Joyous Light

Evening Prayer

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Service of Light

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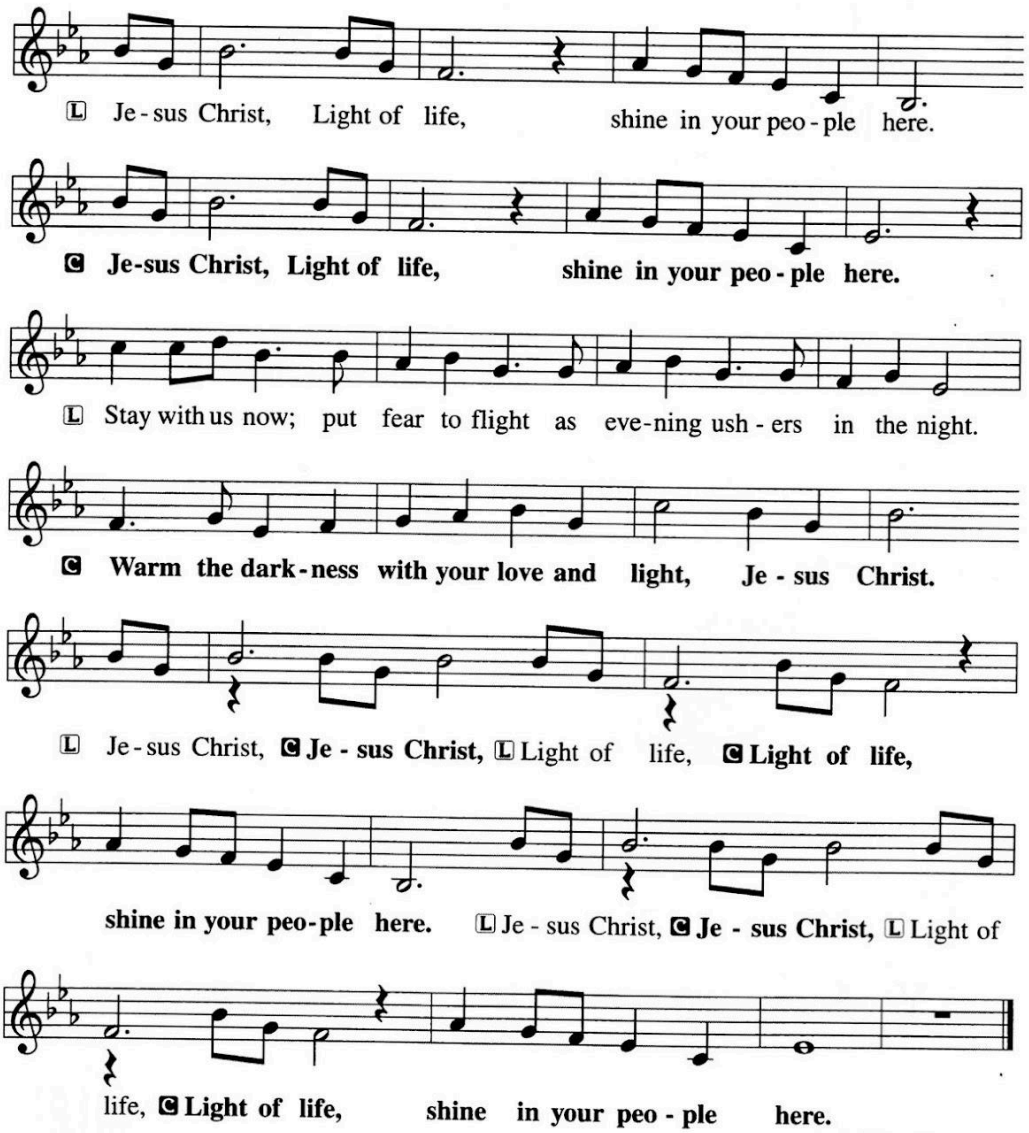

