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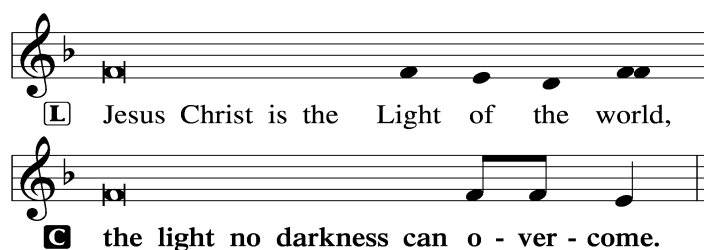
First Midweek in Advent (Evening Prayer)  
November 30, 2022

## Service of Light

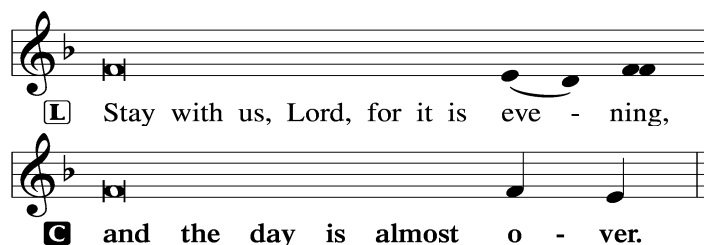
### Ring of the Bell

*Stand*

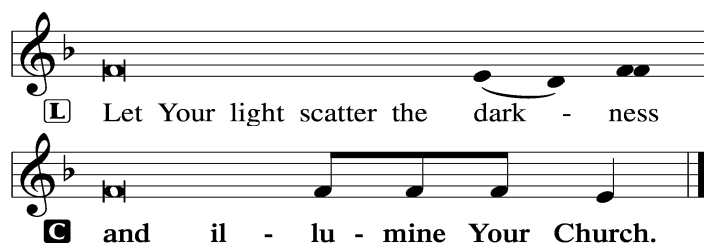
### Entrance of the Christ Candle



**L** Jesus Christ is the Light of the world,  
**C** the light no darkness can o - ver - come.



**L** Stay with us, Lord, for it is eve - ning,  
**C** and the day is almost o - ver.



**L** Let Your light scatter the dark - ness  
**C** and il - lu - mine Your Church.

### Phos Hilaron



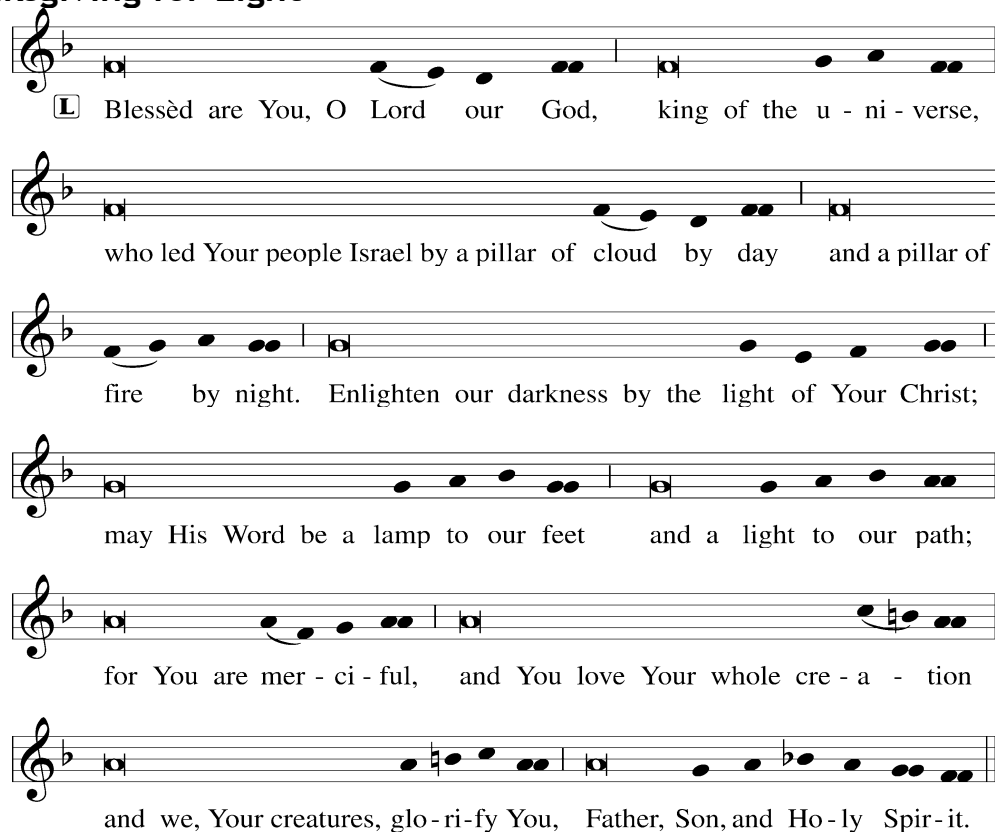
**L** Joy - ous light of glo - ry:



