Trinity Lutheran Church

2700 Fulton Street East, Grand Rapids. Michigan 49506

Virtual Advent Vespers ~ Holden Evening Prayer

A Setting by Marty Haugen

December 16, 2020

HOLDEN EVENING PRAYER

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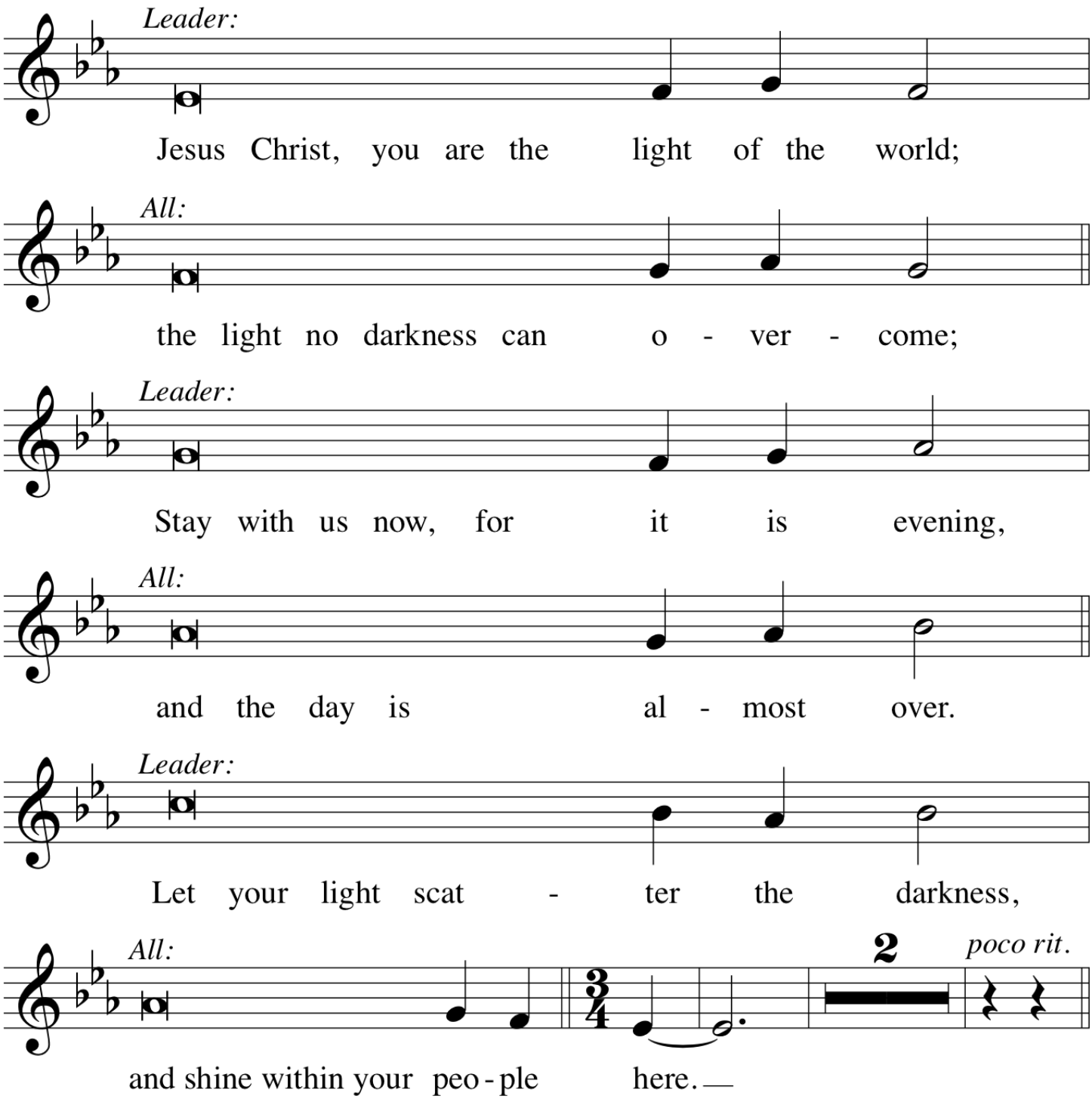

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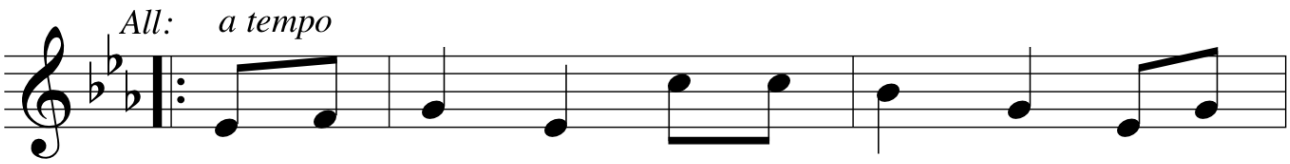
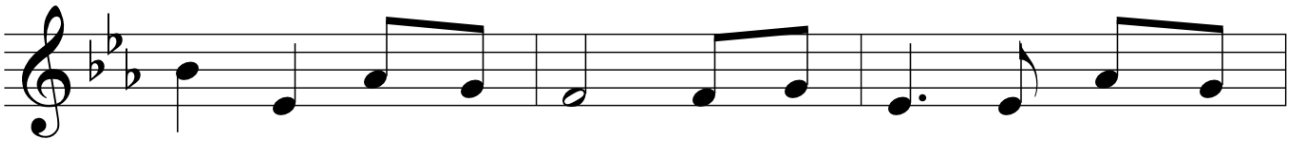
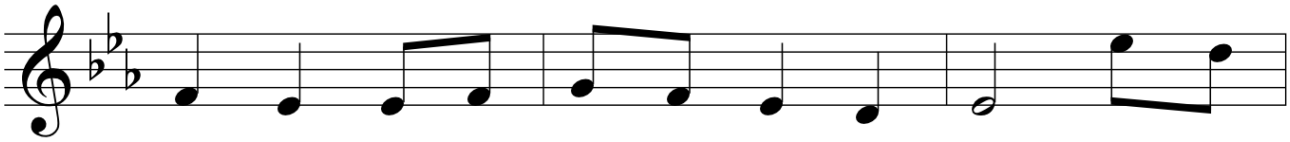
Evening Hymn



