

*The service concludes with the Song of Simeon with this Antiphon, which is sung or said by all*

Guide us waking, O Lord, and |guard us |sleeping; \*  
that awake we may watch with Christ, and a|sleep · we may |rest in |peace.

*In Easter Season, add* Alleluia, alle|luia, |alle|luia.

✠ Lord, you now have set your |servant |free \*  
to go in |peace as |you have |promised;

For these eyes of mine have |seen the |Savior, \*  
whom you have prepared for |all the |world to |see:

A Light to en|lighten · the |nations, \*  
and the |glory · of your |people |Israel.

Glory to the Father and |to the |Son \*  
and |to the |Holy |Spirit;  
as it was in the be|ginning · is |now \*  
and |will · be for |ever. · A|men. R̄

*All repeat the Antiphon*

Guide us waking, O Lord, and |guard us |sleeping; \*  
that awake we may watch with Christ, and a|sleep · we may |rest in |peace.

*In Easter Season, add* Alleluia, alle|luia, |alle|luia.

*Officiant* Let us bless the Lord.  
*People* Thanks be to God.

*The Officiant concludes*

The almighty and merciful Lord, ✠ Father, Son, and Holy Spirit, bless us and keep us. *Amen.*

# An Order for Compline

*The Officiant begins*

✠ The Lord Almighty grant us a peaceful night and a perfect end. *Amen.*

Be sober, be watchful. Your adversary the devil prowls around like a roaring lion, seeking someone to devour. Resist him, firm in your faith.

*1 Peter 5:8 9a*

Ÿ. But you, O Lord, have mercy upon us.

R̄. Thanks be to God.

Ÿ. Our help is in the Name of the Lord;

R̄. The maker of heaven and earth.

*The Officiant may then say* Let us confess our sins to God.

*Silence is kept*

*All* Almighty God, our heavenly Father:  
We have sinned against you, through our own fault,  
in thought, and word, and deed,  
and in what we have left undone.  
For the sake of your Son our Lord Jesus Christ,  
forgive us all our offenses;  
and grant that we may serve you in newness of life,  
to the glory of your Name. Amen.

*Officiant* May the Almighty God grant us ✠ forgiveness of all our sins,  
and the grace and comfort of the Holy Spirit. *Amen.*

*Officiant* O God, make speed to save us.  
*People* O Lord, make haste to help us.

*All* 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.  
*Except in Lent, add* Alleluia.

# The Psalms

## Sunday

104 *Benedic, anima mea*

### *Antiphon*

O LORD my God, you are clothed with |majesty · and |splendor; \*  
you wrap yourself with |light as |with a |cloak.

*Advent* Behold, the LORD will come, and all his |saints |with him, \*  
and on that day there will be a great |light, |halle |lujah.

*Christmas* What a great mystery, what a |wonder |ful sign;  
that animals should see the Lord,  
new-born, |lying |in a |manger.

*Epiphany* Springs of water were made holy as the Messiah  
revealed his |glory · to the |world. \*  
Draw water from the fountain of the Savior, for Christ our  
God has |hallowed |all cre |ation.

*Easter* Through Christ and in Christ were all |things cre |ated; \*  
he is the image of the invisible God, and the first-born of all  
cre |ation, |halle |lujah.

*Ascension/ Pentecost* Send forth your |Spirit, · O |LORD, \*  
and renew the face of the |earth, |halle |lujah.

- 1 Bless the LORD, |O my |soul; \*  
O LORD my God, how excellent is your greatness!  
you are |clothed with |majesty · and |splendor.
- 2 You wrap yourself with |light as · with a |cloak \*  
and spread out the |heavens |like a |curtain.
- 20 You appointed the moon to |mark the |seasons, \*  
and the sun |knows the |time of · its |setting.
- 21 You make darkness that it |may be |night, \*  
in which all the |beasts · of the |forest |prowl.
- 22 The lions roar |after · their |prey \*  
and |seek their |food from |God.
- 23 The sun rises, and they |slip a |way \*  
and |lay them-selves |down in · their |dens.
- 24 Man goes |forth · to his |work \*  
and to his |labor · un |til the |evening. [R]

