

Saint Thomas's Church

The Fourth Sunday in Lent

Sunday, March 10, 2024

Evensong & Adoration at 5:00 pm



Christ before Pilate, Mihály Munkácsy, 1881
Déri Múzeum, Debrecen, Hungary

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Welcome!

On behalf of everyone who claims St. Thomas's as their spiritual home, we are happy you are with us, whether in person or via our livestream. If you are a visitor or newcomer, or even a longtime parishioner, but find it awkward or difficult to stand or kneel at the places indicated, remaining seated is perfectly acceptable. Please assume the posture most conducive to prayer throughout this service, or simply observe.

St. Thomas's has many peculiar ways that we cherish and are happy to share. If there seems to be no rhyme or reason for something, there might not be! But feel free to ask anyone after the service; it usually makes for entertaining conversation.

You are not obliged to engage any of us in conversation, though you should know that pretty much everyone here is happy to do so when we gather. You can always slip away without any judgement. We seem to have a lot of introverts here, so we understand the energy it takes to put yourself out there. Even if you're a raging extrovert, the experience of church can be disorienting. Relax and be yourself.

Believe it or not, whether from near or far, God has led you here today. We want to honour what God is up to in your life, and we are here for you as you (re-) discover the joy and the challenge of the saving Gospel of Jesus Christ.

Fr. Nathan Humphrey, Rector



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Officiant: Fr. Don Beyers
Organist & Choirmaster: Elizabeth Anderson
Assistant Organist & Choirmaster: Manuel Piazza

VOLUNTARY


Prelude in C Minor, BWV 546, J.S. Bach (1685-1750)

The People stand at the sound of the bell.

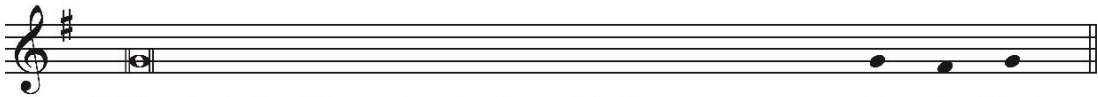
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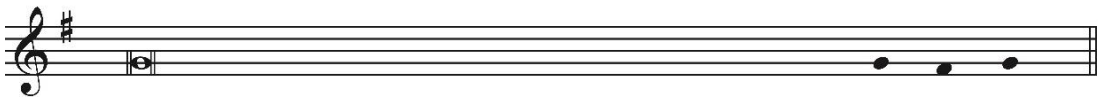
∇. O Lord, open thou our lips; R̄. And our mouth shall show forth thy praise.



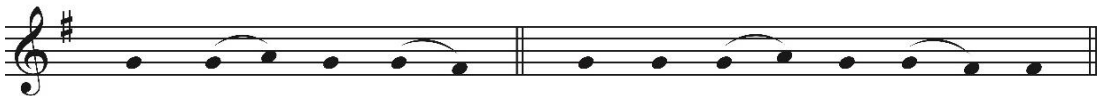
∇. O God, make speed to save us; R̄. O Lord, make haste to help us.



∇. Glory be to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Ho - ly Ghost.



R̄. As it was in the beginning, is now, and ever shall be, world without end. A - men.



∇. Praise ye — the Lord; — R̄. The Lord's name — be prais - ed.

The People sit when the Officiant sits.

PSALM 75

Confitebimur tibi.

VI.



- Cantor* 1 UN-TO thee, O God, do we **give** thanks :
People yea, unto thee **do** wē give thanks.
- 2 Thy Name also is **so** nigh : and that do thy **won**-drōus works de[^]clare.
- Cantor* 3 When I reach the appoint-**ed** time :
People I shall judge ac-**cord**-ing un-to[^] right.
- 4 Though the earth be dissolv-ed, and all the inhabitors **there**-of :
People I bear up the **pil**-lārs of it.
- Cantor* 5 I said unto the fools, ‘Deal not so **mad**-ly’ :
People and to the ungodly, ‘**Set** nōt up your[^] horn’.
- 6 Set not up your horn **on** high : and speak not **with** ä stiff neck.
- Cantor* 7 For promotion cometh neither from the east, nor from **the** west :
People nor **yet** frōm the south.
- 8 And why? God is **the** judge :
People he putteth down one, and setteth **up** än-o-ther.
- Cantor* 9 For in the hand of the Lord there is a cup, and the wine **is** red :
People it is full mix-ed, and he poureth **out** öf the same.
- 10 As for the dregs **there**-of :
People all the ungodly of the earth shall drink **them**, änd suck them[^] out.
- Cantor* 11 But I will talk of the God of **Ja**-cob : and praise **him** för ev-er.
- 12 All the horns of the ungodly also will **I** break :
People but the horns of the righteous shall **be** ëx-alt-ed.
- Cantor* Glory be to the Father, and to **the** Son : and **to** thë Ho-ly[^] Ghost;
People As it was in the beginning, is now, and ever **shall** be :
world with-**out** ënd. A-men.

