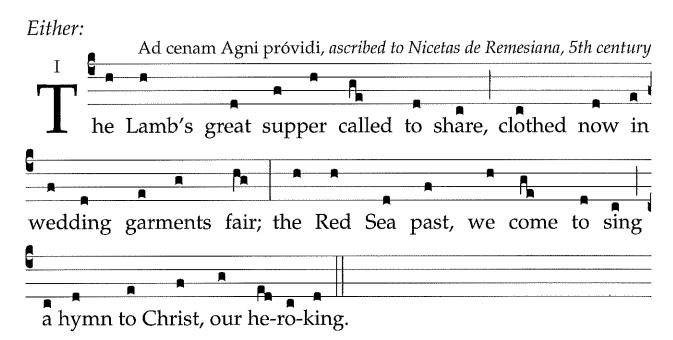


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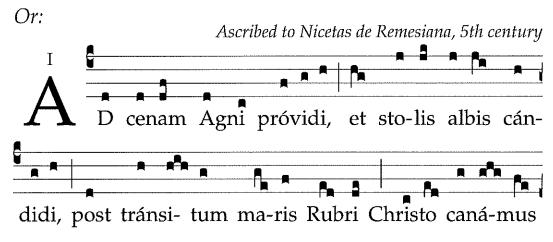
FIRST VESPERS

HYMN



- 2. Once, on the altar of the cross,
 His body did redeem our loss;
 Now, drinking still his outpoured blood,
 In him we live anew to God.
- 3. On Easter night God's arm was bared, But his death-dealing angel spared; So by his grace our hosts went free From Pharaoh's ruthless tyranny.

- 4. Now Christ, our Passover, is slain, The Lamb of God who knows no stain; His flesh, the true unleavened bread, Is freely offered in our stead.
- 5. Our one most worthy sacrifice, From which the prince of darkness flies, Which sets God's captive people free And gives them life for slavery.
- 6. Christ rises, conqueror from the grave, From death returning, strong to save; With his right hand the tyrant chains And paradise for man regains.
- 7. Creator, King, with us abide
 Through all this joyful Eastertide,
 And from each weapon death can wield
 Your ransomed flock for ever shield.
- 8. All praise to you, our rising Lord, From death to deathless life restored; All praise to God the Father be, And Holy Ghost eternally. Amen.



As we await the Lamb's supper, bright with white robes, after the crossing of the Red Sea, let us sing to Christ our king.

2. His most holy body was



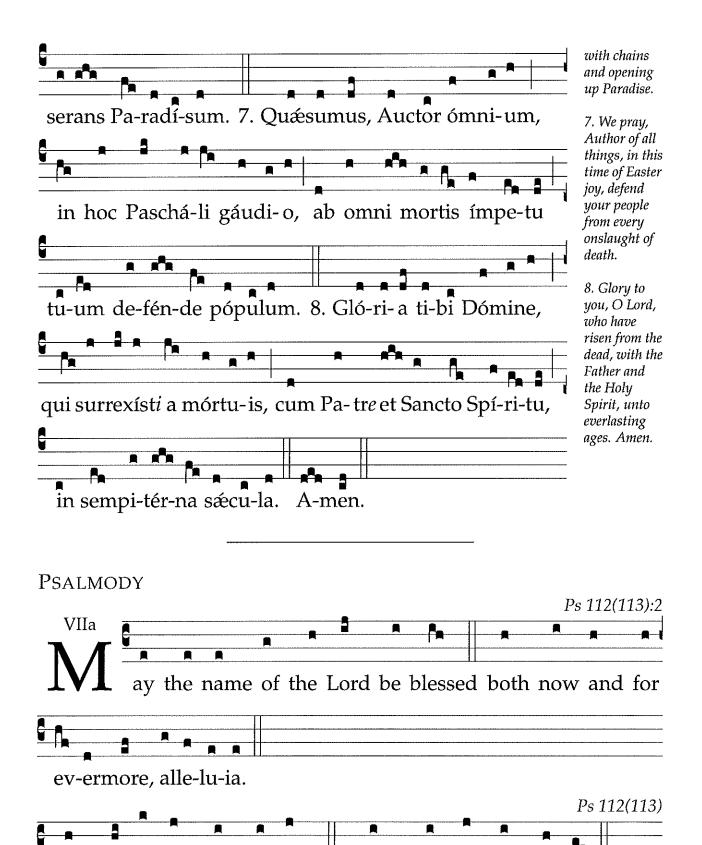
offered on the altar of the cross: by drinking of his rose-coloured blood, we live to God:

