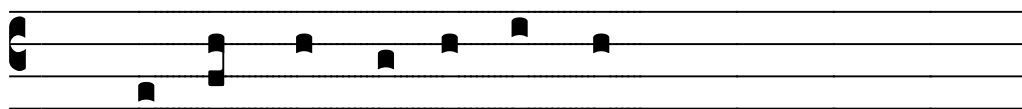
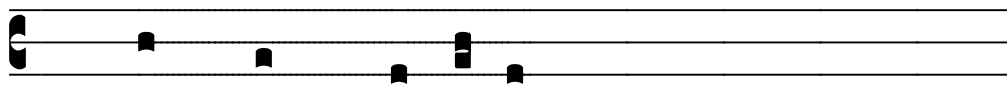


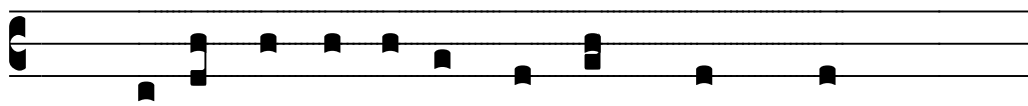
# Exsultet



Rejoice, heavenly powers!



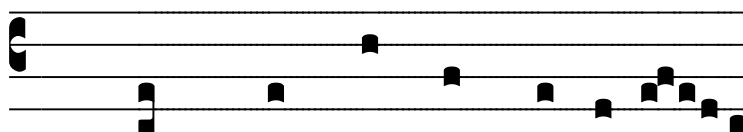
Sing, Choirs of angels!



Exult, all creation around God's throne!



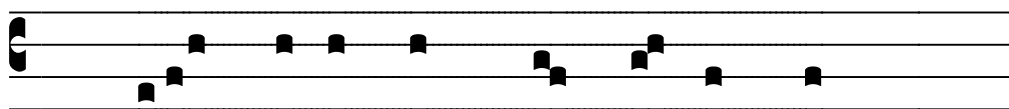
Jesus Christ, our King is risen!



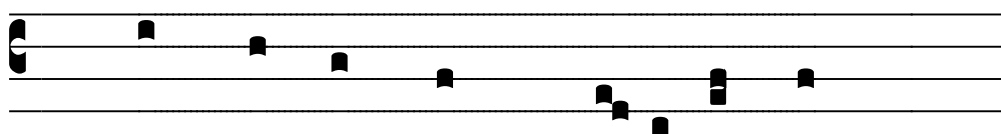
Sound the trumpet of salvation!



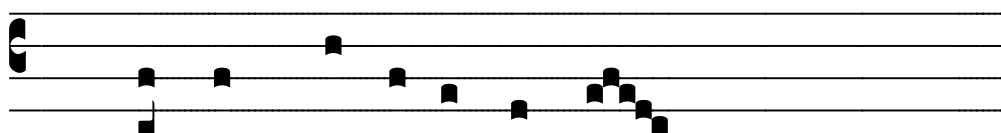
Rejoice, O earth, in shining splendour,



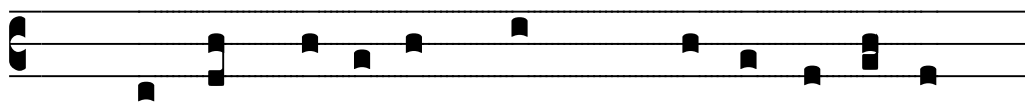
radiant in the brightness of your King!



Christ has conquered! Glory fills you!



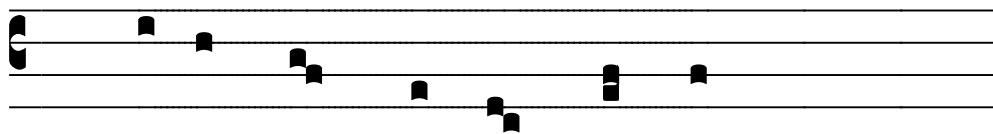
Darkness vanishes for ever!