PSALM 76

Notus in Judaea.

VII. 5.



- Cantor* 1 IN JU-dah **is** (-) God known :
- People* his Name is **great** in Īs-ra[^]el.
- 2 At Salem is his **tab**-er-na-cle : and his **dwel**-ling[^] in Si-on.
- Cantor* 3 There brake he the **ar**-rows of[^] the bow :
the shield, the sword, **and** the bāt-tle.
- People* 4 Glorious art thou, and **more** ma-jes-tic : than the **ev**-er-lāst-ing[^] hills.
- Cantor* 5 The stout of heart are spoil-ed, **they** have slept[^] their sleep :
and the hands of all the men of **might** have fail-ed.
- People* 6 At thy rebuke, O **God** of Ja-cob : both the chariot and **horse** are fäll-en.
- Cantor* 7 Thou, even thou **art** to[^] be fear-ed :
and who may stand in thy sight when **thou** art än-gry?
- People* 8 Thou didst cause thy judgement to be **heard** from hea-ven :
the earth **trem**-bled änd was[^] still,
- Cantor* 9 When God a-**rose** to judge-ment :
and to help all the **meek** up-ön earth.
- People* 10 The wrath of man shall **turn** to thy praise :
and the remainder of **wrath** shall hön-our[^] thee.
- Cantor* 11 Promise unto the Lord your **God**, and keep it :
let all that are round about him bring gifts,
even unto him that **ought** to[^] be fëar-ed.
- People* 12 He shall cut off the **spi**-rit[^] of prin-ces :
and is terrible unto the **kings** of thë earth.
- Cantor* Glory be to the **Fa**-ther[^] and to[^] the Son : and **to** the Hö-ly[^] Ghost;
- People* As it was in the beginning, is now, and **ev**-er shall be :
world with-**out** end. Ä-men.

The First Lesson is written in the book Genesis, in the forty-fifth chapter, beginning at the sixteenth verse.

When the news reached Pharaoh's palace that Joseph's brothers had come, Pharaoh and all his officials were pleased. Pharaoh said to Joseph, "Tell your brothers, 'Do this: Load your animals and return to the land of Canaan, and bring your father and your families back to me. I will give you the best of the land of Egypt and you can enjoy the fat of the land.'

"You are also directed to tell them, 'Do this: Take some carts from Egypt for your children and your wives, and get your father and come. Never mind about your belongings, because the best of all Egypt will be yours.'" So the sons of Israel did this. Joseph gave them carts, as Pharaoh had commanded, and he also gave them provisions for their journey. To each of them he gave new clothing, but to Benjamin he gave three hundred shekels of silver and five sets of clothes. And this is what he sent to his father: ten donkeys loaded with the best things of Egypt, and ten female donkeys loaded with grain and bread and other provisions for his journey. Then he sent his brothers away, and as they were leaving he said to them, "Don't quarrel on the way!"

So they went up out of Egypt and came to their father Jacob in the land of Canaan. They told him, "Joseph is still alive! In fact, he is ruler of all Egypt." Jacob was stunned; he did not believe them. But when they told him everything Joseph had said to them, and when he saw the carts Joseph had sent to carry him back, the spirit of their father Jacob revived. And Israel said, "I'm convinced! My son Joseph is still alive. I will go and see him before I die."

So Israel set out with all that was his, and when he reached Beersheba, he offered sacrifices to the God of his father Isaac. And God spoke to Israel in a vision at night and said, "Jacob! Jacob!"

"Here I am," he replied. "I am God, the God of your father," he said. "Do not be afraid to go down to Egypt, for I will make you into a great nation there. I will go down to Egypt with you, and I will surely bring you back again. And Joseph's own hand will close your eyes."