### *Lent*

Almighty God, may we, by the prayer and discipline of Lent, enter into the  
mystery of Christ's sufferings; that by following in the Way, we may come to  
share in the glory; through Jesus Christ our Lord. *Amen.*

### *Holy Week*

Almighty God, as we stand at the foot of the cross of your Son, help us to  
see and know your love for us, so that in humility, love and joy we may place  
at his feet all that we have and all that we are; through Jesus Christ our  
Savior. *Amen.*

### *Easter*

Almighty God, by triumphing over the powers of darkness Christ has  
prepared a place for us in the new Jerusalem: may we, who have this day  
given thanks for his resurrection, praise him in the eternal city  
of which he is the light; through Jesus Christ our Lord. *Amen.*

### *Ascension through Pentecost*

Come, O Spirit of God, and make within us your dwelling place and home.  
May our darkness be dispelled by your light, and our troubles calmed by your  
peace; may all evil be redeemed by your love, all pain transformed through  
the suffering of Christ, and all dying glorified in his risen life.

### *All Saints' through Advent*

God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ, bring us to the dwelling which  
your Son is preparing for all who love you; give us the will each day to live in  
life eternal; let our citizenship be in heaven with the blessed, with the whole  
company of the redeemed and with countless angels, praising, worshipping  
and adoring your Son, our Lord Jesus Christ, who sits upon the throne for  
ever and ever. *Amen.*

### *One of the following prayers may be added*

Keep watch, dear Lord, with those who work, or watch, or weep this night,  
and give your angels charge over those who sleep. Tend the sick, Lord  
Christ; give rest to the weary, bless the dying, soothe the suffering, pity the  
afflicted, shield the joyous; and all for your love's sake. *Amen.*

O God, your unfailing providence sustains the world we live in and the life  
we live: Watch over those, both night and day, who work while others sleep,  
and grant that we may never forget that our common life depends upon each  
other's toil; through Jesus Christ our Lord. *Amen.*

*Silence may be kept, and free intercessions and thanksgivings may be offered.*

Be present, O merciful God, and protect us through the hours of this night, so that we who are wearied by the changes and chances of this life may rest in your eternal changelessness; through Jesus Christ our Lord. *Amen.*

Visit this place, O Lord, and drive far from it all snares of the enemy; let your holy angels dwell with us to preserve us in peace; and let your blessing be upon us always; through Jesus Christ our Lord. *Amen.*

Stay with us, O God, this night, so that by your strength we may rise with the new day to rejoice in the resurrection of your Son, Jesus Christ our Savior. *Amen*

Lord Jesus, stay with us, for night is at hand and the day is past; be our companion in the way, kindle our hearts, and awaken hope, that we may know you as you are revealed in Scripture and the breaking of bread. Grant this for the sake of your love. *Amen.*

Yours, O Lord, is the day, yours also is the night; cover our sins with your mercy as you cover the earth with darkness; and grant that the Sun of Righteousness may ever shine in our hearts, to chase away the darkness of all evil thoughts; through Jesus Christ our Lord.

O God, with whom there is no darkness, but the night shines as the day: Keep and defend us and all your children throughout the coming night. Renew our hearts with your forgiveness, and our bodies with untroubled sleep, that we may wake to use more faithfully your gift of life, through Jesus Christ our Lord. *Amen.*

O God, the strength of them that labor and the rest of the weary: Grant us when we are tired with our work to be recreated by your Spirit; that being renewed for the service of your kingdom, we may serve you gladly in freshness of body and mind; through Jesus Christ our Lord. *Amen.*

#### *Advent*

Stir up your power, O God, and come among us. Heal our wounds, calm our fears and give us peace; through Jesus our Redeemer. *Amen.*

#### *Christmas*

We give you thanks, O God, for the gift to the world of our Redeemer; as we sing your glory at the close of this day, so may we know his presence in our hearts, who is our Savior and our Lord, now and for ever. *Amen.*

#### *Epiphany*

King of kings and Lord of lords, making the true light to shine: lighten our darkness now and evermore that with our lips and in our lives we may praise you; for you are our God, now and for ever. *Amen.*

25 O LORD, how | manifold · are your | works! \*  
in wisdom you have made them all;  
the | earth is | full of · your | creatures.

