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Friday—Lent 3

LSB 253

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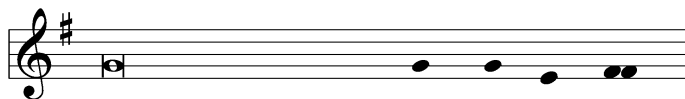
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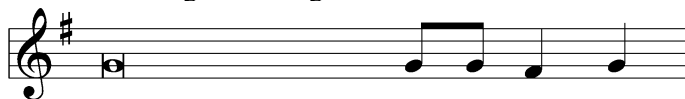
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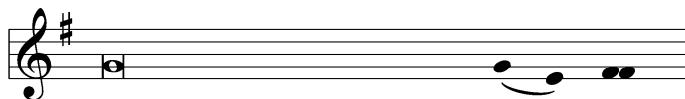
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L It is good to give thanks to the Lord,



C to sing praise to Your name, O Most High;



L to herald Your love in the morn - ing,



C Your truth at the close of the day.

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 The children of mankind take refuge in the shadow | of your wings.

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and you give them drink from the river of | your delights.

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in your light do | we see light.

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and your righteousness to the up- | right of heart!

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nor the hand of the wicked drive | me away.

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Office Hymn: 713 From God Can Nothing Move Me



1 From God can noth - ing move me; He will not step a - side
2 When those whom I re - gard - ed As trust - wor - thy and sure
3 The Lord my life ar - rang - es; Who can His work de - stroy?
4 Each day at His good plea - sure God's gra - cious will is done.



But gent - ly will re - prove me And be my con - stant guide.
Have long from me de - part - ed, God's grace shall still en - dure.
In His good time He chang - es All sor - row in - to joy.
He sent His great - est trea - sure In Je - sus Christ, His Son.



He stretch - es out His hand In eve - ning and in morn - ing,
He res - cues me from sin And breaks the chains that bind me.
So let me then be still: My bod - y, soul, and spir - it
He ev - 'ry gift im - parts. The bread of earth and heav - en



My life with grace a - dorn - ing Wher - ev - er I may stand.
I leave death's fear be - hind me; His peace I have with - in.
His ten - der care in - her - it Ac - cord - ing to His will.
Are by His kind - ness giv - en. Praise Him with thank - ful hearts!

5 Praise God with acclamation
And in His gifts rejoice.
Each day finds its vocation
Responding to His voice.
Soon years on earth are
past;
But time we spend expressing
The love of God brings
blessing
That will forever last!

6 Yet even though I suffer
The world's unpleasantness,
And though the days grow
rougher
And bring me great distress,
That day of bliss divine,
Which knows no end or
measure,
And Christ, who is my
pleasure,
Forever shall be mine.

△ 7 For thus the Father willed it,
Who fashioned us from clay;
And His own Son fulfilled it
And brought eternal day.
The Spirit now has come,
To us true faith has given;
He leads us home to heaven.
O praise the Three in One!

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Readings from Holy Scripture

Micah 7:18-19

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and bring the poor of the
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and say, ‘As your god lives, O Dan,’

and, ‘As the Way of Beersheba lives,’

they shall fall, and never rise again.”

Responsory *LSB 255*



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C In-to Your hands I com - mend my spir - it.

[L] You have re - deemed me, O Lord, God of truth.

[C] In - to Your hands I com - mend my spir - it.

[L] Glory be to the Fa - ther and to the Son and to the Ho - ly Spir - it.

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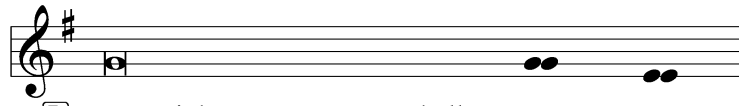
Prayer

[L] Hear my prayer, O Lord;

