

PRESENTATION OF THE LORD

February 2, 2025

Lighting of the Candles

Behold, our Lord will come ... #1195

Procession

A light for revelation to the... #1196

Responsorial Psalm #1195

Psalm 24: Who is this king of glory?
It is the Lord!

Communion Hymns

Christ, Be Our Light #590

Psalm 24, Refrain II: Open
Wide Your Gates #37

I Want to Walk as a Child of
the Light #593

Lord Jesus Christ Light #589

Closing Hymn

We Are Marching #594

Gloria

Glory to God in the highest, and on earth peace to people of good will. We praise you, we bless you, we adore you, we glorify you, we give you thanks for your great glory, Lord God, heavenly King, O God, almighty Father.

Lord Jesus Christ, Only Begotten Son, Lord God, Lamb of God, Son of the Father, You take away the sins of the world, have mercy on us; You take away the sins of the world, receive our prayer; You are seated at the right hand of the Father, have mercy on us.

For you alone are the Holy One, you alone are the Lord. You alone are the Most High, Jesus Christ, with the Holy Spirit, In the glory of God the Father. Amen.

The Apostles' Creed

I believe in God,
the Father Almighty,
Creator of heaven and earth,
and in Jesus Christ, His only Son, our Lord,
who was conceived by the Holy Spirit,
born of the Virgin Mary,
suffered under Pontius Pilate,
was crucified, died and was buried;
He descended into hell;
on the third day He rose again from the dead;
He ascended into heaven,
and is seated at the right hand of God the Father Almighty;
from there He will come to judge the living and the dead.

I believe in the Holy Spirit,
the Holy Catholic Church,
the communion of Saints,
the forgiveness of sins,
the resurrection of the body,
and life everlasting.
Amen.

Readings

#1195

First Reading:
Malachi 3:1-4

Second Reading:
Hebrews 2:14-18

Gospel:
Luke 2:22-32



St. Michael the Archangel

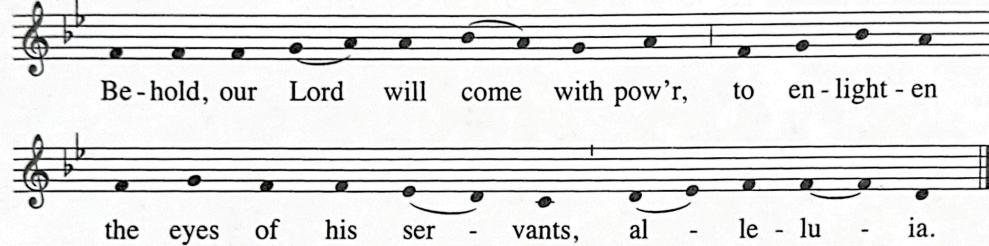
St. Michael the Archangel, defend us in battle. Be our protection against the wickedness and snares of the Devil. May God rebuke him, we humbly pray, and do thou, O prince of the heavenly hosts, by the power of God, cast into hell Satan, and all evil spirits, who prowl about the world seeking the ruin of souls.
Amen.

Opening Hymn

BLESSING OF CANDLES AND PROCESSION

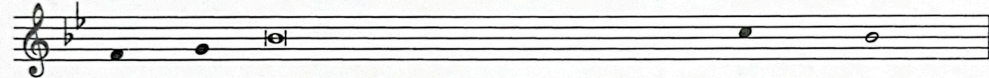
As the candles are lighted, this antiphon (with optional verses) may be sung:

Antiphon



Be-hold, our Lord will come with pow'r, to en-light-en
the eyes of his ser-vants, al-le-lu-ia.