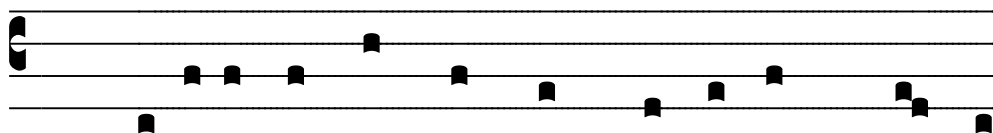
Rejoice, O Mother Church! Exult in glory!



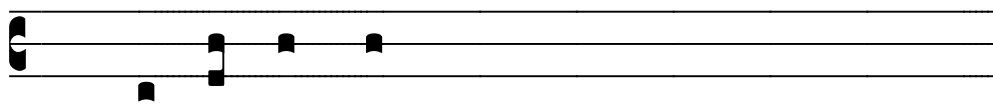
The risen Saviour shines upon you!



Let this place resound with joy,



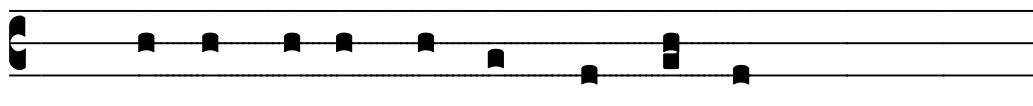
echoing the mighty song of all God's people!



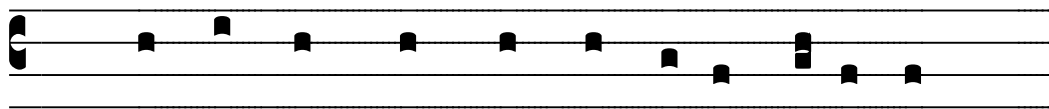
My dearest friends,



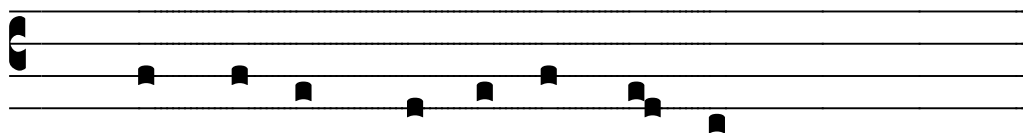
standing with me in this holy light,



join me in asking God for mercy,



that he may give his unworthy minister



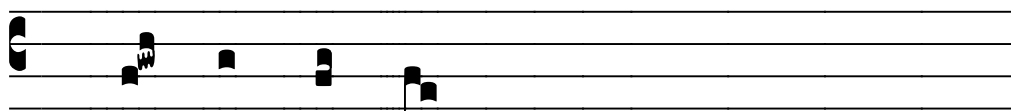
grace to sing his Easter praises.



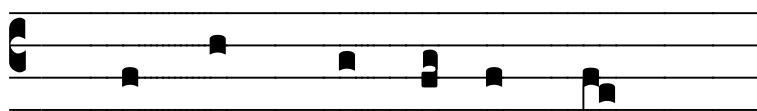
The Lord be with you.



**and also with you.**



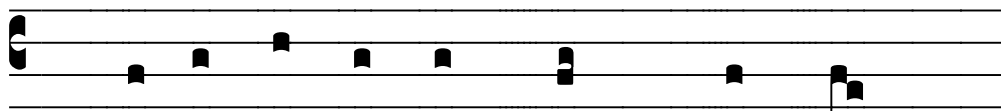
Lift up your hearts.



**We lift them to the Lord.**



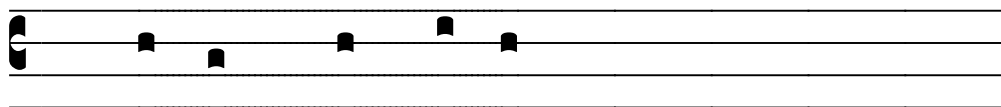
Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.



