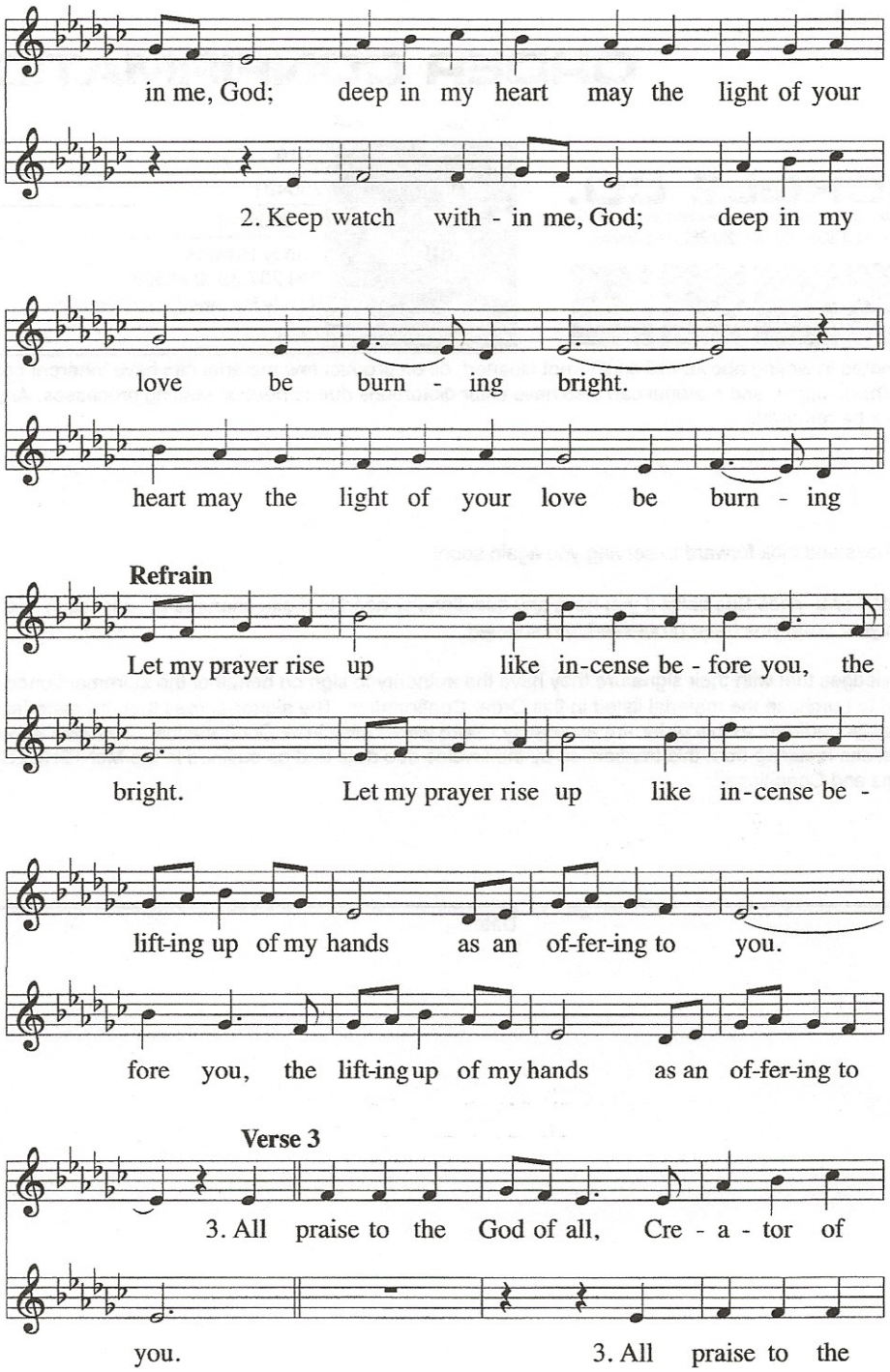