Then Jacob left Beersheba, and Israel's sons took their father Jacob and their children and their wives in the carts that Pharaoh had sent to transport him. So Jacob and all his offspring went to Egypt, taking with them their livestock and the possessions they had acquired in Canaan. Jacob brought with him to Egypt his sons and grandsons and his daughters and granddaughters—all his offspring.

Here endeth the First Lesson.

The People remain seated for a period of quiet reflection, standing when the Choir stands.

THE MAGNIFICAT

Fauxbourdons, Tone I, Healey Willan (1880-1968)

My soul doth magnify the Lord, / and my spirit hath rejoiced in God my Saviour.
For he hath regarded / the lowliness of his handmaiden.
For behold, from henceforth / all generations shall call me blessed.
For he that is mighty hath magnified me; / and holy is his Name.
And his mercy is on them that fear him / throughout all generations.
He hath showed strength with his arm; /
he hath scattered the proud in the imagination of their hearts.
He hath put down the mighty from their seat, /
and hath exalted the humble and meek.
He hath filled the hungry with good things; /
and the rich he hath sent empty away.
He remembering his mercy / hath holpen his servant Israel;
As he promised to our forefathers, / Abraham and his seed for ever.

Glory be to the Father, and to the Son, / and to the Holy Ghost;
As it was in the beginning, is now, and ever shall be, / world without end. Amen.

The People sit.

SECOND LESSON

Luke 23.1-25

The Second Lesson is written in the Gospel according to Luke, in the twenty-third chapter, beginning at the first verse.

Then the whole assembly rose and led Jesus off to Pilate. And they began to accuse him, saying, "We have found this man subverting our nation. He opposes payment of taxes to Caesar and claims to be Messiah, a king."

So Pilate asked Jesus, “Are you the king of the Jews?” “You have said so,” Jesus replied.

Then Pilate announced to the chief priests and the crowd, “I find no basis for a charge against this man.” But they insisted, “He stirs up the people all over Judea by his teaching. He started in Galilee and has come all the way here.” On hearing this, Pilate asked if the man was a Galilean. When he learned that Jesus was under Herod’s jurisdiction, he sent him to Herod, who was also in Jerusalem at that time.

When Herod saw Jesus, he was greatly pleased, because for a long time he had been wanting to see him. From what he had heard about him, he hoped to see him perform a sign of some sort. He plied him with many questions, but Jesus gave him no answer. The chief priests and the teachers of the law were standing there, vehemently accusing him. Then Herod and his soldiers ridiculed and mocked him. Dressing him in an elegant robe, they sent him back to Pilate. That day Herod and Pilate became friends—before this they had been enemies.

Pilate called together the chief priests, the rulers and the people, and said to them, “You brought me this man as one who was inciting the people to rebellion. I have examined him in your presence and have found no basis for your charges against him. Neither has Herod, for he sent him back to us; as you can see, he has done nothing to deserve death. Therefore, I will punish him and then release him.”

But the whole crowd shouted, “Away with this man! Release Barabbas to us!” (Barabbas had been thrown into prison for an insurrection in the city, and for murder.)

Wanting to release Jesus, Pilate appealed to them again. But they kept shouting, “Crucify him! Crucify him!” For the third time he spoke to them: “Why? What crime has this man committed? I have found in him no grounds for the death penalty. Therefore I will have him punished and then release him.” But with loud shouts they insistently demanded that he be crucified, and their shouts prevailed. So Pilate decided to grant their demand. He released the man who had been thrown into prison for insurrection and murder, the one they asked for, and surrendered Jesus to their will.

Here endeth the Second Lesson.

The People remain seated for a period of quiet reflection, standing when the Choir stands.

NUNC DIMITTIS

Fauxbourdons, Tone II, Healey Willan

Lord, now lettest thou thy servant depart in peace, / according to thy word.
For mine eyes have seen thy salvation, /
which thou hast prepared before the face of all people;
To be a light to lighten the Gentiles, / and to be the glory of thy people Israel.


Glory be to the Father, and to the Son, / and to the Holy Ghost;
As it was in the beginning, is now, and ever shall be, / world without end. Amen.