26 Yonder is the great and wide sea  
with its living things too | many · to | number, \*  
— | creatures · both | small and | great.

27 There move the ships, and there is | that Le|viathan, \*  
which | you have | made · for the | sport of it.

28 All of them | look to | you \*  
to give them their | food in | due | season.

29 You give it to | them; they | gather it; \*  
you open your hand, and | they are | filled with | good things.

30 You hide your face, and | they are | terrified; \*  
you take away their breath,  
and they | die · and re|turn to · their | dust.

31 You send forth your Spirit, and | they are · cre|ated; \*  
and so you re|new the | face of · the | earth. [R]

32 May the glory of the LORD en|dure for | ever; \*  
may the LORD re|joice in | all his | works.

33 He looks at the | earth · and it | trembles; \*  
he touches the | mountains | and they | smoke.

34 I will sing to the LORD as | long as · I | live; \*  
I will praise my | God · while I | have my | being.

35 May these words of | mine | please him; \*  
I will re|joice | in the | LORD.

36 Let sinners be consumed | out of · the | earth, \*  
and the | wicked | be no | more.

37 Bless the LORD, | O my | soul. \*  
— | Halle|lu|jah! [R]

Glory to the Father and | to the | Son \*  
and | to the | Holy | Spirit;  
as it was in the be|ginning · is | now \*  
and | will · be for | ever. · A | men. R

*Officiant*

*Creator God, send your Holy Spirit to renew this living world,  
that the whole creation, in its groaning and striving,  
may know your loving purpose and come to reflect your glory;  
in Jesus Christ our Lord.*

## Monday

### 4 *Cum invocarem*

#### *Antiphon*

Have mercy on | me, O | LORD,\* and | hear | my | prayer.

*Advent* Answer me when I | call, O | God,\*  
de | fender | of my | cause.

*Christmas* Know | that the | LORD \* does | wonders | for the | faithful.

*Epiphany* Lift up the | light of · your | countenance \*  
up | on | us, O | Lord.

*Lent* Tremble, then, and | do not | sin. \*  
Put your | trust | in the | Lord.

*Holy Week* You | mortals, · how | long; \*  
will you dis | honor | my | glory.

*Easter* You have put gladness in my | heart, O | LORD; \*  
— | hal | le | lujah.

*Ascension/ Pentecost* Rise | up, O | LORD; \*  
set me free, O my | God, | halle | lujah.

- 1 Answer me when I call, O God, de | fender · of my | cause; \*  
you set me free when I am hard-pressed;  
have mercy on | me and | hear my | prayer.
- 2 “You mortals, how long will you dis | honor · my | glory; \*  
how long will you worship dumb idols and | run · after | false | gods?”
- 3 Know that the LORD does | wonders · for the | faithful; \*  
when I call upon the | LORD, | he will | hear me.
- 4 Tremble, then, and | do not | sin; \*  
speak to your heart in | silence · up | on your | bed. [R]
- 5 Offer the ap | pointed | sacrifices \*  
and | put your | trust in · the | LORD.
- 6 Many are saying, “Oh, that we might see | better | times!” \*  
Lift up the light of your | countenance · up | on us, · O | LORD.
- 7 You have put | gladness · in my | heart, \*  
more than when grain and | wine and | oil in | crease.
- 8 I lie down in peace; at once I | fall a | sleep; \*  
for only you, LORD, | make me | dwell in | safety. [R]

*A hymn suitable for the evening may be said or sung.*

## The Prayers

☩. Into your hands, O Lord, I commend my spirit; [ES, Alleluia, Alleluia]

℞. *Into your hands, O Lord, I commend my spirit; [ES, Alleluia, Alleluia]*

☩. For you have redeemed me, O Lord, O God of truth.