of the im-mor-tal Fa-ther; heav-en-ly, ho-ly,  
 bless-ed Je-sus Christ. We have come to the  
 set-ting of the sun, and we look to the eve-ning light.  
 We sing to God, the Fa-ther, Son, and Ho-ly Spir-it:  
 You are wor-thy of be-ing praised with pure voic-es for -  
 ev-er. O Son of God, O Giv-er of life:  
 the u-ni-verse pro-claims Your glo-ry.

## Thanksgiving for Light

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Blessèd are You, O Lord our God, king of the u-ni-verse,  
 who led Your people Israel by a pillar of cloud by day and a pillar of  
 fire by night. Enlighten our darkness by the light of Your Christ;  
 may His Word be a lamp to our feet and a light to our path;  
 for You are mer-ci-ful, and You love Your whole cre-a-tion  
 and we, Your creatures, glo-ri-fy You, Father, Son, and Ho-ly Spir-it.



**C** A - men.

*Sit*

## Psalmody

### Psalm 141

LSB 245



**C** Let my prayer rise be - fore You as in - cense,



the lift - ing up of my hands as the eve - ning sac - ri - fice.



**I** O Lord, I call to You; come to me quick - ly; hear my voice



when I cry to You. **C** Let my prayer rise be - fore You as in - cense,



the lift - ing up of my hands as the eve - ning sac - ri - fice.



**II** Set a watch be - fore my mouth, O Lord, and guard the door of my lips.



**I** Let not my heart in - cline to an - y e - vil thing;



let me not be oc - cu - pied in wick - ed - ness with e - vil - do - ers.



**II** But my eyes are turned to You, O God; in You I take ref - uge.



Strip me not of my life. **C** Glo - ry be to the Fa - ther and



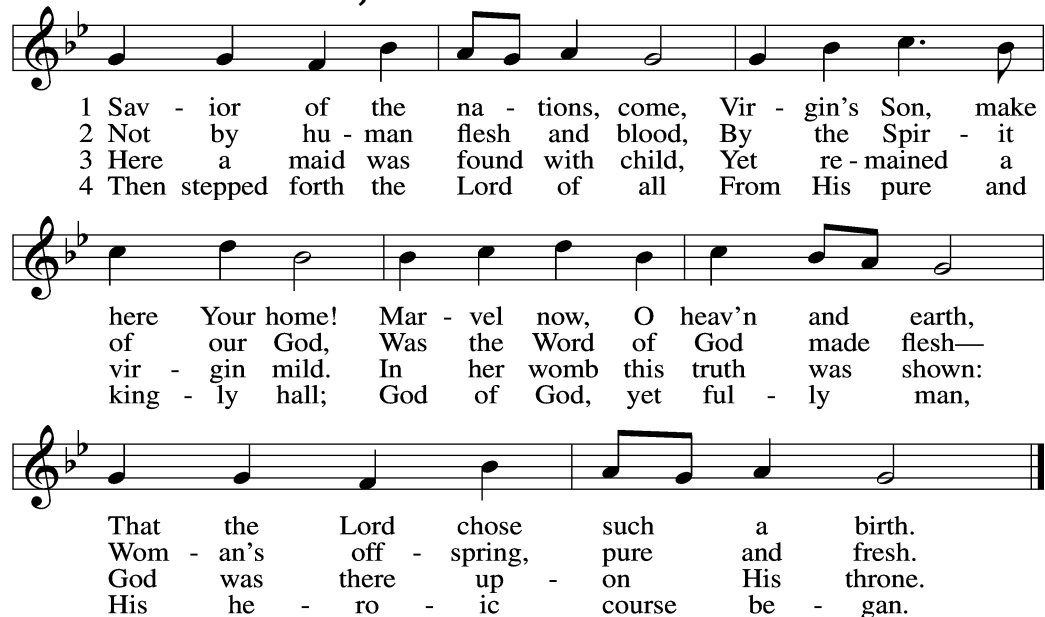
to the Son and to the Ho - ly Spir - it; as it was in  
the be - gin - ning, is now, and will be for - ev - er. A - men.  
Let my prayer rise be - fore You as in - cense,  
the lift - ing up of my hands as the eve - ning sac - ri - fice.