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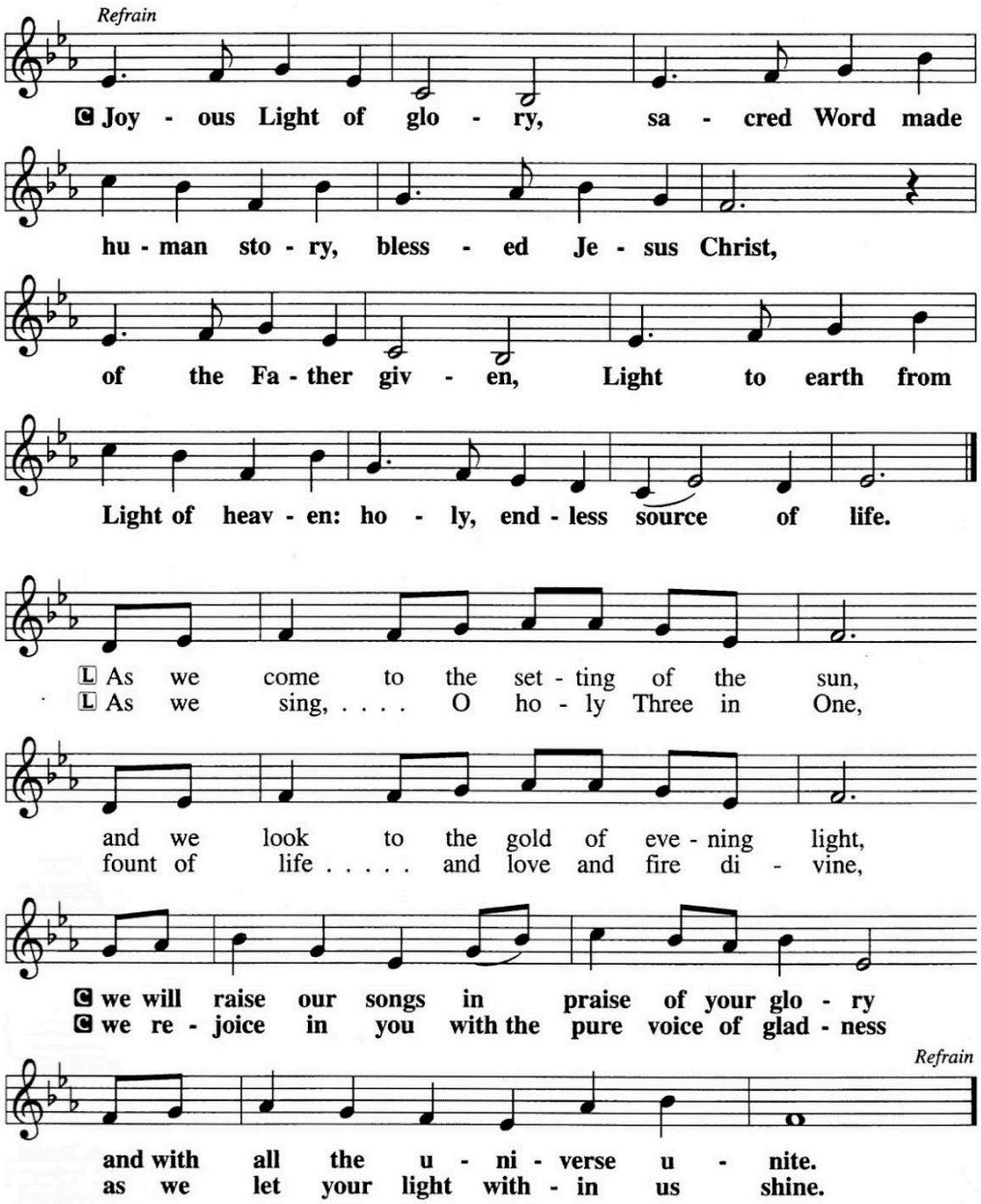
Hymn of Light

