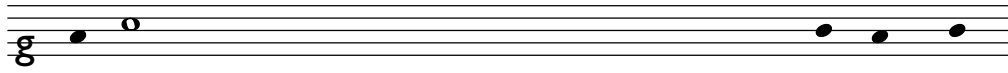


## *Short Prefaces (traditional language)*

*From the First Sunday of Advent until Christmas Eve*



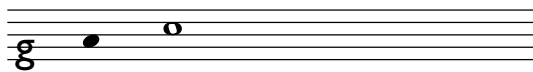
And now we give thee thanks



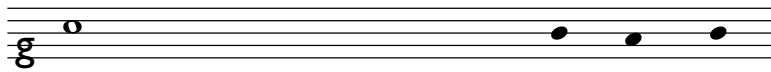
be-cause thou didst send him to redeem us from sin and death



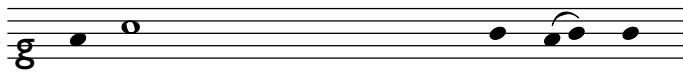
and to make us in-he-ri-tors of ev-er-last-ing life;



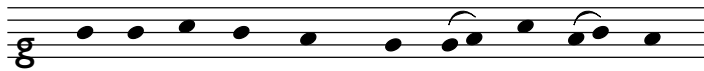
that when he shall come again



in power and great triumph to judge the world,

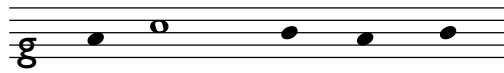


we may with joy behold his ap-pear-ing,

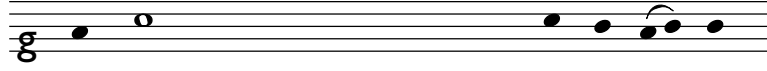


and in con-fi-dence may stand be-fore him.

*From Christmas Day until the Eve of the Epiphany*



And now we give thee thanks



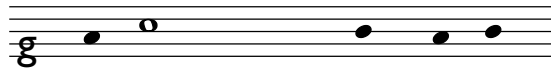
be-cause, by the power of the Ho-ly Spi-rit,



he took our nat-ure up-on him



and was born of the Vir-gin Ma-ry his mo-ther,



that being himself with-out sin,

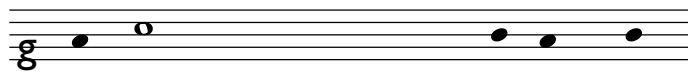


he might make us clean from all sin.

*From the Epiphany until the Eve of the Presentation*



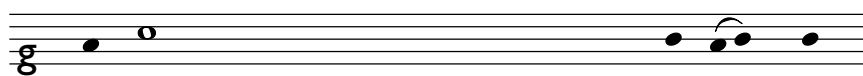
And now we give thee thanks



be-cause, in the incarnation of the Word,



a new light has dawned up-on the world,



that all the nations may be brought out of dark-ness



to see the ra-diance of thy glo-ry.

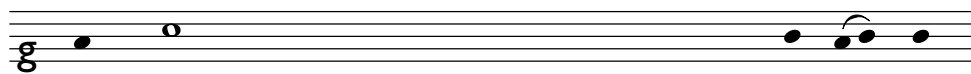
*The Presentation of Christ in the Temple*



And now we give thee thanks be-cause, by appearing in the tem-ple,



he comes near to us in judge-ment;



the Word made flesh searches the hearts of all thy peo-ple

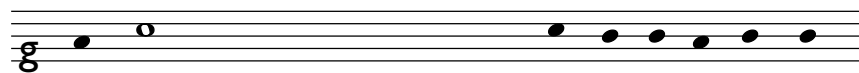


and brings to light the bright-ness of thy splen-dour.

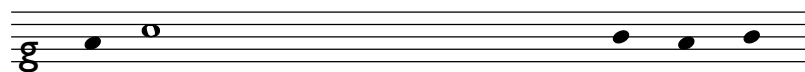
*From Ash Wednesday until the Saturday after the Fourth Sunday of Lent*



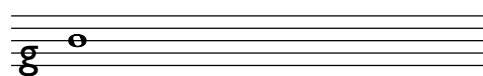
And now we give thee thanks



be-cause thou dost give us the spi-rit of dis-ci-pline,



that we may triumph over evil and grow in grace,



as we prepare to celebrate

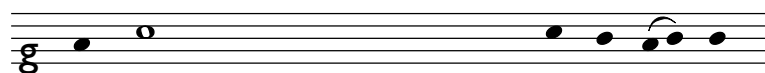


the paschal mys-te-ry with mind and heart re-newed.

