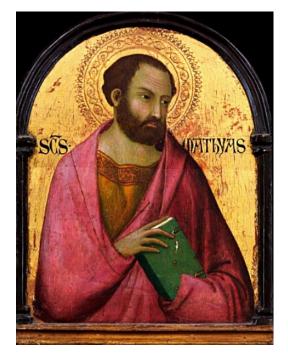
# SAINT MATTHIAS Apostle

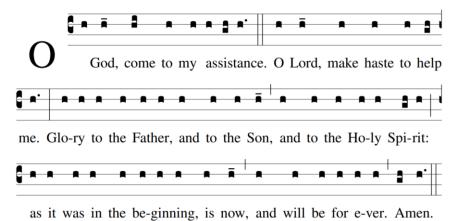
Because he had been a witness to the Lord's resurrection, Saint Matthias was chosen by the other apostles to take the place of Judas. The Acts of the Apostles (1:15-26) tells of how he was numbered among the Twelve.



# VESPERS

# MAY 14 / SAINT MATTHIAS / EVENING PRAYER II

Please stand and make the sign of the cross as priest (or cantor) intones "O God, come to my assistance." Bow at "Glory to the Father...Holy Spirit"



Sing the ALLELUIA if during the Easter season or or observing the day as a solemnity.



Alle-lu-ia.

# Hymn

Ye Sons and Daughters Saint Michael Hymnal, #837

Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia!

Ye sons and daughters, let us sing! The King of heav'n, the glorious King, O'er death today rose triumphing. Alleluia!

That Easter morn, at break of day, The faithful women went their way To seek the tomb where Jesus lay. Alleluia!

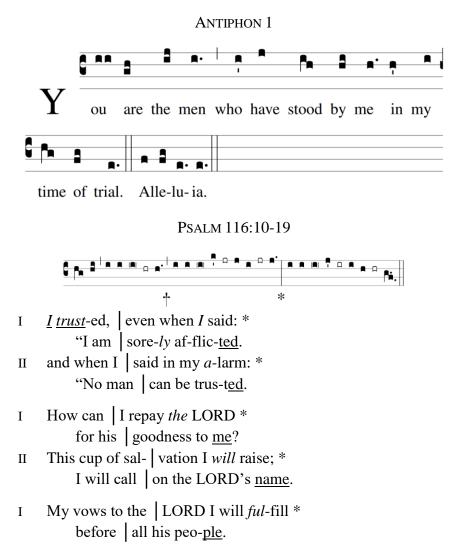
An angel clad in white they see, Who sat and spoke unto the three: "Your Lord doth go to Galilee." Alleluia!

Please be seated.

# COMMON OF APOSTLES

#### **PSALMODY**

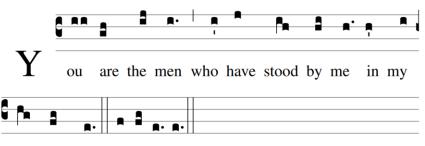
Psalm verses are sung antiphonally between the cantor (I) and all (II).



- II O precious in the | eyes of the LORD \* is the death | of his faith-<u>ful</u>.
- I Your servant, LORD, your | servant am I; \* you have | loosened my <u>bonds</u>.
- II A thanksgiving | sacrifice *I* make: \* I will call | on the LORD's <u>name</u>.
- I My vows to the |LORD I will *ful*-fill \* before | all His peo-<u>ple</u>,
- II in the courts of the | house of the LORD \* in your midst, | O Jeru-*sa*-<u>lem</u>.

Bow at "Glory to the Father .... Holy Spirit."

- I Glory to the | Fa-*ther*, and to *the* Son, \* and to the | Holy Spi-<u>rit</u>:
- II as it was in the be- ginning, is now, \* and will be for- ever. A-<u>men</u>.

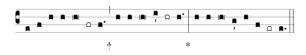


time of trial. Alle-lu-ia.

# ANTIPHON 2

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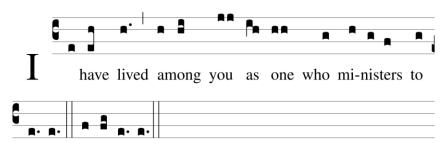
#### PSALM 126



- When the LORD delivered Zion from | bondage \*
   it | seemed like a dream.
- II Then was our mouth filled with | laughter, \* on our | lips there were songs.
- I The heathens them- | selves said: \*
   "What marvels the | LORD worked for them!"
  II What marvels the LORD | worked *for* us! \*
   In- | deed we were glad.
- I Deliver us, O LORD, from our | bondage \* as | streams in dry land.
- II Those who are sowing | in tears \* will | sing when they reap.
- I They go out, they go out, | full of tears, \* carrying seed | for the sowing:
- II they come back, they come back, full of song, \*
  --- | carrying *their* sheaves.

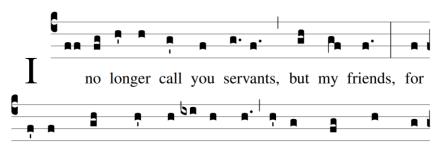
Bow at "Glory to the Father .... Holy Spirit."

- I Glory to the Father, and | to *the* Son, \* and to the | Holy Spirit:
- II as it was in the beginning, | is now, \* and will be for- | ever. Amen.



others. Alle-lu-ia.

#### ANTIPHON 3



I have shared with you ev-erything I have heard from my

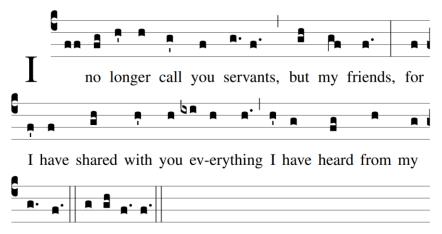
Fa-ther. Alle-lu-ia.