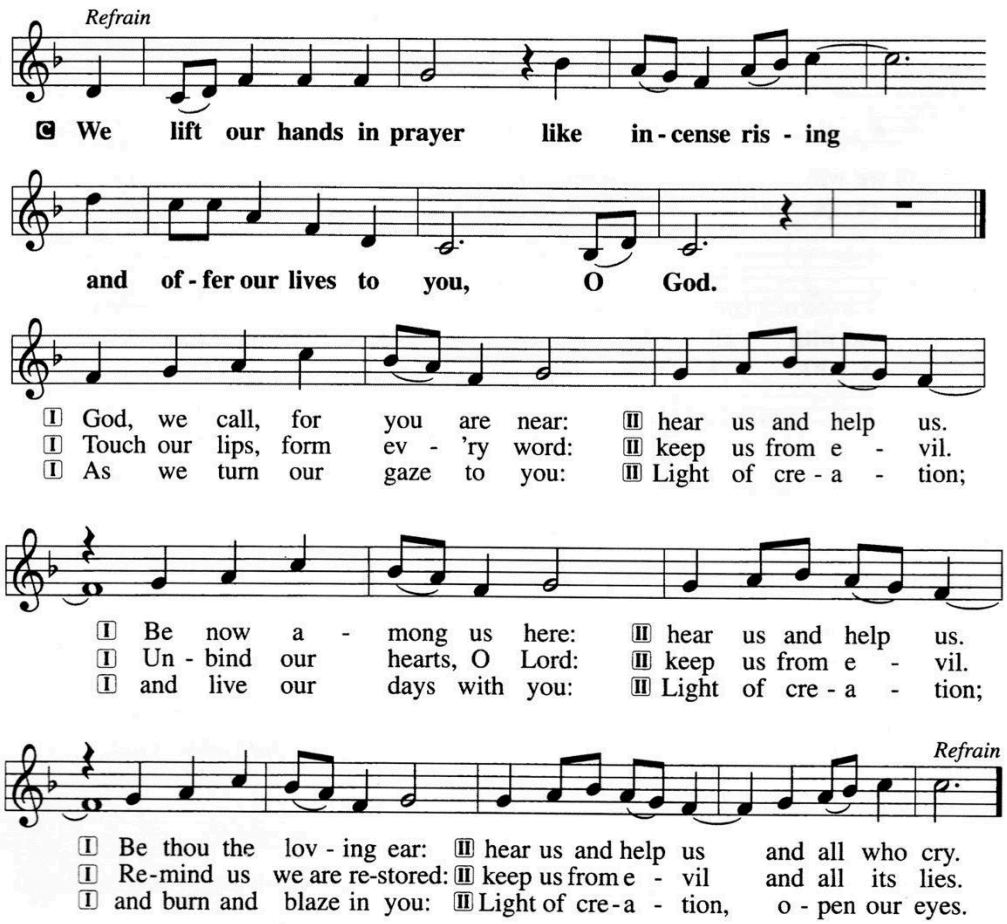


Thanksgiving for Light

L The Lord be with you.
C **And also with you.**
L Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.
C **It is right to give our thanks and praise.**

L We praise and thank you, O God,
through your Son, Jesus Christ our Lord,
through whom you have enlightened us
by revealing the light that never fades.
Night *is falling/has fallen*
and day's allotted span draws to a close.
The daylight you created for our pleasure has fully satisfied us,
and yet, of your free gift,
now the evening lights do not fail us.
We praise you and glorify you through your Son,
Jesus Christ our Lord,
through whom be glory, honor, and power
to you in the Holy Spirit,
now and always and forever and ever.
C **Amen**

Psalm 141



Psalm Prayer *(after a time of silence)*

L O God, from the rising of the sun to its setting
your name is worthy of all praise.
Let our prayer rise before you as incense,
and with the lifting up of our hands
may we offer our whole lives to you,
through Jesus Christ, our Lord.

C Amen

Psalm 71:1-14

1 In you, O Lord, have I taken refuge;
let me never be put to shame.
2 In your righteousness, deliver me and set me free;
incline your ear to me and save me.
3 Be my strong rock, a castle to keep me safe;
you are my crag and my stronghold.
4 Deliver me, my God, from the hand of the wicked,
from the clutches of the evildoer and the oppressor.
5 For you are my hope, O Lord God,
my confidence since I was young.
6 I have been sustained by you ever since I was born;
from my mother's womb you have been my strength;
my praise shall be always of you.
7 I have become a portent to many;
but you are my refuge and my strength.
8 Let my mouth be full of your praise
and your glory all the day long.
9 Do not cast me off in my old age;
forsake me not when my strength fails.
10 For my enemies are talking against me,
and those who lie in wait for my life take counsel together.
11 They say, "Pursue and seize that one whom God has forsaken;
because there is none who will save."
12 O God, be not far from me;
come quickly to help me, O my God.
13 May my accusers be put to shame and waste away;
let those who seek my misfortune be engulfed by scorn and reproach.
14 But I shall always wait in patience,
and shall praise you more and more.