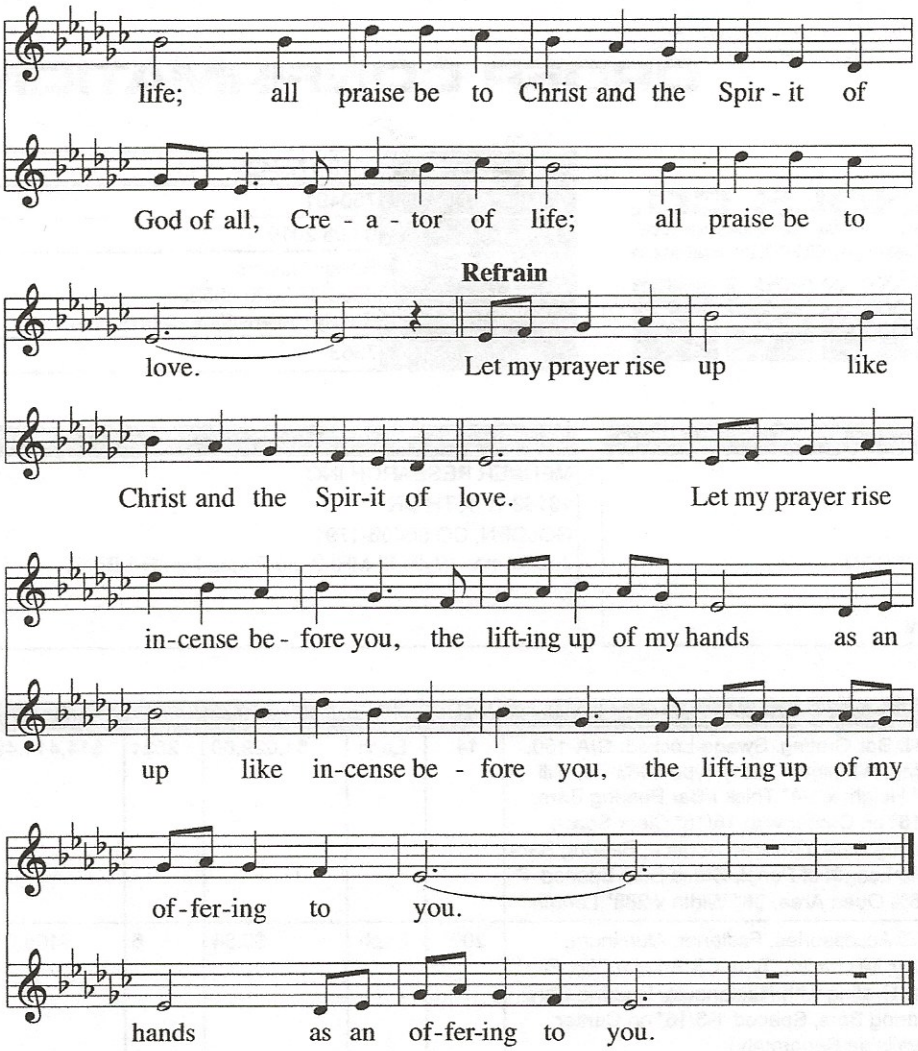
Verse 2