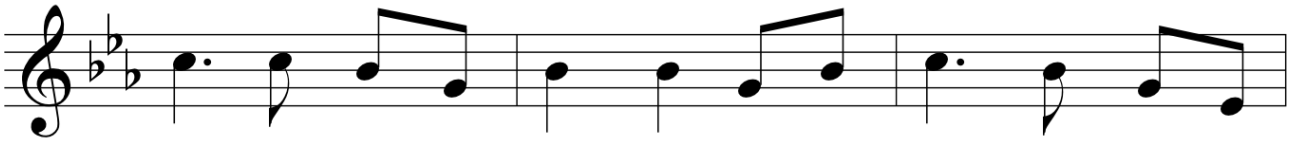
1. Joy - ous light of heav - 'nly glo - ry, lov - ing
2. In the stars that grace the dark - ness, in the
3. You who made the heav - en's splen - dor, ev - 'ry



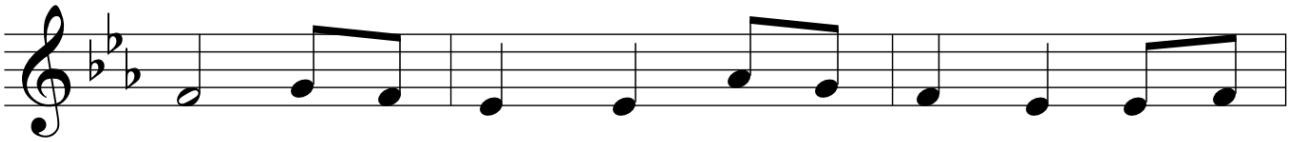
glow of God's own face, you who sing cre - a - tion's
blaz - ing sun of dawn, in the light of peace and
danc - ing star of night, make us shine with gen - tle



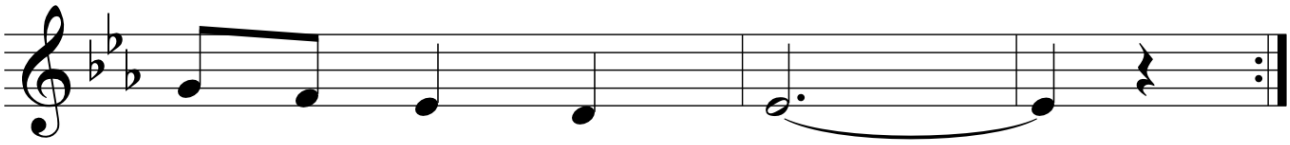
sto - ry, shine on ev - 'ry land and race. Now as
wis - dom, we can hear your qui - et song. Love that
jus - tice, let us each re - flect your light. Might - y



eve - ning falls a - round us, we shall raise our songs to
fills the night with won - der, love that warms the wea - ry
God of all cre - a - tion, gen - tle Christ who lights our



you, God of day - break, God of shad - ows, come and
soul, Love that bursts all chains a - sun - der, set us
way, Lov - ing Spir - it of sal - va - tion, lead us



light our hearts a - new.
free and make us whole.
on to end - less day.

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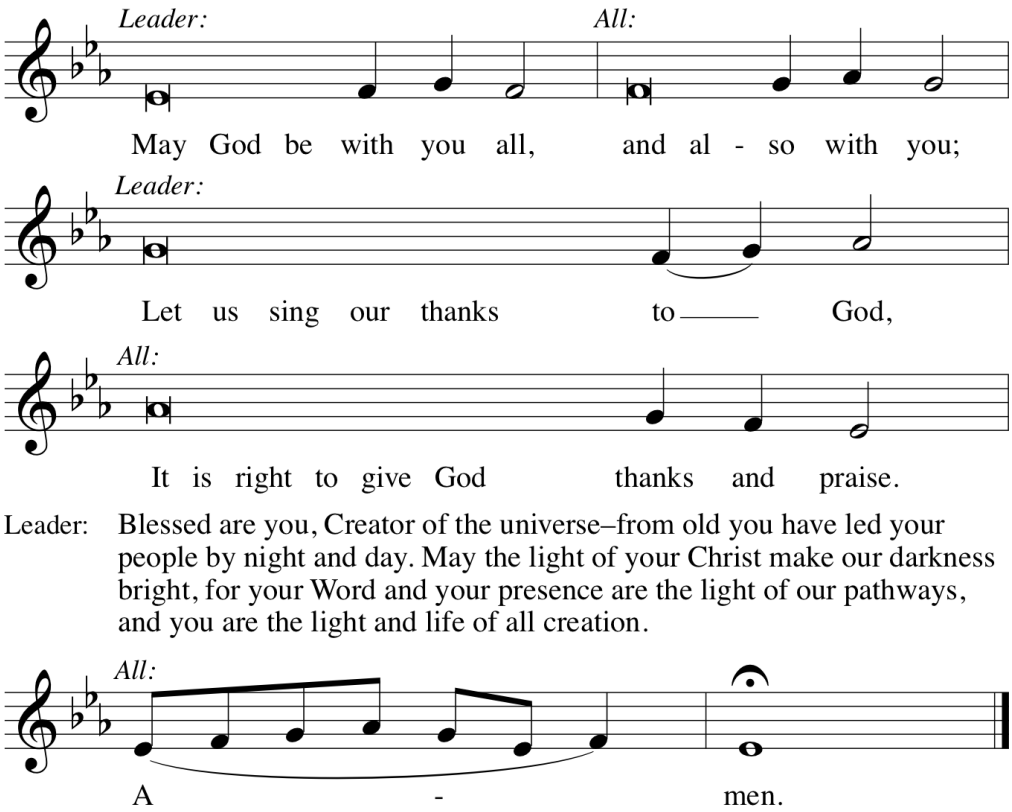
Evening Thanksgiving