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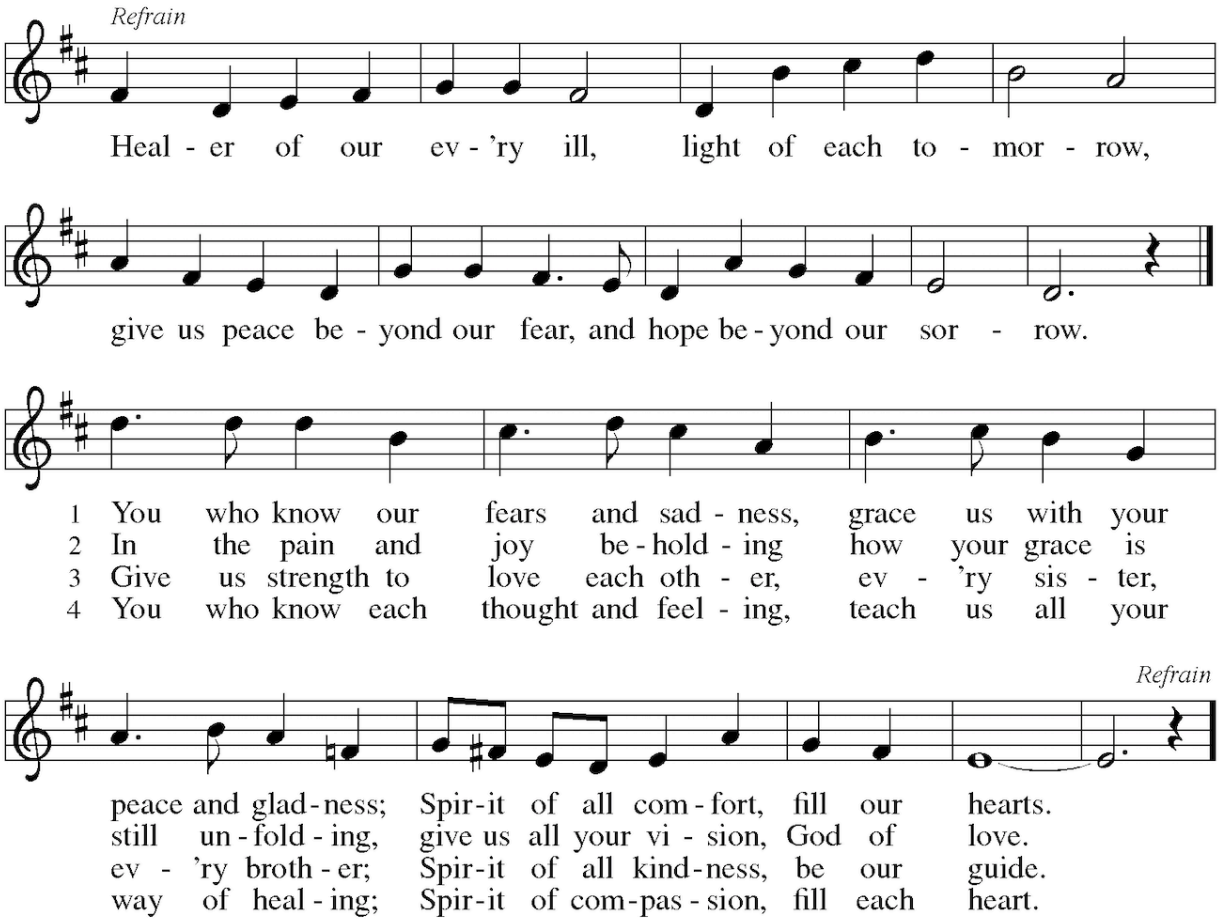
Healer of Our Every Ill