in me, God; deep in my heart may the light of your
2. Keep watch with - in me, God; deep in my
love be burn - ing bright.
heart may the light of your love be burn - ing
Refrain
Let my prayer rise up like in-cense be - fore you, the
bright. Let my prayer rise up like in-cense be -
lift-ing up of my hands as an of-fer-ing to you.
fore you, the lift-ing up of my hands as an of-fer-ing to
Verse 3
3. All praise to the God of all, Cre - a - tor of
you. 3. All praise to the



Silence for meditation

Leader May our prayers come before you, O God, as incense,
and may your presence surround and fill us,
so that in union with all creation,
we might sing your praise and your love in our lives.

All Amen.

(Alternate psalms are on pages 10–12. The leader will indicate if any of these will be used in the service.)

One or two lessons are read; silence for meditation follows each reading.

Leader The light shines in the darkness...

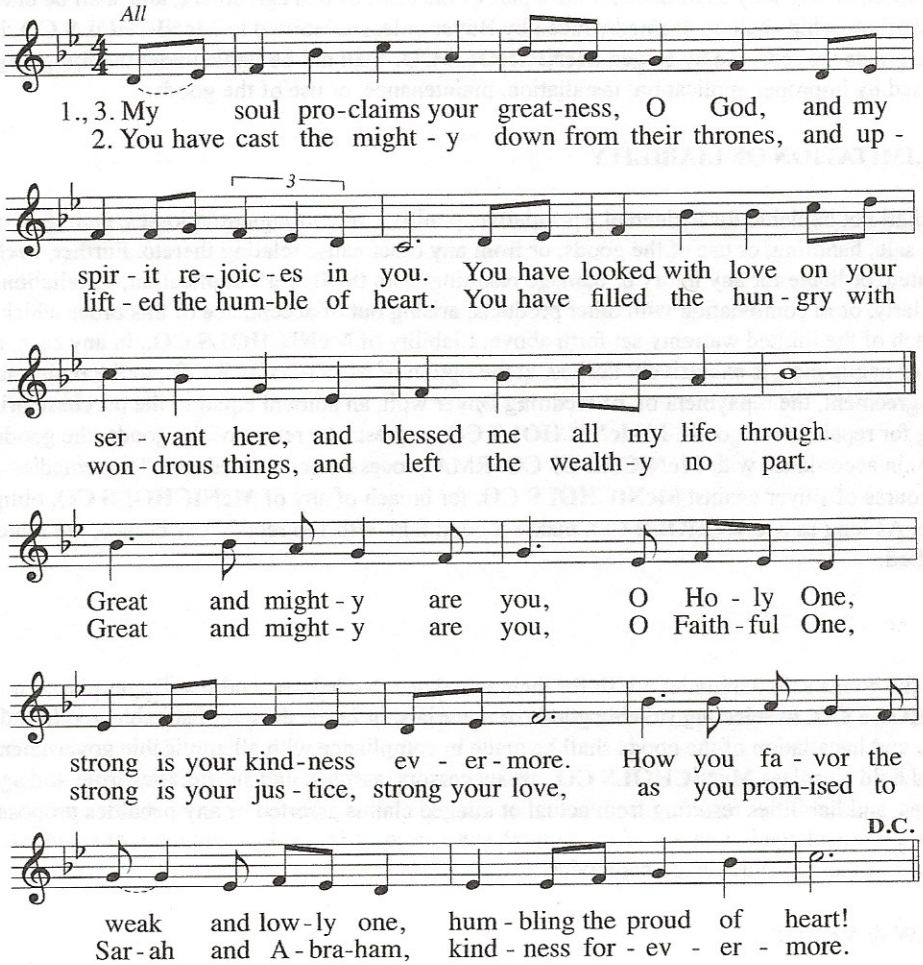
All ... and the darkness has not overcome it.

The Annunciation
Luke 1:26–28, 30–32, 38

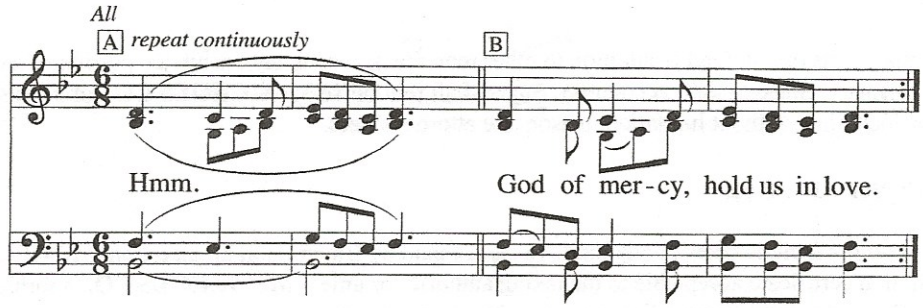
Leader An angel went from God to a town called Nazareth to a woman whose name was Mary. The angel said to her, "Rejoice, O highly favored, for God is with you. You shall bear a child, and his name shall be Jesus, the Chosen One of God Most High." And Mary said, "I am the servant of my God, I live to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

