HYMN TUNE PROPERS
Introits for Advent

Metrical Antiphons
set to
Hymn Tunes:
CONDITOR ALME SIDERUM
WINCHESTER NEW
VENI, VENI EMMANUEL
and
Psalm Verses
set to
Anglican Chant

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These Introits for Advent were assembled with the idea that metrical translations of the Antiphon of the Introit sung to well-known hymn tunes and with the Psalm verses sung to Anglican Chant make an entirely fitting and proper way to sing the Introit in the Ordinary Form of Mass. During Advent, these Introits provide a warm, dignified accompaniment to the Entrance Procession, uniting everyone present in sacred song that is well-suited to the preparational nature and penitential aspect of the time before the Nativity of Christ.

This marks the beginning of our Hymn Tune Propers project, to provide Mass Propers for the entire year with metrical Antiphons set to hymn tunes, with Psalm verses set to Anglican chant. We are indebted to Jeffrey Tucker of the C.M.A.A. for encouragement in this endeavor.

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Instructions for singing the Introit

First the hymn tune Antiphon is sung, normally by the congregation, choir and/or cantor, although it may be sung once by the cantor or choir and repeated by all. Next the first Psalm verse (when provided, else the “Glory be”) is chanted by the choir and/or cantor, which is followed by the Antiphon, sung by all. Additional verses may be chanted, each time followed by the Antiphon, sung by all. As the Entrance procession draws to an end, the Introit concludes with the chanting of the “Glory be” and a final repetition of the Antiphon; at a minimum, the Introit should include one Psalm verse (when provided) and the “Glory be”. Thus, the pattern of the Introit is:

1. Antiphon (optionally repeated by all)
2. Verse + Antiphon (required when the verse is provided)
   Verse + Antiphon (optional)
3. “Glory be” + final Antiphon (required)

The Anglican Chants for Advent are instances of Double Chant, each of which contains four “quarters” labelled A,B,C,D. The quarters A and C consist of a reciting note plus two intermediate notes before the final note, and the longer quarters B and D consist of a reciting note plus four intermediate notes for the final note. To the left of the Psalm verses there is a key that tells what part of the chant is used to sing each line. Thus, when four lines are sung to the chant, they are sung to parts A,B,C,D, in order. When two lines are sung to the chant, only parts A,D are used. And when three lines are sung to this chant, parts A,B are used for the first two lines and the third line is sung to part D.
To You, O LORD, I lift my soul,
I trust in You, save me from shame.
Let not my foes boast over me.
Protect the ones who trust Your name.

1. Show me your ways, O LORD, *
   and teach me your paths.
2. Remember, O LORD, your compassion and love, *
   for they are from everlasting.
3. Remember not the sins of my youth
   and my transgressions;
   remember me according to your love
   and for the sake of your good- ness, O LORD.

Glory be to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Spirit; as it was in the beginning, is now and shall be, world without end. Amen.
Second Sunday of Advent
Cf. Isaiah 30: 19,13
Tune: CONDITOR ALME SIDERUM

Let Zion’s people see the LORD
Who comes to set the nations free.

The LORD will sound His glorious voice.

Your heart will hear Him joyfully.

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Psalm 80(79): 1–7

1. Hear, O Shepherd of Israel, leading Joseph like a flock;
   shine forth, you that are enthroned upon the cherubim.
   In the presence of Ephraim, Benjamin, and Manasseh,
   stir up your strength and come to help us.
   Restore us, O God of hosts, show the light of your countenance,
   and we shall be saved.

2. O LORD God of hosts,
   how long will you be angered despite the prayers of your people?
   You have fed them with the bread of tears;
   you have given them bowls of tears to drink.
   You have made us the derision of our neighbors,
   and our enemies laugh at us to scorn.
   Restore us, O God of hosts, show the light of your countenance,
   and we shall be saved.

3. You have made us the derision of our neighbors,
   and our enemies laugh at us to scorn.
   You have fed them with the bread of tears;
   you have given them bowls of tears to drink.
   You have made us the derision of our neighbors,
   and our enemies laugh at us to scorn.
   Restore us, O God of hosts, show the light of your countenance,
   and we shall be saved.

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 end. Amen.

Antiphon by Kathleen Pluth
Verses: Book of Divine Worship
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Rejoice at all times in the Lord.

Be glad, rejoice, I say again.

Let your unselfishness be seen.

Indeed, the Lord is near at hand.

Third Sunday of Advent

Psalm 85(84): 1–7

1. You have been gracious to your land, O Lord, you have restored the good for tune of Jacob.
2. Restore us then, O God our Savior; let your anger depart from us.
3. Will you not give us life again, that your people may rejoice in you?

A 1. You have been gracious to your land, O Lord,
D you have restored the good for of Jacob.
A You have forgiven the iniquity of your people and blotted out all their sins.
B and you have withdrawn all your fury
C and turned yourself from your wrathful in-dig-nation.