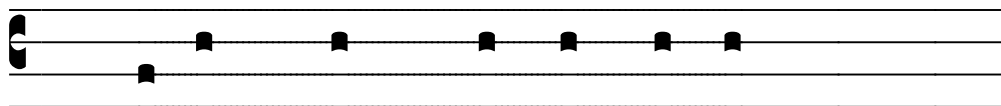
**It is right to give thanks and praise.**



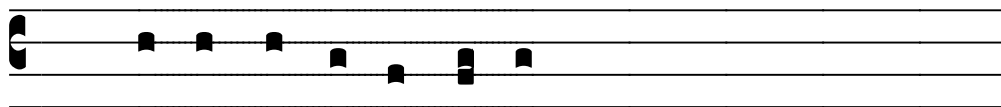
It is truly right that with full hearts



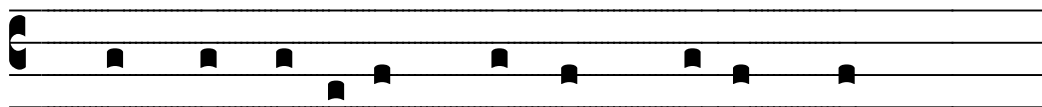
and minds and voices



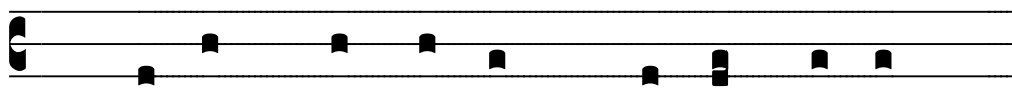
we should praise the unseen God,



the all-powerful Father,



↓ and his only Son, our Lord Jesus Christ.



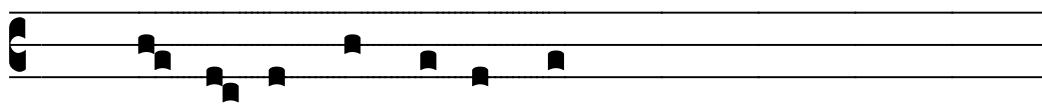
For Christ has ransomed us with his blood,



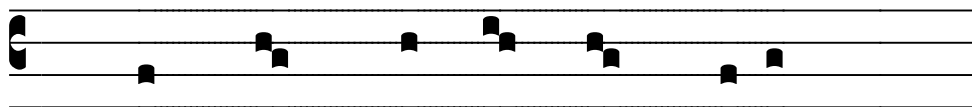
and paid for us the price of Adam's sin



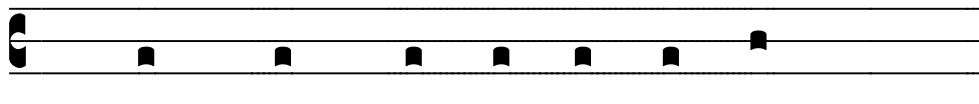
↓ to our eternal Father!



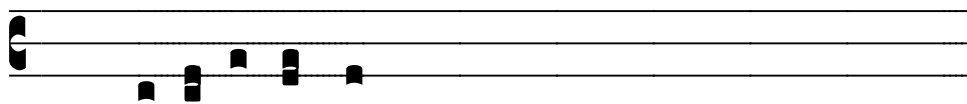
This is our Passover feast,



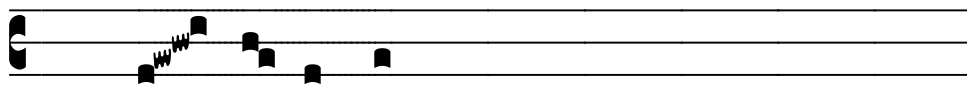
When Christ, the true Lamb, is slain,



↓ whose blood consecrates the hómes



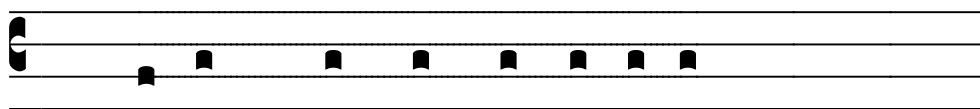
of all believers.



