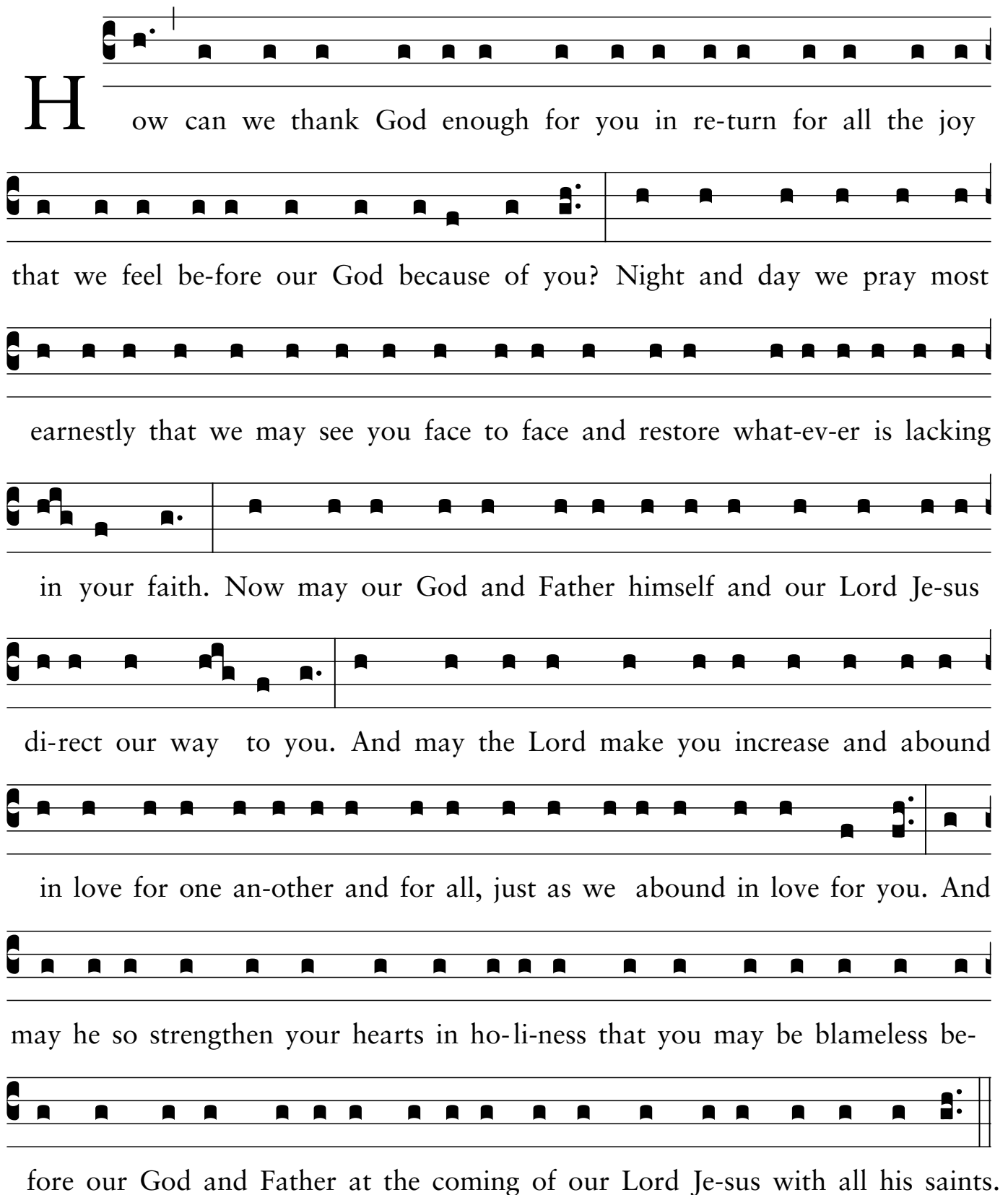


1 Thessalonians 3:9-13

Advent 1



How can we thank God enough for you in re-turn for all the joy that we feel be-fore our God because of you? Night and day we pray most earnestly that we may see you face to face and restore what-ev-er is lacking in your faith. Now may our God and Father himself and our Lord Je-sus di-rect our way to you. And may the Lord make you increase and abound in love for one an-other and for all, just as we abound in love for you. And may he so strengthen your hearts in ho-li-ness that you may be blameless be-fore our God and Father at the coming of our Lord Je-sus with all his saints.