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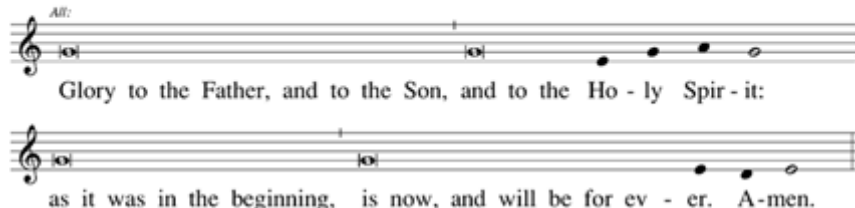
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*Presiding minister:*



O God, ✠ come to my as - sis - tance. Lord, make haste to help me.

*All:*



Glory to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Ho - ly Spir - it:

as it was in the beginning, is now, and will be for ev - er. A - men.

## HYMN



1. No dis - grace was too ab - hor - rent: nailed and  
2. Faith - ful Cross the saints re - ly on, no - ble  
3. Loft - y tim - ber, smooth your rough - ness, flex your  
4. Nobl - est tree of all cre - at - ed, rich - ly  
5. Wis - dom, pow'r, and ad - o - ra - tion to the



1. mocked and parched he died; blood and wa - ter, dou -  
2. tree be - yond com - pare! Nev - er was there such  
3. boughs for blos - som - ing; let your fi - bers lose  
4. jew - eled and em - bossed: post by Lamb's blood con -  
5. bless - ed Trin - i - ty for re - demp - tion and



1. ble war - rant, is - sue from his wound - ed side,  
2. a sci - on, nev - er leaf or flow'r so rare.  
3. their tough - ness, gen - tly let your ten - drills cling;  
4. se - crat - ed; spar that saves the tem - pest - tossed;  
5. sal - va - tion through the Pas - chal Mys - ter - y,



1. wash - ing in a might - y tor - rent  
2. Sweet the tim - ber, sweet the i - ron,  
3. lay a - side your na - tive gruff - ness,  
4. scaf - fold - beam which, el - e - vat - ed,  
5. now, in ev - 'ry gen - er - a - tion,



1. earth and stars and o - cean - tide.  
2. sweet the bur - den that they bear!  
3. clasp the bod - y of your King!  
4. car - ries what the world has cost!  
5. and for all e - ter - ni - ty. A - men.

Cantor, then *All*

Antiphon 1: Look, O Lord, and see my *suffering*. \*  
Come quickly to *my* aid.



Psalm 80

Lord, come, take care of your vineyard

*Come, Lord Jesus* (Revelation 22:20)

O shepherd of Israel, *bear* us, \* you  
who lead *Joseph's* flock,  
shine forth from your cherubim *throne* \*  
upon Ephraim, Benjamin, *Manasseh*.

O Lord, rouse up your *might*, \* O Lord,  
come to *our* help.

God of hosts, bring us *back*; \* let your  
face shine on us and we shall *be* saved.

Lord God of hosts, how *long* \* will you  
frown on your people's plea?

You have fed them with tears for their  
*bread*, \* an abundance of tears for  
*their* drink.

You have made us the taunt of our  
*neighbors*, \* our enemies laugh us to  
scorn.

God of hosts, bring us *back*; \* let your  
face shine on us, and we shall *be*  
saved.

You brought a vine out of *Egypt*; \* to  
plant it you drove out *the* nations.

Before it you cleared the *ground*; \* it  
took root and spread through *the*  
land.

The mountains were covered with its  
*shadow*, \* the cedars of God with its  
boughs.

It stretched out its branches to the *sea*, \*

to the Great River it stretched out *its*  
shoots.

Then why have you broken down its  
*walls*? \* It is plucked by all who *pass*  
by.

It is ravaged by the boar of the *forest*, \*  
devoured by the beasts of *the* field.

God of hosts, turn again, we *implore*, \*  
look down from heaven *and* see.

Visit this vine and *protect* it, \* the vine  
your right hand *has* planted.

Men have burnt it with fire and de-  
*stroyed* it. \* May they perish at the  
frown of *your* face.

May your hand be on the man you have  
*chosen*, \* the man you have given *your*  
strength.

And we shall never forsake you *again*: \*  
give us life that we may call upon  
*your* name.

God of hosts, bring us *back*; \* let your  
face shine on us and we shall *be*  
saved.

Glory to the Father, and to the *Son*, \*  
and to the *Holy* Spirit:

as it was in the *beginning*, is *now*, \* and  
will be forever. Amen.

*All*

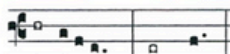
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God *is* my savior; \* I trust in him and shall not *fear*.

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Canticle (Isaiah 12:1-6)

Joy of God's ransomed people

*If anyone thirsts, let him come to me and drink (John 7: 37)*

**I** give you *thanks*, O Lord; \* though  
you have been angry with *me*,  
your anger *has* abated, \* and you have  
*consoled* me.

God indeed *is* my savior; \* I am confi-  
dent and *unafraid*.

**My strength and courage *is* the  
Lord, \* and he has been my savior.**

With joy you *will* draw water \* at the  
fountain of salvation,  
and say *on* that day: \* Give thanks to  
the Lord, acclaim his *name*;  
among the nations make *known* his

deeds, \* proclaim how exalted is his  
*name*.