*The Annunciation of Our Lord*



And now we give thee thanks



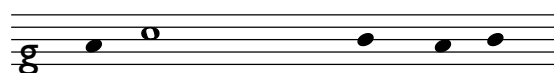
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that being himself with-out sin,



he might make us clean from all sin.

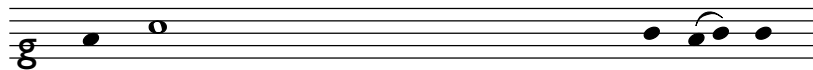
*From the Fifth Sunday of Lent until the Wednesday of Holy Week*



And now we give thee thanks because, for our sal-va-tion,



he was obedient ev-en to death on the cross.



The tree of shame was made the tree of glo-ry;

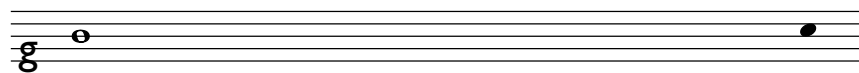


and where life was lost, there life has been re-stored.

## Maundy Thursday



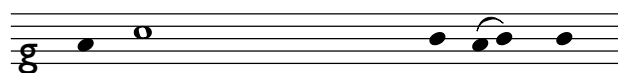
And now we give thee thanks



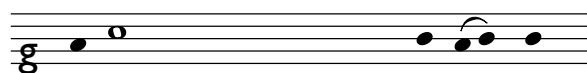
because, having loved his own who were in the world,



he loved them to the end;



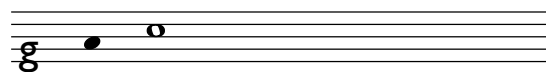
and on the night before he suf-fered,



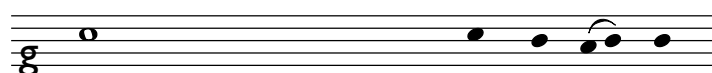
sit-ting at table with his dis-ci-ples,



he in-sti-tut-ed these ho-ly mys-ter-ies,



that we, redeemed by his death

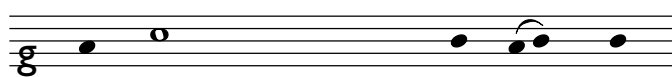


and restored to life by his re-sur-rec-tion,



might be par-ta-kers of his di-vine na-ture.

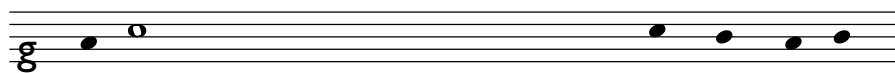
*From Easter Day until the Eve of the Ascension*



But chiefly are we bound to praise thee



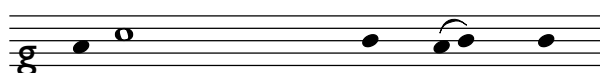
because thou didst raise him glo-rious-ly from the dead.



For he is the true paschal lamb who was of-fered for us,



and has taken a-way the sin of the world.



By his death he has des-troyed death,



and by his ri-sing to life a-gain

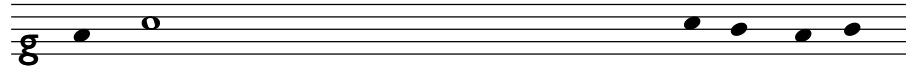


he has re-stored to us ev-er-last-ing life.

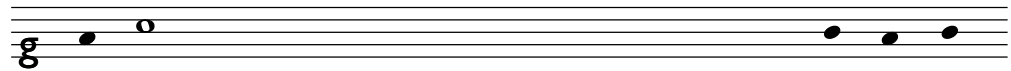
*(or)*



And now we give thee thanks



be-cause through him thou hast given us e-ter-nal life,



and delivered us from the bondage of sin and the fear of death

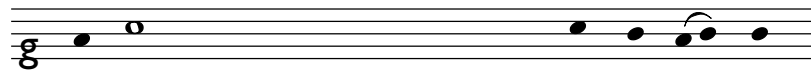


into the glorious lib-er-ty of the chil-dren of God.