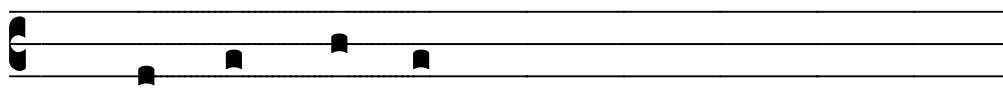
This is the night,



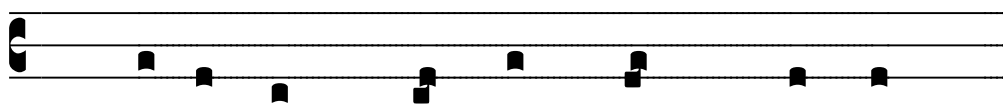
when first you saved our fathers:



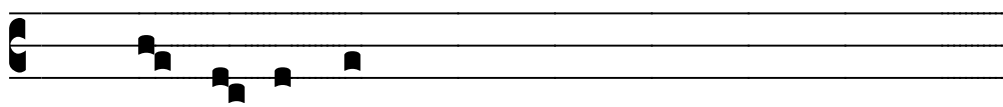
↓ you freed the people of Israel



from their sláv'ry,



and led them dry-shod through the sea.

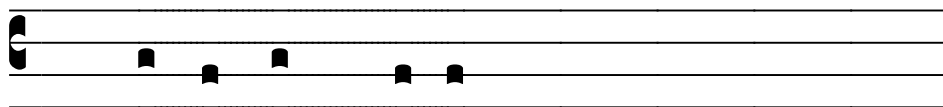


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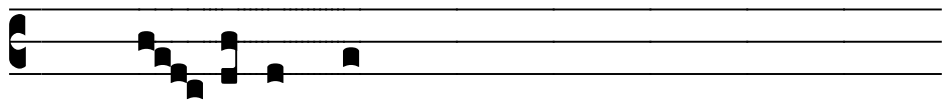


↓ when the pillar of fire destroyed





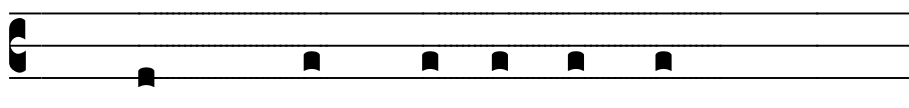
the darkness of sin.



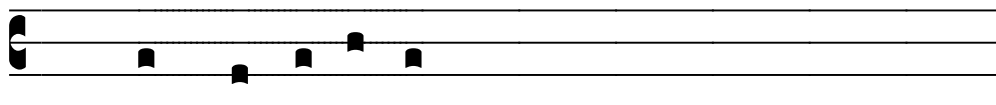
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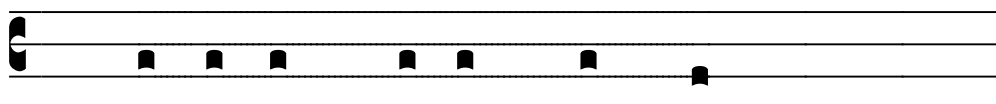
when Christians ev'rywhere,