℞. *Into your hands, O Lord, I commend my spirit; [ES, Alleluia, Alleluia]*

☩. Glory to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Spirit.

℞. *Into your hands, O Lord, I commend my spirit; [ES, Alleluia, Alleluia]*

☩. Keep us, O Lord, as the apple of your eye;

℞. *Hide us under the shadow of your wings.*

*Officiant* Lord, have mercy.

*People* Christ, have mercy.

*Officiant* Lord, have mercy.

*Officiant and People*

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.

*Officiant* Lord, hear our prayer;

*People* And let our cry come to you.

*Officiant* Let us pray.

*The Officiant then says one or more of the following Collects*

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, our Savior Jesus Christ. *Amen.*

Look down, O Lord, from your heavenly throne, and illumine this night with your celestial brightness; that by night as by day your people may glorify your holy Name; through Jesus Christ our Lord. *Amen.*

### *Advent*

Keep awake – for you do not know when the master of the house will come, in the evening, or at midnight, or at cockcrow, or at dawn, or else he may find you asleep when he comes suddenly. And what I say to you I say to all: Keep awake. *Mark 13.35ff*

### *Christmas*

In him was life and the life was the light of all people. The light shines in the darkness and the darkness did not overcome it. *John 1.4,5*

### *Epiphany*

The grace of God has appeared, bringing salvation to all. *Titus 2.11*

### *Lent*

Is not this the fast that I choose: to loose the bonds of injustice, to undo the thongs of the yoke, to let the oppressed go free, and to break every yoke? Is it not to share your bread with the hungry, and bring the homeless poor into your house; when you see the naked, to cover them, and not to hide yourself from your own kin? *Isaiah 58.6, 7*

### *Holy Week*

I will pour out a spirit of compassion and supplication on the house of David and the inhabitants of Jerusalem, so that, when they look on the one whom they have pierced, they shall mourn for him, as one mourns for an only child, and weep bitterly over him, as one weeps over a firstborn. *Zechariah 12.10*

### *Easter*

The servants of the Lamb shall see the face of God, whose name will be on their foreheads. There will be no more night: they will not need the light of a lamp or the light of the sun, for God will be their light, and they will reign for ever and ever. *Revelation 22.4, 5*

### *Ascension through Pentecost*

I will pour out my spirit on all flesh; your sons and your daughters shall prophesy. The old shall dream dreams and the young shall see visions. *Joel 2.28*

### *All Saints' through Advent*

The one who endures to the end will be saved. And this good news of the kingdom will be proclaimed throughout the world, as a testimony to all the nations. *Matthew 24.13,14a*

Glory to the Father and | to the | Son \*  
and | to the | Holy | Spirit;  
as it was in the be | ginning · is | now \*  
and | will · be for | ever. · A | men. R̄

*Officiant* Give us, O God, a glad heart and a clear conscience, that as we come to this day's end we may rest in peace with Christ our Lord.

## 134 *Ecce nunc*

### *Antiphon*

Lift up your hands in the | holy | place \* and | bless | the | LORD.

*Advent* I will not cease to plead with | God for | Zion \*  
until he sends his Holy One in | all his | radi-ant | beauty.

*Christmas* Today the Christ is born; today the Savior has appeared;  
today on earth angels are singing, arch | angels · re | joicing; \*  
today the righteous exult and say: Glory to God in the  
| highest, | halle | lujah.

*Epiphany* From the rising of the | sun · to its | setting \*  
my name is great among the | nations, | says the | Lord.

*Lent* A broken and | contrite | heart, \*  
O | God, · you will | not de | spise.

*Easter* The LORD who made | heaven · and | earth \*  
bless you out of | Zion, | halle | lujah.

*Ascension/ Pentecost* Come Father of the poor, come | giver · of | gifts; \*  
come light of our | hearts, | halle | lujah.