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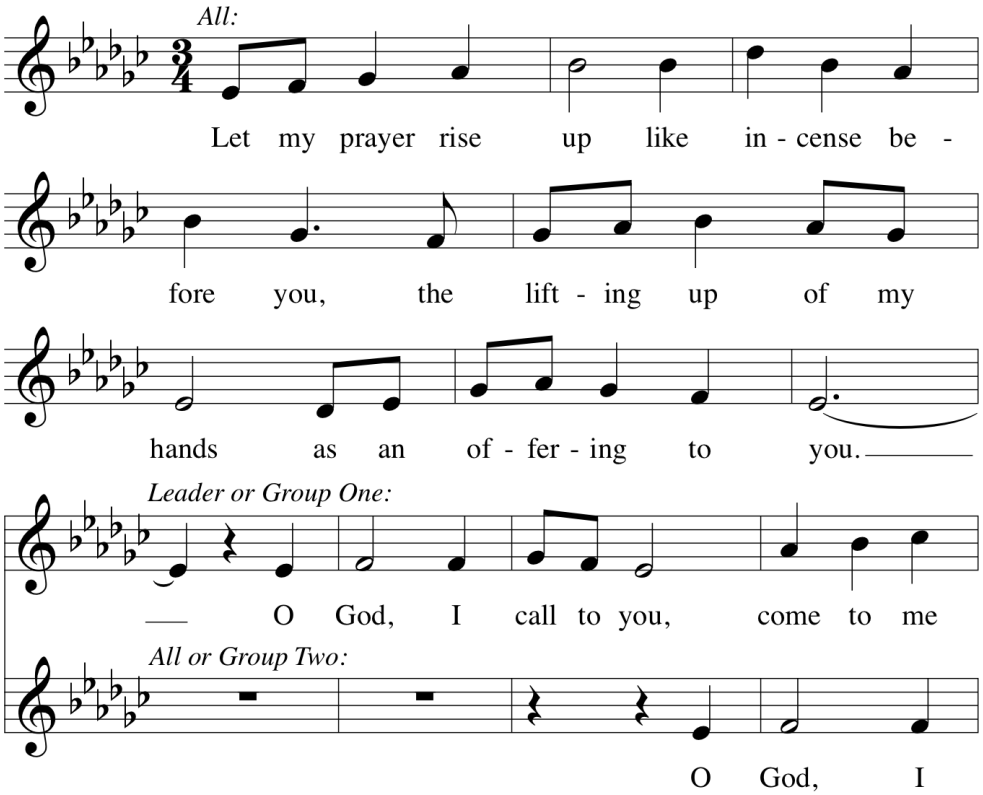
Psalmody



