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SIGN OF PEACE
GLORY TO YOU

Glory to you, source of all being, eternal word and holy spirit, as it was in the beginning is now, and will be forever/amen.
INVITATORY (2)

Presiding minister or assistant:

Light and peace in Jesus Christ our Lord. Thanks be to God.

All:

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.

INVITATORY (3)

All make the sign of the cross.

Presiding minister:

O God, ✠ come to my assistance. Lord, make haste to help me.

All:

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.
PSALM 141 (1)

English Version: Grail

(Peregrinus Tone, Arr. David F. Wright, OP; see page 2)

ANTIPHON: My prayers rise like incense, my hands like the evening offering.

1. I have called to you, O Lord; hasten to help me. Hear my voice when I cry to you. Let my prayer rise before you like incense, the raising of my hands, like an evening oblation.

2. Set a guard over my mouth, O Lord; keep watch, O Lord, at the door of my lips! Do not turn my heart to things that are wrong, to evil deeds with those who are sinners.

3. Never allow me to share in their feasting. If someone good strikes or reproves me it is kindness; but let the oil of the wicked not anoint my head. Let my prayer be ever against their malice.

4. To you, Lord God, my eyes are turned; in you I take refuge; spare my soul! Glory to you, Source of all being, Eternal Word and Holy Spirit, both now and for ages unending. Amen.
PSALM 141(2)

Like burning incense, O Lord, let my prayer rise up to you.

Verses

1. I have called to you, Lord; hasten to help me!
2. Set, O Lord, a guard over my mouth;
3. Never allow me to share in their feasting.
4. To you, Lord God, my eyes are turned:
5. Glory to the Father, and to the Son.

Hear my voice when I cry to you.
Keep watch, O Lord, at the door of my lips!
If the upright strike or reprove me, it is kindness;
in you I take refuge, spare my soul!
and to the Holy Spirit.

Let my prayer arise before you like incense,
Do not turn my heart to things that are wrong,
but let the oil of the wicked not anoint my head.
From the trap they have laid for me keep me safe;
as it was in the beginning, is now,

the raising of my hands like an evening oblation.
Let my prayer be ever against their malice.
Keep me from the snares of those who do evil.

D.C.

Hurry, Lord! I call and call! Listen! I plead with you. Let my prayer rise like incense, my upraised hands, like an evening sacrifice.

Lord, guard my lips, watch my every word. Let me never speak evil or consider hateful deeds, let me never join the wicked to eat their lavish meals.

If the just correct me, I take their rebuke as kindness, but the unction of the wicked will never touch my head. I pray and pray against their hateful ways.

Lord my God, I turn to you, in you I find safety. Do not strip me of life. Do not spring on me the traps of the wicked, Let evildoers get tangled in their own nets, but let me escape.
Answer me when I call, O God of justice!
In my distress, you set me free.
Have mercy now and hear my prayer.
How long, O people, will you dishonor me,

Love what is vain and seek what is false?
The Lord works wonders for the faithful
and hears when I call.
Be angry, but do not sin;

Pour out your heart,
then rest in silence.
Offer sacrifice for what is just
and trust in the Lord.

Many ask, “Who will show us what is good?”
O God, let the light of your face shine upon us!
You give more joy to my heart/
than others have from grain and wine.
I will lie down and sleep in peace,
for you, O God, watch over me.

Glory to you, Source of all being,
Eternal Word and Holy Spirit,
As it was in the beginning,
Is now, and will be forever/Amen
PSALM 20

May the Lord answer you in time of trouble; /
may God’s holy name protect you.
May your help come from the source of holiness, /
your strength from Zion.
May God remember your gracious deeds
and be pleased with your sacrifice.

May God grant the desires of your heart
and fulfill your every plan.
May we delight in your success,
and may God answer all your prayers.

Some trust in the weapons of war /
but we in the name of our God.
While others collapse and fall, /
we shall rise and stand firm.
Grant victory to your anointed, O God;
answer us when we call.

Glory to you, Source of all being,
Eternal Word and Holy Spirit,
As it was in the beginning,
Is now, and will be forever/Amen
Let the just rejoice in the Lord!
It is right to sing praise.
Make music on the harp and lyre;
give thanks to God with songs that are new.

The word of the Lord is true
and God's works are faithful.
God loves what is right and just
and fills the earth with steadfast love.

By the word of the Lord the heavens were made;
the stars appeared with a breath from God's mouth;
God gathered together the waters of the sea
and confined the deeps to their place.

Let the earth worship the Lord;
let all its creatures be in awe.
For God spoke and so it was,
commanded and the world stood firm.

