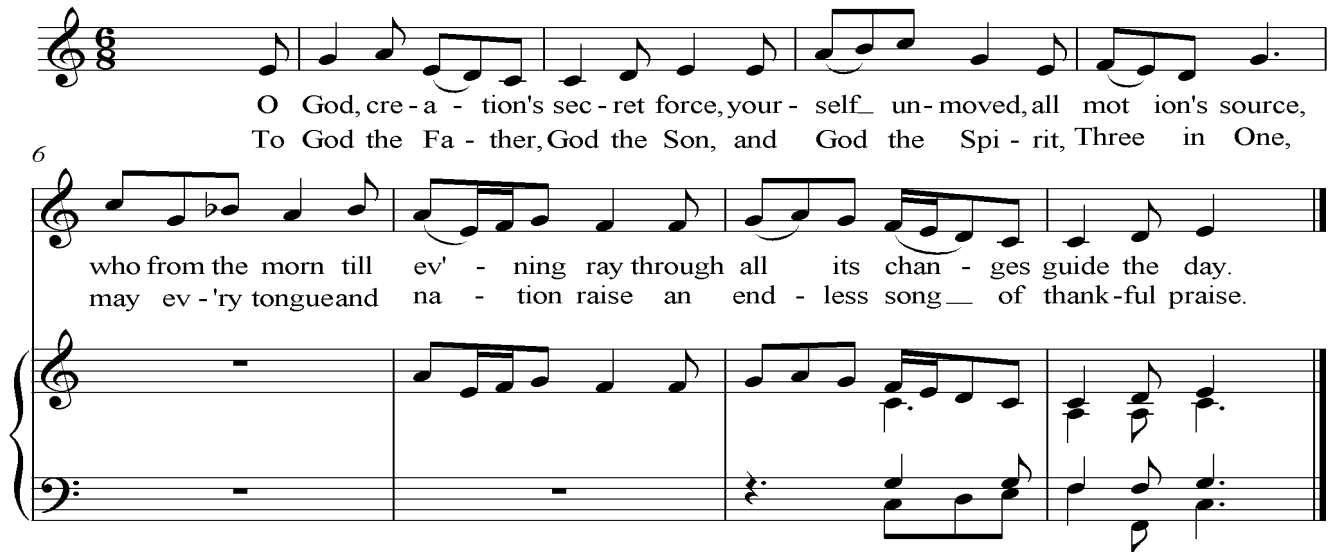


# Advent

## Morning Prayer 1 with Mass



O God, cre - a - tion's sec - ret force, your - self un - moved, all mot ion's source,  
To God the Fa - ther, God the Son, and God the Spi - rit, Three in One,  
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who from the morn till ev' - ning ray through all its chan - ges guide the day.  
may ev - 'ry tongue and na - tion raise an end - less song - of thank - ful praise.

### As we light the Candle for Peace

#### Let us pray

O God, open our hearts  
to prepare the way for the coming of Christ.  
Give peace to those who suffer from violence and war,  
And change the hearts of those who need to show mercy.  
We ask this through Christ our Lord.  
Amen.

O God, come to our aid: O Lord, make haste to help us  
Glory to the Father, glory to the Son,  
glory to the Holy Spirit now and for ever.  
Amen.

## Psalm 23: He is the king of glory! Let him enter in.

The Lord's is the earth and its fullness, the world and all its peoples.  
He it was who set it on the seas, on the waters he made it firm.

**He is the king of glory! Let him enter in.**

Who shall climb the mountain of the Lord?  
Who shall stand in his holy place?

The pure in heart, whose hands are clean,  
and who does not seek worthless things.

**He is the king of glory! Let him enter in.**

He shall be blessed by the Lord, rewarded by God, his Saviour.  
Such the ones who seek your face, who seek Jacob's God.

**He is the king of glory! Let him enter in.**

Let us pray:

Father of our Lord Jesus Christ,  
as we begin Advent  
fill us with yearning and hope  
for the coming of the Kingdom of Your Son,  
and give us the strength to grow  
in love for you and for our neighbour.  
We ask this through Christ our Lord. Amen

From the Letter to the 7 Churches

The musical notation consists of two staves in 4/4 time. The first staff has a treble clef and a key signature of one flat (B-flat). The melody is written on a five-line staff with a common time signature. The lyrics are: "See the days are com - ing, it is the Lord who speaks!". The second staff is identical in notation to the first, with the lyrics: "See the days are com - ing, the King - dom is near." The number "5" is written below the first staff, and "9" is written below the second staff.

I know your past and the hardship you endure,  
And yet I must warn you: your love is diminishing.  
I know the poor, how your sufferings are great;  
keep strong in faith, your crown of faith is waiting.  
See the days are coming . . . .

The Collect of the Mass of the day

The 1<sup>st</sup> Reading

The Gospel Acclamation

**Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia, alleluia. Let us see, O Lord, your mercy and give us your saving help. Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia, alleluia.**

The Gospel

The Intercessions

**All glory to God the Father of all, To the Son and the Spirit give praise.**

So, circle us now with love and with peace.

Our strength and our guide, Lord, we pray.

We have nothing to fear when you are so near.

You are King of the night and the day.

**All glory to God the Father of all, To the Son and the Spirit give praise.**

*Sanctus*

*Memorial*

*Agnus Dei*

*At Communion:* Lord, I am not worthy to receive you under my roof, .....

*After Communion we sing one or more verses of the Benedictus:*

Blessed be the God of Israel, the ever-living God,

who comes in power to save his own, his people Israel.

For Israel he raises up salvation's tower on high

in David's house, who reigned as king and servant of the Lord.

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