**Guide to the Divine Offices at Convocation**

**Matins:**

**Invitatory** – led by Officiant, congregation responds

**Gloria Patri (throughout)** – started by Officiant, congregation joins in

**Invitatory Psalm** – Officiant reads antiphons, congregation joins on verses

**Psalms Appointed** – *[Sit at beginning of second verse, stand at beginning of last verse for Gloria Patri]* Officiant reads antiphon and starts first verse. His/her side joins at asterisk (\*). Opposite side prays second verse; alternate chorally by whole verse. All read antiphon and Gloria Patri at end of each Psalm.

**First Reading** – *Sit*; reader appointed

**Canticle** – *Stand at cue from Officiant*; Officiant reads antiphon and first line, congregation joins for remainder, including closing antiphon and Gloria Patri.

**Second Reading** – Sit; reader appointed

**Benedictus** – *Stand at cue form Officiant and remain standing until end of Office*; Officiant reads opening antiphon and first line, congregation joins for remainder, including closing antiphon and Gloria Patri.

**Prayers and Suffrages** – Officiant leads versicle, congregation responds. All say The Lord’s Prayer.

**Collects and/or Commemoration (if applicable)** – Officiant reads collects and leads Commemoration.

**The Angelus** – Led by Officiant, responses by congregation.

**Mid-Day Prayer:**

**Invitatory** – Led by Officiant, response by congregation

**Opening Gloria Patri** – started by Officiant, congregation joins in

**Psalms Appointed** – *[Sit at beginning of second verse* ***of first psalm****, stand at beginning of last verse* ***of last psalm. For this Office only*** *Gloria Patri between psalms is said seated]* Officiant reads antiphon and starts first verse of each psalm. His/her side joins at asterisk (\*). Opposite side prays second verse; alternate chorally by whole verse. All read antiphon and Gloria Patri at end of each Psalm.

**Chapter** – Read by Officiant, congregation responds at end.

**The Prayers** – Verse led by Officiant; congregation responds. All say The Lord’s Prayer. Verse and response after intercessions led by Officiant, congregation responds.

**Vespers:**

**Opening Sentence** – Read by Officiant.

**Invitatory** – led by Officiant, congregation responds

**Gloria Patri (throughout)** – started by Officiant, congregation joins in

***Phos Hilaron*** – Officiant reads first line, congregation joins for remainder

**Psalms Appointed** – *[Sit at beginning of second verse, stand at beginning of last verse for Gloria Patri]* Officiant reads antiphon and starts first verse. His/her side joins at asterisk (\*). Opposite side prays second verse; alternate chorally by whole verse. All read antiphon and Gloria Patri at end of each Psalm.

**Reading** – *Sit*; reader appointed

**Magnificat** – *Stand at cue form Officiant and remain standing until end of Office*; Officiant reads opening antiphon and first line, congregation joins for remainder, including closing antiphon and Gloria Patri.

**Prayers and Suffrages** – Officiant leads versicle, congregation responds. All say The Lord’s Prayer.

**Collects and/or Commemoration (if applicable)** – Officiant reads collects and leads Commemoration.

**Intercessions** – Introduced by Officiant, all may include if desired

**Prayer of St. Chrysostom and/or General Thanksgiving** – Started by Officiant, congregation joins.

**The Angelus** – Led by Officiant, responses by congregation.