**L** Let us pray.

Let the incense of our repentant prayer ascend before You, O Lord, and let Your loving-kindness descend on us that, with purified minds, we may sing Your praises with the Church on earth and the whole heavenly host and may glorify You forever.

**C** Amen.

### 332 Savior of the Nations, Come



1 Sav - ior of the na - tions, come, Vir - gin's Son, make  
2 Not by hu - man flesh and blood, By the Spir - it  
3 Here a maid was found with child, Yet re - mained a  
4 Then stepped forth the Lord of all From His pure and  
here Your home! Mar - vel now, O heav'n and earth,  
of our God, Was the Word of God made flesh—  
vir - gin mild. In her womb this truth was shown:  
king - ly hall; God of God, yet ful - ly man,  
That the Lord chose such a birth.  
Wom - an's off - spring, pure and fresh.  
God was there up - on His throne.  
His he - ro - ic course be - gan.

5 God the Father was His source,  
Back to God He ran His course.  
Into hell His road went down,  
Back then to His throne and crown.

6 For You are the Father's Son  
Who in flesh the vict'ry won.  
By Your mighty pow'r make whole  
All our ills of flesh and soul.

7 From the manger newborn light  
Shines in glory through the night.  
Darkness there no more resides;  
In this light faith now abides.

△ 8 Glory to the Father sing,  
Glory to the Son, our king,  
Glory to the Spirit be  
Now and through eternity.

# Readings

## First Reading

*Psalms 122*

**L** A reading from Psalm, chapter 122.

<sup>1</sup>I was glad when they | said to me,\*  
“Let us go to the house | of the LORD!”  
<sup>2</sup>Our feet have been | standing\*  
within your gates, O Je- | rusalem!  
<sup>3</sup>Jerusalem—built as a | city\*  
that is bound firmly to- | gether,  
<sup>4</sup>to which the tribes go up,  
the tribes of the LORD,  
as was decreed for | Israel,\*  
to give thanks to the name | of the LORD.  
<sup>5</sup>There thrones for judg- | ment were set,\*  
the thrones of the house of | David.  
<sup>6</sup>Pray for the peace of Je- | rusalem!\*  
“May they be secure who | love you!  
<sup>7</sup>Peace be with- | in your walls\*  
and security within your | towers!”  
<sup>8</sup>For my brothers and com- | panions’ sake\*  
I will say, “Peace be with- | in you!”  
<sup>9</sup>For the sake of the house of the | LORD our God,\*  
I will | seek your good.

**L** O Lord, have mercy on us.

**C** Thanks be to God.

## Second Reading

*Isaiah 2:1–5*

**L** A reading from Isaiah, chapter 2.

<sup>1</sup>The word that Isaiah the son of Amoz saw concerning Judah and Jerusalem.  
<sup>2</sup>It shall come to pass in the latter days  
that the mountain of the house of the LORD  
shall be established as the highest of the mountains,  
and shall be lifted up above the hills;  
and all the nations shall flow to it,  
<sup>3</sup>and many peoples shall come, and say:  
“Come, let us go up to the mountain of the LORD,  
to the house of the God of Jacob,  
that he may teach us his ways  
and that we may walk in his paths.”  
For out of Zion shall go the law,

and the word of the LORD from Jerusalem.  
<sup>4</sup>He shall judge between the nations,  
 and shall decide disputes for many peoples;  
 and they shall beat their swords into plowshares,  
 and their spears into pruning hooks;  
 nation shall not lift up sword against nation,  
 neither shall they learn war anymore.  
<sup>5</sup>O house of Jacob,  
 come, let us walk  
 in the light of the LORD.

