

Ecumenical Advent service

Hymn



1. Unison, unaccompanied

Creator of the stars of night,
Your people's everlasting light,
O Christ, redeemer of us all,
We pray you hear us when we call.

2. Unison

In sorrow that the ancient curse
Should doom to death a universe,
You came, O saviour, to set free
Your own, in glorious liberty.

3. Ladies

When this old world drew on t'ward night,
You came, but not in splendour bright,
Not as a monarch, but the child
Of Mary, blameless mother mild.

4. Men

At your great name, O Jesus, now
All knees must bend, all hearts must bow;
All things on earth with one accord,
Like those in heav'n, shall call you Lord.

5. Unison

Come in your holy might, we pray;
Redeem us for eternal day,
Defend us while we dwell below
From all assaults of our dread foe.

6. Unison

To God creator, God the son,
And God the spirit, three in one,
Praise, honour, might and glory be
From age to age eternally.



Prayers

In the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit:

Amen.

Maranatha:

Come, Lord Jesus!

The opening prayer ends:

...honour, worship and praise, world without end.

Amen.

Silent prayer.

The collect ends:

...one God, now and for ever.

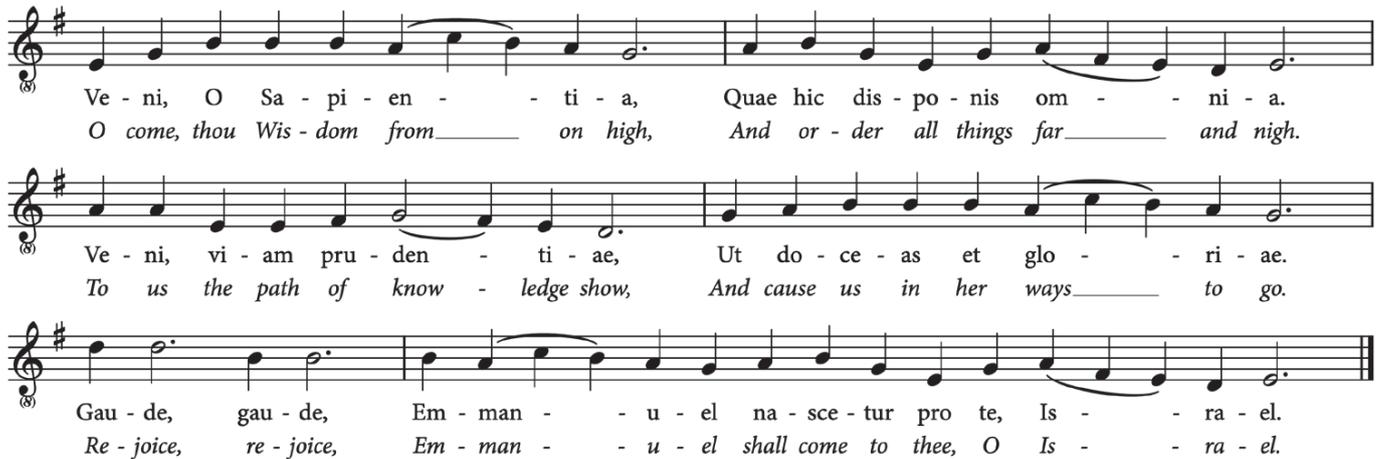
Amen.

Readings and antiphons

Reading 1: Isaiah 43:1–7

O Sapientia (O Wisdom)

1. CHOIR sings Latin
2. ALL repeat in English



Ve - ni, O Sa - pi - en - ti - a, Quae hic dis - po - nis om - ni - a.
O come, thou Wis - dom from _____ on high, And or - der all things far _____ and nigh.

Ve - ni, vi - am pru - den - ti - ae, Ut do - ce - as et glo - ri - ae.
To us the path of know - ledge show, And cause us in her ways _____ to go.

Gau - de, gau - de, Em - man - u - el na - sce - tur pro te, Is - ra - el.
Re - joice, re - joice, Em - man - u - el shall come to thee, O Is - ra - el.