APOSTLES' CREED

The Creed is chanted on a monotone, the Officiant beginning,

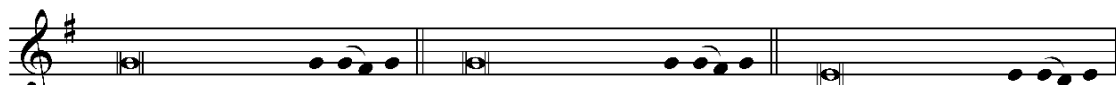
I believe in God
the Father Almighty,
Maker of heaven and earth:
And in Jesus Christ his only Son our Lord,
Who was conceived by the Holy Ghost,
Born of the Virgin Mary,
Suffered under Pontius Pilate,
Was crucified, dead, and buried:
He descended into hell;
The third day he rose again from the dead;
He ascended into heaven,
And sitteth on the right hand of God the Father Almighty;
From thence he shall come to judge the quick and the dead.
I believe in the Holy Ghost;
The holy Catholic Church;
The Communion of Saints;
The Forgiveness of sins;
The Resurrection of the body,
And the Life everlasting. Amen.

THE SALUTATION AND LESSER LITANY



♩. The Lord be ___ with ___ you; R̄. And with thy ___ spi - rit. V̄. Let us pray.

The People kneel.



V̄. Lord, have mercy up-on us. R̄. Christ, have mercy up-on us. V̄. Lord, have mercy up-on us.

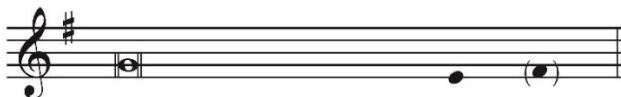
THE LORD'S PRAYER

The Lord's Prayer is chanted on a monotone, the Officiant beginning,

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 them that trespass against us; And lead us not into temptation, But deliver us from evil. Amen.

THE RESPONSES



V̄. O Lord, show thy mercy up-on us;

R̄. And grant us thy salva-tion.

V̄. O Lord, save **the** King,

R̄. And mercifully hear us when we call up-on thee.

V̄. Endue thy ministers with righ-teous-ness.

R̄. And make thy chosen people joy-ful.

V̄. O Lord, save thy peo-ple.

R̄. And bless thine inhe-ri-tance.

Ÿ. Give peace in our time, **O** Lord;
R̄. And evermore mightily defend **us**.

Ÿ. O God, make clean our hearts with-**in** us;
R̄. And take not thy Holy Spirit **from** us.

THE COLLECT OF THE DAY

Grant, we beseech thee, Almighty God, that we, who for our evil deeds do worthily deserve to be punished, by the comfort of thy grace may mercifully be relieved; through our Lord and Saviour Jesus Christ; who liveth and reigneth with thee and the Holy Spirit, one God, world without end. **Amen.**

COLLECT FOR LENT

Almighty and everlasting God, who hatest nothing that thou hast made, and dost forgive the sins of all them that are penitent: Create and make in us new and contrite hearts, that we worthily lamenting our sins, and acknowledging our wretchedness, may obtain of thee, the God of all mercy, perfect remission and forgiveness; through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

COLLECT FOR PEACE

O God, from whom all holy desires, all good counsels, and all just works do proceed: Give unto thy servants that peace which the world cannot give; that our hearts may be set to obey thy commandments, and also that by thee we being defended from the fear of our enemies may pass our time in rest and quietness; through the merits of Jesus Christ our Saviour. **Amen.**

COLLECT FOR AID AGAINST ALL PERILS

Lighten our darkness, we beseech thee, O Lord; and by thy great mercy defend us from all perils and dangers of this night; for the love of thy only Son, our Saviour Jesus Christ. **Amen.**

The People sit.

A LENT PROSE

Refrain

Cantor | *All*

Hear us, O Lord, have mer - cy up - on us:

for we have sin - ned a - gainst___ thee.

Verse 1

Lower Voices

To thee, re - deem - er,___ on thy throne of glo - ry:

lift we our weep - ing eyes in ho - ly plead - ings:

lis - ten O Je - su, to our sup - pli - ca - tions.

Refrain

All

Hear us, O Lord, have mer - cy up - on us:

for we have sin - ned a - gainst___ thee.

Verse 2*Upper Voices*

O thou chief Cor - ner - stone, Right Hand of the
 Fa - ther: Way of Sal - va - tion, Gate of Life Ce - le - stial:
 cleanse thou our sin - ful souls from all de - file - ment.

Refrain*All*

Hear us, O Lord, have mer - cy up - on us:
 for we have sin - ned a - gainst__ thee.