The plans of the nations come to nothing;
the designs of peoples, God defeats.
But the plan of our God stands forever;
God's loving designs have no end.
Happy are they whose God is the Lord, the people whom God has chosen. The Lord looks down from the heavens and sees all humankind. God fashions every heart and knows all our ways.
PSALM 34:12-22

Come, my children, listen to me;
I will teach you reverence for the Lord.
Who among you longs for life,
for days filled with blessings?

Guard your tongue from evil,
your lips from harmful speech.
Turn from evil and do what is good;
search for peace, strive for peace.

The eyes of God are upon the just;
God’s ears wait for their cry.
The face of God confronts the wicked
to remove their names from the earth.

Cries from the just, God will hear
and save them from distress.
The Lord is near to broken hearts
and saves the crushed in spirit.

Though many are the sorrows of the just,
from every trial God will save them,
caring for every bone;
not one shall be broken.

Glory to you, Source of all being,
Eternal Word and Holy Spirit,
As it was in the beginning,
Is now, and will be forever/Amen
PSALM 46

God is our refuge and our strength, our help when trouble is near.
We do not fear if the earth should tremble, if the mountains fall or the waters rage.

There is a river in the city of God/ whose waters gladden the holy dwelling.
With God in its midst/
Zion will not be shaken;
at daybreak God will come to our aid.
Nations rage, kingdoms totter;/
at the sound of god’s voice the earth melts.

Come and see the wonders of the Lord, who does awesome deeds on the earth,
who puts an end to wars on earth,/ who breaks the bow, snaps the spear, and burns every vessel of war.

Be still and know that I am God!
Exalted among the nations,/ exalted on the earth.
The Lord Sabaoth is with us; our haven is the God of Jacob.

Glory to you, Source of all being, Eternal Word and Holy Spirit, As it was in the beginning, Is now, and will be forever/Amen
O God, my God, it is you I seek.  
My soul thirsts for you;  
my flesh yearns for you,  
like dried, worn out land.

So I look for you in your holy dwelling,  
in search of your strength and majesty.  
Your loving kindness is better than life;  
my lips sing your praise.

All my life I will bless you;  
I will lift up my hands and call your name.  
I am filled at your table of plenty  
and will sing your praise with joy.

On my bed I remember you;  
I think of you all night long.  
You are my help;  
I rejoice under the shadow of your wings.  
As my soul clings to you,  
you hold me with your strong right hand.

Glory to you, Source of all being,  
Eternal Word and Holy Spirit,  
As it was in the beginning,  
Is now, and will be forever/Amen
O God, grant justice to your anointed and righteousness to all who govern that your people might be governed rightly, and your poor with justice.

May the mountains bring forth peace for the people; may the hills yield blessings.
May your anointed defend the poor, save the children of the oppressed, and bring an end to violence

May the anointed be blessed with length of days, like sun and moon, enduring forever.
May the anointed be like gentle rain upon the fields, like showers that nourish the earth.
May justice flourish and peace endure forever.

May your anointed rule from sea to sea, from the river to the ends of the earth.
May all bow in the presence of God’s anointed, and all people give tribute to our God.

Glory to you, Source of all being, Eternal Word and Holy Spirit,
As it was in the beginning, Is now, and will be forever/Amen
PSALM 85

You once favored your land, O Lord, and restored the fortunes of Jacob. You forgave the guilt of your peoples/ and pardoned all their sins. You withdrew your anger/ and quieted your burning rage.

Restore us again, O God our Savior; be pleased with us once more. Will your anger never cease? Will your rage last forever?

Will you not revive us that your people may rejoice in you again? Show us your loving kindness, O Lord, and grant us your salvation.

Let me hear your word, O God; surely, your word is peace. Peace to the faithful and to hearts that are turned to you.

Salvation is near to those who trust in you; may your glory dwell in the land. Faithful love and truth will meet;/ justice and peace shall kiss. Truth will spring forth from the earth,/ and justice look down from the heavens.
You will provide what is **good**, O God, and our land shall **yield** its harvest. Justice shall go **before** you preparing a path for **your** steps.

Glory to you, Source of **all** being, Eternal Word and **Holy** Spirit, As it was in the **beginning,** Is now, and will be forever/Amen
PSALM 99:1-5,7-9

You reign on high, O God, enthroned above the cherubim. Let the peoples tremble and the earth quake.

You are great in Zion, O God, exalted above the peoples. Let all praise your great and awesome name, for you, O God, are holy.

O strong ruler who loves justice,/ it is you who established what is right, who created justice and equity in Israel. We exalt you, O Lord, our God, /and worship before you, for you, O God, are holy.