Reading 2: Psalm 107:1–3, 10–16

O Adonai (O Lord of Israel)

1. CHOIR sings Latin
2. ALL repeat in English



Ve - ni, ve - ni, A - do - na - i, Qui po - pu - lo in Si - na - i,
O come, O come, thou Lord _____ of might, Who to thy tribes on Si - nai's height

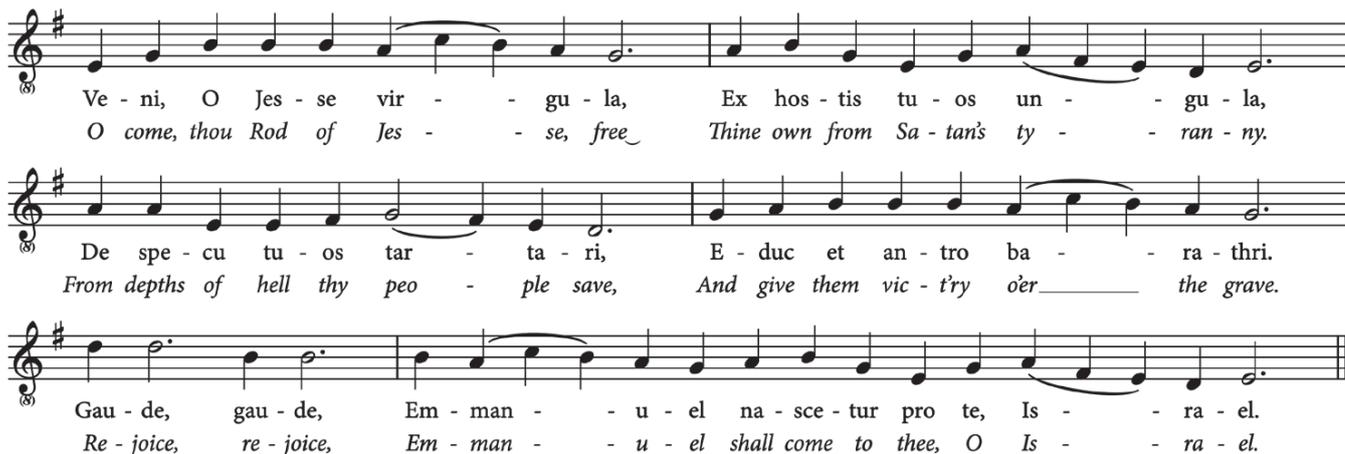
Le - gem de - dis - ti ver - ti - ce, In ma - jes - ta - te go - ri - ae.
In an - cient times didst give _____ the law In cloud and ma - jes - ty _____ and awe.

Gau - de, gau - de, Em - man - u - el na - sce - tur pro te, Is - ra - el.
Re - joice, re - joice, Em - man - u - el shall come to thee, O Is - ra - el.

Reading 3: Isaiah 61:1-3, 11

O Radix Jesse (O Root of Jesse)

1. CHOIR sings Latin
2. ALL repeat in English



Ve - ni, O Jes - se vir - - gu - la, Ex hos - tis tu - os un - - gu - la,
O come, thou Rod of Jes - - se, free Thine own from Sa - tan's ty - - ran - ny.

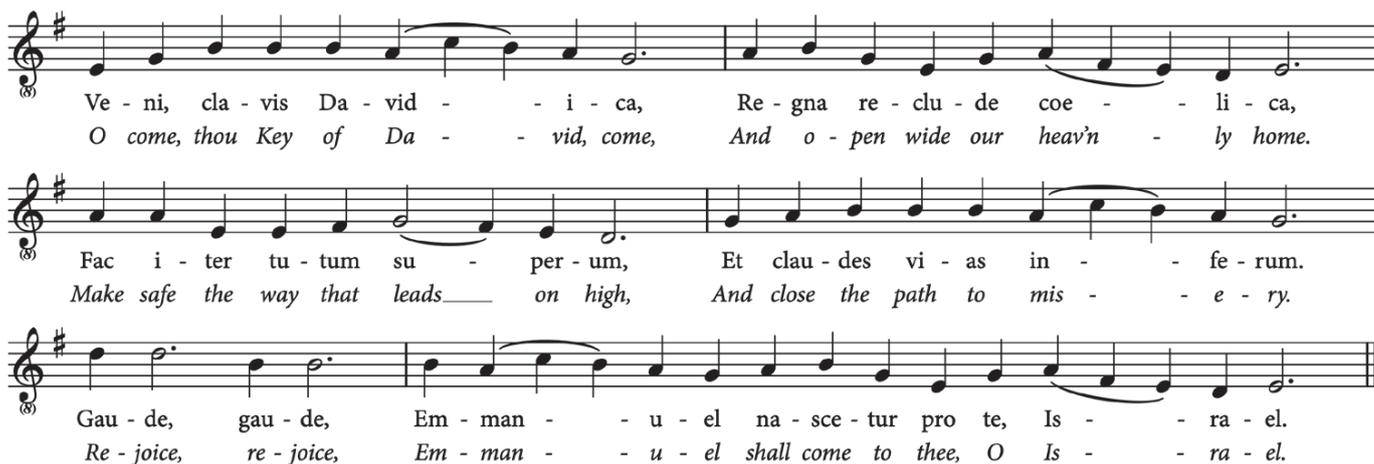
De spe - cu tu - os tar - ta - ri, E - duc et an - tro ba - - ra - thri.
From depths of hell thy peo - ple save, And give them vic - t'ry o'er the grave.