Verse 3*Lower Voices*

God, we im - plore thee, in thy glo - ry seat - ed:
 bow down and heark - en to thy weep - ing chil - dren:
 pi - ty and par - don all our grie - vous tres - pass - es.

Refrain*All*

Hear us, O Lord, have mer - cy up - on us:
 for we have sin - ned a - gainst__ thee.

Verse 4

Upper Voices



Sins oft com - mit - ted__ now we lay be - fore thee:



with true con - tri - tion, now no more we veil__ them:



grant us, Re - deem - er, lov - ing ab - so - lu - tion.

Refrain

All



Hear us, O Lord, have mer - cy up - on us:



for we have sin - ned a - gainst__ thee.

Verse 5

Lower Voices



In - no - cent, cap - tive, tak - en un - re - sist - ing:



false - ly ac - cused, and for us sin - ners sen - tenced,



save us, we pray thee, Je - su our Re - deem - er.

Refrain

All



Hear us, O Lord, have mer - cy up - on us:



for we have sin - ned a - gainst__ thee.

The People kneel.

CONCLUDING PRAYERS

The Officiant may say selected prayers, following which all say the General Thanksgiving.

Almighty God, Father of all mercies,

We thine unworthy servants do give thee most humble and hearty thanks For all thy goodness and loving-kindness To us and to all men; We bless thee for our creation, preservation, and all the blessings of this life; But above all for thine inestimable love In the redemption of the world by our Lord Jesus Christ; For the means of grace, And for the hope of glory. And we beseech thee, give us that due sense of all thy mercies, That our hearts may be unfeignedly thankful, And that we show forth thy praise, Not only with our lips, but in our lives; By giving up ourselves to thy service, And by walking before thee in holiness and righteousness all our days; Through Jesus Christ our Lord, To whom, with thee and the Holy Ghost, be all honour and glory, world without end. Amen.

A PRAYER OF SAINT CHRYSOSTOM

Almighty God, who hast given us grace at this time with one accord to make our common supplications unto thee; and dost promise that when two or three are gathered together in thy Name thou wilt grant their requests: Fulfil now, O Lord, the desires and petitions of thy servants, as may be most expedient for them; granting us in this world knowledge of thy truth, and in the world to come life everlasting.
Amen.

THE GRACE

The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, and the love of God, and the fellowship of the Holy Ghost, be with us all evermore. **Amen.**

2 Corinthians 13.14

The People stand.

HYMN 120

O Dearest Lord, thy sacred head



- 1 O Dearest Lord, thy sacred head
With thorns was pierced for me;
O pour thy blessing on my head
That I may think for thee.
- 2 O dearest Lord, thy sacred hands
With nails were pierced for me;
O shed thy blessing on my hands
That they may work for thee.

- 3 O dearest Lord, thy sacred feet
With nails were pierced for me;
O pour thy blessing on my feet
That they may follow thee.
- 4 O dearest Lord, thy sacred heart
With spear was pierced for me;
O pour thy spirit in my heart
That I may live for thee.

DUNFERMLINE
Scottish Psalter 1615

Father Andrew, S.D.C., 1869-1946

The People kneel at the sound of the Sanctus bells.

ADORATION

O SALUTARIS HOSTIA

VERBUM SUPERNUM

O Sa - ving Vic - tim, op' - ning wide
All praise - and thanks - to thee. as - cend
the gate of heav'n to man be - low,
for ev - er more, blest One in Three;
our foes press on from ev - 'ry side.
O grant us life that shall not end
Thine aid sup - ply, thy strength be - stow.
in our true na - tive land with thee.
A - men.

MOTET

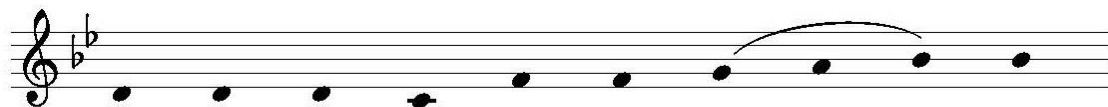
'Beati quorum via,' Charles Villiers Stanford (1852-1924)

Beati quorum via integra est, qui ambulant in lege Domini.