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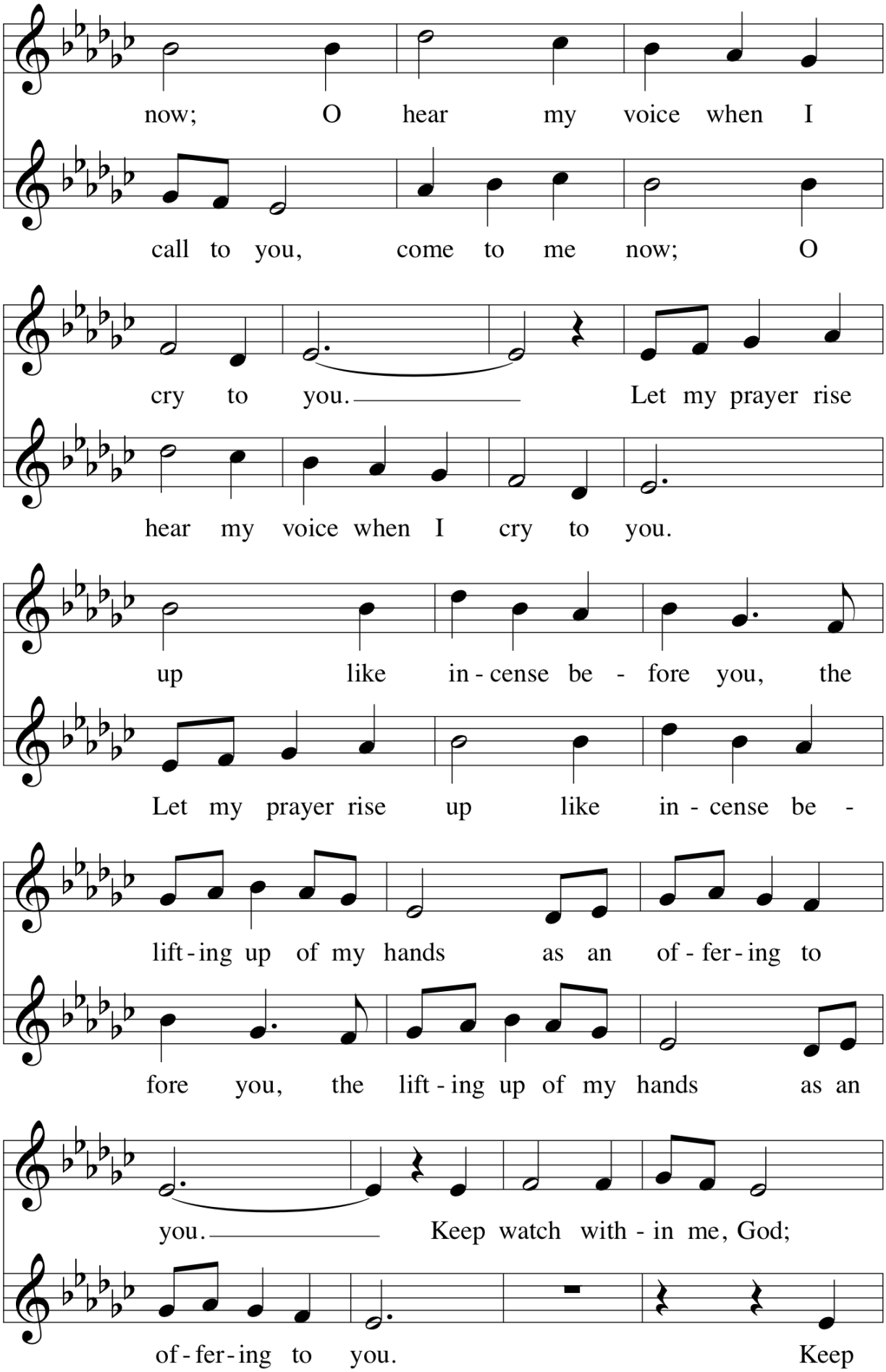

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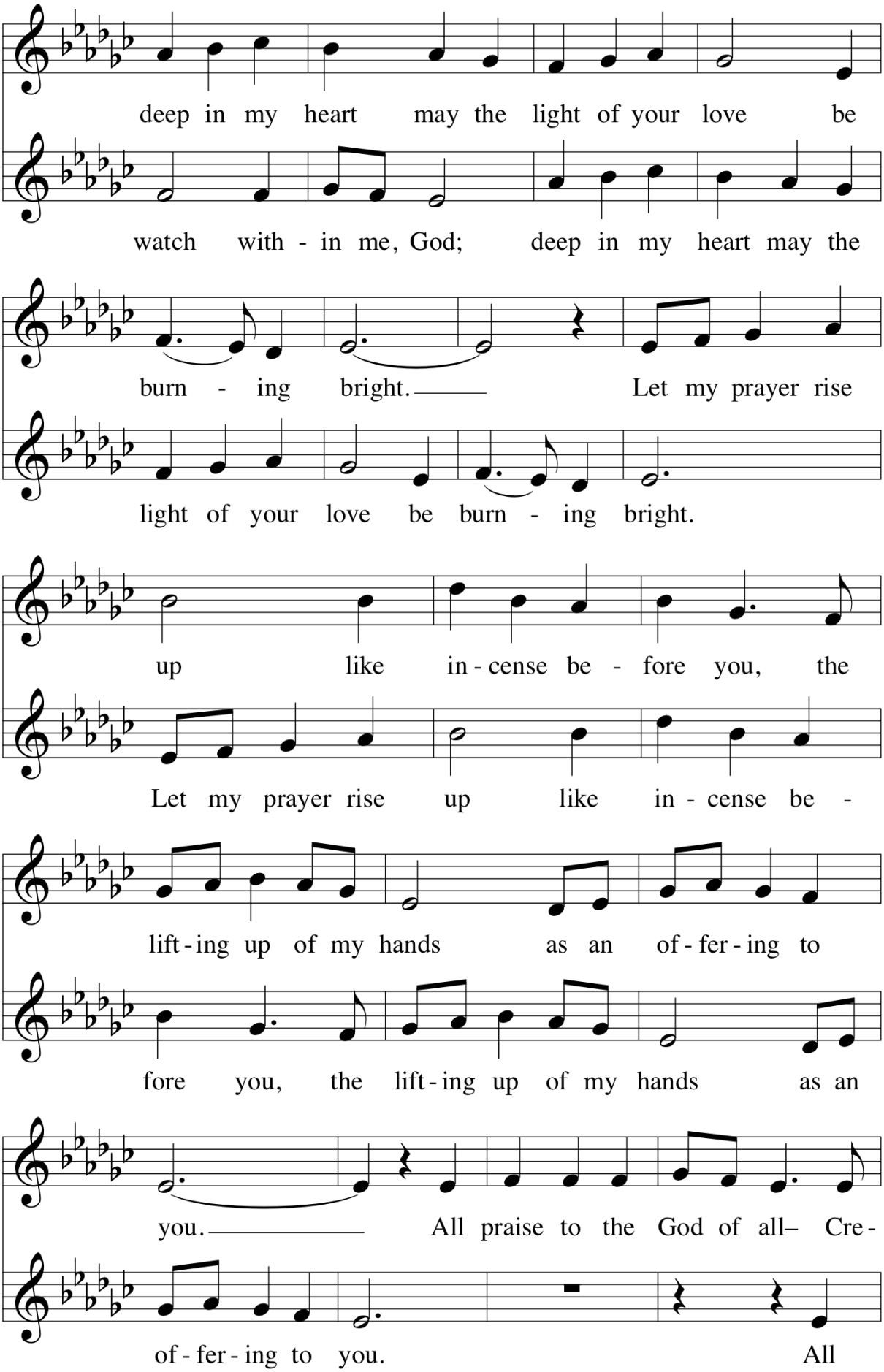