### *Ascension Day*



And now we give thee thanks



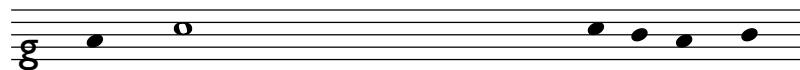
be-cause, after his most glorious re-sur-rec-tion,



he ap-peared to his dis-ci-ples,



and in their sight ascended in-to hea-ven to pre-pare a place for us;



that where he is, thither we might al-so as-cend,



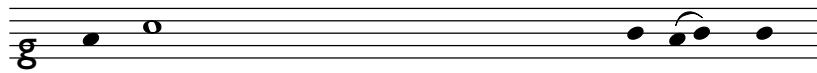
and reign with him in glo-ry.



*From the day after Ascension Day until the Day of Pentecost*



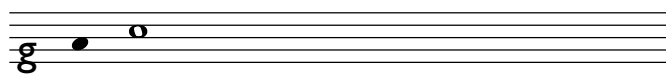
And now we give thee thanks



that, after he had ascended far above all hea-vens,



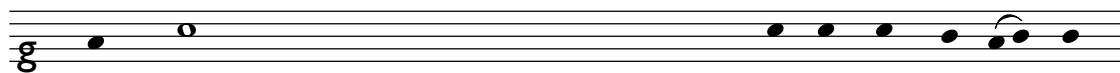
and was seated at the right hand of thy ma-jes-ty,



he sent forth upon the universal Church



thy holy and life-giv-ing Spi-rit;



that through his glorious power the joy of the ev-er-last-ing gos-pel

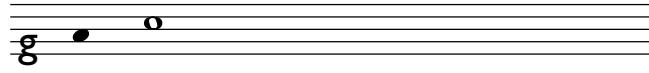


might go forth in-to all the world.

### *Trinity Sunday*



And now we give thee thanks



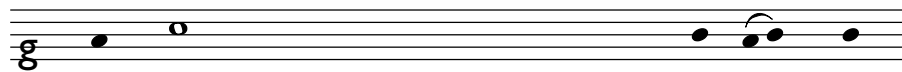
be-cause thou hast revealed the glory



of thine eternal fel-low-ship of love



with thy Son and with the Ho-ly Spi-rit,



three persons equal in majesty, undivided in splen-dour,

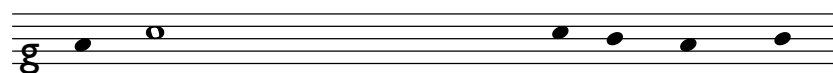


yet one God, ev-er to be wor-shipped and a-dored.

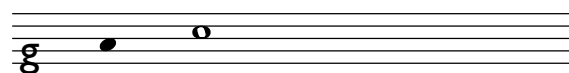
### *Transfiguration*



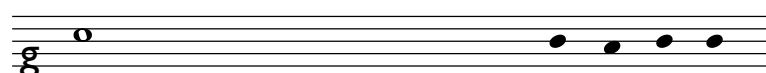
And now we give thee thanks



be-cause the divine glory of the in-car-nate Word



shone forth upon the holy mount



before the chosen witnesses of his ma-jes-ty;

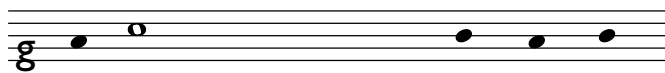


and thine own voice from heaven pro-claimed thy be-lov-ed Son.

## Dedication



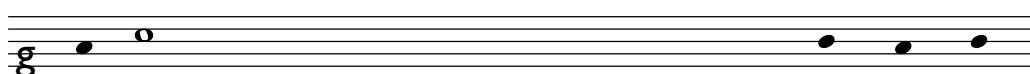
And now we give thee thanks



for thy blessings on this house of prayer,



where we are stirred to faith-ful wit-ness,

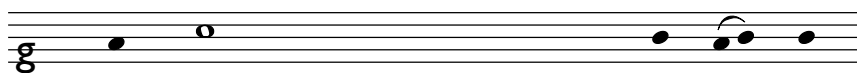


and are built up by thy Spirit into a temple made with-out hands,

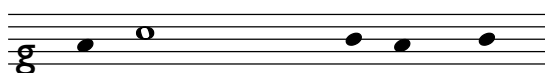


even the bo-dy of thy Son Je-sus Christ.

