To deliver their soul from death: and to feed them in the time of dearth. Our sol hath patiently tarried for the Lord: for he is our help and our shield. For our heart shall rejoice in him: because we have hoped in his holy Name. Let thy merciful kindness, O Lord, be upon us: like as we do put our trust in thee.

Glory be to the Father: and to the Son, and to the Holy Ghost.

As it was in the beginning, is now and ever shall be: world without end. Amen.

Chant **Randall** 

#### Psalm 34

I will always give thanks unto the Lord: his praise shall ever be in my mouth. My soul shall make her boast in the Lord: the humble shall hear thereof and be glad.

O praise the Lord with me: and let us magnify his Name together.

I sought the Lord and he heard: yea, he delivered me out of all my fear.

They had an eye unto him are were lightened: and their faces were not ashamed.

Lo, the poor crieth, and the Lord heareth him: yea, and saveth him out of all his troubles.

The angel of the Lord tarrieth round about them that fear him: and delivereth them

O taste and see how gracious the Lord is: blessed is the man that trusteth in him.

O fear the Lord ye that are his saints: for they that fear him lack nothing. The lions do lack and suffer hunger: but they who seek the Lord shall want no manner of thing that is good.

Come, ye children, and hearken unto me: I will teach you the fear of the Lord. What man is he that lusteth to live: and would fain seen good days?

Veran that is no trial rustoff to five, and would ruff score good day.

Keep thy tongue from evil: and thy lips that they speak no guile.

Eschew evil, and do good: seek peace, and ensue it.

The eyes of the Lord are over the righteous: and his ears are open unto their prayers.

The countenance of the Lord is against them that do evil: to root out the remembrance of them from the earth.

The righteous cry and the Lord heareth

Reading Proverbs 3: 27–35

Here beginneth the twenty-seventh verse of the third chapter of the Book of Proverbs.

Withhold not good from them to whom it is due, when it is in the power of thine hand to do it.

Say not unto thy neighbour, "Go, and come again, and tomorrow I will give", when thou hast it with thee.

Devise not evil against thy neighbour, seeing he dwelleth securely beside thee.

Strive not with a man without cause, if he have done thee no harm.

Envy thou not the oppressor, and choose none of his ways.

For the crooked man is an abomination to the Lord: but his presence is with the righteous.

The curse of the Lord is on the house of the wicked: but he blesseth the habitation of the just.

Surely he scorneth the scorners:

Hymn 431 O Thou who camest from above, The pure

Reading Matthew 18: 21–35

Here beginneth the twenty-first verse of the eighteenth chapter of the Gospel according to St Matthew.

## All standastheChair stands

Nunc dimittis (sungby thechair)

Lord, now lettest thou thy servant depart in peace:

according to thy word.

For mine eyes have seen: thy salvation;

Which thou hast prepared: before the face of all people;

To be a light to lighten the Gentiles: and to be the glory of thy people Israel.

Glory be to the Father, and to the Son: and to the Holy Ghost;

As it was in the beginning, is now, and ever shall be:

world without end. Amen.

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# The A postles' Creed (All turn towards the East)

I believe

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The Lesser Litany and Responses (sungby thechair)

The Lord be with you And with thy spirit.

Let us pray.

### All kneel or sit

Lord, have mercy upon us. Christ, have mercy upon us. Lord, have mercy upon us.

Our Father, which art in heaven...

## All stand

Hymn 417

O God, our help in ages past, Our hope for years to come, Our shelter from the stormy blast, And our eternal home;

Under the shadow of thy throne Thy saints have dwelt secure; Sufficient is thine arm alone, And our defence is sure.

Before the hills in order stood, Or earth received her frame, From everlasting thou art God, To endless years the same.

A thousand ages in thy sight Are like an evening gone, Short as the watch that ends the night

