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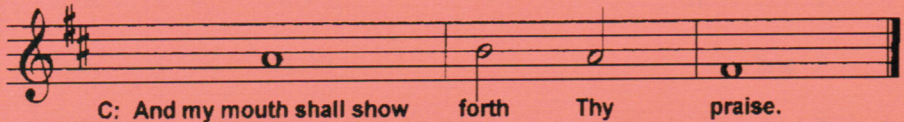
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✠ *The ORDER OF ASCENSION WORSHIP* ✠

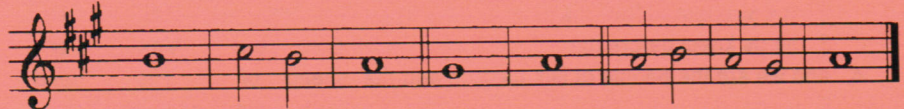
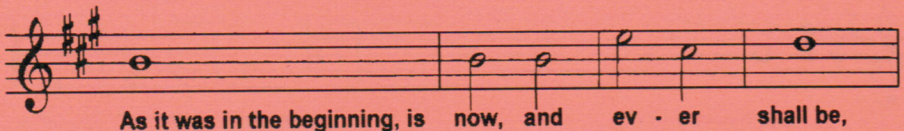
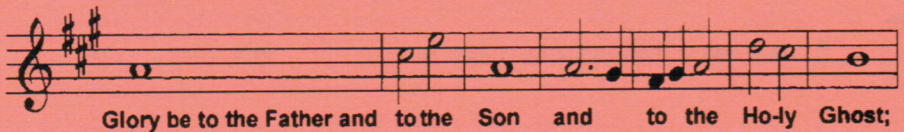
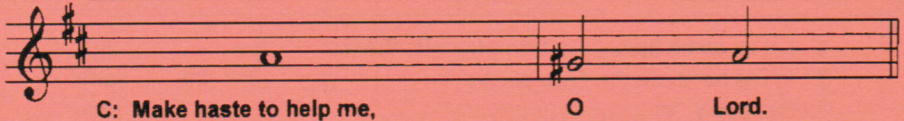
Hymn:... TLH 218: See, the CONQUEROR MOUNTS in TRIUMPH

Opening Liturgy:..... TLH, p. 32 ff., The ORDER of MATINS

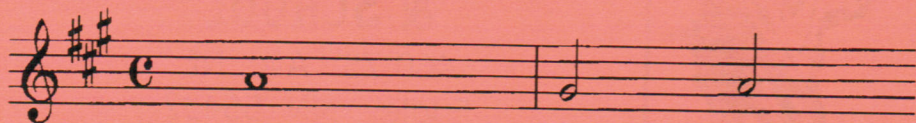
P: O Lord, open Thou my lips.



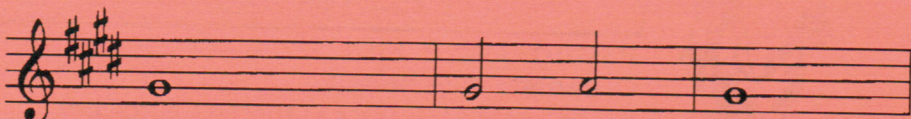
P: Make haste, O God, to deliver me.



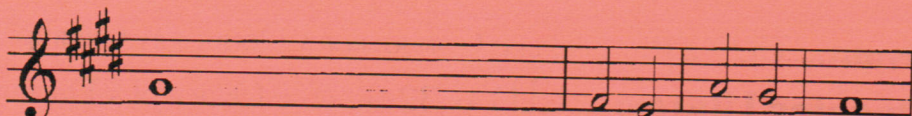
P: *Oh, come, let us worship the Lord:*



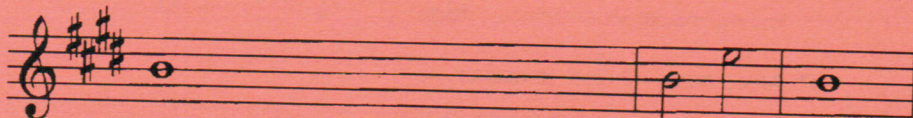
C: For He is our Mak - er.