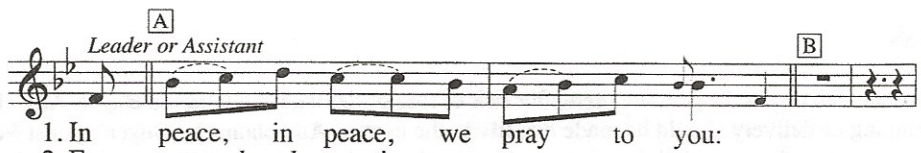
Segue immediately to The Magnificat

The Magnificat
Luke 1:46–55

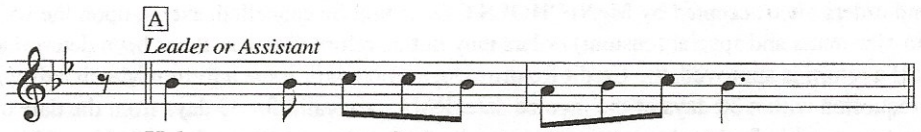


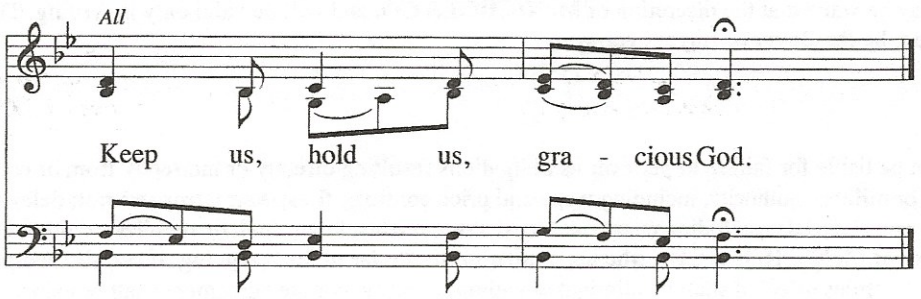
3. LITANY AND PRAYERS
Intercessions





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:





Closing Prayers

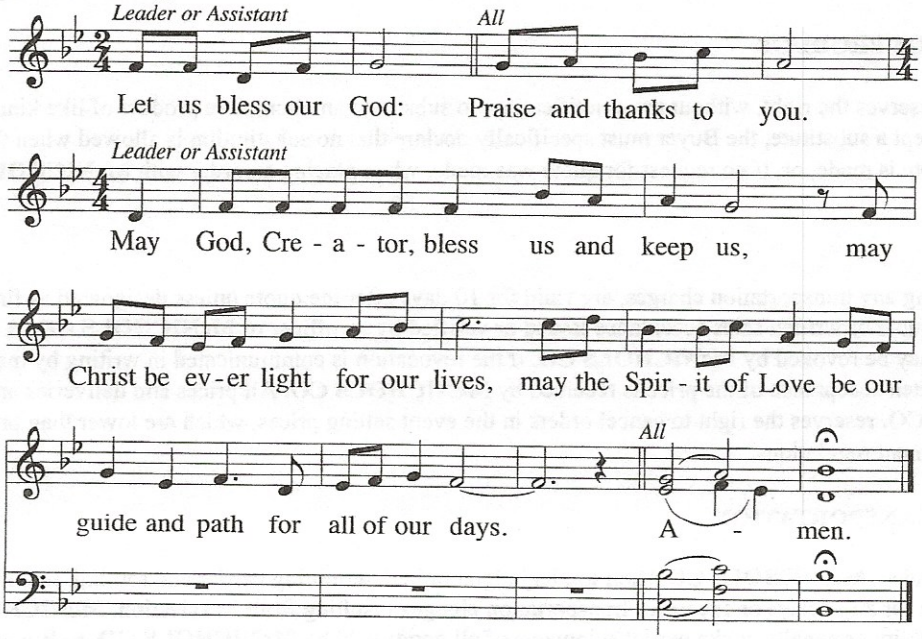
Leader Great and merciful God,
source and ground of all goodness and life,
give to your people the peace that passes all understanding,
and the will to live your gospel of mercy and justice,
through Jesus Christ our Lord.

All Amen.

Leader God, remember us in your love, and teach us to pray:

All 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



The leader may invite all to share a sign of peace,
or the leader may say, "Go in peace," and all depart in silence.