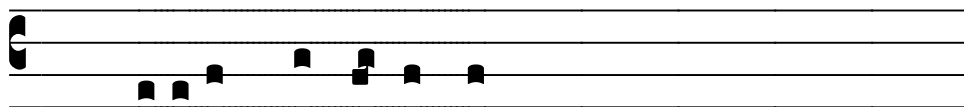
washed clean of sin and freed



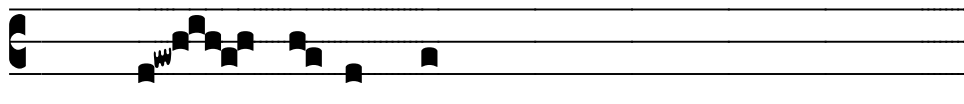
from all defilement,



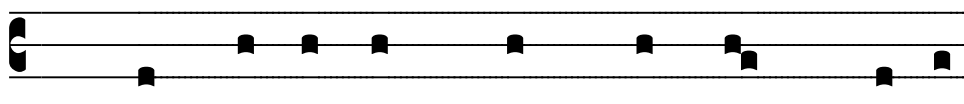
↓ are restored to grace and grow



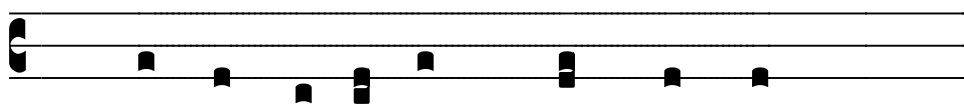
together in holiness.



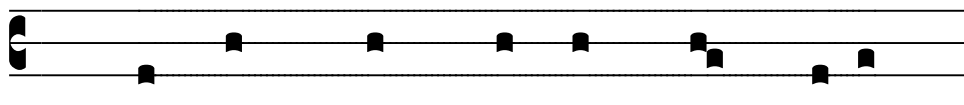
This is the night,



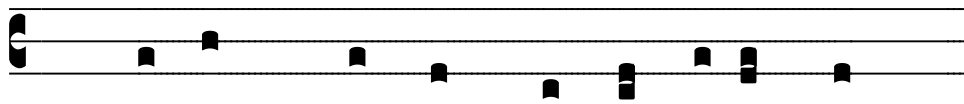
when Jesus Christ broke the chains of death



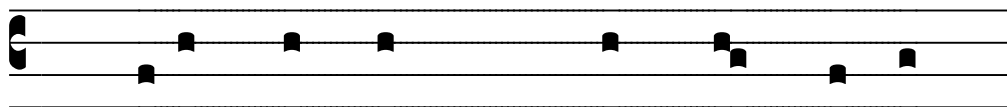
↓ and rose triumphant from the grave.



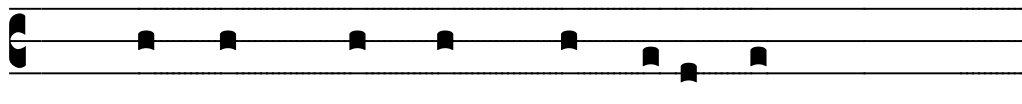
What good would life have been to us,



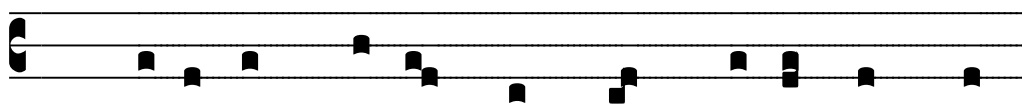
↓ had Christ not come as our Redeemer?



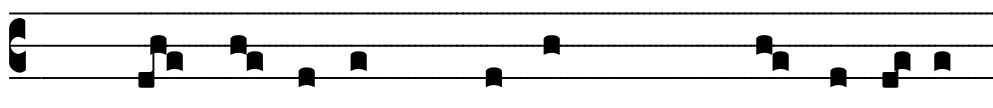
Father, how wonderful your care for us!



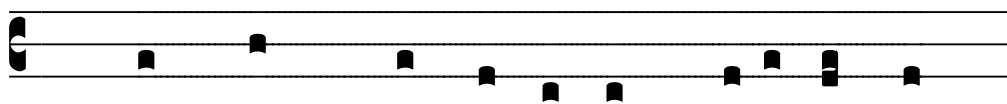
How boundless your merciful love!