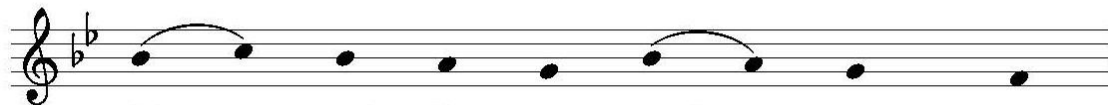
Blessèd are those that are undefiled in the way, and walk in the law of the Lord.

(Ps 119.1)

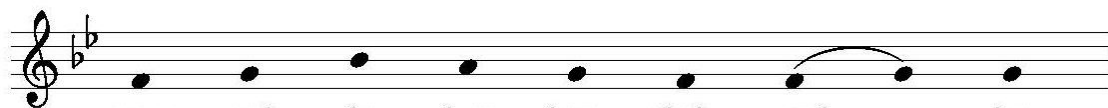
TANTUM ERGO SACRAMENTUM

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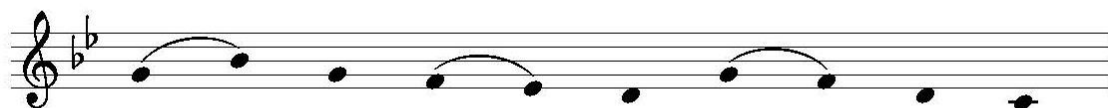
There - fore we, be - fore him bend - ing,
 Glo - ry let us give and bless - ing



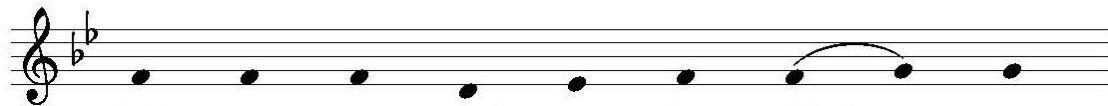
this great Sa - cra - ment re - vere;
 to the Fa - ther and the Son,



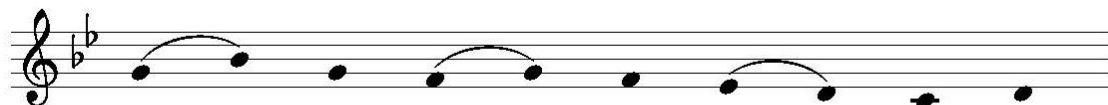
types and sha - dows have their end - ing,
 hon - our, might, and praise ad - dress - ing,



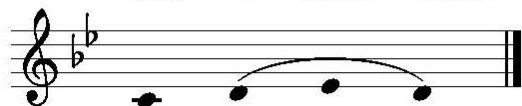
for the new - er nal rite is here;
 while e - ter - nal a - ges run;



faith, our out - ward sense be - friend - ing,
 ev - er too his love con - fess - ing,



makes our in - ward vi - sion clear.
 who from Both with Both is One.



A - men.

The People match the pitch of the Minister on the underlined syllable.

Thou gavest them Bread from heaven;
Containing in itself all sweet-ness.

COLLECT OF CORPUS CHRISTI

O God, who in a wonderful sacrament hast left unto us a memorial of thy passion: Grant us so to reverence the holy mysteries of thy Body and Blood, that we may ever know within ourselves the fruit of thy redemption; who livest and reignest with the Father in the unity of the Holy Ghost, one God, world without end. **Amen.**

PSALM 117—Laudate Dominum; *Tone VI*

Antiphon:

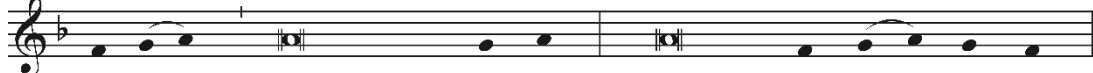
Cantor

People



Let us a - dore Christ our Lord, in the most Ho - ly Sac - ra - ment.

Tone VI



O PRÄISE the Lord, all ye **na**-tions : laud him, **all** yē peo-ples.

For his merciful kindness is ever more and more to-**wards** us :
and the truth of the Lord endureth for **ev**-ēr. Praise the[^]Lord.

Glory be to the Father, and to **the** Son : and **to** thē Ho-ly[^]Ghost;

As it was in the beginning, is now, and ever **shall** be :
world with-**out** end. A-men.

All repeat the Antiphon from the beginning.

The People remain kneeling as the Sacrament is carried to the Lady Altar and reposed.

The People rise at the sound of the Sanctus bells.

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