- 1 Behold now, bless the LORD, all you | servants · of the | LORD, \*  
you that stand by | night · in the | house · of the | LORD.
- 2 Lift up your hands in the holy place and | bless the | LORD; \*  
the LORD who made heaven and earth | bless you | out of | Zion. [R̄]

Glory to the Father and | to the | Son \*  
and | to the | Holy | Spirit;  
as it was in the be | ginning · is | now \*  
and | will · be for | ever. · A | men. R̄

*Officiant* Guard all your household, Lord, through the dark night of faith,  
and purify the hearts of those who wait on you, until your kingdom  
dawns with the rising of your Son, Christ, the morning star.

## Tuesday

143 *Domine, exaudi*

### *Antiphon*

I spread out my hands to |you, O |LORD; \*  
do not |hide your |face |from me.

### *Advent*

Let me hear of your  
loving-kindness |in the |morning; \*  
for I |put my |trust in |you.

### *Christmas*

He shall stand firm and shepherd his flock  
by the |strength of · the |Lord; \*  
in the majestic |name · of the |Lord, his |God.

### *Epiphany*

I will gather you, O Jacob, each and |every |one \*  
I will assemble |all the |remnant of |Israel.

### *Lent*

Enter not into judgment  
with your |servant, · O |LORD, \*  
for in your sight shall |no one |living · be |justified.

### *Holy Week*

My spirit |faints with |in me; \*  
my |heart with |in me · is |desolate.

- 1 LORD, hear my prayer,  
and in your faithfulness heed my |suppli|cations; \*  
answer |me |in your |righteousness.
- 2 Enter not into |judgment · with your |servant, \*  
for in your sight shall |no one |living · be |justified.
- 3 For my enemy has sought my life;  
he has |crushed me · to the |ground; \*  
he has made me live in dark places like |those · who are |long |dead.
- 4 My spirit |faints with |in me; \*  
my |heart with |in me · is |desolate. [R]
- 5 I remember the time past;  
I muse upon |all your |deeds; \*  
I con|sider · the |works of · your |hands.
- 6 I spread |out my |hands to you; \*  
my soul gasps to |you · like a |thirsty |land.

*Compline 6*

*Officiant*    *Keep us, good Lord, under the shadow of your mercy,  
and, as you have bound us to yourself in love,  
leave us not who call upon your name,  
but grant us your salvation,  
made known in the cross of Jesus Christ our Lord.*

## The Reading

*to which the people respond: Thanks be to God.*

### *Sunday*

The servants of the Lamb shall see the face of God, whose name will be on their foreheads. There will be no more night: they will not need the light of a lamp or the light of the sun, for God will be their light, and they will reign forever and ever. *Revelation 22.4,5*

### *Monday*

May the God of peace, who brought again from the dead our Lord Jesus, the great shepherd of the sheep, by the blood of the eternal covenant, equip you with everything good that you may do his will, working in you that which is pleasing in his sight; through Jesus Christ, to whom be glory for ever and ever. *Hebrews 13:20-21*

### *Tuesday*

Thus said the Lord God, the Holy One of Israel: In returning and rest you shall be saved; in quietness and in trust shall be your strength. *Isaiah 30.15*

### *Wednesday*

Come to me, all who labor and are heavy-laden, and I will give you rest. Take my yoke upon you, and learn from me; for I am gentle and lowly in heart, and you will find rest for your souls. For my yoke is easy, and my burden is light. *Matthew 11:28-30*

### *Thursday*

Humble yourselves under the mighty hand of God, so that he may exalt you in due time. Cast all your anxiety on him, because he cares for you. *1 Peter 5.6,7*

### *Friday*

God has destined us not for wrath but for obtaining salvation through our Lord Jesus Christ, who died for us, so that whether we are awake or asleep we may live with him. *1 Thessalonians 5.9,10*

### *Saturday*

A sabbath rest still remains for the people of God; for those who enter God's rest also cease from their labors as God did from his. Let us therefore make every effort to enter that rest. *Hebrews 4.9-11a*

