*The Transitus as Memorial Rite*

While it is appropriate to observe the Transitus as a Memorial Rite by itself at meetings of the Order, it will most often be incorporated into one of the hours (for example, Compline) or a Service of Word and Table. In that setting, we share the following suggestions:

* The Transitus should provide the basic theme for the service.
* Consult the topical index under “Transitus” for appropriate hymns.
* Time must be provided in the schedule for a longer office or service.

The Service

* As an introduction to the Transitus part of the service, all but the last sentence of the liturgical and theological background as found on p. 81 of *The Book of Offices and Services*  may be read.
* When a part of another service, the greeting is omitted.
* When a part of “A Lukan Liturgy of Word and Table,” the Transitus may function as the “Prayers of the People” (see p. 7), continuing after the Transitus rite with the “Invitation” (see p. 8)
* When a part of a daily office such as Compline:
	+ the Transitus replaces the little chapter with the scripture found at the top of p. 82 and replaces the daily office liturgy from that point on (note parts of the service marked P or D are to be omitted).
	+ A suitable hymn may be included prior to the Benediction.