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et semper et in saécu-la saecu-lórum. Amen. Alle-lú-ia.

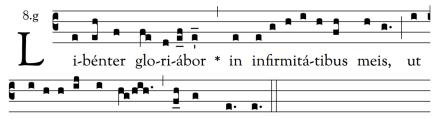
OFFICE HYMN sung by all, standing

- Let all the Church acclaim Saint Paul And sing the glories of his call.
 The Lord made an apostle be From one who was his enemy.
- 2. The name of Christ set Paul afire Enkindling him with great desire; And higher these same blazes reached When of the love of Christ he preached.
- 3. His merits are forever praised
 For to the heavens he was raised,
 And there, the all-mysterious word,
 That none dare speak, by Paul was heard.
- 4. The Word, like seed sown in a field Producing an abundant yield Fills heav'nly barns whose stores of grain Are tilled and grown on earthly plains.
- 5. The shining of the lamplight gleams
 And drenches earth with heaven's beams.
 The dark of error's night is past;
 The reign of truth has come at last.
- 6. To Christ all glory, and all praise To Father and the Spirit raise, Who for the nations' saving call Gave us the splendor of Saint Paul. Amen.

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▼ PSALMODY **▼**

Antiphon I



inhábitet in me

virtus Chrísti.

Willingly I glory in my infirmities, that the healing power of Christ may dwell in me.

Psalm 116



- 9. I trusted, even | when I said, *
 "I am sore-|lv afflicted,"
- 10. and when I said in | my alarm: *
 "No man | can be trusted."
- 11. How can I re-|pay the Lord * for his |goodness to me?
- 12. The cup of salvation I will |raise; * I will call |on the Lord's name.
- 13. My vows to the Lord I will ful-|fill * before |all his people.
- 14. O precious in the eyes of the | Lord * is the death | of his faithful.
- 15. Your servant, Lord, your servant am | I; * you have | loosened my bonds.
- 16. A thanksgiving sacrifice I | make; * I will call | on the Lord's name.
- 17. My vows to the Lord I will ful-|fill * before |all his people,

18. in the courts of the house of the |Lord, * in your midst, |O Jerusalem.

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 with-| out end. Amen.

Repeat antiphon



creméntum † dedit, al-le-ú-ia.

I planted the seed; Apollos watered it, but it was God who gave the increase.



- 1. When the LORD brought back the captives of |Zi-on, * we were |like men dreaming.
- 2. Then our mouth was filled with | laughter, * and our tongue | with rejoicing.
- Then they said among the | nations, *"The LORD has | done great things for them."
- 4. The LORD has done great things for |us; * --- |we are glad in-deed.
- 5. Restore our fortunes, O | LORD, * like the torrents in the |southern desert.

- 6. Those who | sow in tears * shall | reap rejoicing.
- Although they go forth | weeping, * carrying the |seed to be sown,
- 8. They shall come back re-lioicing, * --- | carrying their sheaves.

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 with-out end. Amen.

Repeat antiphon.

Antiphon 3



e-jus semper in me manet.

The grace of God was not fruitless in me, but his grace always abides in me.

Canticle: Ephesians I



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- Praised be the | God and Father * --- | of our Lord Jesus Christ
- who has be-| stowed on us in Christ * every spiritual bless- ing in the heavens.
- 3. God | chose us in him * --- | before the world began

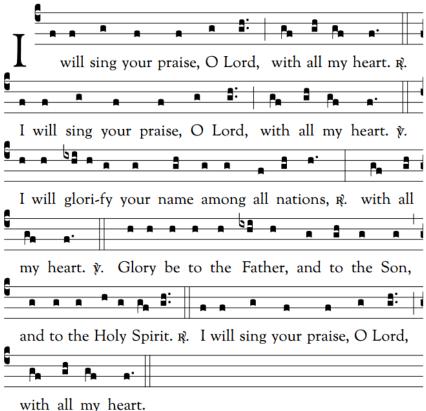
- 4. --- | to be holy * and | blameless in his sight.
- He predestined us to be his adopted sons through | Jesus Christ, * such was | his will and pleasure,
- 6. that all might praise the | glorious favor * he has bestowed on us | in his beloved.
- 7. In him and through his blood, | we have been redeemed, * and | our sins forgiven,
- 8. so immeasur-|ably generous * is |God's favor to us.
- 9. God has given | us the wisdom * to understand | fully the mystery,
- 10. the | plan he was pleased * ... | -- to decree in Christ.
- 11. A plan to be | carried out in Christ, * in | the fullness of time,
- 12. to bring all things | into one in him, * in | the heavens and on earth.
- Glory be to the Fath-|er, 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.