Gau - de, gau - de, Em - man - - u - el na - sce - tur pro te, Is - - ra - el.
Re - joice, re - joice, Em - man - - u - el shall come to thee, O Is - - ra - el.

Reading 4: Isaiah 42:5-9

O Clavis Davidica (O Key of David)

1. CHOIR sings Latin
2. ALL repeat in English



Ve - ni, cla - vis Da - vid - - i - ca, Re - gna re - clu - de coe - - li - ca,
O come, thou Key of Da - - vid, come, And o - pen wide our heav'n - ly home.

Fac i - ter tu - tum su - per - um, Et clau - des vi - as in - - fe - rum.
Make safe the way that leads on high, And close the path to mis - - e - ry.

Gau - de, gau - de, Em - man - - u - el na - sce - tur pro te, Is - - ra - el.
Re - joice, re - joice, Em - man - - u - el shall come to thee, O Is - - ra - el.

Reading 5: Micah 4:1-5

O Oriens (O Dayspring)

1. CHOIR sings Latin
2. ALL repeat in English



Ve - ni, ve - ni, O O - - ri - ens, So - la - re nos ad - ve - - ni - ens,
O come, thou Day - spring, come and cheer Our spi - rits by thine Ad - - vent here.

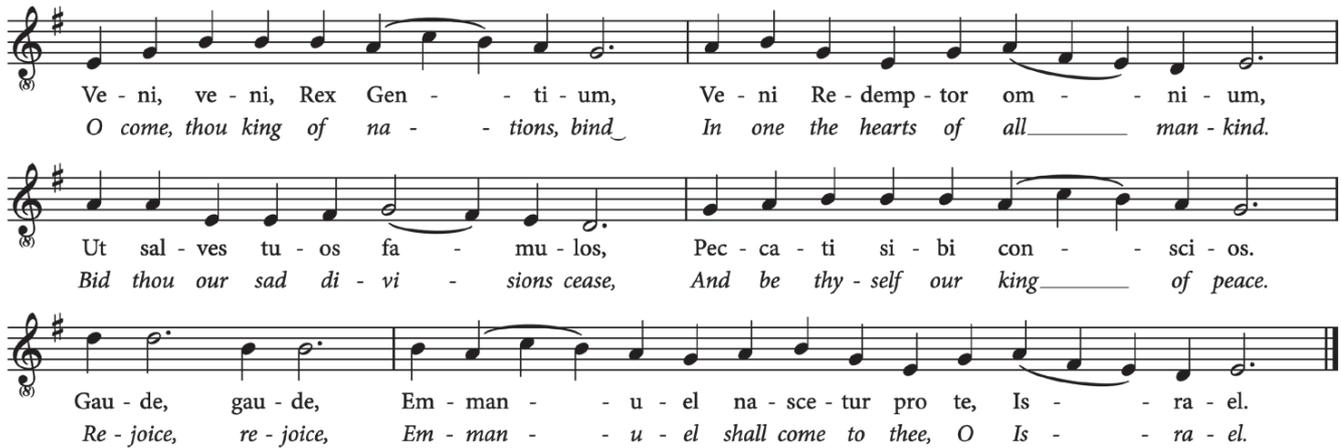
Noc - tis de - pel - le ne - bu - las, Di - ras - que noc - tis te - - ne - bras.
Dis - perse the gloom - y clouds of night, And death's dark sha - dows put to flight.

Gau - de, gau - de, Em - man - - u - el na - sce - tur pro te, Is - - ra - el.
Re - joice, re - joice, Em - man - - u - el shall come to thee, O Is - - ra - el.

Reading 6: Ephesians 2:11–22

O Rex Gentium (O King of the Nations)

1. CHOIR sings Latin
2. ALL repeat in English



Ve - ni, ve - ni, Rex Gen - - ti - um, Ve - ni Re - demp - tor om - - ni - um,
O come, thou king of na - - tions, bind In one the hearts of all _____ man - kind.

Ut sal - ves tu - os fa - mu - los, Pec - ca - ti si - bi con - - sci - os.
Bid thou our sad di - vi - sions cease, And be thy - self our king _____ of peace.