**L** O Lord, have mercy on us.

**C** Thanks be to God.

**L** In many and various ways, God spoke to His people of old by the prophets.

**C** But now in these last days, He has spoken to us by His Son.

### 350 Come, Thou Precious Ransom Come

1 Come, Thou pre - cious Ran - som, come, On - ly hope for  
 2 En - ter now my wait - ing heart, Glo - rious King and  
 3 My ho - san - nas and my palms Gra - cious - ly re -  
 4 Hail! Ho - san - na, Da - vid's Son! Je - sus, hear our  
 sin - ful mor - tals! Come, O Sav - ior of the world!  
 Lord most ho - ly. Dwell in me and ne'er de - part,  
 ceive, I pray Thee; Ev - er - more, as best I can,  
 sup - pli - ca - tion! Let Thy king - dom, scep - ter, crown,  
 O - pen are to Thee all por - tals. Come, Thy beau - ty  
 Though I am but poor and low - ly. Ah, what rich - es  
 Sav - ior, I will hom - age pay Thee, And in faith I  
 Bring us bless - ing and sal - va - tion, That for - ev - er  
 let us see; Anx - ious - ly we wait for Thee.  
 will be mine When Thou art my guest di - vine!  
 will em - brace, Lord, Thy mer - it through Thy grace.  
 we may sing: Hail! Ho - san - na to our King.

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## Sermon

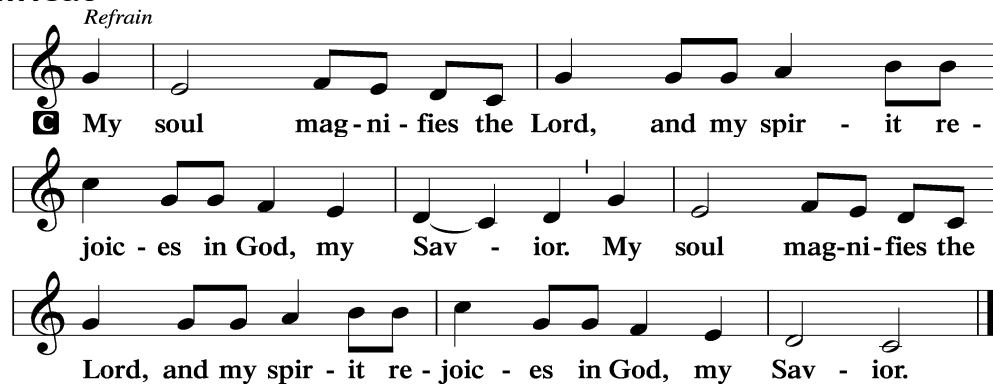
## Canticle

*Stand*

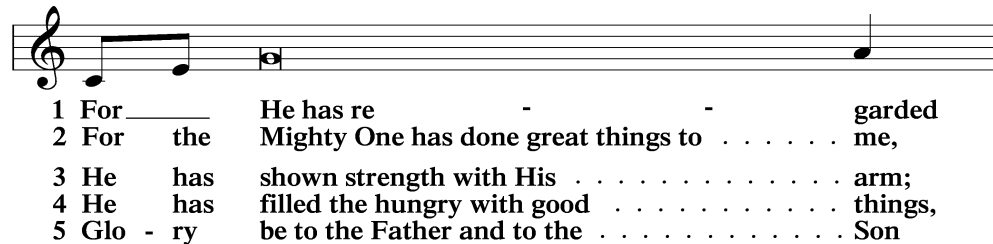
# Magnificat

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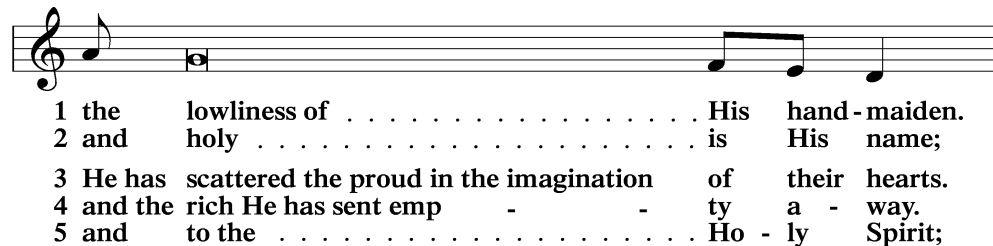
*Refrain*