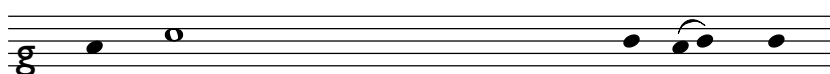
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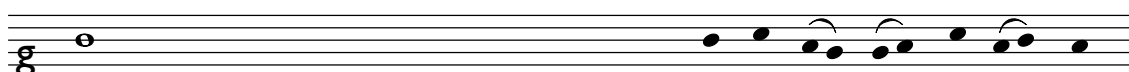
Though the heaven of heavens cannot con-tain thee,



and thy glory is in all the world,



thou dost deign to hallow places for thy wor-ship,

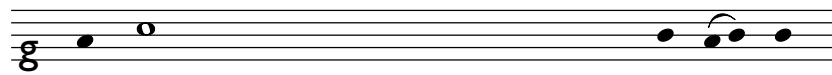


and in them dost pour forth gifts of grace up-on thy faith-ful peo-ple.

*All Saints' Day*



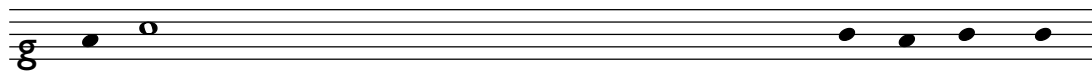
And now we give thee thanks



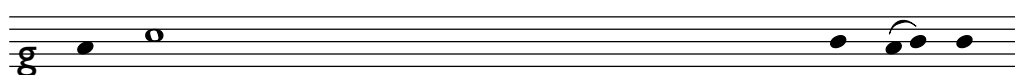
for the glorious pledge of the hope of our call-ing



which thou hast giv-en us in thy saints;



that, following their example and strengthened by their fel-low-ship,



we may run with perseverance the race that is set be-fore us,

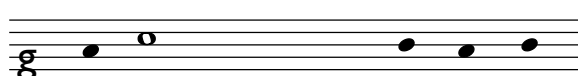


and with them receive the un-fad-ing crown of glo-ry.

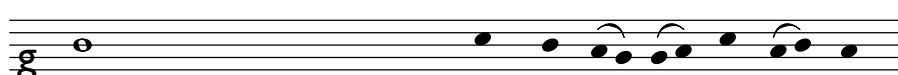
*From the day after All Saints' Day  
until the day before the First Sunday of Advent*



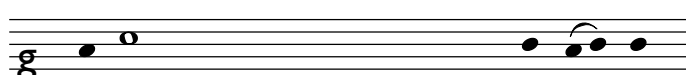
And now we give thee thanks that he is the King of glo-ry,



who overcomes the sting of death



and opens the kingdom of hea-ven to all be-liev-ers.

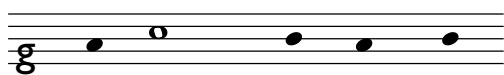


He is seated at thy right hand in glo-ry



and we believe that he will come to be our judge.

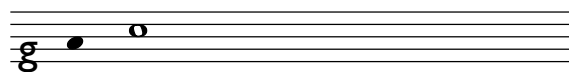
*On Saints' Days*



And now we give thee thanks



that thy glory is re-vealed in [N and] all the saints.



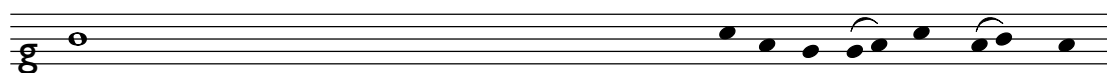
In their lives thou hast given us



an example of faith-ful-ness to Christ.

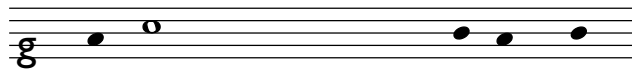


In their holiness we find en-cour-age-ment and hope.

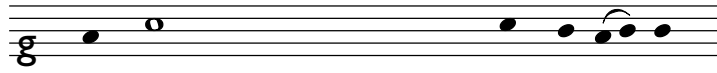


In our communion with them we share the u-ni-ty of thy king-dom.

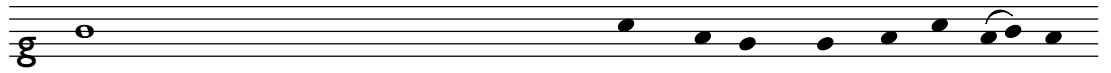
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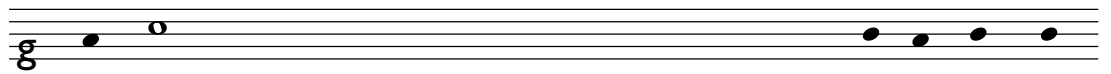
who in the righteousness of thy saints