3. We, protected on the evening of Passover from the destroying angel, and snatched from Pharaoh's most hard rule.

4. Now
Christ is our
Passover, the
Lamb who
was
sacrificed: his
flesh is
offered, the
authentic
unleavened
bread.

5. O truly worthy sacrifice, through which hell is broken down, a captive people is redeemed, and life's reward is restored!

6. Christ rises up from the tomb, the Conqueror returns from the pit, compelling the tyrant



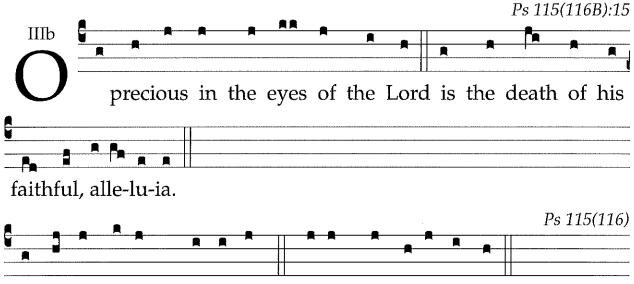
Praise, O **ser**vants of the Lord, * praise the **name** of the Lord!

May the name of the **Lord** be blest *

both **now** and for evermore!

From the rising of the **sun** to its setting * praised be the name of the Lord! High above all nations is the Lord, * above the **hea**vens his glory. Who is like the **Lord**, our God, * who has risen on high to his throne yet stoops from the heights to look down, * to look down upon heaven and earth? From the dust he lifts up the lowly, * from the dungheap he raises the poor to set him in the **company** of princes, * yes, with the princes of his people. To the childless wife he gives a home * and gladdens her heart with children. Glory be to the Father and to the Son * and to the **Ho**ly Spirit, as it was in the beginning, is now, and ever shall be, * world without **ënd**. Amen.

Repeat antiphon.



I trusted, even when I said: * 'I am sorely afflicted,' and when I said in my alarm: * 'No man can be trusted.'

How can I repay the Lord * for his **good**ness to me?

The cup of salvation I will raise; * I will call **on** the Lord's name.

My vows to the **Lord** I will fulfil * before **all** his people.

O precious in the **eyes** of the Lord * is the death **of** his faithful.

Your servant, Lord, your **ser**vant am I; * you have **loos**ened my bonds.

A thanksgiving **sac**rifice I make; * I will call **on** the Lord's name.

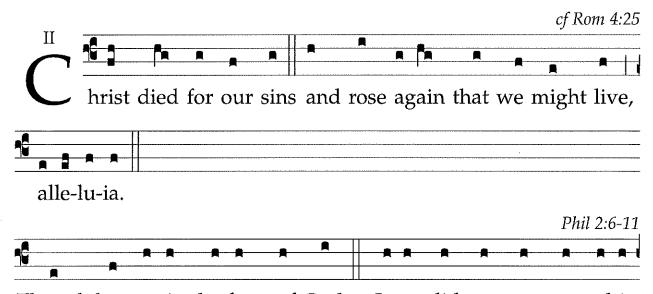
My vows to the **Lord** I will fulfil * before **all** his people,

in the courts of the **house** of the Lord, * in your midst, O **Je**rusalem.