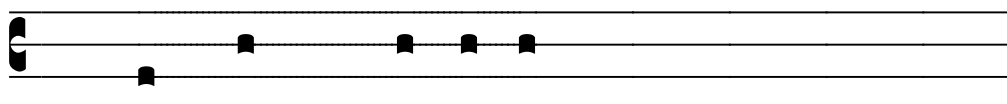
↓ To ransom a slave you gave away your Son.



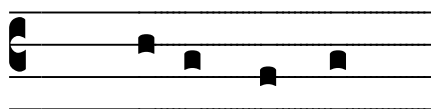
O happy fault, O necessary sin of Adam,



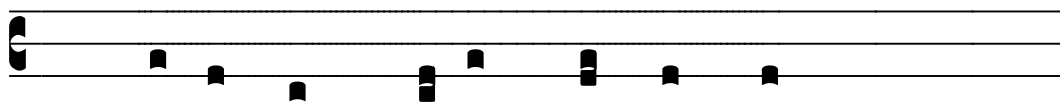
↓ which gained for us so great a Redeemer!



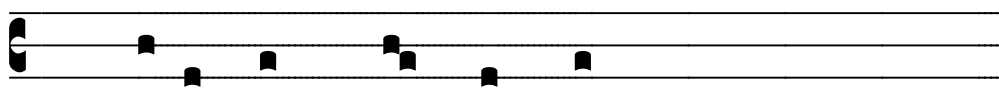
Most blessed of all nights,



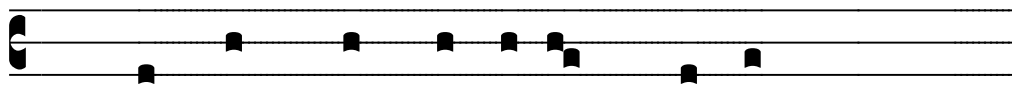
chosen by God



↓ to see Christ rising from the dead!



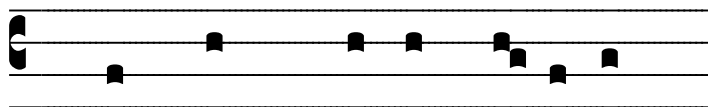
Of this night scripture says:



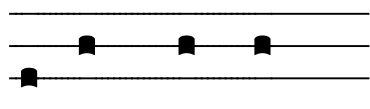
"The night will be as clear as day:



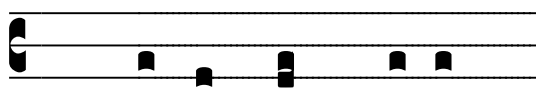
↓ it will become my light, my joy."