You spoke from a pillar of cloud; they obeyed your decrees and laws, O Lord, our God, you answered them; forgiving, yet punishing their offenses.

We exalt you, O Lord, our God, and bow before your holy mountain, for you, O God, are holy, now and forever more.

Glory to you, Source of all being, Eternal Word and Holy Spirit, As it was in the beginning, Is now, and will be forever/Amen
My heart cries out to you, O Lord; hear me and save me.
Then I will keep your laws and follow your decrees.

Before the light of day I rise and call your name; your word is my hope.
Throughout the night I wait and remember your promise.

Loving God, hear my voice; in your justice, give me life.
My enemies draw near; they are far from your ways.

But you, O Lord, are near, and your law is my life.
Since a child I have known your decrees, the ways you established for all time.

Glory to you, Source of all being, Eternal Word and Holy Spirit,
As it was in the beginning, Is now, and will be forever/Amen
I rejoiced when they said to me, “Let us go up to the house of our God.” And now, Jerusalem, our feet are standing within your gates.

Jerusalem, a strong and compact city; it is here that the tribes go up,/ the tribes of the Lord.
It was decreed that Israel give thanks to God’s name, for here were set the thrones of justice,/ the thrones of the house of David.

Pray for the peace of Jerusalem:
“May those who love you abide in peace.
May peace be within your walls, and may peace abide within your homes.”

For the sake of my family and friends I say, “Peace be to you.”
for the sake of the house of our God, I will seek your good.

Glory to you, Source of all being, Eternal Word and Holy Spirit, As it was in the beginning, Is now, and will be forever/Amen
PSALM 125

They who trust in the Lord are like Zion, the strong, everlasting mountain. As the hills surround Jerusalem, so God surrounds us, both now and forever.

The strength of the wicked shall not endure in the land of the just lest the hand of the just turn to ways that are evil.

Do good, O God, do good to hearts that are upright; but those who have turned to evil deeds, our God will chase away. May peace be upon Israel.

Glory to you, Source of all being, Eternal Word and Holy Spirit, As it was in the beginning, Is now, and will be forever/Amen
O God, my heart is not proud,
Nor my sights set too high;
I do not pursue great things
Nor aspire to lofty deeds.

My soul is at peace,
content as a child in a mother’s arms,
so is my soul within me.
O Israel, hope in the Lord,
both now and forever.

Glory to you, Source of all being,
Eternal Word and Holy Spirit,
As it was in the beginning,
Is now, and will be forever/Amen
READING/REFLECTION

REFLECTIVE READING OR PREACHING
(5 minutes)

CONTEMPLATIVE TIME
(5 minutes)

(Total time not to exceed 10 minutes.)
CANTICLE OF MARY

MAGNIFICAT (1)

Gospel Canticle (Magnificat)

1. My soul proclaims the greatness of the Lord.
2. Through me great deeds will God make manifest.
3. God’s mighty arm, protector of the just,
4. Soon will the poor and hungry of the earth
5. All glory be to God, Creator blest,

1. My spirit sings to God, my saving God,
2. And all the earth will come to call me blest.
3. Will guard the weak and raise them from the dust.
4. Be richly blest, be given greater worth.
5. To Jesus Christ, God’s love made manifest,

1. Who on this day above all others favored me
2. Unbounded love and mercy sure will I proclaim
3. But mighty kings will swiftly fall from thrones corrupt.
4. And Israel, as once foretold to Abraham,
5. And to the Holy Spirit, gentle Comforter,

1. And raised me up, a light for all to see.
2. For all who know and praise God’s holy name.
3. The strong brought low, the lowly lifted up.
4. Will live in peace throughout the promised land.
5. All glory be, both now and evermore.

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MAGNIFICAT (2) Canticle of the Turning

1. My soul cries out with a joyful shout that the
God of my heart is great, And my spirit sings of the
work great things in me, And your mercy will last from the
God of my heart is great, And my spirit sings of the
work great things in me, And your mercy will last from the

2. Though I am small, my God, my all, you
God of my heart is great, And my spirit sings of the
work great things in me, And your mercy will last from the

3. From the halls of power to the fortress tower, not a
God of my heart is great, And my spirit sings of the
work great things in me, And your mercy will last from the

wondrous things that you bring to the ones who
 depths of the past to the end of the age to
justice tears every tyrant from his

wait. You fixed your sight on your servant’s plight, and my
be. Your very name puts the proud to shame, and to
thron. The hungry poor shall weep no more, for the

weakness you did not spurn, So from east to west shall my
those who would for you yearn. You will show your might, put the
food they can never earn; There are tables spread, every

name be blest. Could the world be about to turn?
strong to flight, for the world is about to turn,
mouth be fed, for the world is about to turn.