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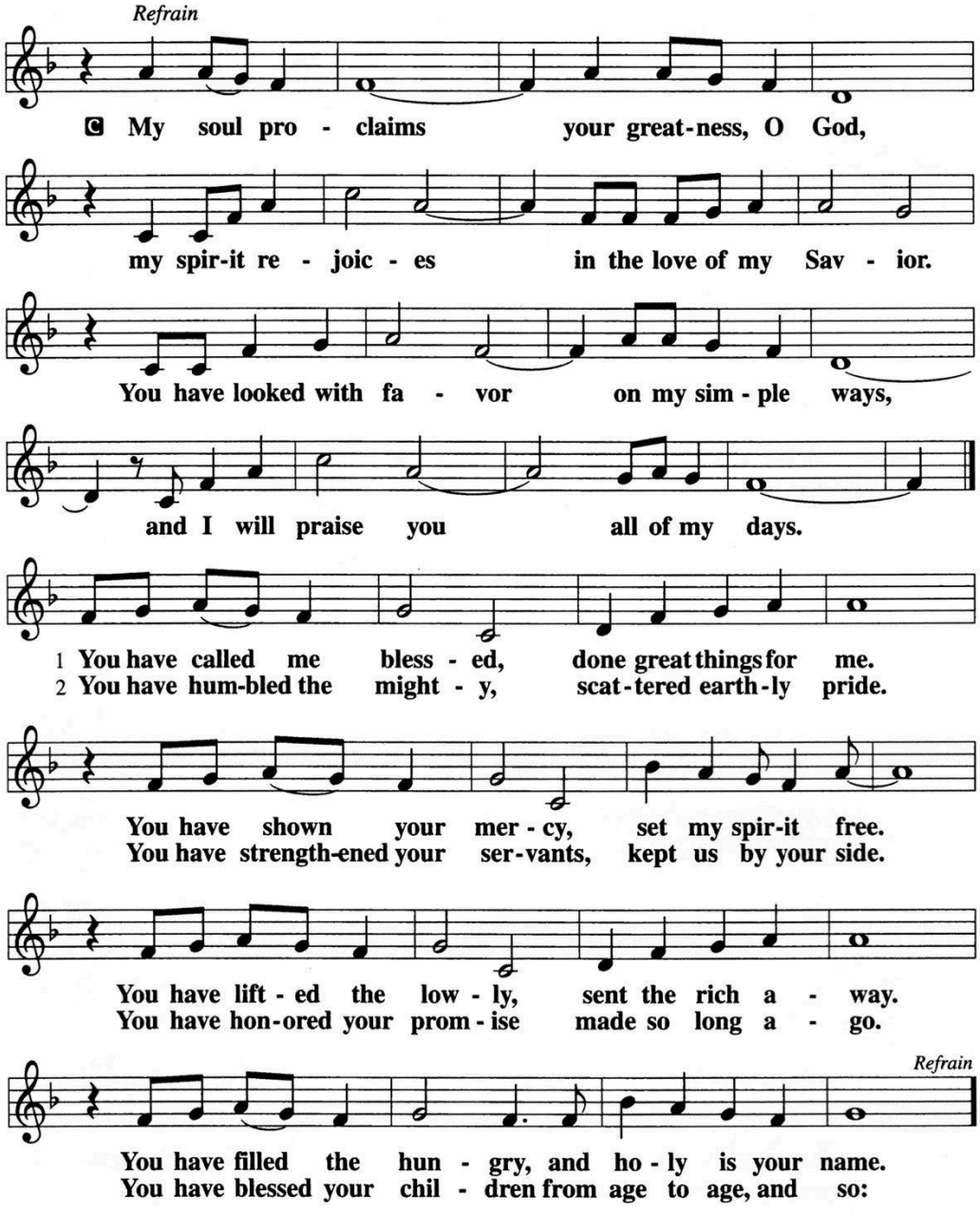
L. The word is near you, on your lips and in your heart.