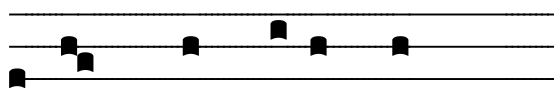
The power of this holy night



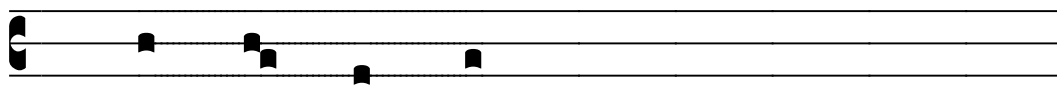
dispels all evil,



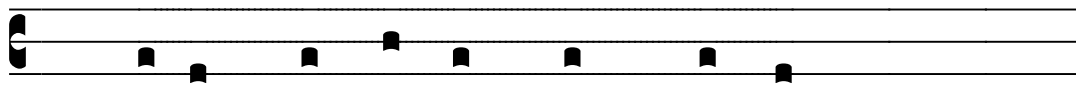
washes guilt away,



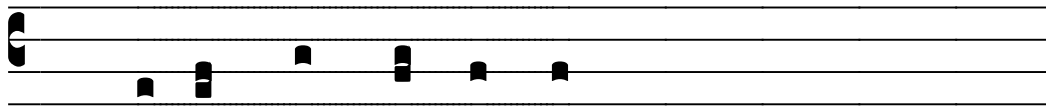
restores lost innocence,



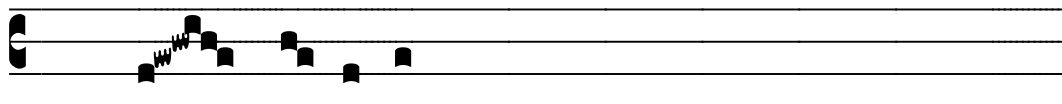
brings mourners joy;



↓ it casts out hatred, brings us peace,



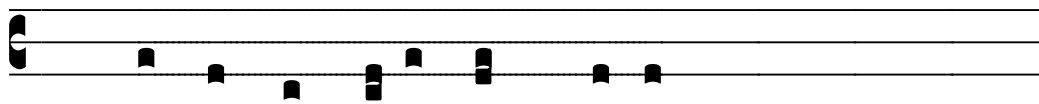
and humbles earthly pride.



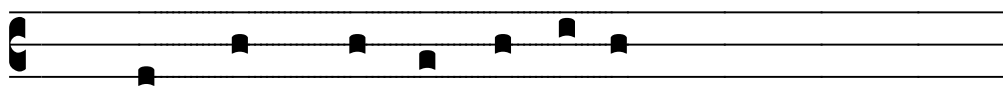
Night truly blessed,



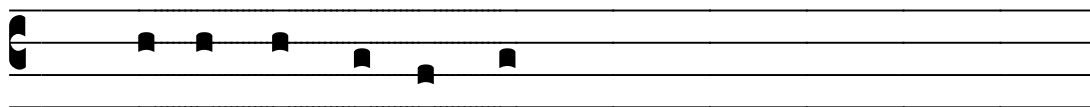
when heaven is wedded to earth



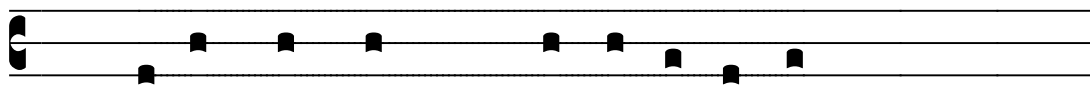
↓ and we are reconciled to God!



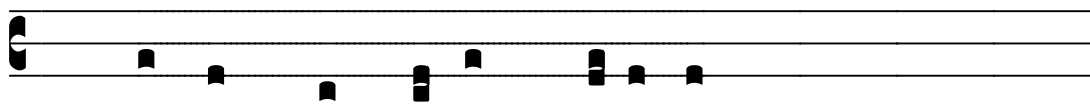
Therefore, heavenly Fátter,



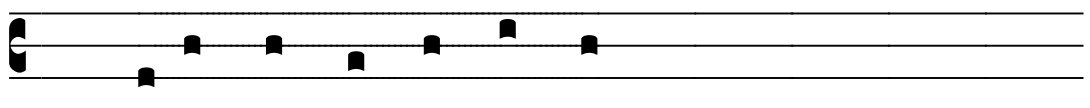
in the joy of this night,



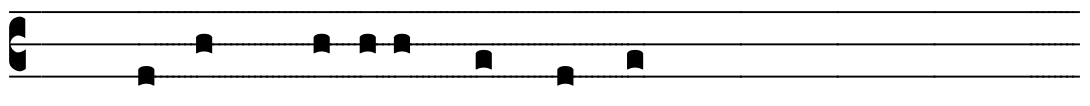
receive our evening sacrifice of praise,



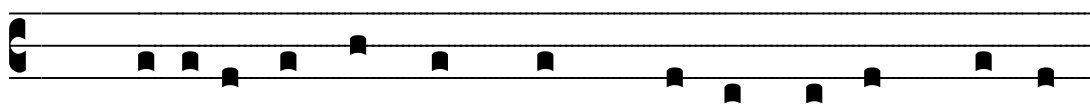
↓ your Church's solemn offering.