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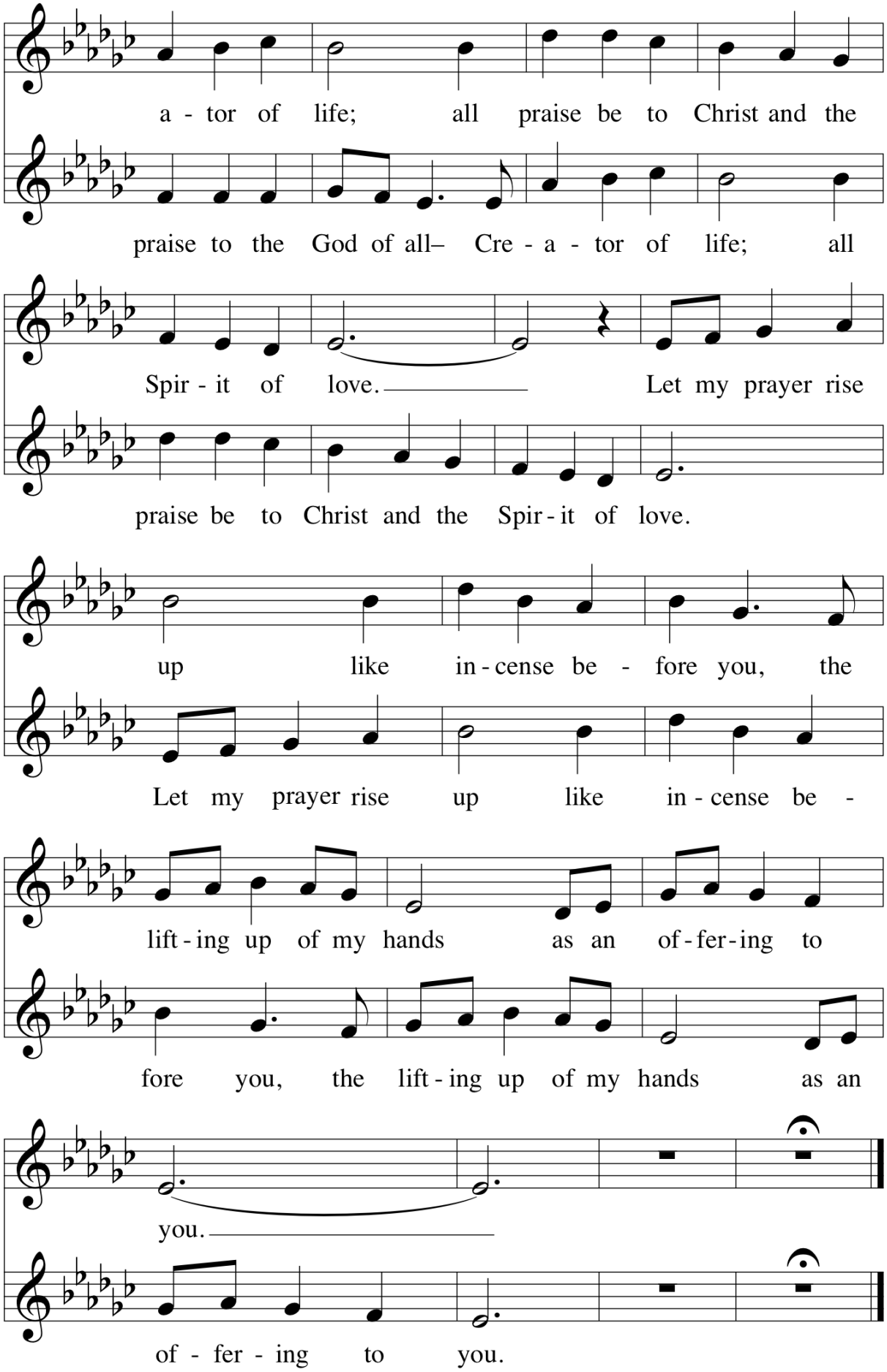

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P May our prayer come before you, O God, as incense, and may your presence surround and fill us, so that in union with all creation, we might sing your praise and your love in our lives.

C Amen.