**Sing praise to the Lord for his glorious  
achievement; \* let this be known  
throughout all the *earth*.**

Shout with exultation, O city of Zion, †  
for great *in* your midst \* is the Holy  
One of *Israel*.

**Glory to the Father, and to the Son, \*  
and to the Holy *Spirit*:**

as it was in the *beginning*, is now, \* and  
will be for ever. *Amen*.

*All*

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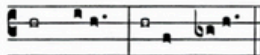
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Cantor, then *All*

Antiphon 3:

The Lord has fed us with the *finest* wheat; \* he has filled us with  
honey *from* the rock.

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Psalm 81

Solemn renewal of the Covenant

*See that no one among you has a faithless heart (Hebrews 3:12)*

**R**ing out your joy to God *our*  
strength, \* shout in triumph to  
the *God* of Jacob.

**Raise a song and sound *the* timbrel, \*  
the sweet-sounding harp *and* the lute,  
blow the trumpet at the *new* moon, \***

when the moon is full, *on* our feast.  
**For this is Israel's law, \* a command of the God of Jacob.**  
 He imposed it as a rule *on* Joseph, \*  
 when he went out against the *land*  
 of Egypt.  
**A voice I did not know said to me: \* "I freed your shoulder from the burden;**  
 your hands were freed from *the* load. \*  
 You called in distress *and* I saved you.  
**I answered, concealed in the storm cloud, \* at the waters of Meribah I tested you.**  
 Listen, my people, to *my* warning, \* O  
 Israel, if only *you* would heed!  
**Let there be no foreign god among you, \* no worship of an alien god.**  
 I am the Lord your God, † who  
 brought you from the land *of* Egypt. \*  
 Open wide your mouth and I will fill

it.

**But my people did not heed *my* voice \* and Israel would *not* obey,**  
 so I left them in their stubbornness *of*  
 heart \* to follow their *own* designs.  
**O that my people *would* heed me, \* that Israel would walk *in* my ways!**  
 At once I would subdue *their* foes, \*  
 turn my hands *against* their enemies.  
**The Lord's enemies would cringe at *their* feet \* and their subjection would last for ever.**  
 But Israel I would feed with *finest*  
 wheat \* and fill them with honey *from*  
 the rock."  
**Glory to the Father, and to the Son, \* and to the Holy Spirit:**  
 as it was in the beginning, *is* now, \* and  
 will be for ever. Amen.

*All*

Antiphon 3: **The Lord has fed us with the finest wheat; \* he has filled us with honey from the rock.**

## READING

*Hebrews 2: 9-10*

We see Jesus crowned with glory and honor because he suffered death, that through God's gracious will he might taste death for the sake of all men. Indeed, it was fitting that when bringing many sons to glory God, for whom and through whom all things exist, should make their leader in the work of salvation perfect through suffering.

## REFLECTION

## RESPONSORY

By your *own* blood, Lord, \* you brought us back to God.  
**— By your *own* blood, Lord, \* you brought us back to God.**  
 From every tribe, and tongue, and *people* and nation,  
**— you brought us back to God.**  
 Glory to the Father, and to the Son, \* and to the Holy Spirit.  
**— By your *own* blood, Lord, \* you brought us back to God.**



Cantor, then *All*Antiphon: I have longed to *eat* this meal \* with you before *I* suffer.

Benedictus

**B**lessed  $\times$  be the Lord, the *God* of Israel; \* he has come to his people and set *them* free.

He has raised up for us a *mighty* savior, \* born of the house of his *servant* David.

Through his holy prophets he promised of old † that he would save us *from* our enemies, \* from the hands of all *who* hate us.

He promised to show mercy to our fathers \* and to remember his *holy* covenant.

This was the oath he swore to our *father* Abraham: \* to set us free from the hands of *our* enemies, free to worship him without fear, † holy and righteous *in* his sight \* all the days of *our* life.

You, my child, shall be called the prophet *of* the Most High; \* for you will go before the Lord to prepare *his* way, to give his people knowledge *of* salvation \* by the forgiveness of *their* sins.

In the tender compassion *of* our God \* the dawn from on high shall break *upon* us, to shine on those who dwell in darkness and the shadow of death, \* and to guide our feet into the way *of* peace.

Glory to the Father, and *to* the Son, \* and to the Holy Spirit: as it was in the *beginning*, is now, \* and will be for ever. Amen.

*All*Antiphon: I have longed to *eat* this meal \* with you before *I* suffer.

## INTERCESSIONS

The Father anointed Christ with the Holy Spirit to proclaim forgiveness to those in bondage.

Let us humbly call upon the eternal priest:

— *Lord, have mercy on us.*

You went up to Jerusalem to suffer and so enter into your glory, bring your Church to the Passover feast of heaven.

— *Lord, have mercy on us.*

You were lifted high on the cross and pierced by the soldier's lance, heal our wounds.

— *Lord, have mercy on us.*

You made the cross the tree of life, give its fruit to those reborn in baptism.

— *Lord, have mercy on us.*

On the cross you forgave the repentant thief, forgive us our sins.

— *Lord, have mercy on us.*

## The Lord's Prayer



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