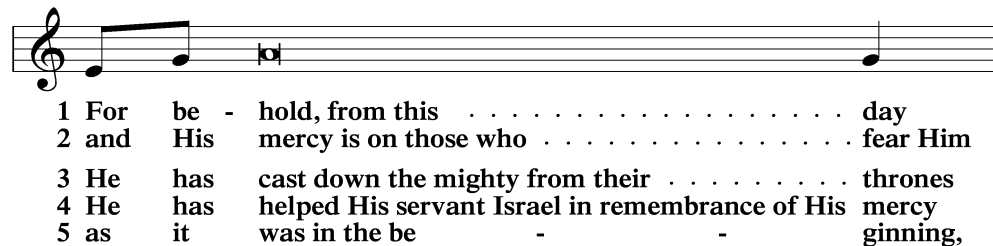
My soul mag-ni-fies the Lord, and my spir-it re-joic-es in God, my Sav-ior. My soul mag-ni-fies the Lord, and my spir-it re-joic-es in God, my Sav-ior.



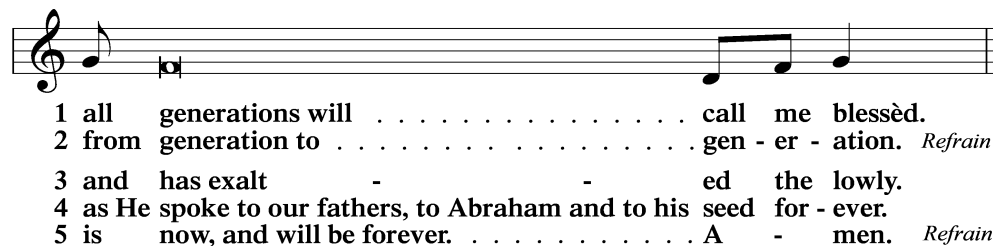
1 For He has re-garded  
2 For the Mighty One has done great things to me,  
3 He has shown strength with His arm;  
4 He has filled the hungry with good things,  
5 Glo-ry be to the Father and to the Son



1 the lowliness of His hand-maiden.  
2 and holy is His name;  
3 He has scattered the proud in the imagination of their hearts.  
4 and the rich He has sent empty away.  
5 and to the Ho-ly Spirit;



1 For be-hold, from this day  
2 and His mercy is on those who fear Him  
3 He has cast down the mighty from their thrones  
4 He has helped His servant Israel in remembrance of His mercy  
5 as it was in the be-ginning,



1 all generations will call me blessèd.  
2 from generation to gen-er-ation. *Refrain*  
3 and has exalt-ed the lowly.  
4 as He spoke to our fathers, to Abraham and to his seed for-ever.  
5 is now, and will be forever. A-men. *Refrain*

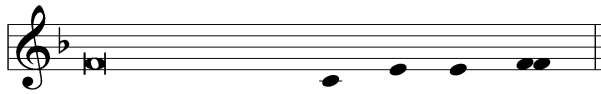
*Sit*

Offering

Prayer

*Kneel/Stand*

*The congregation's response may begin just as the leader's petition ends so that the word "Lord" is sung simultaneously by both leader and congregation.*



**L** In peace let us pray to the Lord:



**C** Lord, have mer - cy.

**L** For the peace from above and for our salvation, let us pray to the Lord:

**C** Lord, have mercy.

**L** For the peace of the whole world, for the well-being of the Church of God, and for the unity of all, let us pray to the Lord:

**C** Lord, have mercy.

**L** For this holy house and for all who offer here their worship and praise, let us pray to the Lord:

**C** Lord, have mercy.

**L** For Matthew Harrison, for all pastors in Christ, for all servants of the Church, and for all the people, let us pray to the Lord:

**C** Lord, have mercy.

**L** For Joseph our president, for all public servants, for the government and those who protect us, that they may be upheld and strengthened in every good deed, let us pray to the Lord:

**C** Lord, have mercy.

**L** For those who work to bring peace, justice, health, and protection in this and every place, let us pray to the Lord:

**C** Lord, have mercy.

**L** For those who bring offerings, those who do good works in this congregation, those who toil, those who sing, and all the people here present who await from the Lord great and abundant mercy, let us pray to the Lord:

