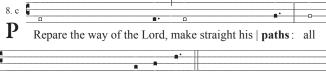
in knowledge and every kind of perception, to discern what is of value, so that you may be pure and blameless for the day of Christ, filled with the fruit of righteousness that comes through Jesus Christ for the glory and praise of God.

ALLELUIA



VERSE

Psalm 84



flesh shall see the salva- | tion of God.

GOSPEL

Luke 3

A reading from the Holy Gospel according to Luke

In the fifteenth year of the reign of Tiberius Caesar, when Pontius Pilate was governor of Judea, and Herod was tetrarch of Galilee, and his brother Philip tetrarch of the region of Ituraea and Trachonitis, and Lysanias was tetrarch of Abilene. during the high priesthood of Annas and Caiaphas, the word of God came to John the son of Zechariah in the desert

John went throughout the whole region of the Jordan, proclaiming a baptism of repentance for the forgiveness of sins. as it is written in the book of the words of the prophet Isaiah: A voice of one crying out in the desert: "Prepare the way of the Lord, make straight his paths.

Every valley shall be filled

and every mountain and hill shall be made low.

The winding roads shall be made straight, and the rough ways made smooth,

and all flesh shall see the salvation of God."

Veni, veni Emmanuel.

OFFERTORY

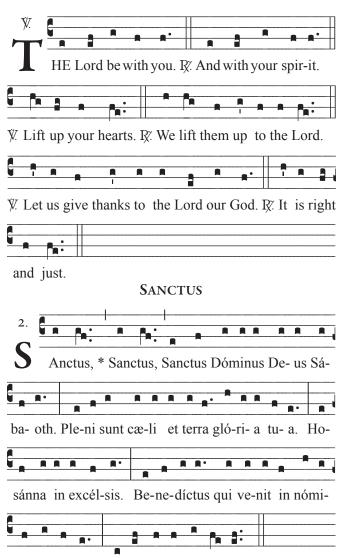
Psalm 79

Thou will turn, O God, and bring us to life, and thy people shall rejoice in thee. Show us, O Lord, thy mercy, and grant us thy salvation.

O come, O come, Emmanuel, And ransom captive Israel, That mourns in lonely exile here Until the Son of God appear. Rejoice! Rejoice! Emmanuel shall come to thee, O Israel. O come. Thou Wisdom from on high. Who ord'rest all things mightily; To us the path of knowledge show, And teach us in her ways to go. Rejoice! Rejoice! Emmanuel shall come to thee, O Israel.

O come, Thou Rod of Jesse, free Thine own from Satan's tyranny; From depths of hell Thy people save, And give them vict'ry o'er the grave. Rejoice! Rejoice! Emmanuel shall come to thee. O Israel.

THE EUCHARISTIC PRAYER



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