Reading

Isaiah 9:1-3a, 6-7

Homily

Pastor Donna Erickson

Offering

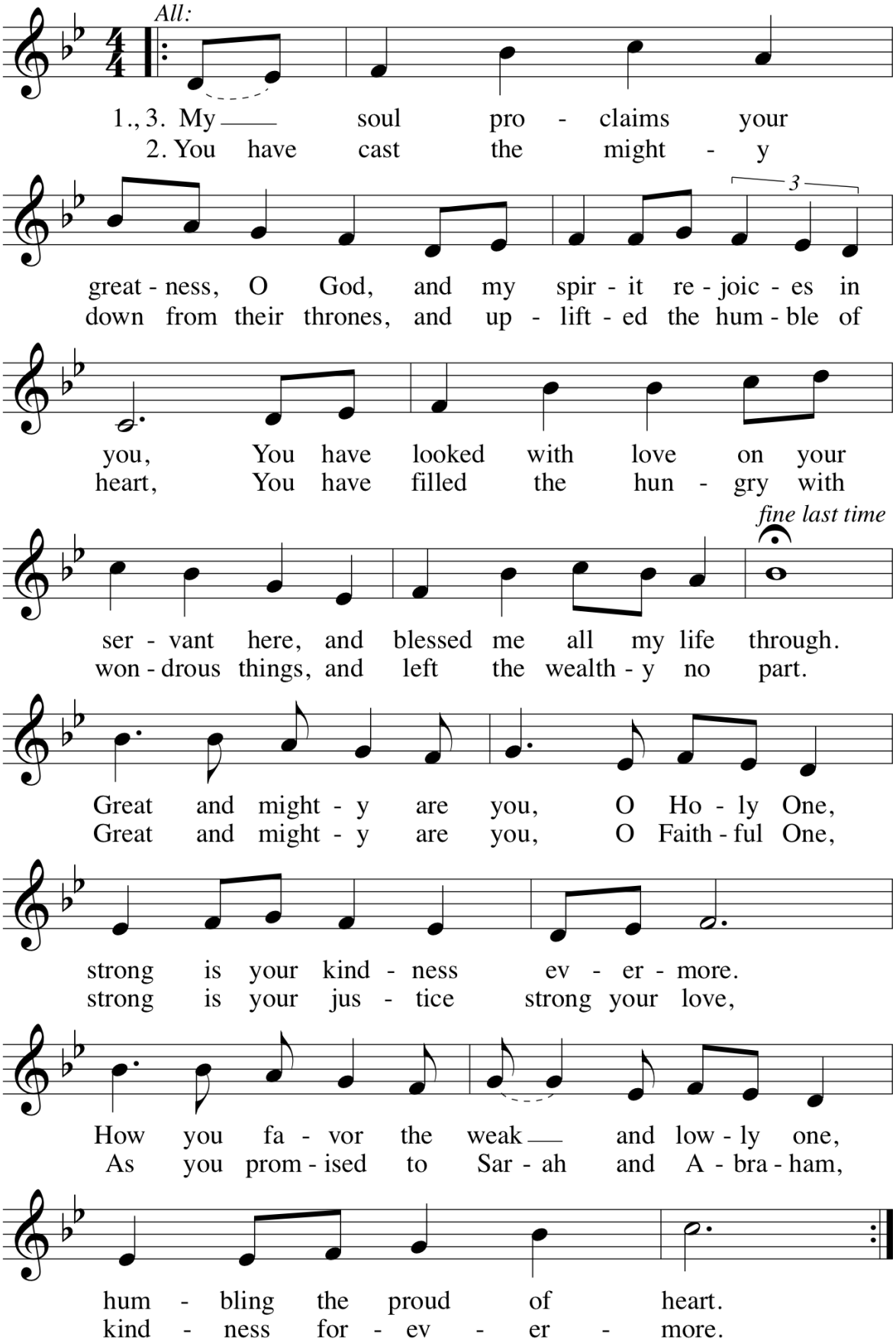
Your 2020 Advent offerings will be designated for the World Hunger appeal of the Evangelical Lutheran Church in America (ELCA). Unrestricted support for ELCA World Hunger appeal programs allows rapid response where and when it is needed most. More than 90 cents of each dollar donated is used directly for program support with less and ten cents used for administration and/or fundraising. Give generously!)

P The Light shines in the darkness
C and the darkness has not overcome it.

The Annunciation

An angel went from God to a town called Nazareth to a woman whose name was Mary. The angel said to her, "Rejoice, O highly favored, for God is with you. You shall bear a child, and his name shall be Jesus, the Chosen One of God Most High." And Mary said, "I am the servant of my God, I live to do your will."

The Magnificat



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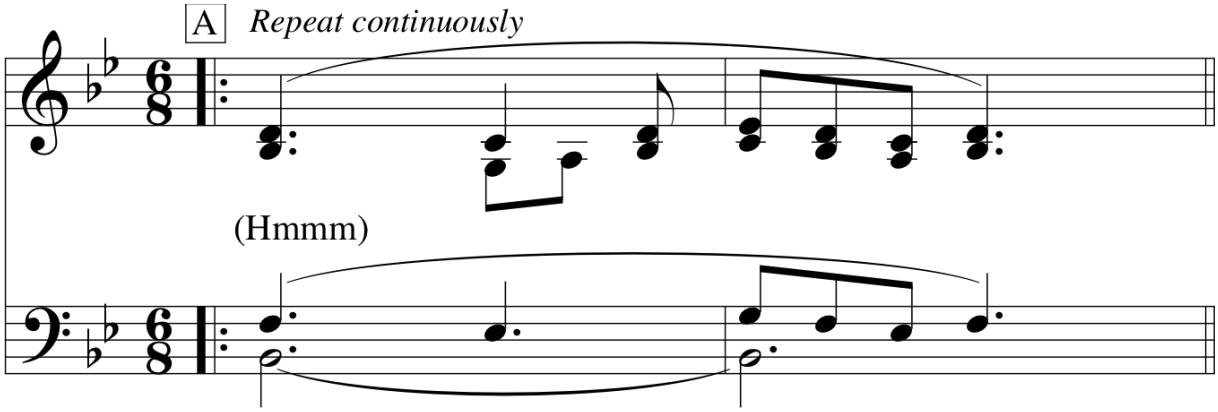