**C** Lord, have mercy.

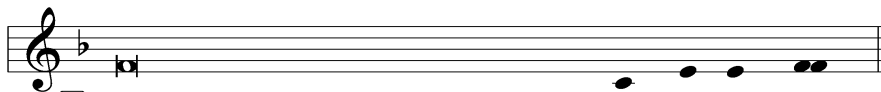
**L** For favorable weather, for an abundance of the fruits of the earth, and for peaceful times, let us pray to the Lord:

**C** Lord, have mercy.

**L** For our deliverance from all affliction, wrath, danger, and need, let us pray to the Lord:

**C** Lord, have mercy.

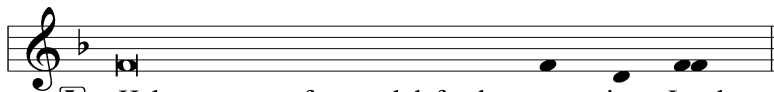
*The prayers then continue:*



**L** For the faithful who have gone before us and are with Christ, let us give thanks to the Lord:



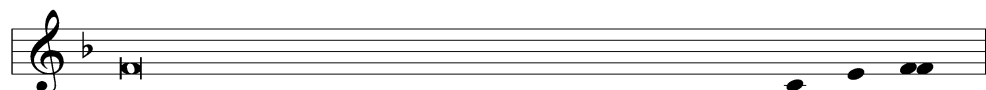
**C** Al - le - lu - ia.



**L** Help, save, comfort, and defend us, gra - cious Lord.



*Silence for individual prayer may follow.*



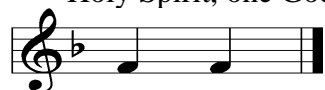
**[L]** Rejoicing in the fellowship of all the saints, let us commend ourselves, one another, and our whole life to Christ, our Lord:



**[C]** To You, O Lord.

## Collect for Peace

**[L]** O God, from whom come all holy desires, all good counsels, and all just works, give to us, Your servants, that peace which the world cannot give, that our hearts may be set to obey Your commandments and also that we, being defended from the fear of our enemies, may live in peace and quietness; through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.



**[C]** A - men.

## Lord's Prayer

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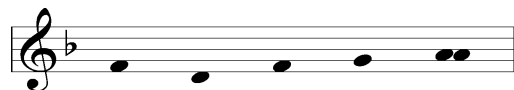
**[L]** Taught by our Lord and trusting His promises, we are bold to pray:

**[C]** 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.  
For Thine is the kingdom  
and the power and the glory  
forever and ever. Amen.

*Stand*

## Benedicamus

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**[L]** Let us bless the Lord.



**[C]** Thanks be to God.

## Benediction

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**[P]** The almighty and merciful Lord, the Father, the ✠ Son, and the Holy Spirit, bless and preserve you.



**A** A - men.

### 343 Prepare the Royal Highway



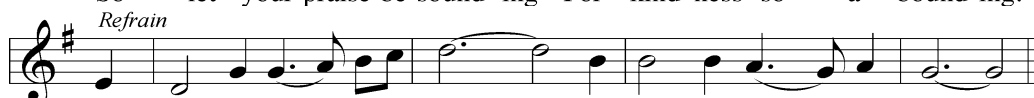
1 Pre - pare the roy - al high - way; The King of kings is near!  
2 God's peo - ple, see Him com - ing: Your own e - ter - nal king!  
3 Then fling the gates wide o - pen To greet your prom-ised king!  
4 His is no earth - ly king - dom; It comes from heav'n a - bove.



Let ev - 'ry hill and val - ley A lev - el road ap - pear!  
Palm branch-es strew be - fore Him! Spread gar-ments! Shout and sing!  
Your king, yet ev - 'ry na - tion Its trib - ute too should bring.  
His rule is peace and free - dom And jus - tice, truth, and love.



Then greet the King of Glo - ry Fore-told in sa - cred sto - ry:  
God's prom - ise will not fail you! No more shall doubt as - sail you!  
All lands, bow down be - fore Him! All na - tions, now a - dore Him!  
So let your praise be sound - ing For kind-ness so a - bound-ing:



Ho - san - na to the Lord, For He ful - fills God's Word!

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