

# Tones for the Readings

## III. The Gospel

Before the Gospel

V. The Lord be with you.      R. And with your spir-it.

V. A reading from the holy Gospel according to

R. Glory to you, O Lord.

Mat-thew.
Mark.
Luke.
John.

RECITING TONE

MEDIANT

FULL STOP

*accent on last syllable*      *accent not on last syllable*      *accent on last syllable*      *accent not on last syllable*

QUESTION

CONCLUSION

ACCLAMATION

The Gospel of the Lord.      Praise to you, Lord Je - sus Christ.

The mediant is used at the end of major clauses within a sentence. In short sentences it may be omitted, and in long sentences it may be used more than once. It should not be used to introduce a question. The full stop is used at the end of every sentence. The question formula is used for all questions, except when the question occurs at the end of a Gospel reading. In the question formula, one leaves the reciting tone two syllables before the last accent. In long questions, the ending is used only for the last clause of the question, with the reciting tone for the first clause. The conclusion with its two elements is used for the last two lines of the reading. For each of these two elements, one leaves the reciting tone on the last accent.