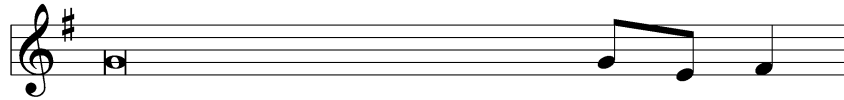
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- L** O Lord, support us all the day long of this troubled life, until the shadows lengthen and the evening comes and the busy world is hushed, the fever of life is over, and our work is done. Then, Lord, in Your mercy grant us a safe lodging and a holy rest and peace at the last; through Jesus Christ, our Lord.
- L** Be our light in the darkness, O Lord, and in Your great mercy defend us from all perils and dangers of this night; for the love of Your only Son, Jesus Christ, our Lord.
- L** Visit our dwellings, O Lord, and drive from them all the snares of the enemy; let Your holy angels dwell with us to preserve us in peace; and let Your blessing be on us always; through Jesus Christ, our Lord.
- L** Eternal God, the hours both of day and night are Yours, and to You the darkness is no threat. Be present, we pray, with those who labor in these hours of night, especially those who watch and work on behalf of others. Grant them diligence in their watching, faithfulness in their service, courage in danger, and competence in emergencies. Help them to meet the needs of others with confidence and compassion; through Jesus Christ, our Lord.

L Abide with us, Lord, for it is toward evening, and the day is far spent. Abide with us and with Your whole Church. Abide with us at the end of the day, at the end of our life, at the end of the world. Abide with us with Your grace and goodness, with Your holy Word and Sacrament, with Your strength and blessing. Abide with us when the night of affliction and temptation comes upon us, the night of fear and despair, the night when death draws near. Abide with us and with all the faithful, now and forever.

C Amen.

Lord's Prayer *LSB 257*

L Taught by our Lord and trusting His promises, we are bold to pray:

C Our Father who art in heaven,	as we forgive those
hallowed be Thy name,	who trespass against us;
Thy kingdom come,	and lead us not into
Thy will be done on earth	temptation,
as it is in heaven;	but deliver us from evil.
give us this day our daily	For Thine is the kingdom
bread;	and the power and the
and forgive us our	glory
trespasses	forever and ever. Amen.

Stand

Nunc Dimittis *LSB 258*



L Guide us wak - ing, O Lord, and guard us sleep - ing



that a-wake we may watch with Christ and asleep we may rest in peace.



Lord, now You let Your ser-vant go in peace; Your word has been ful - filled.



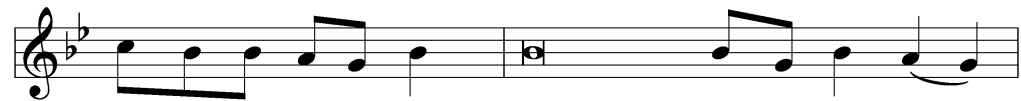
My own eyes have seen the sal - va - tion which You have prepared



in the sight of ev-'ry peo - ple: a light to reveal You to the na-tions



and the glory of Your peo - ple Is - ra - el. Glo - ry be to the



Fa - ther and to the Son and to the Ho - ly Spir - it;



as it was in the be - gin - ning, is now, and will be for -



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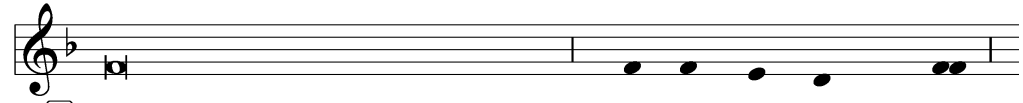


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Benediction *LSB 259*



L The almighty and merciful Lord, the Fa - ther, the † Son,



and the Holy Spir - it, bless us and keep us.



C A - men.

Hymn to Depart: 880 Now Rest beneath Night's Shadow



1 Now rest be - neath night's shad - ow The wood - land,
 2 The ra - dant sun has van - ished, Its gold - en
 3 Now all the heav'n - ly splen - dor Breaks forth in
 4 Lord Je - sus, since You love me, Now spread Your
 5 My loved ones, rest se - cure - ly, For God this



field, and mead - ow; The world in slum - ber lies.
 rays are ban - ished From dark - 'ning skies of night;
 star - light ten - der From myr - iad worlds un - known;
 wings a - bove me And shield me from a - larm.
 night will sure - ly From per - il guard your heads.