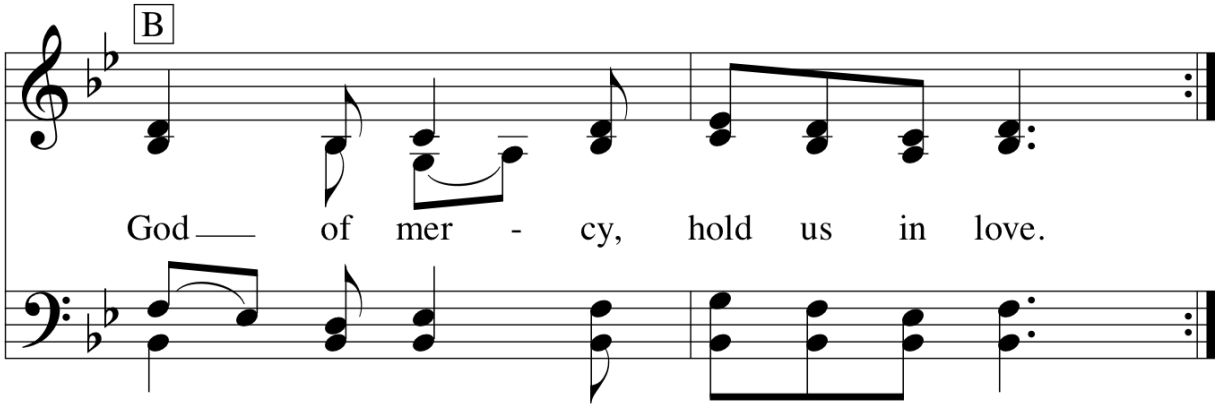

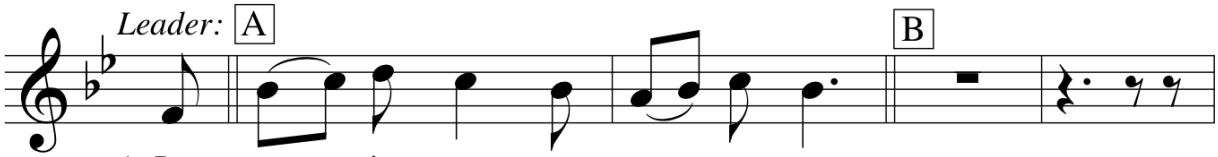

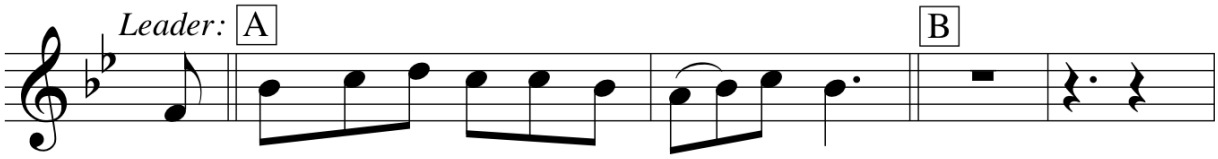

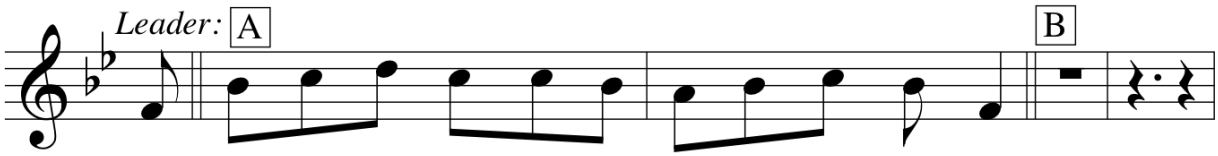

3. For peace be-tween na - tions, for peace be-tween peo-ples:
4. For us who are gath-ered to wor-ship and praise you:
5. For all of your ser-vants who live out your gos - pel:
6. For all those who gov - ern, that jus-tice might guide them:
7. For all those who la - bor in ser-vice to oth - ers:
8. Grant weath-er that nour - ish - es all of cre - a - tion:
9. Keep watch on our loved ones and keep us from dan - ger:
10. For all the be - lov - ed who rest in your mer - cy:

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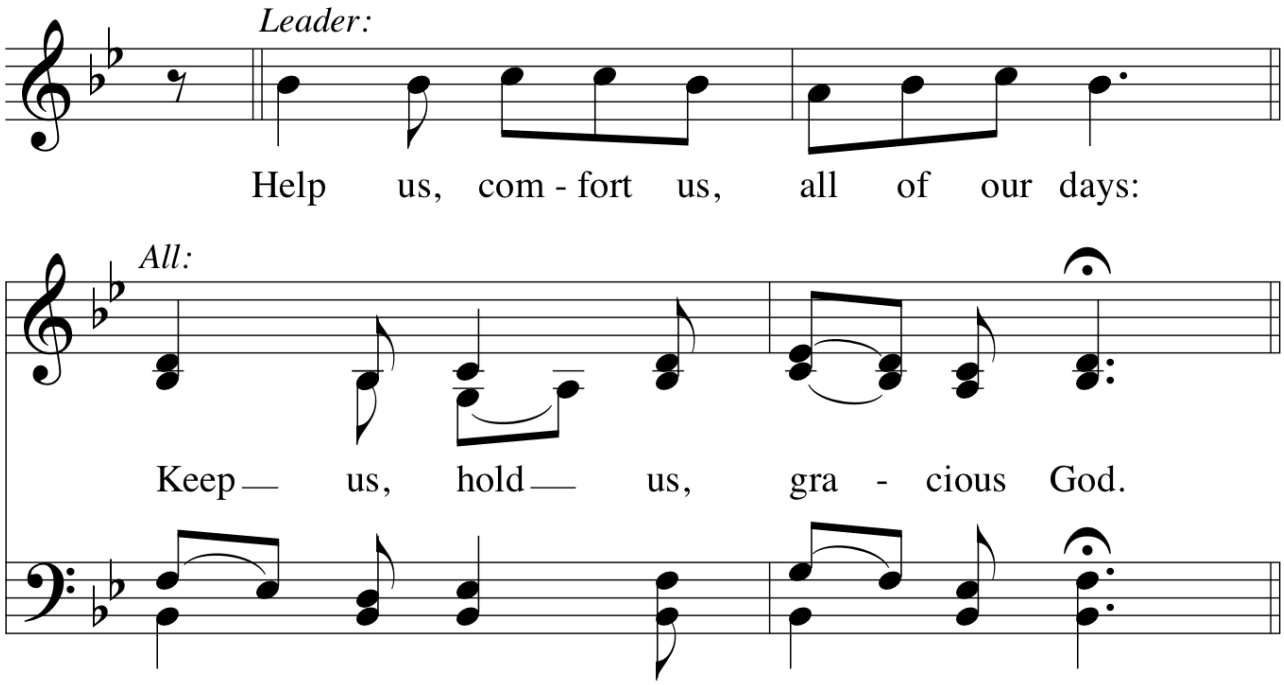

