PROPERS FOR DAILY PRAYER

ADVENT

Invitatory

Morning Prayer

- L Give glory to the coming King.
- C Oh, come, let us worship him.

Versicles (Service of Light)

Evening Prayer

- L The Spirit and the Church cry out:
- C Come, Lord Jesus.
- L All those who await his appearance pray:
- C Come, Lord Jesus.
- L The whole creation pleads:
- C Come, Lord Jesus.

Psalm Antiphons

In that day the mountains shall | drip sweet wine,* and the hills shall flow with milk and honey. | Alleluia.

OR

The uneven ground shall be made smooth and the rough plac- | es a plain.*

Come, Lord, do not delay. | Alleluia.

Antiphon: "Benedictus" and "Magnificat"

Fear not, Mary, you have found favor | with the Lord;*
Behold, you shall conceive and bear a Son. | Alleluia.

From December 17, the Great-O-Antiphons may be used.

December 17

O Wisdom, proceeding from the mouth of the Most High, pervading and permeating all creation, mightily order- | ing all things:*

Come and teach us the | way of prudence.

December 18

O Adonai and ruler of the house of Israel, who appeared to Moses in the burning bush and gave him the | Law on Sinai:*

Come with an outstretched arm | and redeem us.

December 19

O Root of Jesse, standing as an ensign before the peoples, before whom all kings are mute, to whom the nations | will do homage:*

Come quickly to de- | liver us.

December 20

O Key of David and scepter of the house of Israel, you open and no one can close, you close and no | one can open:*

Come and rescue the prisoners

who are in darkness and the shad- | ow of death.

December 21

O Dayspring, splendor of light | everlasting:*

Come and enlighten those

who sit in darkness and in the shad- | ow of death.

December 22

O King of the nations, the ruler they long for, the cornerstone unit- |ing all people:*

Come and save us all, whom you formed | out of clay.

December 23

O Emmanuel, our king and our lawgiver, the anointed of the nations | and their Savior:*

Come and save us, O | Lord our God.

CHRISTMAS/EPIPHANY

Invitatory

Morning Prayer

- L The Word was made flesh, and we beheld his glory.
- C Oh, come, let us worship him.

Versicles (Service of Light)

Evening Prayer

- L The people who walked in darkness have seen a great light.
- C The light shines in the darkness, and the darkness has not overcome it.
- L Those who dwelt in the land of deep darkness, on them has light shined.
- C We have beheld Christ's glory, glory as of the only Son from the Father.
- L For to us a child is born, to us a Son is given.
- C In him was life, and the life was the light of man.

Psalm Antiphons

A prince from the day | of your birth,* from the womb before daybreak have I be-| gotten you.

OR

Come, you peoples | of the earth;* drink from the wells | of the Savior.

Antiphon: "Benedictus" and "Magnificat"

Today Christ is born; today salvation | has appeared.* Today the just exult and say, Glory to God in the highest. | Alleluia.

OR

Our Lord and Savior, begotten be- | fore all ages,* revealed himself to the world. | Alleluia.

LENT

Invitatory

Morning Prayer

- L The Lord is near to those who call on him.
- C Oh, come, let us worship him.

Versicles (Service of Light)

Evening Prayer

- L Behold, now is the acceptable time;
- C now is the day of salvation.
- L Turn us again, O God of our salvation,
- C that the light of your face may shine on us.
- L May your justice shine like the sun;
- C and may the poor be lifted up.

Psalm Antiphons

Return to the Lord your God, for he is gra- | cious and merciful,* slow to anger, and abounding in | steadfast love.

OR

The Lord delivers us from the pow- | er of darkness,* and leads us into the kingdom | of his Son.

Antiphon: "Benedictus" and "Magnificat"

Let justice roll | down like waters,* and righteousness like an over- | flowing stream.

HOLY WEEK

Invitatory

Morning Prayer

The Invitatory and Venite are not sung during Holy Week.

Versicles (Service of Light)

Evening Prayer

The Service of Light is omitted during Holy Week. Begin the service with the Psalmody -- Psalm 141.

Psalm Antiphons

Christ has humbled himself and become obe- | dient to death,* even to death | on a cross.

OR

He was wounded for our transgressions and bruised for | our iniquities,* and on him was the chastisement that | made us whole.

Antiphon: "Benedictus" and "Magnificat"

Glory to the cross of our Lord | Jesus Christ,* our salvation, life, and | resurrection.

EASTER

Invitatory

Morning Prayer

- L The Lord is risen indeed.
- C Oh, come, let us worship him.

Versicles (Service of Light)

Evening Prayer

- L Jesus Christ is risen from the dead.
- C Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia.

- L We are illumined by the brightness of his rising.
- C Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia.
- L Death has no more dominion over us.
- C Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia.

Psalm Antiphons

The glory of the Lord shines on the city. | Alleluia.* Its lamp is the Lamb. | Alleluia.

OR

God feeds us with the finest wheat. | Alleluia.* He fills us with honey from the rock. | Alleluia.

Antiphon: "Benedictus" and "Magnificat"

This is the day the Lord has made. | Alleluia.* Let us rejoice and be glad in it. | Alleluia.

THANKSGIVING FOR LIGHT I

We praise and thank you, O God,

for you are without beginning and without end.

Through Christ you are the creator and preserver of the whole world; but, above all, you are his God and Father, the giver of the Spirit, and the ruler of all that is, seen and unseen.

You made the day for the works of light

and the night for the refreshment of our weakness.

O loving Lord and source of all that is good, mercifully accept our evening sacrifice of praise.

As you have conducted us through the day and brought us to night's beginning, keep us now in Christ; grant us a peaceful evening and a night free from sin; and, at the end, bring us to everlasting life through Christ our Lord.

Through him we offer glory, honor, and worship to you in the Holy Spirit, now and always and forever and ever.

Amen

THANKSGIVING FOR LIGHT II

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 which 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 him be glory, honor, and power to you in the Holy Spirit, now and always and forever and ever.

Amen