But you, my heart, a - wak - ing And prayer and mu - sic
 But Christ, the Sun of glad - ness, Dis - pel - ling all our
 And we, this mar - vel see - ing, For - get our self - ish
 Though Sa - tan would de - vour me, Let an - gel guards sing
 Sweet slum - bers may He send you And bid His hosts at -



mak - ing, Let praise to your Cre - a - tor rise.
 sad - ness, Shines down on us in warm - est light.
 be - ing, For joy of beau - ty not our own.
 o'er me: This child of God shall meet no harm.
 tend you And through the night watch o'er your beds.

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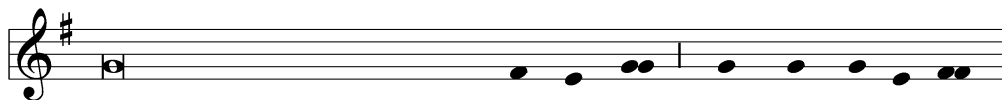
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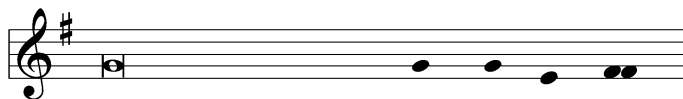
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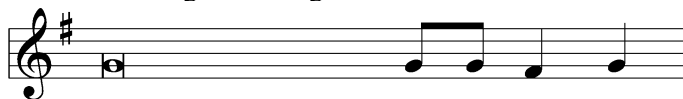
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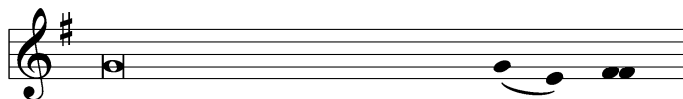
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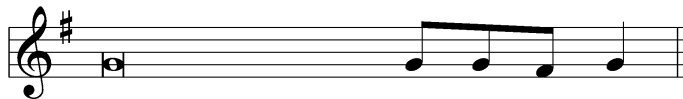
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Responsory *LSB 255*



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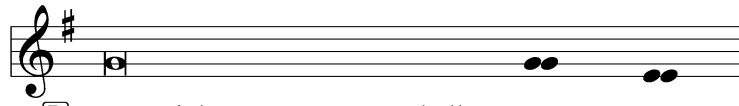
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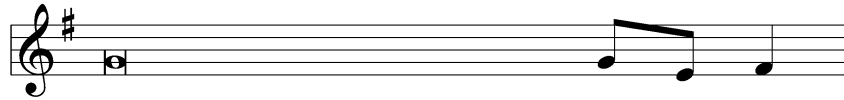
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Lord's Prayer *LSB 257*

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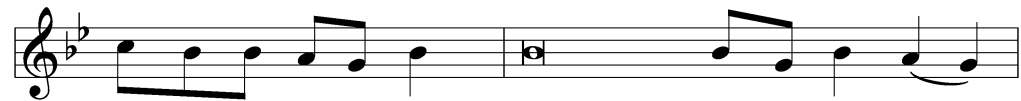
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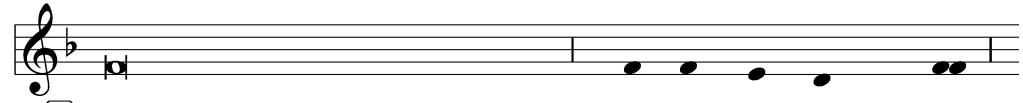


and guard us sleep - ing that a - wake we may



watch with Christ and asleep we may rest in peace.

Benediction *LSB 259*



L The almighty and merciful Lord, the Fa - ther, the † Son,



and the Holy Spir - it, bless us and keep us.



C A - men.

Hymn to Depart: 880 Now Rest beneath Night's Shadow



1 Now rest be - neath night's shad - ow The wood - land,
 2 The ra - dant sun has van - ished, Its gold - en
 3 Now all the heav'n - ly splen - dor Breaks forth in
 4 Lord Je - sus, since You love me, Now spread Your
 5 My loved ones, rest se - cure - ly, For God this



field, and mead - ow; The world in slum - ber lies.
 rays are ban - ished From dark - 'ning skies of night;
 star - light ten - der From myr - iad worlds un - known;
 wings a - bove me And shield me from a - larm.
 night will sure - ly From per - il guard your heads.