- 3 He shall deliver you from the |snare of · the |hunter \*  
and |from the |deadly |pestilence.
- 4 He shall cover you with his pinions,  
and you shall find refuge |under · his |wings; \*  
his faithfulness shall |be a |shield and |buckler. [R]
- 5 You shall not be afraid of any |terror · by |night, \*  
nor of the |arrow · that |flies by |day;
- 6 Of the plague that |stalks · in the |darkness, \*  
nor of the sickness that |lays |waste at |mid-day.
- 7 A thousand shall fall at your side  
and ten thousand at |your right |hand, \*  
but |it shall |not come |near you.
- 8 Your eyes have |only · to be |hold \*  
to |see the · re|ward of · the |wicked. [R]
- 9 Because you have made the |LORD your |refuge, \*  
and the Most |High your |habi|tation,
- 10 There shall no evil |happen · to |you, \*  
neither shall any |plague come |near your |dwelling.
- 11 For he shall give his angels |charge |over you, \*  
to |keep you · in |all your |ways.
- 12 They shall |bear you · in their |hands, \*  
lest you dash your |foot a|gainst a |stone.
- 13 You shall tread upon the |lion · and |adder; \*  
you shall trample the young lion and the |serpent |under · your |feet. [R]
- 14 Because he is bound to me in love,  
therefore will |I de|liver him; \*  
I will protect him, be|cause he |knows my |Name.
- 15 He shall call upon me, and |I will |answer him; \*  
I am with him in trouble;  
I will |rescue him · and |bring him · to |honor.
- 16 With long |life · will I |satisfy him, \*  
and |show him |my sal|vation. [R]

Glory to the Father and |to the |Son \*  
and |to the |Holy |Spirit;  
as it was in the be|ginning · is |now \*  
and |will · be for |ever · A |men. R

- 7 O LORD, make haste to answer me; my |spirit |fails me; \*  
do not hide your face from me  
or I shall be like |those who · go |down to · the |Pit.
- 8 Let me hear of your loving-kindness in the morning,  
for I |put my |trust in you; \*  
show me the road that I must walk,  
for |I lift |up my |soul to you. [R]
- 9 Deliver me from my |enemies, · O |LORD, \*  
for I |flee to |you for |refuge.
- 10 Teach me to do what pleases you, for |you are · my |God; \*  
let your good Spirit |lead me · on |level |ground.
- 11 Revive me, O |LORD, · for your |Name's sake; \*  
for your righteousness' sake, |bring me |out of |trouble.
- 12 Of your goodness, destroy my enemies  
and bring all my |foes to |naught, \*  
for |truly |I am · your |servant. [R]

Glory to the Father and |to the |Son \*  
and |to the |Holy |Spirit;  
as it was in the be|ginning · is |now \*  
and |will · be for |ever · A |men. R

*Officiant*     *Jesus, our companion,  
when we are driven to despair,  
help us, to know you as our refuge,  
our way, our truth and our life.*

## Wednesday

31 *In te, Domine, speravi* (vv. 1-5; 19-end)

### *Antiphon*

Incline your ear to | me, O | Lord \* make | haste | to de|liver me.

*Advent* Be strong and let your | heart take | courage, \*  
all you who | wait | for the | LORD.

*Christmas* I will rejoice and be glad be|cause of · your | mercy, \*  
for you have seen my affliction; you | know | my | distress.

*Lent* Into | your | hands \* — | I com|mend my | spirit.

*Holy Week* My life is | wasted · with | grief, \*  
— | and my | years with | sighing.

*Easter* You have not shut me up in the | power · of the | enemy; \*  
you have set my feet in an open | place, | halle|lujah.

1 In you, O LORD, have I taken refuge; let me never be | put to | shame; \*  
de|liver · me | in your | righteousness.

2 In|cline your | ear to me; \*  
make | haste | to de|liver me.

3 Be my strong rock, a castle to keep me safe,  
for you are my | crag and · my | stronghold; \*  
for the sake of your | Name, | lead me · and | guide me.

