

Holden Evening Prayer

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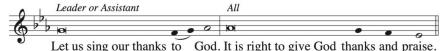
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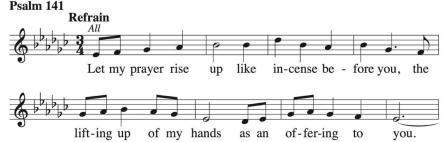




Leader Blessed are you, Creator of the universe, from old you have led your people by night and day. May the light of your Christ make our darkness bright, for your Word and your presence are the light of our pathways, and you are the light and life of all creation.



2. PSALMODY, READINGS AND CANTICLES









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

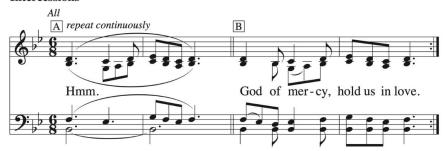
Leader An angel went from God to a town called Nazareth to a woman whose name was Mary. The angel said to her, "Rejoice, O highly favored, for God is with you. You shall bear a child, and his name shall be Jesus, the Chosen One of God Most High." And Mary said, "I am the servant of my God, I live to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

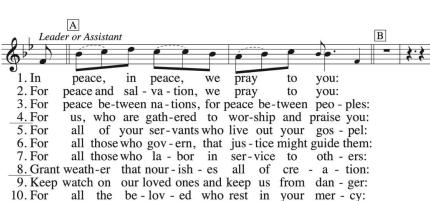
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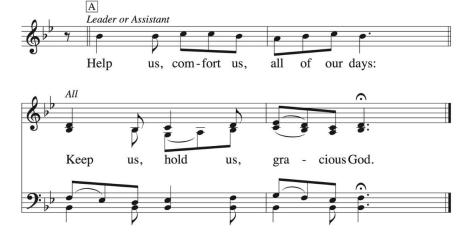


3. LITANY AND PRAYERS

Intercessions







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.



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

ALTERNATE PSALMS TO YOU, O GOD, I LIFT UP MY SOUL



Silence for meditation

Leader God of grace and mercy,
you are the refuge of all who seek you,
you are the shelter of all who wait in hope for you.
Set our feet firmly on your pathway,
and guide us by the light of your truth,
so that we might faithfully follow you
all the days of our lives.
We ask this through Jesus, the Christ.

All Amen.

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O FAITHFUL GOD



to all who turn to you.

Create within us hearts of love and compassion.

Place in us spirits that are eager to live with integrity.

Give us voice to sing to you with gratitude and to proclaim you with courage and conviction.

We ask this through Jesus, the Christ.

All Amen.

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WITH ALL MY BEING, I WAIT



Silence for meditation

Leader Patient and ever-present God,
you are loving and forgiving to all.
Hear our voices
amidst the darkness,
in the silence,
from the depths of our hearts.
As we wait and watch
for the dawning of your light in us,
show us your mercy and compassion.
Show us Jesus, your Son, our Savior.

All Amen.

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