But you, my heart, a - wak - ing And prayer and mu - sic
 But Christ, the Sun of glad - ness, Dis - pel - ling all our
 And we, this mar - vel see - ing, For - get our self - ish
 Though Sa - tan would de - vour me, Let an - gel guards sing
 Sweet slum - bers may He send you And bid His hosts at -



mak - ing, Let praise to your Cre - a - tor rise.
 sad - ness, Shines down on us in warm - est light.
 be - ing, For joy of beau - ty not our own.
 o'er me: This child of God shall meet no harm.
 tend you And through the night watch o'er your beds.

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COMPLINE

Friday—Lent 3

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The congregation assembles in silence.

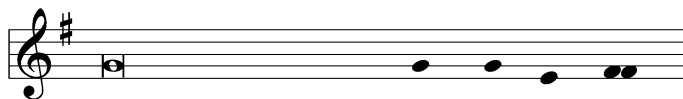
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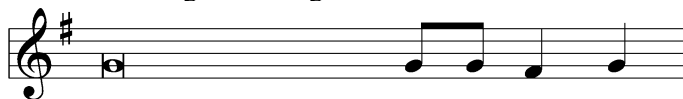
L The Lord Almighty grant us a qui - et night and peace at the last.



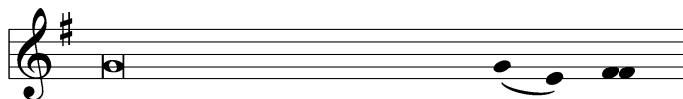
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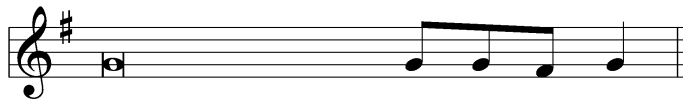
L It is good to give thanks to the Lord,



C to sing praise to Your name, O Most High;



L to herald Your love in the morn - ing,



C Your truth at the close of the day.

Confession

L Let us confess our sin in the presence of God and of one another.

Silence for self-examination.

L Holy and gracious God,

- C** I confess that I have sinned against You this day. Some of my sin I know—the thoughts and words and deeds of which I am ashamed—but some is known only to You. In the name of Jesus Christ I ask forgiveness. Deliver and restore me that I may rest in peace.
- L** By the mercy of God we are redeemed by Jesus Christ, and in Him we are forgiven. We rest now in His peace and rise in the morning to serve Him.
- C** Amen.

Stand

Psalm *Psalm 36*



¹Transgression speaks to the wicked
 deep | in his heart;*
 there is no fear of God
 be- | fore his eyes.

²**For he flatters himself in | his own eyes***
that his iniquity cannot be found out and | hated.

³The words of his mouth are trouble | and deceit;*
 he has ceased to act wisely | and do good.

⁴**He plots trouble while | on his bed;***
he sets himself in a way that is not good;
he does not reject | evil.

⁵Your steadfast love, O LORD, extends to the | heavens,*
 your faithfulness | to the clouds.

⁶**Your righteousness is like the moun- | tains of God;***
your judgments are like the great deep;
man and beast you save, | O LORD.

⁷How precious is your steadfast love, | O God!*
 The children of mankind take refuge in the shadow | of your wings.

⁸**They feast on the abundance | of your house,***
and you give them drink from the river of | your delights.

⁹For with you is the foun- | tain of life;*
in your light do | we see light.

¹⁰Oh, continue your steadfast love to those who | know you,*
and your righteousness to the up- | right of heart!

¹¹Let not the foot of arrogance come up- | on me,*
nor the hand of the wicked drive | me away.

¹²There the evildoers lie | fallen;*
they are thrust down, unable | to rise.

Sit

Office Hymn: 713 From God Can Nothing Move Me



1 From God can noth - ing move me; He will not step a - side
2 When those whom I re - gard - ed As trust - wor - thy and sure
3 The Lord my life ar - rang - es; Who can His work de - stroy?
4 Each day at His good plea - sure God's gra - cious will is done.



But gent - ly will re - prove me And be my con - stant guide.
Have long from me de - part - ed, God's grace shall still en - dure.
In His good time He chang - es All sor - row in - to joy.
He sent His great - est trea - sure In Je - sus Christ, His Son.