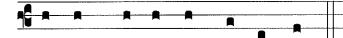
Glory be to the Father **and** to the Son * and to the **Ho**ly Spirit,

as it was in the beginning, is now, and **ev**er shall be, * world without **ënd**. Amen.

Repeat antiphon.



Though he was in the form of God, * Jesus did not count equal-i-



ty with God a thing to be grasped.

He emptied himself, taking the form of a **ser**vant, * being born in the like**ness** of men.

And, being found in human form, † he humbled himself and became obedient unto **death**, * even death **on** a cross.

Therefore God has highly exalted him, *
and bestowed on him the name which is above every name,
that at the name of Jesus every knee should bow, *
in heaven and on earth and under the earth,
and every tongue confess that Jesus Christ is Lord, *

to the glory of God **the** Father.
Glory be to the Father and to the **Son** * and to the Holy Spirit,

as it was in the beginning, is now, and ever **shall** be, * world without **ënd**. Amen.

Repeat antiphon.

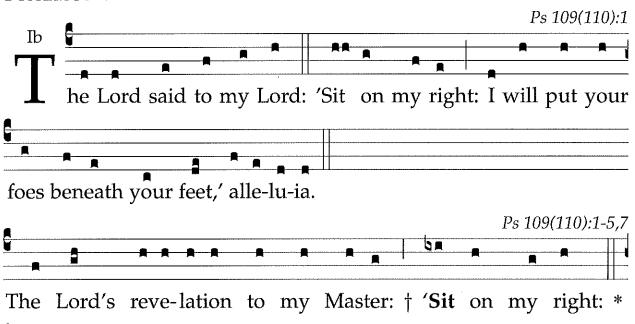
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SECOND VESPERS

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I will put your foes beneath your feet.'

The Lord will wield from Sion your **scep**tre of power: * rule in the **midst** of all your foes.

A prince from the day of your birth on the **ho**ly mountains; * from the womb before the dawn I begot you.

The Lord has sworn an oath he will not change. †

'You are a **priest** for ever, *

a priest like Melchizedek of old.'

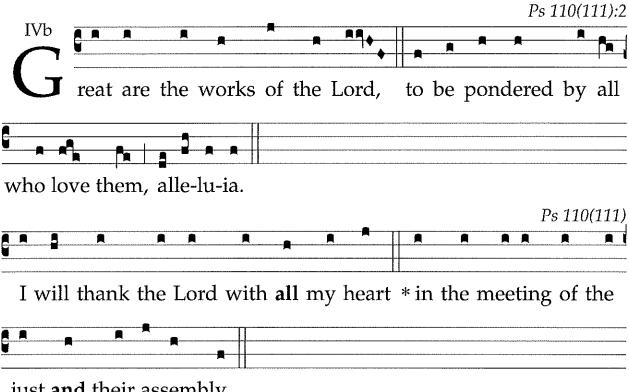
The Master standing at **your** right hand * will shatter kings in the **day** of his wrath.

He shall drink from the **stream** by the wayside * and therefore he shall **lift** up his head.

Glory be to the Father **and** to the Son * and to the Holy Spirit,

as it was in the beginning, is now, and ever shall be, * world without **ënd**. Amen.

Repeat antiphon.



just and their assembly.

Great are the works of the Lord, * to be pondered by all who love them.

Majestic and glorious his work, * his justice **stands** firm for ever.

He makes us remember his wonders. *

The Lord is **compassion** and love.

He gives food to **those** who fear him; * keeps his covenant ever in mind.

He has shown his might to his people * by giving them the **lands** of the nations.

His works are justice and truth, * his precepts are all of them sure,

standing firm for ever and ever; * they are made in uprightness and truth.

