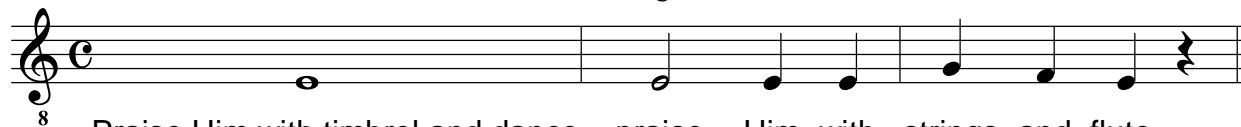# Lauds 1. Mode pl. 4. *Ni=C. What a paradoxal.*

Diatonic

Praise Him with timbrel and dance,   praise   Him with   strings and flute.
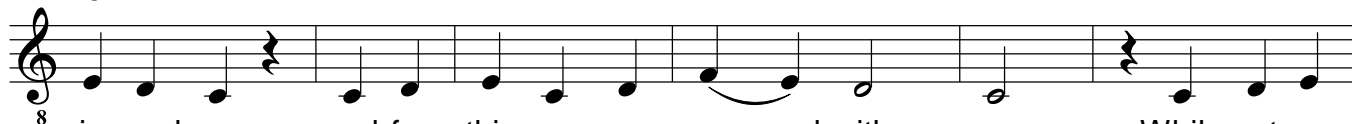
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boy,   like a   man   you brought down the   pride   of the   dev - il's

in - so-lence,   and for   this you were   crowned with   grace.   While yet a

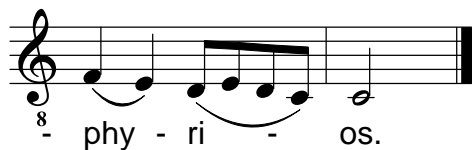boy   you e - vinced the   el - ders' ken   and   im - i - tat - ed the

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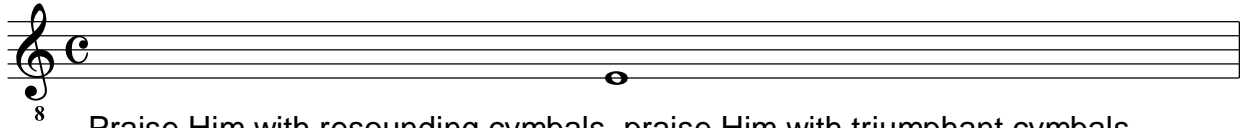spir - it - ual   por - phyr - ous robe,   O be - loved by God de - vout fa - ther Por-
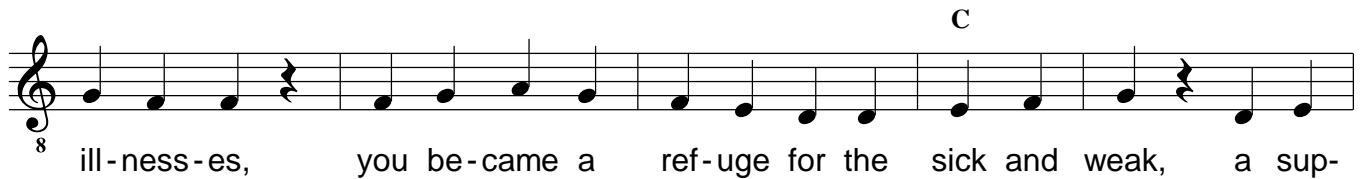
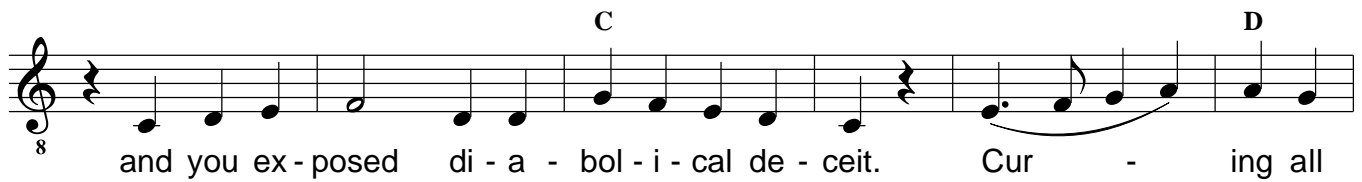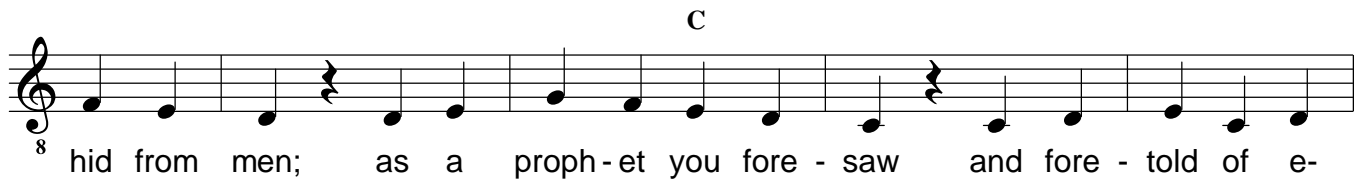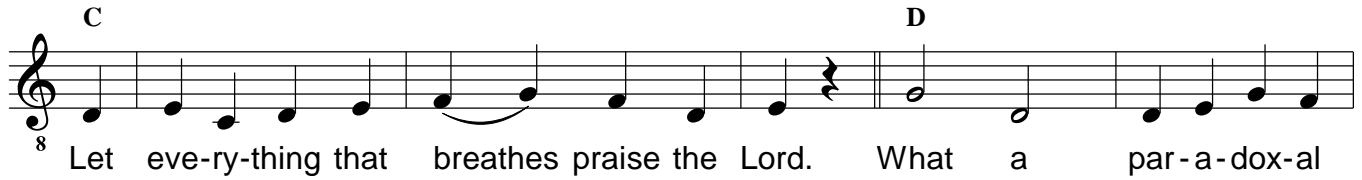- phy - ri - os.