Gau - de, gau - de, Em - man - - u - el na - sce - tur pro te, Is - - ra - el.
Re - joice, re - joice, Em - man - - u - el shall come to thee, O Is - - ra - el.

Reading 7: Matthew 25:31–end

Before the reading:

1. CHOIR
2. ALL



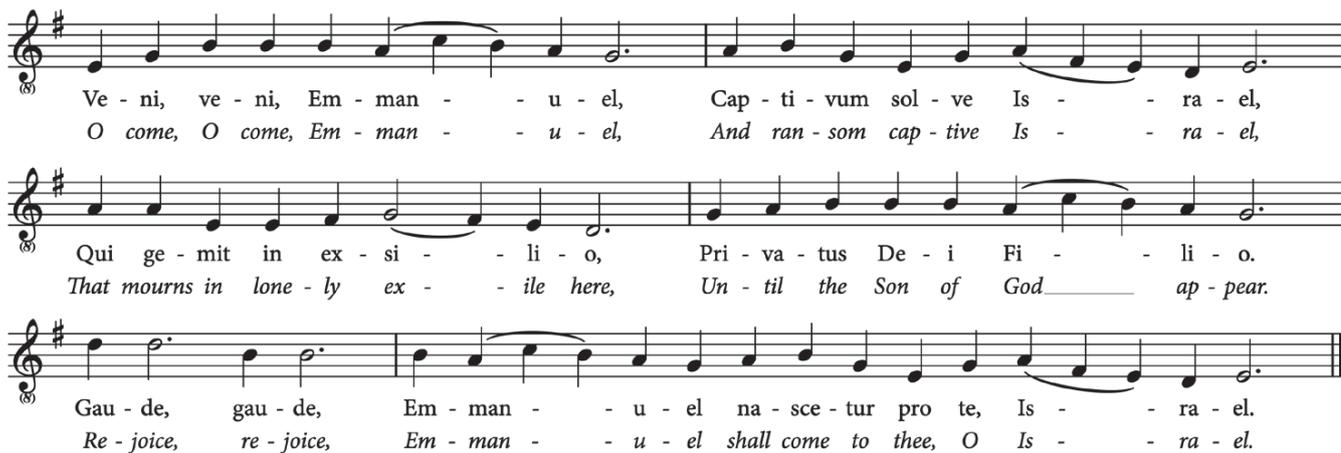
Al - le - lu - ia! Al - le - lu - ia! _____ Al - le - lu - ia!

Sing the Alleluia again after the reading, but only once (no repeat).

Then immediately sing:

O Emmanuel

1. CHOIR sings Latin
2. ALL repeat in English



Ve - ni, ve - ni, Em - man - - u - el, Cap - ti - vum sol - ve Is - - ra - el,
O come, O come, Em - man - - u - el, And ran - som cap - tive Is - - ra - el,

Qui ge - mit in ex - si - - li - o, Pri - va - tus De - i Fi - - li - o.
That mourns in lone - ly ex - - ile here, Un - til the Son of God _____ ap - pear.

Gau - de, gau - de, Em - man - - u - el na - sce - tur pro te, Is - - ra - el.
Re - joice, re - joice, Em - man - - u - el shall come to thee, O Is - - ra - el.

Sermon

Hymn



1. *Unison*

Come, thou long-expected Jesus,
Born to set thy people free;
From our fears and sins release us,
Let us find our rest in thee.

2. *Harmony*

Israel's strength and contemplation,
Hope of all the earth thou art,
Dear desire of ev'ry nation,
Joy of ev'ry longing heart.

3. *Harmony*

Born thy people to deliver,
Born a child and yet a king,
Born to reign in us for ever,
Now thy gracious kingdom bring.

4. *Unison*

By thine own eternal spirit,
Rule in all our hearts alone;
By thine all-sufficient merit
Raise us to thy glorious throne.

Sharing the Paschal light

Receive the light of Christ:

All: **Thanks be to God.**

Nunc dimittis

FULL



Pro - tect us, Lord, as we stay a - wake; Watch o - ver us as we sleep;



That a - wake, we may keep watch with Christ, And a - sleep, rest in his peace.

MEN



Lord, now you let your ser - vant go in peace; your word has been ful - filled.

LADIES



My own eyes have seen the sal - va - tion which you have pre - pared in the sight of

MEN



ev - 'ry peo - ple. A light to re - veal you to the na - tions,



And the glo - ry of your peo - ple Is - ra - el.

LADIES



Glo - ry to the Fath - er and to the Son, And to the Ho - ly Spi - rit.

(still LADIES)



As it was in the be - gin - ning, is now and will be for ev - er, A - men.