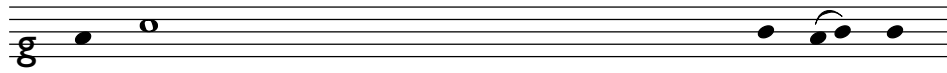
hast given us an example of god-ly liv-ing,



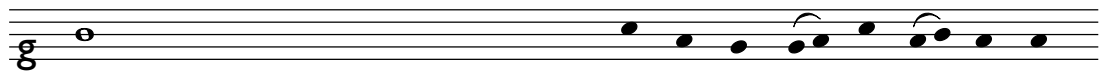
and in their blessedness a glorious pledge of the hope of our call-ing,



that, being encompassed about with so great a cloud of wit-nes-ses,



we may run with patience the race that is set be-fore us,

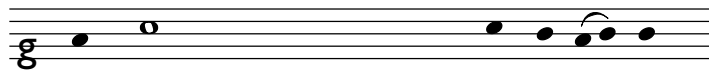


and with them receive the crown of glo-ry that fa - deth not a-way.

*Initiation (Baptism or Confirmation Services)*



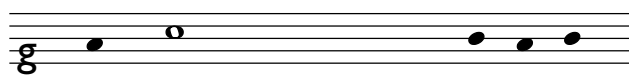
And now we give thee thanks



be-cause by water and the Ho-ly Spi-rit



thou hast made us a holy peo-ple in Je-sus Christ our Lord,



thou dost raise us to new life in him

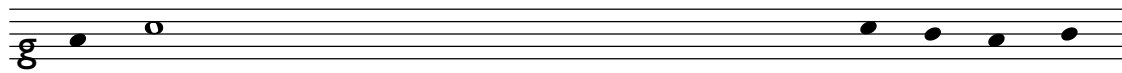


and renew in us the im-age of thy glo-ry.

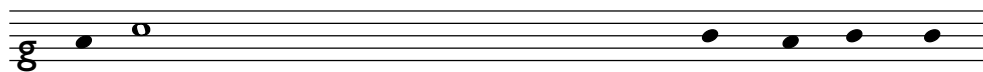
*Wholeness and Healing*



And now we give thee thanks



be-cause thou dost call us out of darkness into thy mar-vel-lous light,



and by the power of thy redeeming love dost make us whole,

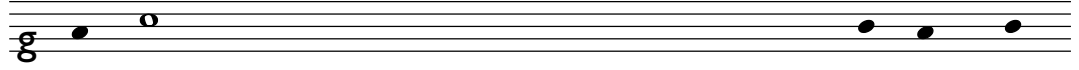


that we may be the first-fruits of thy new cre-a-tion.

### Marriage



And now we give thee thanks



be-cause thou hast made the union between Christ and his Church

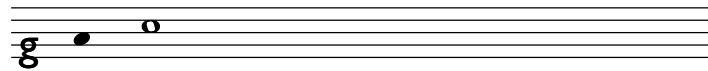


a pattern for the mar-riage be-tween hus-band and wife.

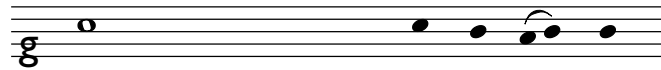
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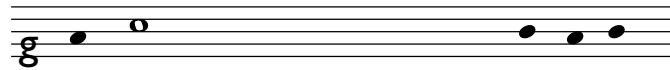
And now we give thee thanks



be-cause through him thou hast given us



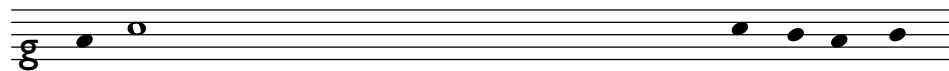
the hope of a glorious re-sur-rec-tion,



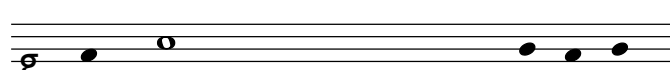
so that although death comes to us all,



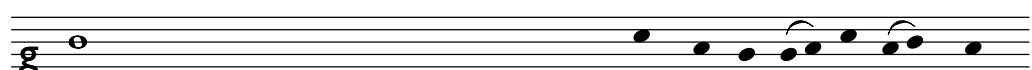
yet we rejoice in the pro-mise of e-ter-nal life;



for to thy faithful people life is changed, not ta-ken a-way,



and when our mortal flesh is laid a-side,



an everlasting dwelling place is made rea-dy for us in hea-ven.