4 Take me out of the net that they have | secret · ly | set for | me, \*  
for | you are · my | tower · of | strength.

5 Into your hands I com|mend my | spirit, \*  
for you have redeemed me, O | LORD, O | God of | truth. [R]

19 How great is your goodness, O LORD!  
which you have laid up for | those who | fear you; \*  
which you have done in the sight of all  
for those who | put their | trust in | you.

20 You hide them in the covert of your presence from | those  
who | slander | them; \*  
you keep them in your | shelter · from the | strife of | tongues.

21 Blessed | be the | LORD! \*  
for he has shown me the wonders of his | love in · a be|sieged | city.

9 My heart, therefore, is glad, and my | spirit · re|joices; \*  
my body | also · shall | rest in | hope.

10 For you will not abandon me | to the | grave, \*  
nor let your | holy · one | see the | Pit.

11 You will show me the | path of | life; \*  
in your presence there is fullness of joy,  
and in your right hand are | pleasures · for | ever|more. [R]

Glory to the Father and | to the | Son \*  
and | to the | Holy | Spirit;  
as it was in the be|ginning · is | now \*  
and | will · be for | ever. · A | men. R

*Officiant* Give to us, Lord Christ, the fullness of grace,  
your presence and your very self,  
for you are our portion and our delight, now and for ever.

## Saturday

91 *Qui habitat*

### *Antiphon*

He shall give his angels | charge | over you, \*  
to | keep you · in | all your | ways.

*Advent* The burden shall be taken | from your | shoulder \*  
and the yoke | shattered | from your | neck.

*Christmas* God sent his Son in the likeness of | sinful | flesh, \*  
in order to con|demn sin | in the | flesh.

*Epiphany* City of God, you will shine with | wondrous | light \* all the  
ends of the earth will see your | light and · a | dore the | Lord.

*Lent* In returning and rest you | shall be | saved; \*  
in quietness and in | trust shall | be your | strength.

*Easter* Because he is bound to | me in | love, \*  
therefore will I de|liver · him, | halle|lujah.

1 He who dwells in the shelter of the | Most | High, \*  
abides under the | shadow | of the · Al|mighty.

2 He shall say to the LORD,  
“You are my | refuge · and my | stronghold, \*  
my God in | whom I | put my | trust.”

## Friday

16 *Conserva me, Domine*

### *Antiphon*

My body shall rest in hope; for you will not abandon me to the grave.

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My body shall |rest in |hope; \*  
for you will not a|bandon |me to · the |grave.

*Advent* Rejoice greatly, O daughter of Jerusalem: behold, your King  
comes to |you, O |Zion: \*  
fear not, for |your sal|vation · comes |quickly.

*Christmas* My soul |glorifies · the |Lord; \*  
and my spirit re|joices · in |God my |Savior.

*Epiphany* Many nations shall join themselves to the |Lord on · that  
|day \* and they shall be his people and |he will |dwell  
a |mong you.

*Lent* Those who run after |other |gods; \*  
shall have their |troubles |multi|plied.

*Easter* You |will |show me \* the path of |life, |halle|lujah.

- 1 Protect me, O God, for I take |refuge · in |you; \*  
I have said to the LORD, “You are my Lord,  
my |good a|bove all |other.”
- 2 All my delight is upon the godly that are |in the |land, \*  
upon those who are |noble · a |mong the |people.
- 3 But those who run after |other |gods \*  
shall |have their |troubles |multiplied.
- 4 Their libations of blood I |will not |offer, \*  
nor take the names of their |gods up|on my |lips.
- 5 O LORD, you are my |portion · and my |cup; \*  
it is |you · who up|hold my |lot.
- 6 My boundaries enclose a |pleasant |land; \*  
indeed, I |have a |goodly |heritage. [R]
- 7 I will bless the LORD who |gives me |counsel; \*  
my heart teaches me, |night |after |night.
- 8 I have set the LORD |always · be|fore me; \*  
because he is at my |right hand · I |shall not |fall.

