


COMMUNION ANTIPHON



Through the ten-der mer-cy of our God,
the Dawn from on high will vis-it us.

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Blessed be the Lord, the | God of Is-ra-el,
because he has visited and wrought redemption | for his peo-ple,
and has raised up a horn of salvation | for us
in the house of Dav-|id his ser-vant.

And you, O child, | shall be called
the prophet of | the Most High ;
for you shall go before | the Lord
to pre- | pare his ways.

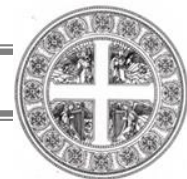
To give his people knowledge | of sal-va-tion
through the forgiveness | of their sins,
because of the compassionate kindness of | our God
with which the Orient from on high will | vis-it us.

To shine on those who | sit in dark-ness
and the | sha- dow of death,
to guide | our feet
into the | way of peace.

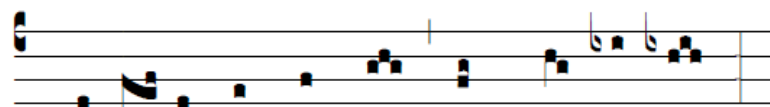
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RECESSIONAL HYMN " Christ Be our Light"

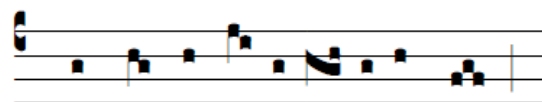
THE NATIVITY OF SAINT JOHN THE BAPTIST



ENTRANCE ANTIPHON



1. A man was sent from God, whose name was John.



He came to tes- ti- fy to the light,



to pre- pare a peo- ple fit for the Lord.

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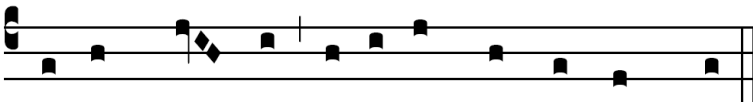
It is good to give thanks to the LORD,
to make music to your name, O Most High,
to proclaim your loving mercy in the morning,
and your truth in the watches of the night,

You have gladdened me, O LORD, by your deeds;
How deep are your designs!
The senseless cannot know this,
and the fool cannot understand.

The just man shall flourish like the palm tree,
like a cedar of Lebanon *shall he* grow.
They that are planted in the house of the Lord
shall flourish in the courts of our God.

OFFERTORY HYMN

RESPONSORIAL PSALM

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I will praise you for I am won-der-fully made.

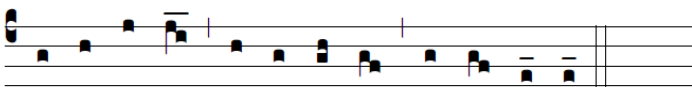
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O LORD, you have probed me, you know me:
 you know when I sit and when I stand;
 you understand my thoughts from afar.
 My journeys and my rest you scrutinize,
 with all my ways you are familiar.

Truly you have formed my inmost being;
 you knit me in my mother's womb.
 I give you thanks that I am fearfully, wonderfully made;
 wonderful are your works.

My soul also you knew full well;
 nor was my frame unknown to you
 When I was made in secret,
 when I was fashioned in the depths of the earth.

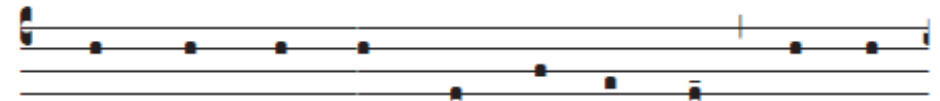
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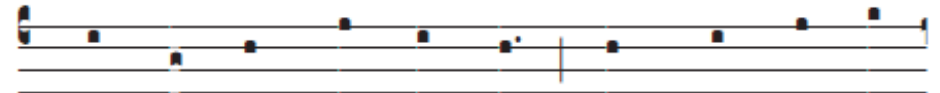
A L- le- lu- ia, al- le- lu- ia, al- le- lu- ia.

Mode I

The Cantor begins and alternates verses with the Congregation.



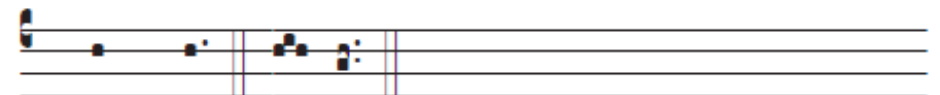
1. The great fore- run- ner of the mom, The her-
2. With heav'n- ly mes- sage Ga- briel came, That John
3. John, still un- born, yet gave a- right His wit-
4. Of wom- an- born shall nev- er be A great-
5. All laud to God the Fa- ther be, All praise,



1. ald of the Word, is born; And faith- ful hearts
2. should be that her- ald's name, And with pro- phe-
3. ness to the com- ing light; And Christ, the sun
4. er pro- phet than was he, Whose might- y deeds
5. e- ter- nal Son, to thee, All glo- ry, as



1. shall nev- er fail With thanks and praise his light
2. tic ut- t'rance told His ac- tions great and man-
3. of all the earth, Ful- filled that wit- ness at
4. ex- alt his fame To great- er than a pro-
5. is ev- er meet, To God the Ho- ly Par-



1. to hail.
2. i- fold.
3. his birth.
4. phet's name.
5. a- clete. A- men.