Lauds 2. Mode pl. 4. *Ni=C. What a paradoxal.*

Diatonic

Praise Him with resounding cymbals, praise Him with triumphant cymbals.

C   **D**

Let eve-ry-thing that   breathes praise the Lord.   What   a   par-a-dox-al

C   **D**

mir-a-cle!   By your clair - voy - ance, O Saint,   you per-ceived what was

C

hid from men;   as a   proph-et you fore - saw   and fore - told of e-

D

- vents to   come.   With man-y   mir - a-cles you a - stound-ed all,

C   **D**

and you ex - posed   di - a - bol - i - cal de - ceit.   Cur   -   ing all

C

ill - ness - es,   you be - came a   ref-uge for the   sick and weak,   a sup-

- port for the dis-turbed, O fa-ther,   graced by   God.

Lauds 3. Mode pl. 4. *Ni=C. What a paradoxal.*

Diatonic

C

Precious in the sight of the Lord is the death of His ho - ly one.

D   **C**

What a par - a - dox - al mir - a - cle! How you at - tained to the

D   **C**

heights that the great son of thun-der did, and like him re-ceived di - vine

rev - e - la-tions of things to come! You served hu - mil - i - ty

D   **C**

like a sac-ra-ment, and learned the knowl - edge prop-er to Cher-u-bim.

D   **C**

You had man-y di - vine vis - it - a-tions, O all - bless-ed and de-

- vout fa-ther, glow-ing on your death bed with a splen - did light.

Lauds 4. Mode pl. 4. *Ni=C. What a paradoxal.*

Diatonic

C

Blessed is the man who fears the Lord; he will de - light ex - ceed-ing-ly in

D

His com - mand - ments. What a par - a - dox - al mir - a - cle!

C   **D**

Once you as - ton - ish-ing - ly did par - take of the mys-ter-ies,

C

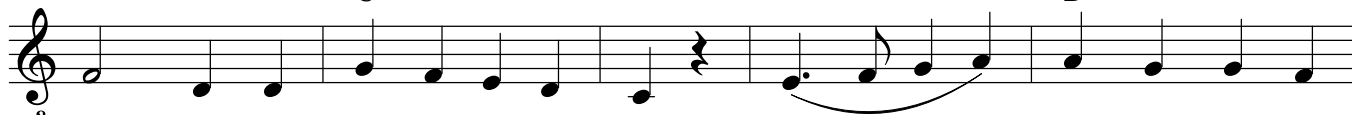the bod-y and blood of Christ, e - ven though you were far from church;

D

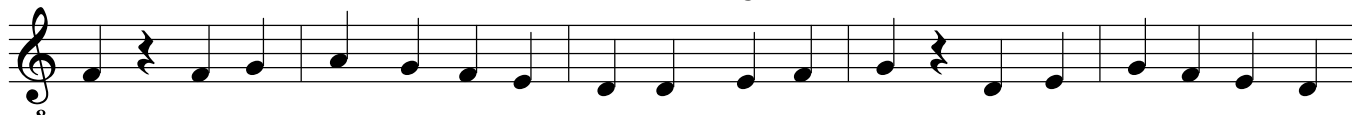by hands of an - gels you tru - ly did re - ceive the di - vine

C   **D**

em - ber, con - sum-ing it in - deed. Those who were with you

C

then, O de - vout and ho - ly fa-ther, were a - mazed by your mys-ti - cal com-

- mun-ion and gave glo - ry to God.