He stretch - es out His hand In eve - ning and in morn - ing,
He res - cues me from sin And breaks the chains that bind me.
So let me then be still: My bod - y, soul, and spir - it
He ev - 'ry gift im - parts. The bread of earth and heav - en



My life with grace a - dorn - ing Wher - ev - er I may stand.
I leave death's fear be - hind me; His peace I have with - in.
His ten - der care in - her - it Ac - cord - ing to His will.
Are by His kind - ness giv - en. Praise Him with thank - ful hearts!

5 Praise God with acclamation
And in His gifts rejoice.
Each day finds its vocation
Responding to His voice.
Soon years on earth are
past;
But time we spend expressing
The love of God brings
blessing
That will forever last!

6 Yet even though I suffer
The world's unpleasantness,
And though the days grow
rougher
And bring me great distress,
That day of bliss divine,
Which knows no end or
measure,
And Christ, who is my
pleasure,
Forever shall be mine.

△ 7 For thus the Father willed it,
Who fashioned us from clay;
And His own Son fulfilled it
And brought eternal day.
The Spirit now has come,
To us true faith has given;
He leads us home to heaven.
O praise the Three in One!

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Readings from Holy Scripture

Micah 7:18-19

God's Steadfast Love and Compassion

¹⁸Who is a God like you, pardoning iniquity
and passing over transgression
for the remnant of his inheritance?

He does not retain his anger forever,
because he delights in steadfast love.

¹⁹He will again have compassion on us;
he will tread our iniquities under foot.

You will cast all our sins
into the depths of the sea.

Silence for reflection.

Reading *Amos 8*
The Coming Day of Bitter Mourning

¹This is what the Lord GOD
showed me: behold, a basket
of summer fruit. ²And he said,
“Amos, what do you see?”
And I said, “A basket of
summer fruit.” Then the
LORD said to me,

“The end has come upon my
people Israel;

I will never again pass by
them.

³The songs of the temple shall
become wailings in that day,”
declares the Lord GOD.

“So many dead bodies!”

“They are thrown
everywhere!”

“Silence!”

⁴Hear this, you who trample
on the needy

and bring the poor of the
land to an end,

⁵saying, “When will the new
moon be over,

that we may sell grain?

And the Sabbath,
that we may offer wheat for
sale,
that we may make the ephah
small and the shekel great
and deal deceitfully with
false balances,
⁶that we may buy the poor for
silver
and the needy for a pair of
sandals
and sell the chaff of the
wheat?”

⁷The LORD has sworn by the
pride of Jacob:

“Surely I will never forget any
of their deeds.

⁸Shall not the land tremble on
this account,

and everyone mourn who
dwells in it,

and all of it rise like the Nile,

and be tossed about and
sink again, like the Nile of
Egypt?”

⁹“And on that day,” declares the Lord GOD,

“I will make the sun go down at noon

and darken the earth in broad daylight.

¹⁰I will turn your feasts into mourning

and all your songs into lamentation;

I will bring sackcloth on every waist

and baldness on every head;

I will make it like the mourning for an only son

and the end of it like a bitter day.

¹¹“Behold, the days are coming,” declares the Lord GOD,

“when I will send a famine on the land—

not a famine of bread, nor a thirst for water,

but of hearing the words of the LORD.

¹²They shall wander from sea to sea,

and from north to east; they shall run to and fro, to seek the word of the LORD,

but they shall not find it.

¹³“In that day the lovely virgins and the young men

shall faint for thirst.

¹⁴Those who swear by the Guilt of Samaria,

and say, ‘As your god lives, O Dan,’

and, ‘As the Way of Beersheba lives,’

they shall fall, and never rise again.”

Responsory *LSB 255*



L In-to Your hands, O Lord, I com - mend my spir - it.



C In-to Your hands I com - mend my spir - it.

[L] You have re - deemed me, O Lord, God of truth.

[C] In - to Your hands I com - mend my spir - it.

[L] Glory be to the Fa - ther and to the Son and to the Ho - ly Spir - it.

[C] In - to Your hands I com - mend my spir - it.