Refrain
My heart shall sing of the day you bring. Let the
fires of your justice burn. Wipe away all tears, for the
dawn draws near, And the world is about to turn!
1. My soul gives glory to the Lord, In
   God my Savior I rejoice. My lowliness he did regard, Exalting me by strength to all is near;

2. His mercy goes to all who fear, From
   age to age and to all parts. His arm of mem-b’ring his eternal grace, As from of old he did foretell To Abraham and his own choice. From this day all shall call me have proud hearts. He casts the mighty from their all his race. O Father, Son and Spirit blest, For he has done great things for me, Of throne And raises those of low degree; He blest, In three-fold Name are you adored, To all great names his is the best, For feeds the hungry as his own, The you be every prayer addressed, From it is holy; strong is he. rich despite in poverty. age to age the only Lord.
MARY'S SONG

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INTERCESSARY PRAYER SUNG RESPONSE

(1)
Gracious God, hear us we pray.

(2)
O loving God, hear us we pray.

(3)
Lord, hear our prayer; Deus, exaudi nos; Señor, escuchamos.

(4) O God, Hear Us
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OUR FATHER
By breath, by blood,
by body, by spirit,
we are all one.
The air that is my breath
is the air that you are breathing
And the air that is your breath
is the air that I am breathing
The wind rising in my breast
is the wind
from the east, from the west
from the north, from the south,
breathing in, breathing out

The water that is my blood,
my sweat, tears from crying
Is the water that is your blood,
your sweat, tears from crying
And the rising of the tide
is in our veins
and in the ocean wide,
we are in the rising steam,
rushing river,
rushing stream

The earth is dust,
the earth is clay,
flow’rs blossoming and fading
We are dust and we are clay,
we are blossoming and fading
Every color, every sound,
every place is holy ground
O, every living thing,
can you hear it laugh?
Can you hear it sing?

The fire in my heart,
my soul flame burning
Is the fire in your heart,
your soul flame burning
We are Spirit burning bright,
by the light of day,
in the dark of night
We are shining like the sun,
and like the moon,
like the Holy One.
By breath, by blood, by body
we are one.

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1. In Dom- i- nic we claim to be, through all the world one fam- i-
ly, O praise God, Lau- da-re! A liv- ing her- i- tage we
forth! Be a bless- ing, Be- ne- dice-re! Through- out the un- i-
word, Preach the Gos- pel, Prae-di- ca-re! The path we walk is ho- ly
share, of stu- dy com- mon life and pray'r. Lau- da-re, Al-le-
lease, God's reign of jus- tice, love and peace! Lau- da-re, Al-le-
ground, the word we speak a ho- ly sound! Lau- da-re, Al-le-
lu- ia! Be- ne- dice-re, Al-le- lu- ia! Prae-di- ca-re!
lu- ia! Be- ne- dice-re, Al-le- lu- ia! Prae-di- ca-re!
lu- ia! Be- ne- dice-re, Al-le- lu- ia! Prae-di- ca-re!

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FOR THE BEAUTY OF THE EARTH

DIX

1. For the beauty of the earth, For the glory of the skies,
2. For the beauty of each hour Of the day and of the night,
3. For the joy of human love, Brother, sister, parent, child,
4. For your Church, that evermore Lifts its holy hands above,
5. For Yourself, O Gift Divine To our world so freely given,

1. For the love which from our birth Over and around us lies:
2. Hill and vale, and tree and flower, Sun and moon, and stars of light:
3. Friends on earth and friends above; For all gentle thoughts and mild:
4. Offering up on every shore A pure sacrifice of love:
5. For that love from which will shine Peace on earth and joy in heav’n:

1-5. Lord of all, to you we raise This our gift of grateful praise.

FOR THE HEALING

St. Thomas

1. For the healing of the nations, Lord, we pray with one accord;
2. Lead us now, Lord, into freedom, From despair your world release;
3. You, creator God, have written Your great name on human-kind;

1. For a just and equal sharing Of the things that earth affords.
2. That redeemed from war and hatred, All may come and go in peace.
3. For our growing in your likeness Bring the life of Christ to mind:

1. To a life of love and action Help us rise and pledge our word.
2. Show us how through care and goodness Fear will die and hope increase.
3. That by our response and service Earth its destiny may find.

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LET THERE BE PEACE ON EARTH

Sy Miller and Jill Jackson

Let there be peace on earth and let it begin with me.

