

ANTIPHON

*Qui odit animam suam**AM 642*

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HO-ev- er * hates his life in this world keeps it safe for life

† ev- er-lasting. P.T. : † ev- er-lasting, al-le-luia.

LUKE 1: 68–79
CANTICLE OF ZECHARIAH**B**LÉSSED be the Lórd, the Gód of Ísrael, *
he has cóme to his péople and sét them frée.He has ráised up for ús a mighty sáviór, *
bórn of the hóuse of his sérvant Dávid.Through his holy próphets he prómised of óld †
that he would sáve us from our énemies, *
from the hánds of áll who háte us.He prómised to show mércy to our fáthers *
and to remémber his hóly cóvenant.This was the óath he swóre to our fáther Ábraham: *
to set us frée from the hánds of our énemies,
free to wórship him without féar, †
hóly and ríghteous in his síght *
all the dáys of our life.Yóu, my chíld, shall be called the próphet of the Most Hígh: *
for you will gó before the Lórd to prepáre his wáy,
to give his péople knówledge of salvátióh *
by the forgíveness of their síns.In the ténder compássióh of our Gód, *
the dáwn from on hígh shall bréak upon ús,
to shíne on thóse who dwell in dárkness and the shádw of déath, *
and to guíde our féet into the wáy of péace.