Psalm 119:105-108, 111-112



1. Your word is a lamp for my feet,
I have sworn an oath and af-firmed it;
2. I am deeply afflicted,
Accept, LORD, my freely offered hom-age,
3. Your de-crees are my heritage for ev-er,
I incline my heart to carry out your stat-utes



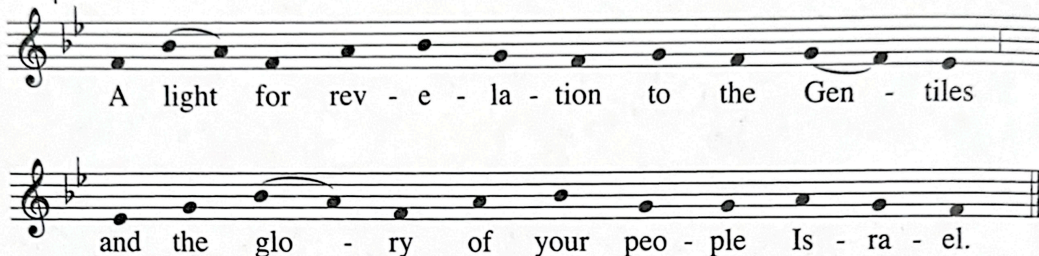
D.C.

and a light for my path.
to obey your just judg-ments. R.
by your word, give me life.
and teach me your de-crees. R.
the joy of my heart.
for-ev-er, to the end. R.

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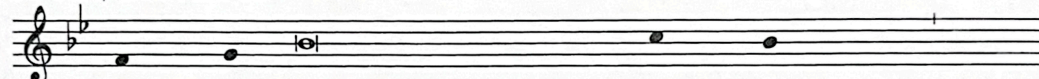
1196 During the procession, the following may be sung:

Antiphon

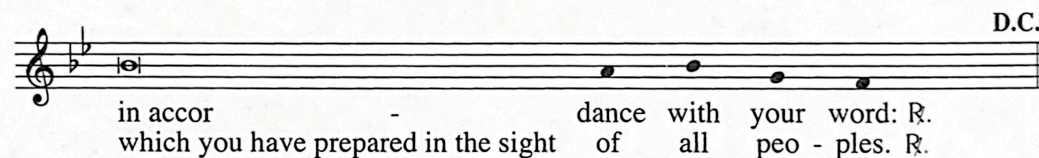


A light for rev-e-la-tion to the Gen-tiles
and the glo-ry of your peo-ple Is-ra-el.

Canticle, Luke 2:29-32



1. Lord, now you let your servant go in peace,
2. For my eyes have seen your sal-va-tion,



D.C.

in accor-dance with your word: R.
which you have prepared in the sight of all peo-ples. R.

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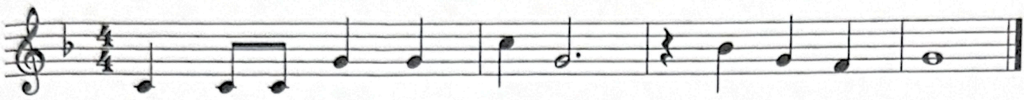
First Reading

Malachi 3:1-4

Thus says the Lord GOD:
Lo, I am sending my messenger
to prepare the way before me;
And suddenly there will come to the temple
the LORD whom you seek,
And the messenger of the covenant whom you desire.
Yes, he is coming, says the LORD of hosts.
But who will endure the day of his coming?
And who can stand when he appears?
For he is like the refiner's fire,
or like the fuller's lye.
He will sit refining and purifying silver,
and he will purify the sons of Levi,
Refining them like gold or like silver
that they may offer due sacrifice to the LORD.
Then the sacrifice of Judah and Jerusalem
will please the LORD,
as in the days of old, as in years gone by.

Responsorial Psalm

RESPONSORIAL PSALM *Psalm 24:7, 8, 9, 10*



Who is this king of glo-ry? It is the Lord!

O gates, lift high your heads; grow higher, ancient doors. Let him enter, the king of glory! <i>R.</i>	O gates, lift high your heads; grow higher, ancient doors. Let him enter, the king of glory! <i>R.</i>
Who is this king of glory? The LORD, the mighty, the valiant; the LORD, the valiant in war. <i>R.</i>	Who is this king of glory? He, the LORD of hosts, he is the king of glory. <i>R.</i>

Second Reading

Hebrews 2:14-18

Since the children share in blood and flesh,
Jesus likewise shared in them,
that through death he might destroy the one
who has the power of death, that is, the Devil,
and free those who through fear of death
had been subject to slavery all their life.
Surely he did not help angels
but rather the descendants of Abraham;
therefore, he had to become like his brothers and sisters
in every way,
that he might be a merciful and faithful high priest before God
to expiate the sins of the people.
Because he himself was tested through what he suffered,
he is able to help those who are being tested.