#### CANTICLE: EPHESIANS 1:3-10



- I Praise <u>be</u> the God and Father \* of our LORD <u>Je</u>-sus <u>Christ</u>,
- II who has be- stowed on us in Christ \* every spiritual blessing in the <u>hea-vens</u>.
- I God chose us in him be- | fore the world be-gan \* to be holy and | blameless in his sight.
- II He predestined † us to be his adopted | sons through Je-sus Christ \* such was his | will and <u>plea-sure</u>,
- I that all might praise the |glo-*ri*-ous favor \* he has bestowed on us in | his be-<u>lov-ed</u>.
- II In him and through his blood, we have been † *re*-deemed, and our | sins forgiven, \* so immeasureably generous | is God's favor to us.
- I God has given | us the wisdom \* to understand ful- | ly the <u>mys</u>-ter-y,
- II the | plan he was pleased \* --- | to de-<u>cree</u> in <u>Christ</u>.
- I A plan | to be carried out \* in Christ, in the | fullness <u>of time</u>,
- II to bring all things | into one *in* him, \* in the hea- | vens and <u>on earth</u>.
- I Glory to the Fa*ther*, and to *the* Son, \* and to the Holy <u>Spir-it</u>:

II as it was in the be- | ginning, is now, \* and will be for- | ever. <u>A-men</u>.



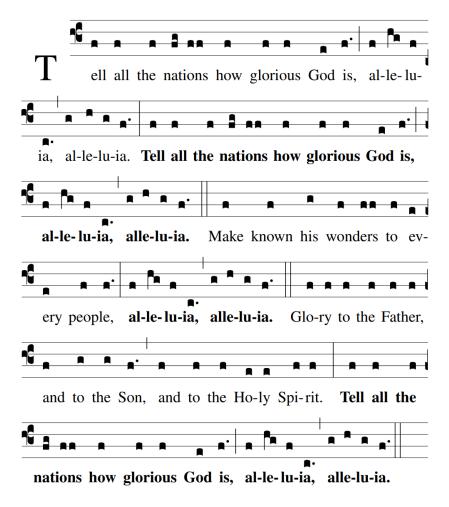
Fa-ther. Alle-lu-ia.

#### READING

# Ephesians 4:11-13

Christ gave apostles, prophets, evangelists, pastors and teachers in roles of service for the faithful to build up the body of Christ, till we become one in faith and in the knowledge of God's Son, and form that perfect man who is Christ come to full stature.

#### RESPONSORY



Please stand.

ANTIPHON: CANTICLE OF MARY



the twelve tribes of Isra- el. Alle-lu-ia.

Make the sign of the cross as all sing "My soul proclaims the greatness of the LORD."



- all: My soul proclaims the greatness | of *the* LORD. \* my spirit rejoices in | God my savior.
  - *For he* has looked with favor on his lowly | servant. \* From this day all generations will | call me blessed:
  - *The Al*-mighty has done great | things *for* me, \* and | Holy is his Name.
  - *He has* mercy on those who | fear him \* in every | generation.
  - *He has* shown the strength | of *his* arm, \* He has scattered the | proud in their *con*-ceit.

*He has* cast down the mighty | from *their* thrones, \* and has lifted | up the lowly.

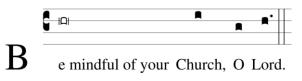
- *He has* filled the hungry with | good things, \* and the rich he has sent | away empty.
- *He has* come to the help of his servant | Is-*ra*-el \* for he has remembered his pro- | mise of mercy,
- *The pro*-mise he made to our | fathers, \* to Abraham and his chil- | dren for ever.
- Glory to the Father, and to the Son, \* and to the Holy Spirit:
- As it was in the beginning, | is now, \* and will be for- | ever. Amen.



the twelve tribes of Isra- el. Alle-lu-ia.

# INTERCESSIONS

My brothers, we build on the foundation of the apostles. Let us pray to our almighty Father for his holy people and say:



Father, you wanted your Son to be seen first by the apostles after the resurrection of the dead,

—we ask you to make us his witnesses to the farthest corners of the world.

# Be mindful of your Church, O Lord.

You sent your Son to preach the good news to the poor, —help us to preach this Gospel to every creature.

# Be mindful of your Church, O Lord.

You sent your Son to sow the seed of unending life,

-grant that we who work at sowing the seed may share the joy of the harvest.

# Be mindful of your Church, O Lord.

You sent your Son to reconcile all men to you through his blood, —help us all to work toward achieving this reconciliation.

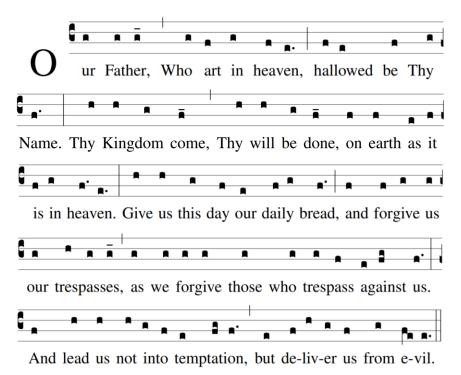
# Be mindful of your Church, O Lord.

Your Son sits at the right hand in heaven,

—let the dead enter your kingdom of joy.

# Be mindful of your Church, O Lord.

### **OUR FATHER**



# PRAYER

Father,
you called Saint Matthias to share
in the mission of the apostles,
By the help of his prayers
may we receive with joy the love you share with us
and be counted among those you have chosen.
We ask this through our Lord Jesus Christ, your Son,
who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit,
one God, for ever and ever.
Amen.

#### DISMISSAL

May the LORD bless us (make the sign of the cross) protect us from all evil and bring us to everlasting life. Amen.

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