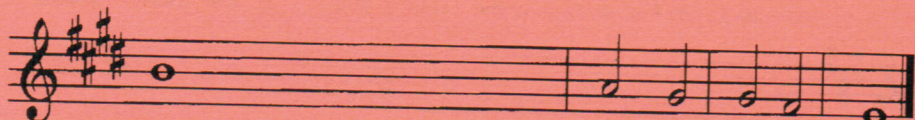
1. Oh, come, let us sing unto the Lord:
2. For the Lord is a great God:
3. The sea is His, and He made it:
5. Glory be to the Father and to the Son:



1. let us make a joyful noise to the Rock of our sal - va - tion.
2. and a great King a - bove all gods.
3. and His hands form-ed the dry land.
5. and to the Ho - ly Ghost;



1. Let us come before His presence with thanks - giv - ing:
2. In His hand are the deep places of the earth:
3. Oh, come, let us worship and bow down:
4. For He is our God:
5. As it was in the beginning, is now, and ever shall be,



1. and make a joyful noise unto Him with psalms.
2. the strength of the hills is His al - so.
3. let us kneel before the Lord, our Mak - er.
4. and we are the people of His pasture and the sheep of His hand.
5. world with - out end. A - men.

Responsive Psalm:.....Psalm 110

P: The LORD said to my Lord,

C: "Sit at My right hand, Till I make Your enemies Your footstool."

P: The LORD shall send the rod of Your strength out of Zion.

C: Rule in the midst of Your enemies!

P: Your people shall be volunteers In the day of Your power; In the beauties of holiness, from the womb of the morning,

C: You have the dew of Your youth.

P: The LORD has sworn And will not relent,

C: "You are a priest forever According to the order of Melchizedek."

P: The Lord is at Your right hand;

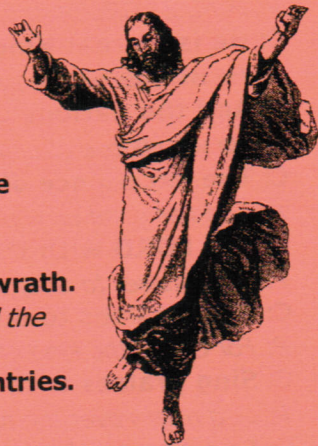
C: He shall execute kings in the day of His wrath.

P: He shall judge among the nations, He shall fill the places with dead bodies,

C: He shall execute the heads of many countries.

P: He shall drink of the brook by the wayside;

C: Therefore He shall lift up the head.



Choir:.....CREATOR Spirit

First Reading:.....Ephesians 1:16-23

As our Ascended Lord, Jesus now is seated in the heavenly places ruling over all powers and dominions.

Second Reading:.....Acts 1:1-11

Jesus ascends to heaven.

Ascension Creed:.....Article 3, Augsburg Confession

I believe that God the Son became man, born of the virgin Mary, and the two natures, divine and human, are so inseparably united in one person that there is one Christ, true God and true man, who was truly born, suffered, was crucified, died, and was buried in order to be a sacrifice not only for original sin but also for all other sins and to propitiate God's wrath. The same Christ also descended into hell, truly rose from the dead on the third day, ascended into heaven, and sits on the right hand of God, that He may eternally rule and have dominion over all creatures, that through the Holy Spirit he may sanctify, purify, strengthen, and comfort all who believe in Him, that He may bestow on them life and every grace and blessing, and that He may protect and defend them against the devil and against sin. The same Lord Jesus Christ will return openly to judge the living and the dead, as stated in the Apostolic Creed.



Hymn:.....TLh 223: We Thank Thee, Jesus, Dearest Friend

The Ascension Message:.....Psalm 47

P: Oh, clap your hands, all you peoples!

C: Shout to God with the voice of triumph!

P: For the LORD Most High is awesome;

C: He is a great King over all the earth.

P: He will subdue the peoples under us,

C: And the nations under our feet.

P: He will choose our inheritance for us,

C: The excellence of Jacob whom He loves.

P: God has gone up with a shout,

C: The LORD with the sound of a trumpet.

P: Sing praises to God, sing praises!

C: Sing praises to our King, sing praises!

P: For God is the King of all the earth;

C: Sing praises with understanding.

P: God reigns over the nations;

C: God sits on His holy throne.

P: The princes of the people have gathered together, The people of the God of Abraham.

C: For the shields of the earth belong to God; He is greatly exalted.

Live Above It All!

1. Just as Christ is our ascended Lord
2. Just as Christ gives victory over all our enemies
3. Just as Christ deserves our meaningful worship with praise

Hymn:.....US 738: Alleluia! Sing to Jesus

Offering, Prayers, Benediction:

Hymn:.....TLh 653: Now the Light Has Gone Away



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