Gospel

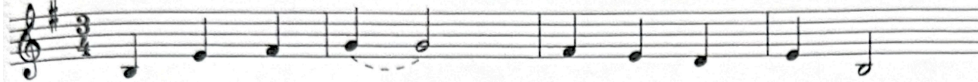
Luke 2:22-32

When the days were completed for their purification
according to the law of Moses,
Mary and Joseph took Jesus up to Jerusalem
to present him to the Lord,
just as it is written in the law of the Lord,
Every male that opens the womb shall be consecrated to the Lord,
and to offer the sacrifice of
a pair of turtledoves or two young pigeons,
in accordance with the dictate in the law of the Lord.
Now there was a man in Jerusalem whose name was Simeon.
This man was righteous and devout,
awaiting the consolation of Israel,
and the Holy Spirit was upon him.
It had been revealed to him by the Holy Spirit
that he should not see death
before he had seen the Christ of the Lord.
He came in the Spirit into the temple;
and when the parents brought in the child Jesus
to perform the custom of the law in regard to him,
he took him into his arms and blessed God, saying:
“Now, Master, you may let your servant go
in peace, according to your word,
for my eyes have seen your salvation,
which you prepared in the sight of all the peoples:
a light for revelation to the Gentiles,
and glory for your people Israel.”

Communion Hymns

Christ, Be Our Light! 590

Verses



1. Long - ing for light, we wait in dark - ness.
2. Long - ing for peace, our world is trou - bled.
3. Long - ing for food, man - y are hun - gry.
4. Long - ing for shel - ter, man - y are home - less.
5. Man - y the gifts, man - y the peo - ple,



Long - ing for truth, we turn to you.
Long - ing for hope, man - y de - spair.
Long - ing for wa - ter, man - y still thirst.
Long - ing for warmth, man - y are cold.
man - y the hearts that yearn to be - long.



Make us your own, your ho - ly peo - ple,
Your word a - lone has pow'r to save us.
Make us your bread, bro - ken for oth - ers,
Make us your build - ing, shel - ter - ing oth - ers,
Let us be ser - vants to one an - oth - er,

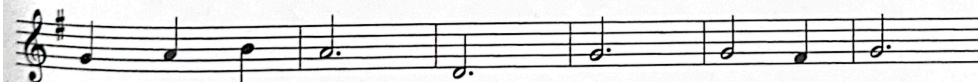


light for the world to see.
Make us your liv - ing voice.
shared un - til all are fed.
walls made of liv - ing stone.
mak - ing your king - dom come.

Refrain



Christ, be our light! Shine in our hearts.



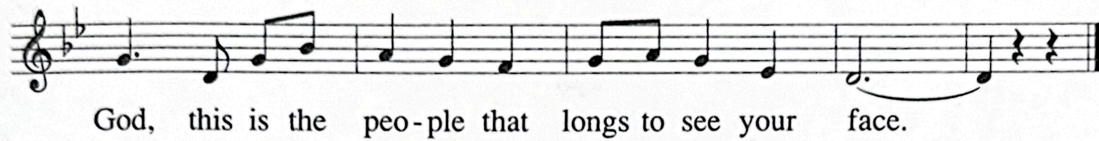
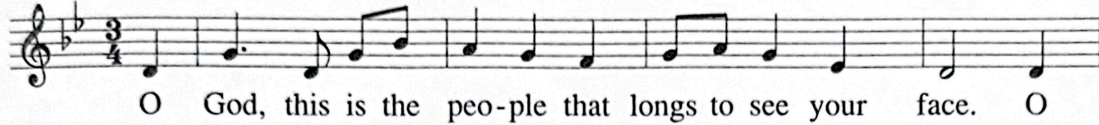
Shine through the dark - ness. Christ, be our light!



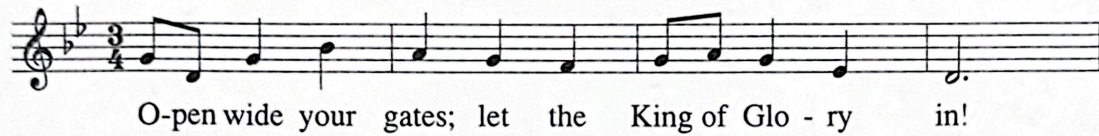
Shine in your Church gath - ered to - day.