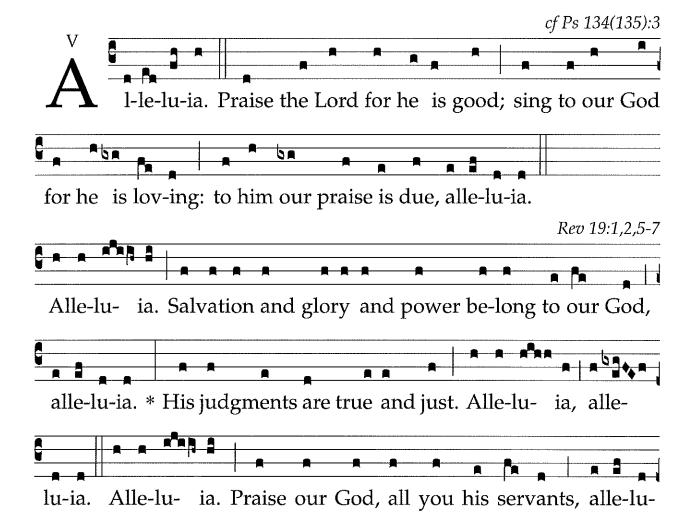
He has sent deliverance to his people † and established his coven**ant** for ever. * Holy **his** name, to be feared.

To fear the Lord is the first stage of wisdom; † all who do so prove **them**selves wise. * His praise **shall** last for ever!

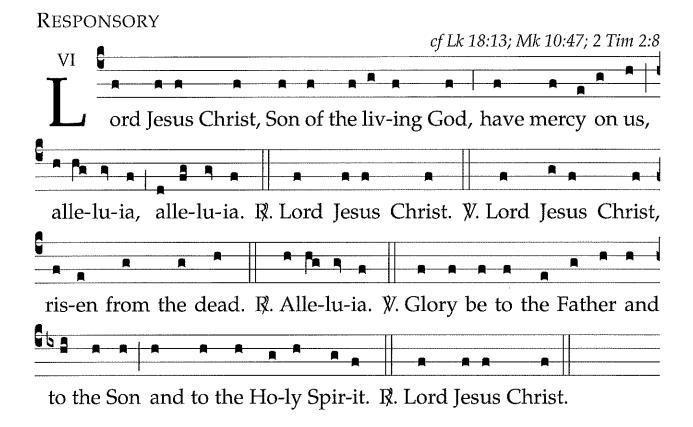
Glory be to the Father and **to** the Son * and to **the** Holy Spirit,

as it was in the beginning, is now, and **ev**er shall be, * world with**out** ënd. Amen.

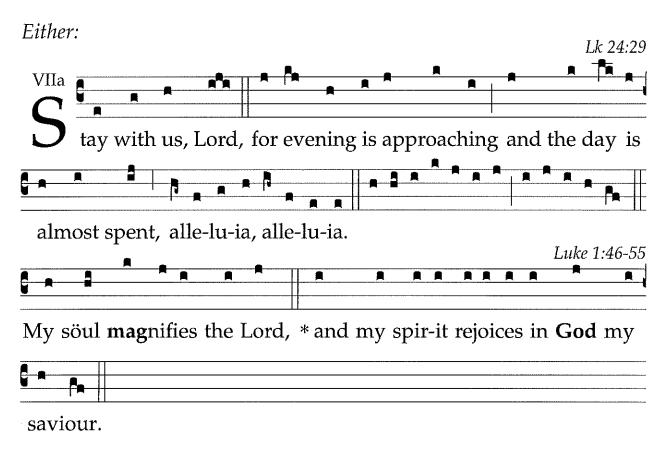
Repeat antiphon.







MAGNIFICAT



For hë has regarded the **low**liness of his handmaid: * for behold henceforth all generations will **call** me blessed; for hë who is mighty has done **great** things for me * and **ho**ly is his name,

and his mercy is on **those** who fear him * from generation to **gen**eration.

He häs shown strength with his arm; *

he has scattered the proud in the imagination of their hearts.

He has put down the **might**y from their thrones * and exalted the lowly.

He häs filled the **hun**gry with good things * and the rich he has **sent** away empty.

