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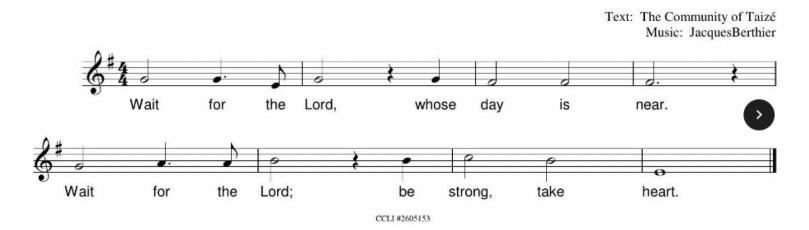
Hymn 61 Continued



Music: Wachet auf, melody Hans Sachs (1494-1576); adapt. Philipp Nicolai (1556-1608); arr. and harm. Johann Sebastian Bach (1685-1750)

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LIGHTING OF THE ADVENT CANDLE



PSALM 80: 1 - 7; 16 - 18

Hear, O Shepherd of Israel, leading Joseph / **like a flock**; shine forth, you that are enthroned upon **the cherubim**. In the presence of Ephraim, Benjamin, / **and Manasseh**, stir up your strength and / **come to help us**.

Restore us, O / God of hosts;

show the light of your countenance, and we / **shall be saved**. O Lord / **God of hosts**,

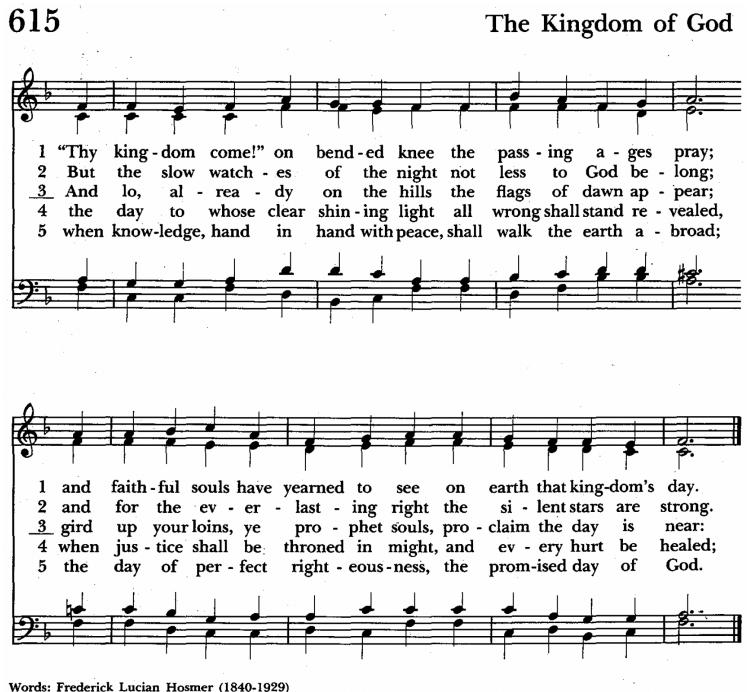
how long will you be angry, despite the prayers of your people?

You have fed them with the / **bread of tears**; you have given them bowls of / **tears to drink**. You have made us the derision / **of our neighbors**, and our enemies laugh / us **and scorn us**.

Restore us, O / God of hosts;

show the light of your countenance, and we / **shall be saved**. Let your hand be upon the man of / **your right hand**, the son of man you have made so strong / **for yourself**.

And so will we never turn away **from you**; give us life that we may call upon **your Name**. Restore us O Lord / **God of hosts**; show the light of your countenance, and we / **shall be saved**.



Music: St. Flavian, melody from Day's Psalter, 1562; adapt. and harm. Richard Redhead (1820-1901)

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The Nicene Creed

We believe in one God, the Father, the Almighty, maker of heaven and earth, of all that is, seen and unseen. We believe in one Lord, Jesus Christ, the only Son of God, eternally begotten of the Father, God from God, Light from Light, true God from true God, begotten, not made, of one Being with the Father. Through him all things were made. For us and for our salvation he came down from heaven: by the power of the Holy Spirit he became incarnate from the Virgin Mary, and was made man. For our sake he was crucified under Pontius Pilate; he suffered death and was buried. On the third day he rose again in accordance with the Scriptures; he ascended into heaven and is seated at the right hand of the Father. He will come again in glory to judge the living and the dead, and his kingdom will have no end.

We believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord, the giver of life, who proceeds from the Father and the Son.
With the Father and the Son he is worshiped and glorified.
He has spoken through the Prophets.
We believe in one holy catholic and apostolic Church.
We acknowledge one baptism for the forgiveness of sins.
We look for the resurrection of the dead, and the life of the world to come. Amen.

Most merciful God, we confess that we have sinned against you in thought, word, and deed, by what we have done, and by what we have left undone. We have not loved you with our whole heart; we have not loved our neighbors as ourselves. We are truly sorry and we humbly repent. For the sake of your Son Jesus Christ, have mercy on us and forgive us; that we may delight in your will, and walk in your ways, to the glory of your Name. Amen.

The Bishop when present, or the Priest, stands and says

Almighty God have mercy on you, forgive you all your sins through our Lord Jesus Christ, strengthen you in all goodness, and by the power of the Holy Spirit keep you in eternal life. *Amen*.



Two groups may sing antiphonally, alternating by sentences.

Words: John Bowring (1792-1872) Music: Aberystwyth, Joseph Parry (1841-1903)

Post Communion Prayer (standing)

Celebrant Let us pray.

Celebrant and People

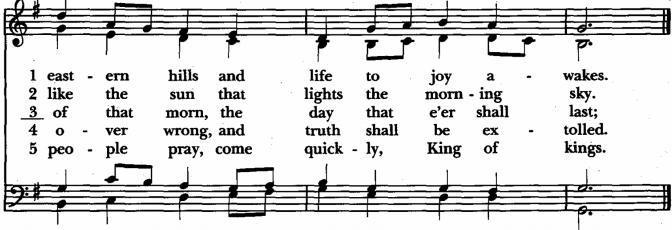
Eternal God, heavenly Father, you have graciously accepted us as living members of your Son our Savior Jesus Christ, and you have fed us with spiritual food in the Sacrament of his Body and Blood. Send us now into the world in peace, and grant us strength and courage to love and serve you with gladness and singleness of heart; through Christ our Lord. Amen.

or the following

Almighty and everliving God, we thank you for feeding us with the spiritual food of the most precious Body and Blood of your Son our Savior Jesus Christ; and for assuring us in these holy mysteries that we are living members of the Body of your Son, and heirs of your eternal kingdom. And now, Father, send us out to do the work you have given us to do, to love and serve you as faithful witnesses of Christ our Lord. To him, to you, and to the Holy Spirit, be honor and glory, now and for ever. Amen.

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Words: Greek; tr. John Brownlie (1859-1925), alt. Music: St. Stephen, William Jones (1726-1800), alt.