Psalm 24: We Long to See Your Face 37

Refrain I



Refrain II



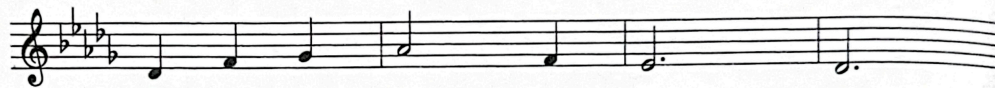
Verses

1. All the earth is yours, O God, the world and those who dwell on it.
You have founded it upon the seas and established it upon the rivers.
2. Who can ascend your mountain, God? Or who may stand in this holy place?
Those whose hands are sinless, hearts are clean, and desire not the vanity of earth.
3. They shall receive your blessing, God, their Savior shall reward them.
Such is the face that seeks for you, that seeks your face, O God of Jacob.

593 I Want to Walk as a Child of the Light



1. I want to walk as a child of the light.
 2. I want to see the bright-ness of God.
 3. I'm look - ing for the com - ing of Christ.



I want to fol - low Je - sus.
 I want to look at Je - sus.
 I want to be with Je - sus.



God set the stars to give light to the world. The
 Clear sun of right - eous - ness shine on my path And
 When we have run with pa - tience the race, We



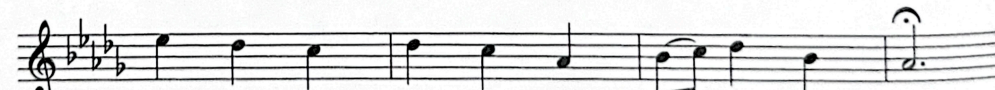
star of my life is Je - sus.
 show me the way to the Fa - ther.
 shall know the joy of Je - sus.



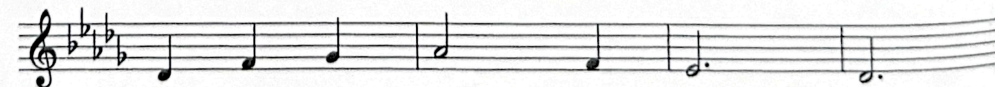
In him there is no dark - ness at all. The



night and the day are both a - like. The



Lamb is the light of the cit - y of God.



Shine in my heart, Lord Je - sus.

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589 Lord Jesus Christ / Jésus le Christ

Ostinato Refrain

Lord Je - sus Christ, your light shines with - in us.
French: Jé - sus le Christ, lu - mière in - té - rieu - re,
Spanish: Cris - to Je - sús, oh fue - go que a - bra - sa,
Polish: Je - zu, Tyś jest świat - łość - cią mej du - szy.

Let not my doubts nor my dark-ness speak to me.
ne lais - se pas mes té - nè - bres me par - ler.
que las ti - nie - blas en mí no ten - gan voz.
Niech ciem - ność ma nie prze - ma - wia do mnie już.

Lord Je - sus Christ, your light shines with - in us.
Jé - sus le Christ, lu - mière in - té - rieu - re,
Cris - to Je - sús, di - si - pa mis som - bras.
Je - zu, Tyś jest świat - łość - cią mej du - szy.

Let my heart al - ways wel - come your love.
don - ne - moi d'ac - cueil - lir ton a - mour.
Y que en mí só - lo ha - ble tu A - mor.
Daj mi moc przy - jąc dziś mi - łość Twą.

Closing Hymn

We Are Marching / Siyahamba 594

We are march - ing* in the light of God, we are
Si - ya - hamb' e - ku - kha - nyen' kwen - khos', si - ya -

1. march - ing in the light of God. God.
hamb' e - ku - kha - nyen' kwen - khos'. khos'.
2. march - ing in the light of, the
hamb' e - ku - kha - nyen' kwen, kha -

We are march - ing,
Si - ya - ham - ba,
light of God. We are march - ing, march - ing, we are
nyen' kwen - khos'. Si - ya - ham - ba, ham - ba, si - ya -

Oo
march - ing, march - ing, we are march - ing in the light of God.
ham - ba, ham - ba, si - ya - hamb' e - ku - kha - nyen' kwen - khos'.

*Alternate text: dancing, singing, praying

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