FULL



Pro - tect us, Lord, as we stay a - wake; Watch o - ver us as we sleep;



That a - wake, we may keep watch with Christ, And a - sleep, rest in his peace.

Prayers

If any are holy:

All: Let them grow in love.

If any are in sin:

All: Let them know conversion.

For the need and sorrow of all the earth:

All: Let us implore the mercy of Heaven.

All say the Lord's Prayer together. ("Our Father...")

Then:

Restore us, O Lord God of hosts:

All: Show the light of your countenance, and we shall be saved.

Will you not give us life again:

All: That your people may rejoice in you?

Show us your mercy, O Lord:

All: And grant us your salvation.

The blessing ends:

...be with you now and always.

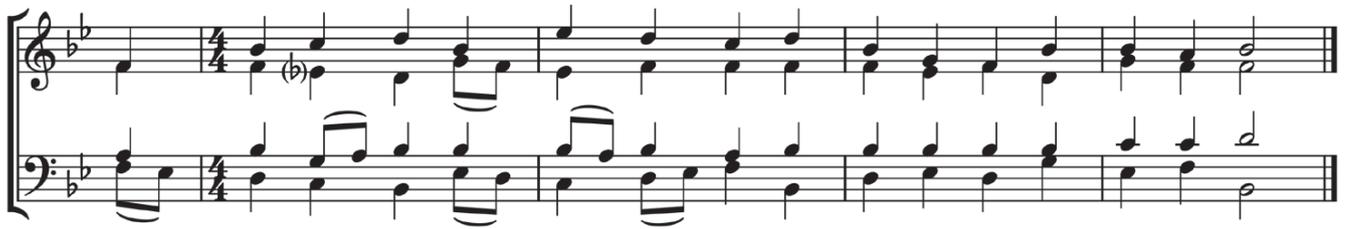
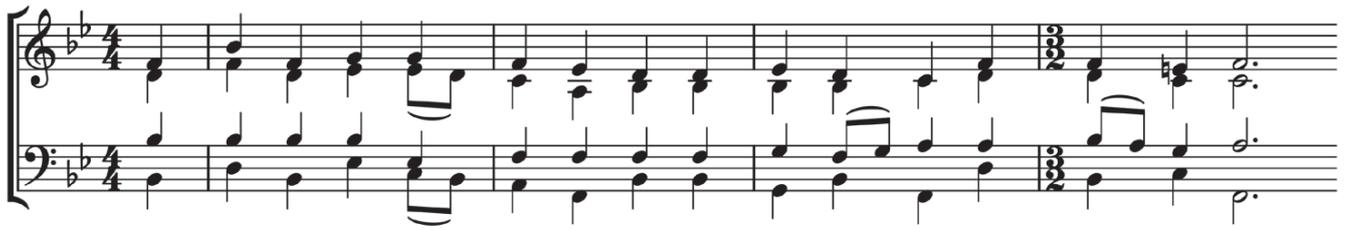
All: Amen.

Alma redemptoris mater

SOLO FULL

Al - - ma re - demp - to - ris ma - ter, quae per - vi - a coe - li por - ta man - es,
et stel - la ma - ris, suc - cur - re ca - den - ti sur - ge - re qui - cu - rat po - pu - lo:
Tu quae ge - nu - is - ti, na - tu - ra mi - ran - te, tu - um sanc - tus ge - ni - to - rem:___
Vir - go pri - us ac pos - te - ri - us, Gab - ri - el - is ab o - re
su - mens il - lud a - vem pec - ca - to - rum___ mi - se - re - re.

Hymn



1. Harmony

On Jordan's bank the Baptist's cry
Announces that the Lord is nigh;
Awake and hearken, for he brings
Glad tidings from the king of kings.

3. Ladies

For thou art our salvation, Lord,
Our refuge and our great reward;
Without thy grace, we waste away,
Like flow'rs that wither and decay.

2. Men

Then cleansed be ev'ry breast from sin;
Make straight the way for God within;
Prepare we in our hearts a home,
Where such a mighty guest might come.

4. Harmony

To heal the sick, stretch out thy hand,
And bid the fallen sinner stand;
Shine forth and let thy light restore
Earth's own true loveliness once more.

5. Unison + descant (below)

All praise, eternal Son, to thee,
Whose advent sets thy people free;
Whom with the Father we adore,
And Holy Ghost for evermore.

5. All praise, e - ter - nal Son, to thee, Whose ad - vent sets thy peo - ple free;
Whom with the Fath - er we a - dore, And Ho - ly Ghost for ev - er more.