Let there be peace on earth, the peace that was meant to be.

With God as our Father, brothers all are we;

Let me walk with my brother in family.

Let us walk with each other in perfect harmony.

Let peace begin with me, let this be the moment now.

With every step I take, let this be my solemn vow:
NOW THIS DAY

1. Now this day gives way to darkness;  
   Dim and fading is our sight,  
   As the turning earth, our planet  
   Carries us into the night.  
   Shine within our midst, Christ Jesus;  
   Shed the radiance of your light.

2. Kindled are the lamps of evening  
   Deep within a silent sky.  
   Moon and stars keep watch together,  
   Mirrors of your sleepless eye.  
   Guard our coming and our going;  
   Guide our steps when doubts arise.

3. Still this wounded world is waiting;  
   Evil haunts our human ways.  
   Fragile lives bear heavy burdens,  
   Fearful pilgrims go astray.  
   Hold us in your loving mercy;  
   Heal our lives with hope, we pray.

4. Summoned by the song of sunset,  
   Weary hearts are homeward bound.  
   Letting go of toil and striving,  
   Lasting peace and rest are found.  
   Bring us to your holy dwelling;  
   Bind us with your blessing ‘round.

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PEACE IS FLOWING LIKE A RIVER

Carey Landry

1. Peace is flowing like a river, flowing
2. Love is flowing like a river, flowing
3. Healing’s flowing like a river, flowing
4. Alleluia, alleluia.

1. out of you and me. Flowing out into the
2. out of you and me. Flowing out into the
3. out of you and me. Flowing out into the
4. Alleluia, alleluia.

1. desert, setting all the captives free.
2. desert, setting all the captives free.
3. desert, setting all the captives free.
4. Alleluia, alleluia.

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PRAYER OF ST. FRANCIS

Verses

1. Make me a channel of your peace. Where there is hatred,
2. Make me a channel of your peace. Where there's despair in
3. Make me a channel of your peace. It is in

1. let me bring your love. Where there is injustice,
2. life, let me bring hope. Where there is darkness,
3. ing that we are pardoned,

1. ry, your pardon, Lord, And where there's doubt, true
2. on-ly light, And where there's sadness
3. selves that we receive,

1, 3 First: to Verse 2
Third: Fine

1. faith in you.
2. joy.

Refrain

0 Master, grant that I may never seek
So much to be consoled as to console,
To be understood as to understand,
To be loved, as to love, with all my soul.

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SEEK TRUTH, MAKE PEACE, REVERENCE LIFE

Text: from the vision statement of the Adrian Dominican Sisters, adapt. MH

Music: Marty Haugen

Verse 1
Compelled by the Gospel, outraged by injustice, and stirred by the wisdom of God:

Refrain
Seek truth, make peace, reverence life,

Seek truth, make peace, reverence life. Seek truth, make peace,

To Verses
Reverence life, oh reverence life.
Seek Truth, Make Peace, Reverence Life, continued

Verse 2

Give us the courage to name and resist the forces of hatred and greed;

may we walk as one with the poor and oppressed 'gainst the powers that keep them in need.

To Refrain
Verse 3

When evil within or without us divides by
gender, by class, or by race, we will
work for a circle of love open wide where
all may be welcomed and graced.

To Refrain
Verse 4

Let this be the vision we claim for the earth: a day when all warfare shall cease;
May the seeds that we nurture of justice and love yield a life-giving harvest of peace.

To Refrain

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1. This is my song, O God of all the nations,
2. My country's skies are bluer than the ocean,
3. This is my prayer, O God of all earth's kingdoms,

A song of peace for lands afar and mine,
And sunlight beams on clover-leaf and pine.
Your kingdom come; on earth your will be done.

This is my home, the country where my heart is;
But other lands have sunlight too, and clover,
Let Christ be lifted up till all shall serve him,

Here are my hopes, my dreams, my holy shrine;
And skies are every where as blue as mine.
And hearts united learn to live as one.

But other hearts in other lands are beating
So hear my song, O God of all the nations,
So hear my prayer, O God of all the nations.

With hopes and dreams as true and high as mine.
A song of peace for their land and for mine.
My self I give you; let your will be done.
CLOSING PRAYER

BLESSING † (Leaders choose)

(1) ALL: May God bless us,
      Protect us from all harm
      And bring us to fullness of life.
      Amen.

DOMINICAN BLESSING †

(2) ALL: May God Creator bless us.
      May God Redeemer heal us.
      And May God the Holy Spirit fill us with light.
      Amen.

SIGN OF PEACE