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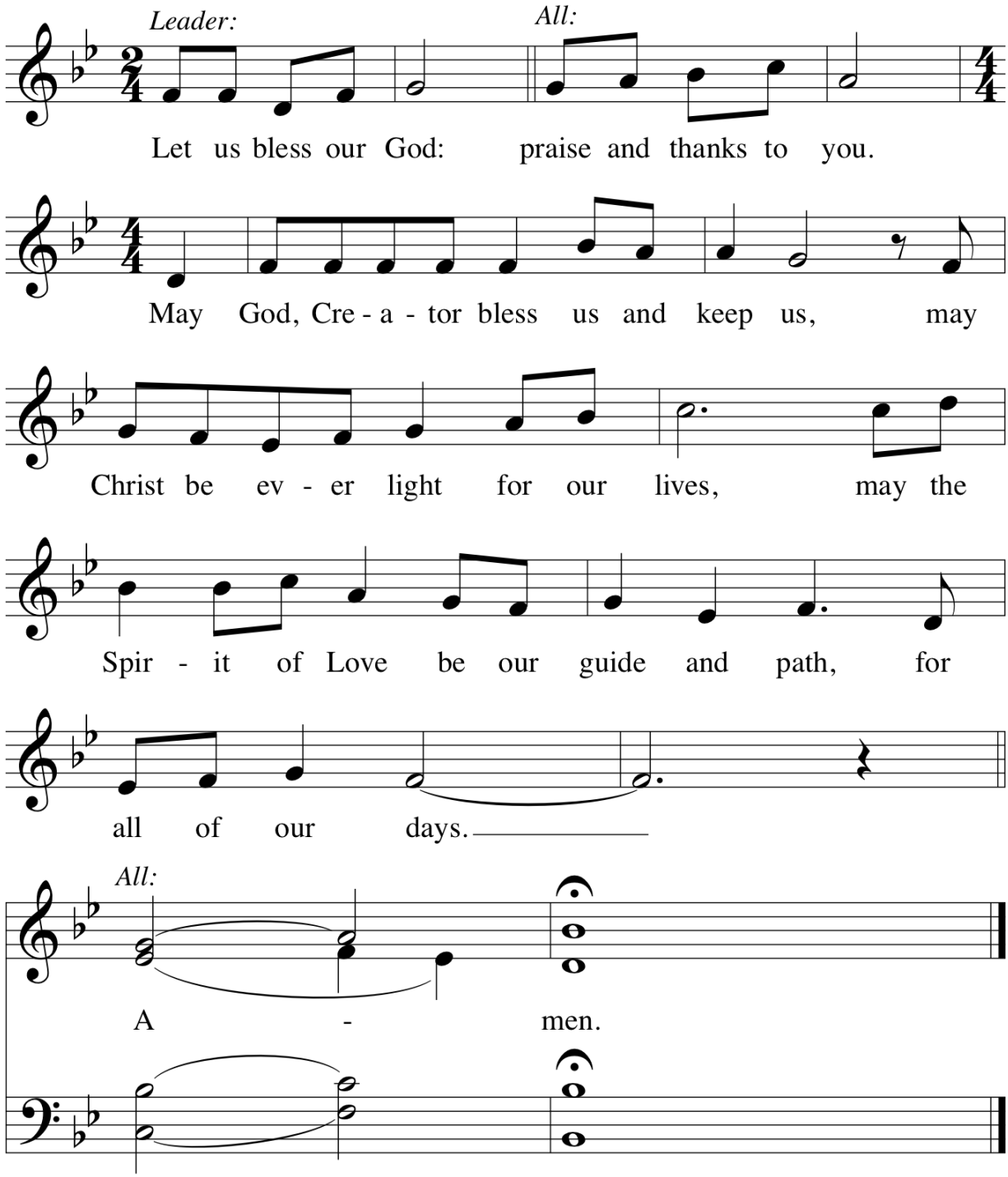
P Great and merciful God, Source and Ground of all goodness and life, give to your people the peace that passes all understanding, and the will to live your Gospel of mercy and justice, through Jesus Christ our Lord.

C Amen

P Lord, remember us in your love, and teach us 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.

Final Blessing



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