*Compline 12*

- 22 Yet I said in my alarm,  
“I have been cut off from the |sight of · your |eyes.” \*  
Nevertheless, you heard the sound of my en|treaty ·  
when |I cried |out to you. [R]
- 23 Love the LORD, all |you who |worship him; \*  
the LORD protects the faithful,  
but repays to the full |those who |act |haughtily.
- 24 Be strong and let your |heart take |courage, \*  
all |you who |wait for · the |LORD. [R]

Glory to the Father and |to the |Son \*  
and |to the |Holy |Spirit;  
as it was in the be|ginning · is |now \*  
and |will · be for |ever. · A |men. R

*Officiant* *Lord Jesus Christ,  
when scorn and shame besiege us  
and hope is veiled in grief,  
hold us in your wounded hands  
and make your face shine on us again,  
for you are our Lord and God.*

*Compline 9*

## Thursday

139 *Domine, probasti*

### *Antiphon*

Search me out, O God, and | know my | heart \*  
and lead me in the | way that · is | ever|lasting.

*Advent* The LORD will surely come and will not tarry,  
and will bring to light the hidden | things of | darkness, \*  
and will manifest himself to all | nations, | halle|lujah.

*Christmas* O marvelous exchange! Humanity's Creator has become  
human, | born of · a | virgin. \* We have been made sharers  
of the divinity of the Messiah who humbled himself to  
| share in | our hu|manity.

*Epiphany* I myself will | search for · my | sheep. \*  
I will rescue them from all the places to which they have  
been scattered on a day of | clouds and | thick | darkness.

*Lent* I, the LORD, search the mind and | test the | heart, \*  
to give to each | one · as their | deeds de|serve.

*Easter* The | night shall | be \* as clear as the | day, | halle|lujah.

1 LORD, you have searched me | out and | known me; \*  
you know my sitting down and my rising up;  
you dis|cern my | thoughts · from a | far.

2 You trace my | journeys · and my | resting-places \*  
and are ac|quainted · with | all my | ways.

3 Indeed, there is not a | word on · my | lips, \*  
but you, O LORD, | know it | alto|gether.

4 You press upon me be|hind · and be|fore \*  
and | lay your | hand up|on me.

5 Such knowledge is too | wonderful · for | me; \*  
it is so | high · that I | cannot · at|tain to it. [R]

6 Where can I go then | from your | Spirit? \*  
where can I | flee | from your | presence?

7 If I climb up to heaven, | you are | there; \*  
if I make the grave my | bed, · you are | there | also.

8 If I take the | wings of · the | morning \*  
and dwell in the | utter-most | parts of · the | sea,

9 Even there your | hand will | lead me \*  
and your | right hand | hold me | fast.

10 If I say, “Surely the | darkness · will | cover me, \*  
and the light a|round me | turn to | night,”

11 Darkness is not dark to you; the night is as | bright · as the | day; \*  
darkness and light to | you are | both a | like. [R]

12 For you yourself created my | inmost | parts; \*  
you knit me to | gether · in my | mother's | womb.

13 I will thank you because I am | marvelous-ly | made; \*  
your works are wonderful, | and I | know it | well.

14 My body was not | hidden · from | you, \*  
while I was being made in secret  
and | woven · in the | depths of · the | earth.

15 Your eyes beheld my limbs, yet unfinished in the womb;  
all of them were | written · in your | book; \*  
they were fashioned day by day,  
when as | yet | there was | none of them.

16 How deep I find your | thoughts, O | God! \*  
how | great | is the | sum of them!

17 If I were to count them, they would be more  
in | number · than the | sand; \*  
to count them all, my life span would | need to | be like | yours. [R]

22 Search me out, O God, and | know my | heart; \*  
try me and | know my | restless | thoughts.

23 Look well whether there be any | wicked-ness | in me \*  
and lead me in the | way · that is | ever|lasting. [R]

Glory to the Father and | to the | Son \*  
and | to the | Holy | Spirit;  
as it was in the be|ginning · is | now \*  
and | will · be for | ever. · A | men. R

*Officiant* *Creator God, may every breath we take be for your glory,  
may every footstep show you as our way,  
that, trusting in your presence in this world,  
we may, beyond this life, still be with you  
where you are alive and reign  
for ever and ever.*