Repeat antiphon.

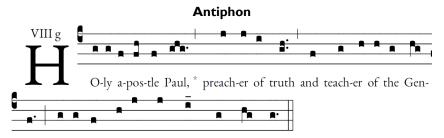
Reading 1 Corinthians 15:9-10

AM the least of the apostles; in fact, because I persecuted the church of God, I do not even deserve the name. But by God's favor, I am what I am. This favor of his to me has not proved fruitless. Indeed, I have worked harder than all the others, not on my own but through the favor of God.

Short Responsory

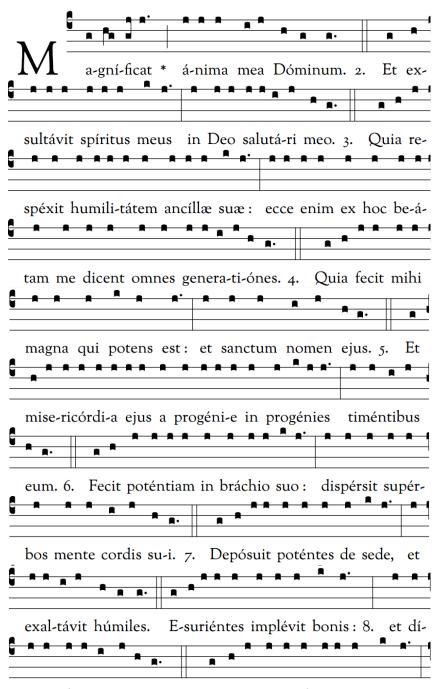


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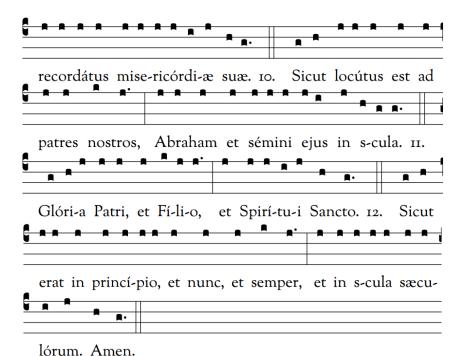


tiles, in-ter-cede for us with God, who chose you.

Magnificat



vites dimísit in-ánes. 9. Suscépit Is-ra-ël púerum suum,



Repeat Antiphon

Intercessions

- W. My brothers and sisters, we build on the foundation of the
 apostles. Let us pray to our almighty Father for his holy people
 and say:
- R. Be mindful of your Church, O Lord.
- V. Father, you wanted your Son to be seen first by the apostles after the resurrection from the dead; we ask you to make us his witnesses to the farthest corners of the world.
- R. Be mindful of your Church, O Lord.
- V. You sent your Son to preach your good news to the poor; help us to preach this Gospel to every creature.
- R. Be mindful of your Church, O Lord.

- V. You sent your Son to sow the seed of unending life; grant that we who work at sowing the seed may share the joy of the harvest.
- R. Be mindful of your Church, O Lord.
- V. You sent your Son to reconcile all to you through his blood; help us all to work toward achieving this reconciliation.
- R. Be mindful of your Church, O Lord.
- V. Your Son sits at your right hand in heaven; let the dead enter your kingdom of joy.
- R. Be mindful of your Church, O Lord.

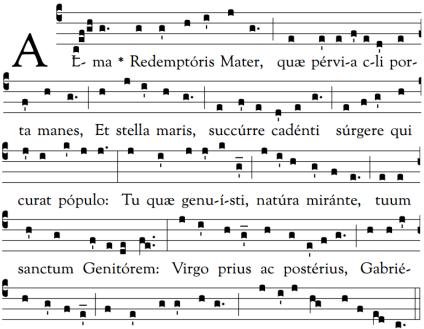
The Lord's Prayer

Concluding Prayer

GOD, who taught the whole world through the preaching of the blessed Apostle Paul, draw us, we pray, nearer to you through the example of him whose conversion we celebrate today, and so make us witnesses to your truth in the world. Through our Lord Jesus Christ, your Son, who lives and reigns with you in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever. *Amen*.

Dismissal

Marian Antiphon



lis ab o-re sumens illud Ave, * peccatórum mise-ré-re.