

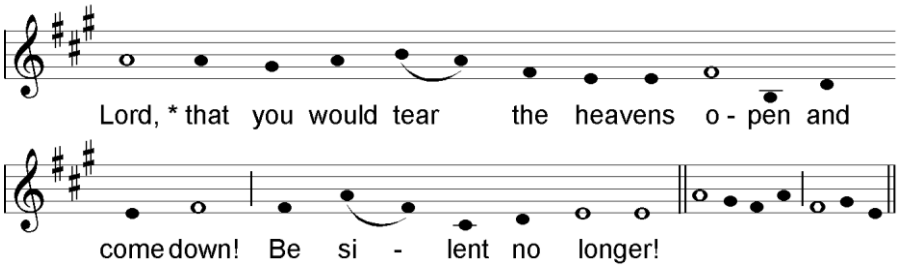
O God, come to our aid,
O Lord, make haste to help us.
Glory be to the Father and to the Son and to the Holy Spirit,
as it was in the beginning, is now
and shall be for ever, amen. Alleluia!

HYMN

'Creator of the stars of night'

Psalms of the day, with the following antiphons:

ANTIPHON 1



Lord, * that you would tear the heavens o - pen and
come down! Be si - lent no longer!

The musical notation for Antiphon 1 is written on two staves in treble clef with a key signature of three sharps (F#, C#, G#). The melody consists of quarter and eighth notes, with a double bar line after the first line. The lyrics are placed below the notes.

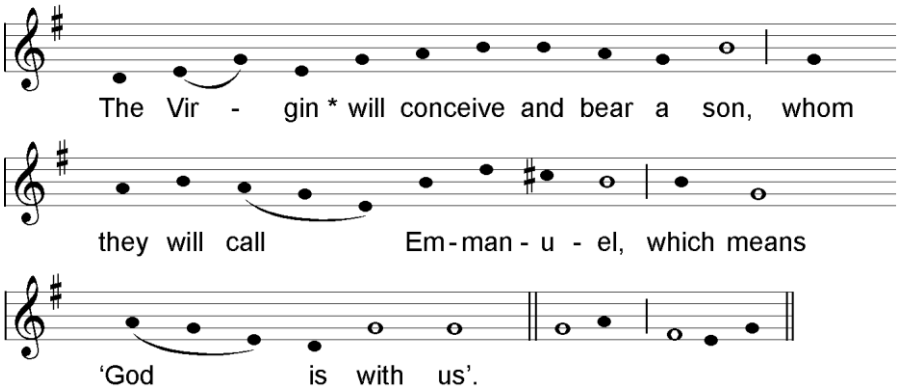
ANTIPHON 2



Courage! * Do not be afraid! Look, your God is
coming to save you!

The musical notation for Antiphon 2 is written on two staves in treble clef with a key signature of one flat (Bb). The melody consists of quarter and eighth notes, with a double bar line after the first line. The lyrics are placed below the notes.

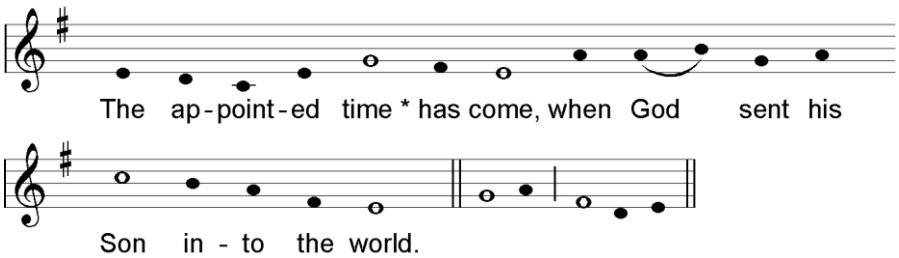
ANTIPHON 3



The Vir - gin * will conceive and bear a son, whom
they will call Em-man - u - el, which means
'God is with us'.

The image shows three staves of musical notation in G major (one sharp). The first staff contains the melody for 'The Vir - gin * will conceive and bear a son, whom'. The second staff continues with 'they will call Em-man - u - el, which means'. The third staff concludes with ''God is with us'. The music uses a treble clef and a key signature of one sharp (F#).

ANTIPHON 4



The ap-point-ed time * has come, when God sent his
Son in - to the world.

The image shows two staves of musical notation in G major (one sharp). The first staff contains the melody for 'The ap-point-ed time * has come, when God sent his'. The second staff concludes with 'Son in - to the world'. The music uses a treble clef and a key signature of one sharp (F#).

SCRIPTURE READING

RESPONSORY

Let us see your mercy, Lord, and grant us your salvation. *(repeat)*

Restore again our, life, O God.

And grant us your salvation.

Glory be to the Father and to the Son and to the Holy Spirit.

Let us see your mercy, Lord, and grant us your salvation.


23 December

MAGNIFICAT

(Luke 1: 46–55)

¶ Emmanuel, our king and lawgiver,
for whom the peoples are waiting, and
their Saviour: come to save us, Lord
our God!

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Emmá-nu-el, * Rex et lé-gi-fer noster, exspe-
ctá-ti-o génti-um, et Salvá-tor e-á-rum: ve-ni ad
salvá-ndum nos Dó-mi-ne De-us noster. E u o u a e.

Magnificat * anima meà Dominum:

et exsultavit spiritus meus * in Deo salutarè meo.

Quia respexit humilitatem ancillæ suæ, * ecce enim ex hoc
beatam me dicent omnes generationes.

Quia fecit mihi magna qui potens est, * et sanctum nomèn
ejus.

Et misericordia ejus a progenie in progenies, * timentibùs eum.

Fecit potentiam in brachio suo; * dispersit superbos mente
cordis sui.

Deposuit potentes de sede, * et exaltavit humiles.

Esurientes implevit bonis, * et divites dimisit inanes.

Suscepit Israel puerum suum, * recordatus misericordiæ suæ,

Sicut locutus est ad patres nostros, * Abraham et semini ejus
in sæcula.

Gloria Patri et Filio, * et Spirituì Sancto,

Sicut erat in principio et nunc et semper, * et in sæcula
sæculorùm, amen.

REPEAT ANTIPHON