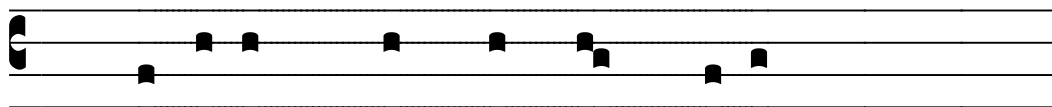
Accept this Easter candle,



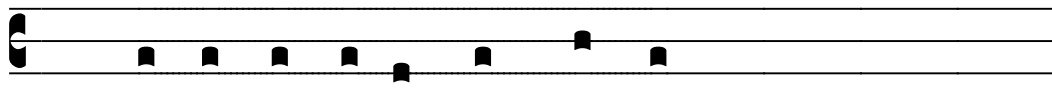
a flame divided but undimmed,



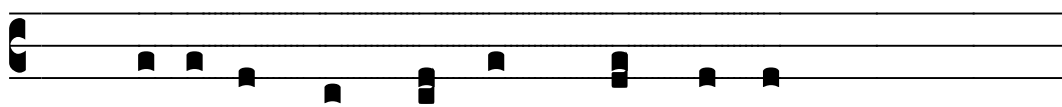
↓ a pillar of fire that glows to the honour of God.



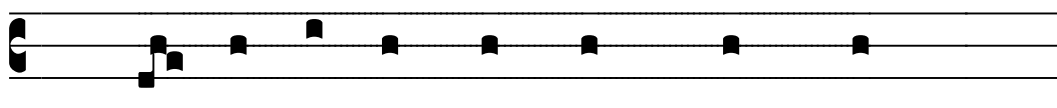
Let it mingle with the lights of heaven



↓ and continue bravely burning



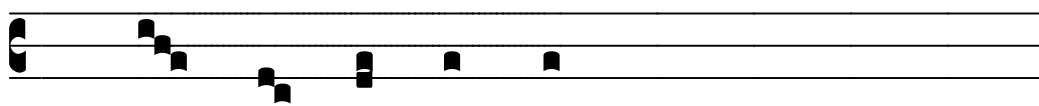
to dispel the darkness of this night!



May the Mórning Star which never sets

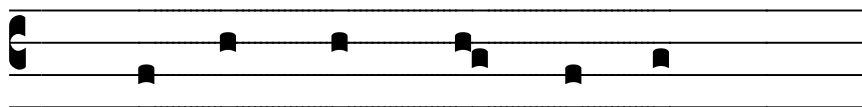


find this flame still burning:

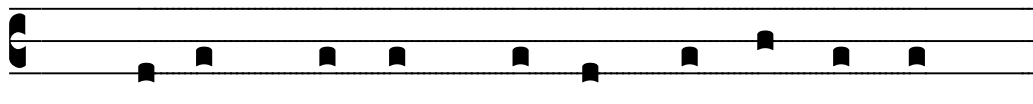


Christ, that Morning Star,

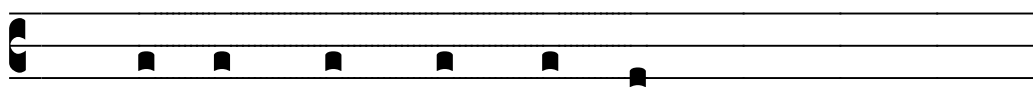




who came back from the dead,



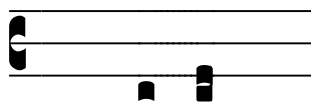
↓ and shed his peaceful light on all mankind,



↓ your Son, who lives and reigns



for ever and ever.



Amen.