Kneel/Stand

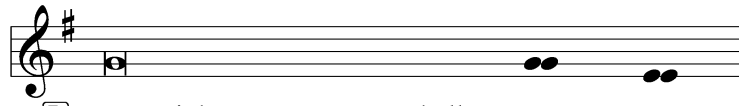
Prayer

[L] Hear my prayer, O Lord;

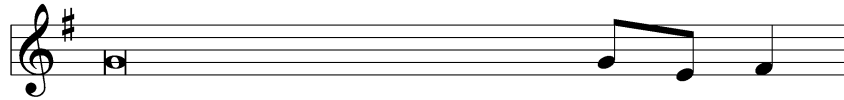
[C] listen to my cry.

[L] Keep me as the apple of Your eye;

[C] hide me in the shadow of Your wings.



L In righteousness I shall see You;



C when I awake, Your presence will give me joy.

One or more of the following are prayed.

- L** Be present, merciful God, and protect us through the hours of this night, so that we who are wearied by the changes and chances of life may find our rest in You; through Jesus Christ, our Lord.
- L** O Lord, support us all the day long of this troubled life, until the shadows lengthen and the evening comes and the busy world is hushed, the fever of life is over, and our work is done. Then, Lord, in Your mercy grant us a safe lodging and a holy rest and peace at the last; through Jesus Christ, our Lord.
- L** Be our light in the darkness, O Lord, and in Your great mercy defend us from all perils and dangers of this night; for the love of Your only Son, Jesus Christ, our Lord.
- L** Visit our dwellings, O Lord, and drive from them all the snares of the enemy; let Your holy angels dwell with us to preserve us in peace; and let Your blessing be on us always; through Jesus Christ, our Lord.
- L** Eternal God, the hours both of day and night are Yours, and to You the darkness is no threat. Be present, we pray, with those who labor in these hours of night, especially those who watch and work on behalf of others. Grant them diligence in their watching, faithfulness in their service, courage in danger, and competence in emergencies. Help them to meet the needs of others with confidence and compassion; through Jesus Christ, our Lord.

L Abide with us, Lord, for it is toward evening, and the day is far spent. Abide with us and with Your whole Church. Abide with us at the end of the day, at the end of our life, at the end of the world. Abide with us with Your grace and goodness, with Your holy Word and Sacrament, with Your strength and blessing. Abide with us when the night of affliction and temptation comes upon us, the night of fear and despair, the night when death draws near. Abide with us and with all the faithful, now and forever.

C Amen.

Lord's Prayer *LSB 257*

L Taught by our Lord and trusting His promises, we are bold to pray:

C Our Father who art in heaven, hallowed be Thy name, Thy kingdom come, Thy will be done on earth as it is in heaven; give us this day our daily bread; and forgive us our trespasses	as we forgive those who trespass against us; and lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For Thine is the kingdom and the power and the glory forever and ever. Amen.
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Stand

Nunc Dimittis *LSB 258*



L Guide us wak - ing, O Lord, and guard us sleep - ing



that a-wake we may watch with Christ and asleep we may rest in peace.



Lord, now You let Your ser-vant go in peace; Your word has been ful - filled.



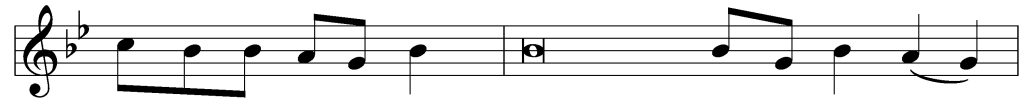
My own eyes have seen the sal - va - tion which You have prepared



in the sight of ev-'ry peo - ple: a light to reveal You to the na-tions



and the glory of Your peo - ple Is - ra - el. Glo - ry be to the



Fa - ther and to the Son and to the Ho - ly Spir - it;



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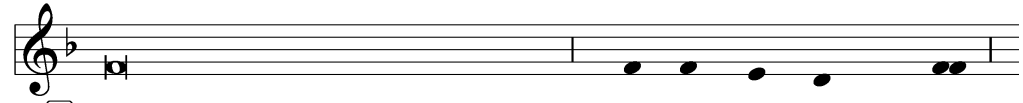


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