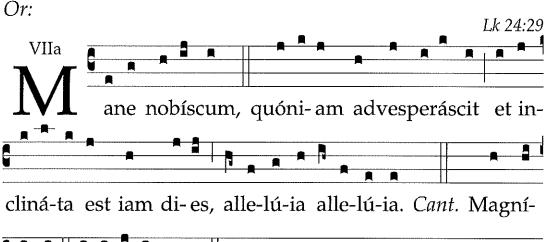
He häs helped his **ser**vant Israel * in remembrance **of** his mercy,

as hë **spoke** to our fathers, *

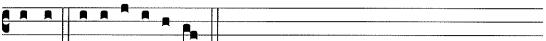
to Abraham and to his children for ever.

Glorÿ be to the Father **and** to the Son * and to the **Ho**ly Spirit,

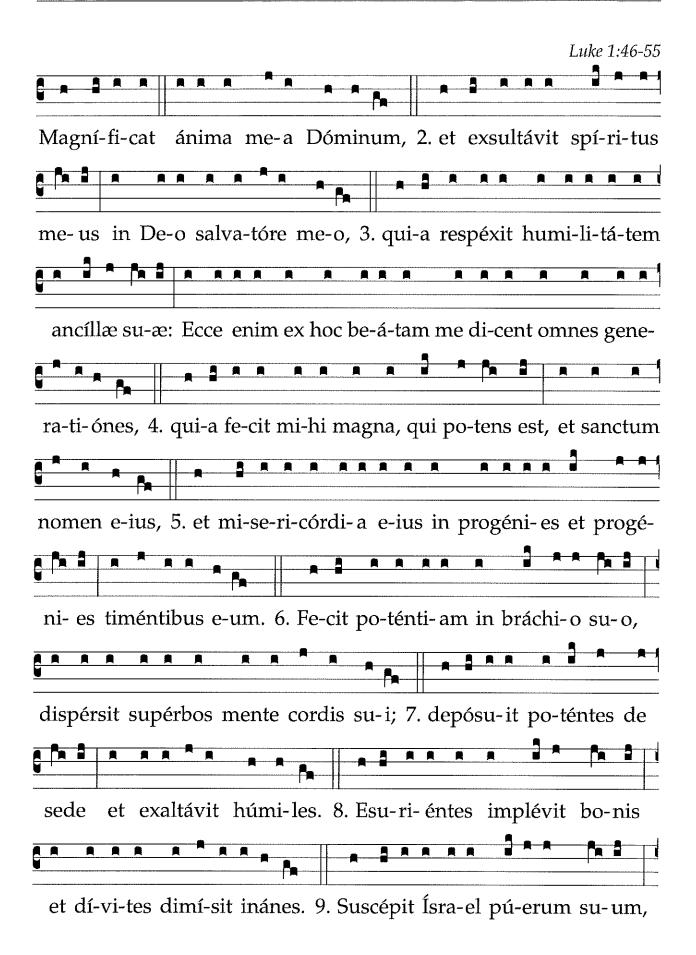
as it was in the beginning, is now and **ev**er shall be * world without **ënd**. Amen.

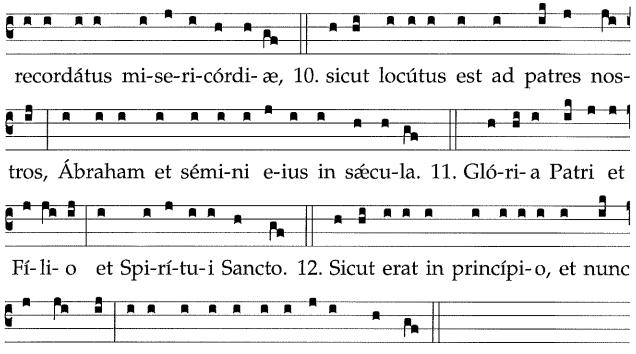


Stay with us, because it is turning to evening, and the daylight is bent low, alleluia, alleluia.



fi-cat. Euouae.





et semper, et in sécu-la secu-lórum. Amen.

Repeat antiphon.