A 2. Restore us then, O God our Savior;
D let your anger depart from us.
B Will you be displeased with us for ever?
C Will you prolong your anger from age to age?

A 3. Will you not give us life again,
D that your people may rejoice in you?
B Show us your mercy, O Lord,
C and grant us your salvation.

A 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 end. Amen.

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Fourth Sunday of Advent

Isaiah 45: 8

Tune: CONDITOR ALME SIDERUM

Let dew fall down from heav’n a-bove.

O clouds, rain down the Right-eous One.

And let the earth be o-pen-ed up,

And let the longed-for Sav-ior come.

Psalm 19(18): 1–5

1. The heavens declare the glo-ry of God, and the firm-ment shows his handiwork. One day tells its tale to an-other, and one night im-par-ts know-ledge to an-other.

2. Al-though they have no words or language, and their voic-es are not heard, Their sound has gone out in-to all lands, and their message to the ends of the world.

3. In the deep has he set a pa-vilion for the sun; it comes forth like a bride-groom out of his cham-ber; it rejoices like a cham-pion to run its course.

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 end. Amen.

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**Weekdays of Advent before Dec. 17**

**Tune: WINCHESTER NEW**

**Monday.** O na-tions, lis-ten to the LORD, To
dis-tant lands de-clare His word. Be-hold our Sau-vior
all His saints ac-com-pa-nied. And on that day, and
shine on all that is con-cealed. To all the na-tions
truth-ful, LORD, in all Your ways. I know your sta-tutes
splen-did light He will de-scend. He comes to bring His
splen-dor in Your ho-ly place. Come forth to save us,

**Tuesday.** Be-hold, the com-ing of the LORD With
on that day, You have no fur-ther need to fear.
don that day, He shall come And He Him-self shall be re-
from of old, E-ter-nal is Your length of days.
the LORD, we pray, By show-ing us Your ho-ly face.

**Wednesday.** The LORD will come with-out de-lay To
He shall come And He Him-self shall be re-
He shall come And He Him-self shall be re-

**Thursday.** O LORD, you are for-ev-er near. And
He shall come And He Him-self shall be re-
He shall come And He Him-self shall be re-

**Friday.** Be-hold, be-hold, the LORD will come. In
people peace And give them life that nev-er ends.
people peace And give them life that nev-er ends.

**Saturday.** O LORD, on Che-ru-bim en-throned. In
the peo-ple, peace And give them life that nev-er ends.
the peo-ple, peace And give them life that nev-er ends.

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**Glory be...**

Glory... to the Son, and to the Ho-ly Spirit;
As... ev-er shall be, world...

**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 | end. | A- men.**

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Weekdays of Advent, Dec. 17–20

Tune: VENI, VENI EMMANUEL

Dec. 17. Re-joice, re-joice, O heav'n's above. Ex-
Dec. 18. Be-hold the com-ing of the King. For-
Dec. 19. The One Who is to come will come And-
Dec. 20. A branch shall sprout from Jes-see's root And-
ult, O earth, for-ev-er more. Be-cause the LORD is
Christ is com-ing to a-bide. He is the ho-ly
He will come with out-de-lay. Our land will know His
glo-ry fill the earth a-broad. All flesh shall see His
com-ing soon To show His mer-cy to His poor.
Lamb of God By John the Bap-tist pro-phe-sied.
pow'r to save And ev-ry fear will flee a-way.
sav-ing pow'r Shall see the sav-ing pow'r of God.

Glory be to the Father, and | to the | Son,          and | to the | Ho-ly | Spirit;
As... ev-er shall be, world... end... A- men.

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 | end... A... men.

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Weekdays of Advent, Dec. 21–24

Tune: VENI, VENI EMMANUEL

Dec. 21. The Lord and Ruler shall arrive, For he shall come to thee, O Israel.
Dec. 23. He shall be called Almighty God, The glory be to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Spirit; as ever shall be, world without end. Amen.
Dec. 24. Be hold, the fullness of the years: When Christ the King comes, came, and is come, to dwell, Be-cause He will be ancient doors, to heights anew. Be-hold, the King of child who will be brought to birth, For us He comes, and times at last their course had run, Our Sav-ior came in- to the world; In- to the world God sent His Son.

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Hymn Tune Introits: Sunday Antiphons

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Tune: CONDITOR ALME SIDERUM harmonized by Charles H. Giffen

Advent 1. To you O LORD, I lift my soul, I trust in
Advent 2. Let Zion's people see the LORD Who comes to
Advent 3. Rejoice at all times in the LORD. Be glad, re-
Advent 4. Let dew fall down from heav'n above. O clouds, rain

You, save me from shame. Let not my foes boast over
set the nations free. The LORD will sound His glorious
joice, I say again. Let your unselfishness be
down the Righteous One. And let the earth be opened

me. Protect the ones who trust your name.
voice. Your heart will hear Him joyfully.
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up, And let the longed-for Savior come.