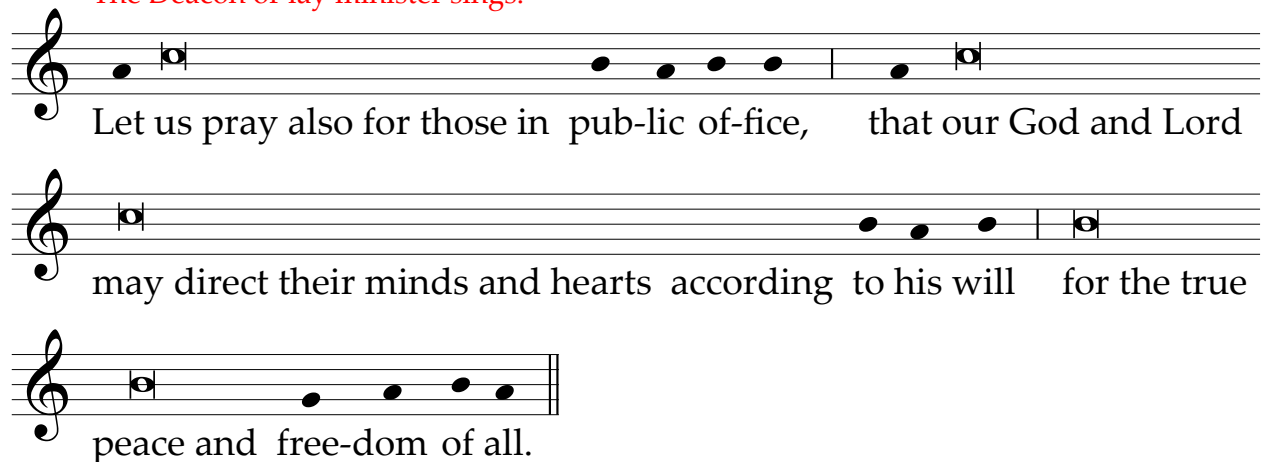


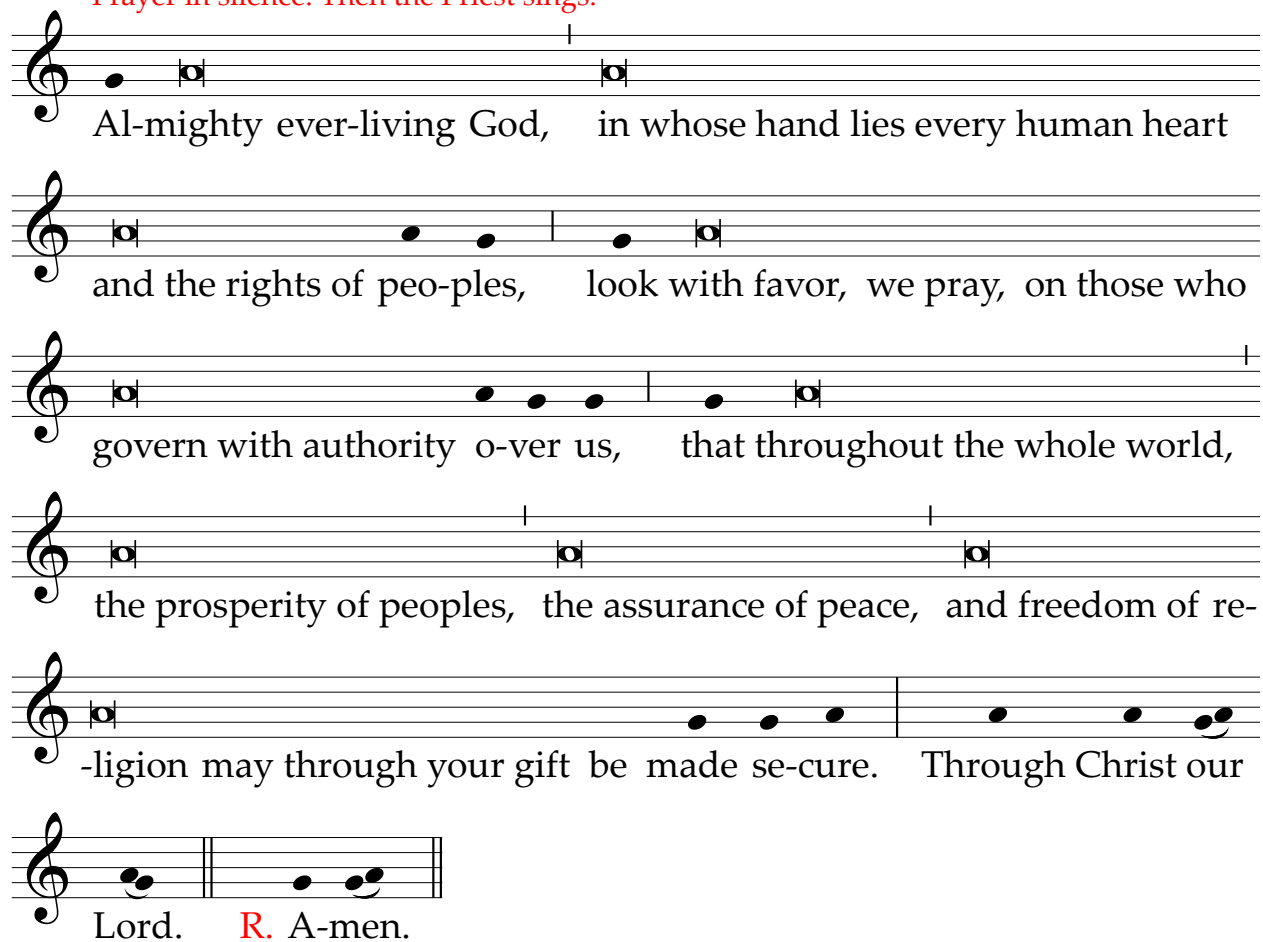
IX. For those in public office

The Deacon or lay minister sings:



Let us pray also for those in pub-lic of-fice, that our God and Lord
may direct their minds and hearts according to his will for the true
peace and free-dom of all.

Prayer in silence. Then the Priest sings:



Al-mighty ever-living God, in whose hand lies every human heart
and the rights of peo-ples, look with favor, we pray, on those who
govern with authority o-ver us, that throughout the whole world,
the prosperity of peoples, the assurance of peace, and freedom of re-
-ligion may through your gift be made se-cure. Through Christ our
Lord. R. A-men.