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2. With that “A-ve,” which to thee Gabriel has spoken, Eva’s name reverse, that we Peace enjoy unbroken. Alleluia.

3. Blind are we: let us see day; Guilty we: unbind us; Drive all evil things away; Gain the good as signed us. Alleluia.

4. Prove thyself a mother thus; Pray, at our petition, Till He
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