C. Everyone who calls on the name of the Lord shall be saved.

Gospel Canticle

Magnificat



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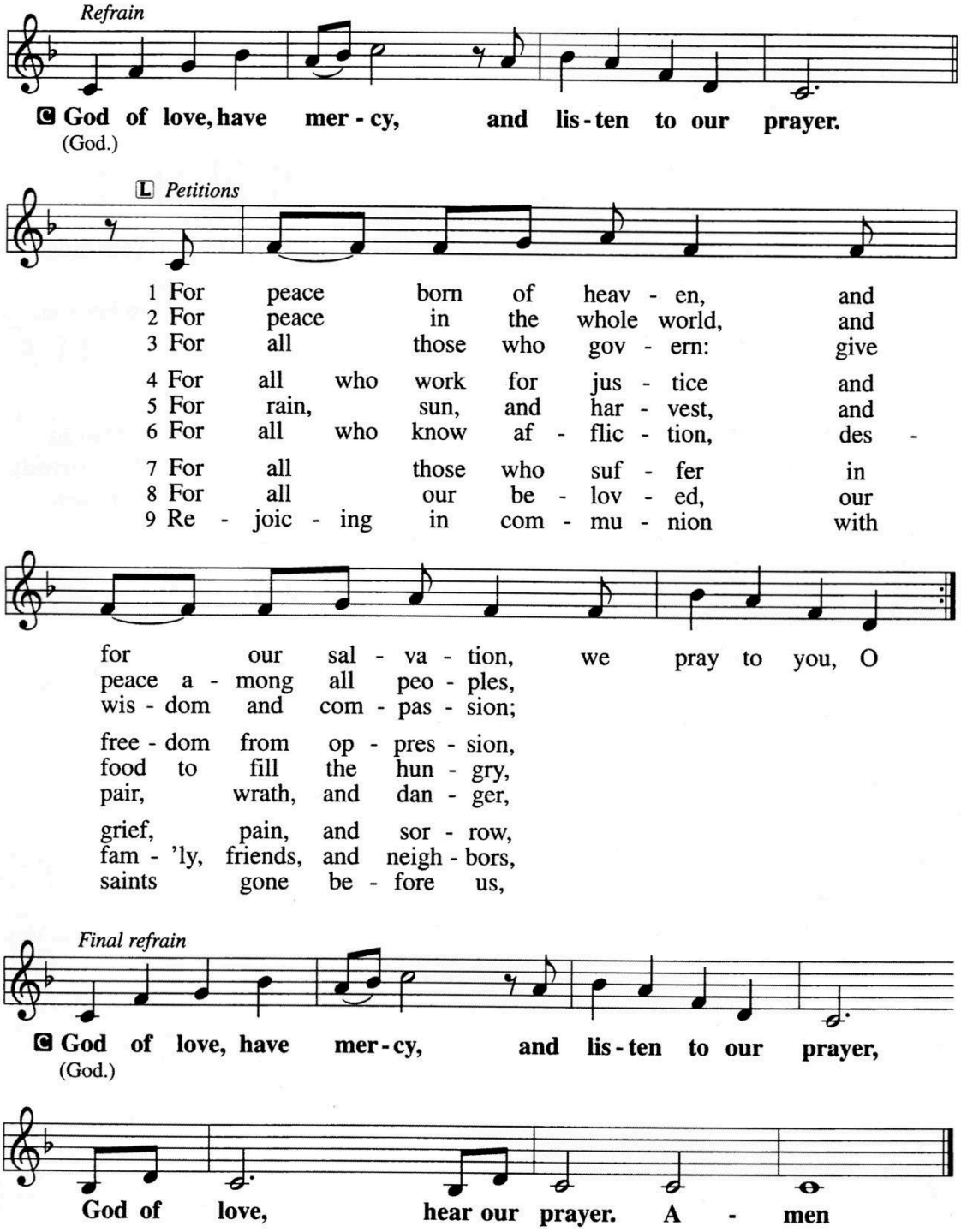
Litany


Refrain
C God of love, have mer - cy, and lis - ten to our prayer.
(God.)
L Petitions
1 For peace born of heav - en, and
2 For peace in the whole world, and
3 For all those who gov - ern: give
4 For all who work for jus - tice and
5 For rain, sun, and har - vest, and
6 For all who know af - flic - tion, des -
7 For all those who suf - fer in
8 For all our be - lov - ed, our
9 Re - joic - ing in com - mu - nion with
for our sal - va - tion, we pray to you, O
peace a - mong all peo - ples,
wis - dom and com - pas - sion;
free - dom from op - pres - sion,
food to fill the hun - gry,
pair, wrath, and dan - ger,
grief, pain, and sor - row,
fam - 'ly, friends, and neigh - bors,
saints gone be - fore us,
Final refrain
C God of love, have mer - cy, and lis - ten to our prayer,
(God.)
God of love, hear our prayer. A - men

Concluding Prayers

L God of love, we thank you that you have kept us
under your protecting care in the day that is past.
Bring your healing to the wounds of this day,
those we have inflicted, those we have felt,
those that trouble our world.
Cover us this night with the wings of your grace,
and raise us to a new day
with Christ, our light and our peace.

C **Amen**

L Let us pray with confidence
in the words our Savior gave us:

C **Our Father in heaven,**
hallowed be your name,
your kingdom come,
your will be done,
on earth as in heaven.
Give us today our daily bread,
Forgive us our sins
as we forgive those
who sin against us.
Save us from the time of trial
and deliver us from evil.
For the kingdom, the power,
and the glory are yours,
now and forever. Amen

OR

L Lord, remember us in your kingdom,
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 aginst 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

Blessing

