

SIMPLE CHORAL GRADUAL

Entrance, Offertory, and Communion Antiphons
for Parish Choirs

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Eighteenth Sunday of the Year

Entrance Antiphon

Psalm (69)70:2,6;3

God, come to my help. Lord, quick - ly give me as - sis - tance.

You are the one who helps me and sets me

free: Lord, do not be long in com - ing.

1. Let there be shame and con - fu - sion
O let them turn back in con - fu - sion,
2. Glory to the Fa - ther, and to the Son,
as it was in the be - gin - ning, is now,

1. on those who seek my life.
who de - light in my harm.
2. and to the Ho - ly Spir - it:
and will be for ev - er. A - men.

Offertory Antiphon, Year A & B

cf. Exodus 32:11-14

1. Moses pleaded _____ with the Lord his God.
He pleaded with the _____ Lord his God, and said:
Lord, why should your wrath blaze out against this _____ peo - ple of yours?

2. Lord, _____ leave your burn - ing wrath.
Remember Abraham, I - _____ saac and Ja - cob,
to whom you swore to give a land where _____ milk and hon - ey flow.

3. The Lord _____ said to Mo - ses:
You have found _____ fa - vor in my sight,
and I have known _____ you be - fore all things.

So the Lord re - lent - ed and did not bring on his

peo - ple the dis - as - ter he had threat - ened.

Offertory Antiphon, Year C

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Communion Antiphon I

You gave us bread from heav - en, Lord: a sweet -
 good to
 tast - ing bread that was ver - y good to eat.

Psalm (77)78:1-4;23,24;25,27,29

1. Give heed, my people, _____ to my teach - ing;
 I will open my mouth _____ in a par - a - ble
2. The things we have _____ heard and un - der - stood,
 the glories of the _____ Lord and his might
3. He command - _____ ed the clouds a - bove
 He rained down _____ man - na for their food,
4. Mere men ate the _____ bread of an - gels.
 He rained _____ food on them like dust;

1. turn your ear to the _____ words of my mouth.
 and reveal hidden _____ les - sons of the past.
2. the things our fa - _____ thers have told us:
 and the marvelous _____ deeds he has done.
3. and opened the _____ gates of heav - en.
 and gave them _____ bread from heav - en.
4. He sent them a - _____ bun - dance of food.
 he _____ gave them all they craved.

Communion Antiphon II

The Lord says: I am the bread of life. A man who comes to me will not go away hungry, and no one who believes in me will thirst.

Psalm (77)78:1-4;23,24;25,27,29

1. Give heed, my people, to my teaching; I will open my mouth in a parable.
 2. The things we have heard and understood, the glories of the Lord and his might.
 3. He commanded the clouds above; He rained down manna for their food.
 4. Mere men ate the bread of angels; He rained food on them like dust;

1. turn your ear to the words of my mouth.
 2. and reveal hidden lessons of the past.
 3. the things our fathers have told us: and the marvelous deeds he has done.
 4. and opened the gates of heaven. and gave them bread from heaven. He sent them a banquet of food: he gave them all they craved.

Nineteenth Sunday of the Year

Entrance Antiphon

Psalm (73)74:20,19,22,23;1,2

Lord, be true to your cov - e - nant, for - get not the life of your

poor ones for ev - er. Rise up, O God, and de - fend your

cause; do not ig - nore the shouts of your en - e - mies.

1. Why, O God, have you cast us off for - ev - er?
Remember your people whom you chose long a - go,
2. Glory to the Fa - ther, and to the Son,
as it was in the be - gin - ning, is now,

1. Why blaze with anger at the sheep of your pas - ture?
the tribe you redeemed to be your own pos - ses - sion.
2. and to the Ho - ly Spir - it:
and will be for ev - er. A - men.

Offertory Antiphon

Psalm (30)31:15,16;17,18;20

1. As for me, I _____ trust in you, Lord,
I say: _____ You are my God.

2. Let your face shine on your servant; _____ save me in your love.
Let me not be put to shame _____ for I call to you.

3. How great _____ is the good - ness, Lord,
that you keep for _____ those who fear you,
that you show to those who trust you _____ in the sight of men.

1. My life is in your hands.

2. in your _____ hands.

Communion Antiphon I

Psalm 147:12,14;12,13;15,16;17,18;19,20

Praise the Lord, Je - ru - sa - lem; he
Je - ru - sa - lem;

feeds you with the fin - est wheat.
fin - est

1. O praise the _____ Lord, Je - ru - sa - lem!
He has strengthened the _____ bars of your gates,
2. He sends out his _____ word to the earth
He showers down _____ snow white as wool,
3. He hurls down _____ hail - stones like crumbs.
he sends forth his word _____ and it melts them:
4. He makes his word _____ known to Ja - cob,
He has not dealt thus with _____ oth - er na - tions;

1. --- _____ Zi - on, praise your God!
he has blessed the chil - _____ dren with - in you.
2. and swiftly _____ runs his com - mand.
he scatters hoar - _____ frost like ash - es.
3. The waters are _____ fro - zen at his touch;
at the breath of his _____ mouth the wa - ters flow.
4. to Israel his _____ laws and de - crees.
he has not _____ taught them his de - crees.

Communion Antiphon II

John 6:52

The bread I shall give is my flesh for the

life of the world, says the Lord.

Psalm (110)111:1-8

1. I will thank the _____ Lord with all my heart
 Great are the _____ works of the Lord;
 2. Majestic and _____ glo - rious his work,
 He makes us remem - _____ ber his won - ders.
 3. He gives food to _____ those who fear him;
 He has shown his might _____ to his peo - ple
 4. His works are _____ jus - tice and truth:
 standing firm for ev - _____ er and ev - er:

1. in the meeting of the just and _____ their as - sem - bly.
 to be pondered by _____ all who love them.
 2. his justice stands _____ firm for ev - er.
 The Lord is com - _____ pas - sion and love.
 3. keeps his covenant _____ ev - er in mind.
 by giving them the lands _____ of the na - tions.
 4. his precepts are _____ all of them sure.
 they are made in up - _____ right - ness and truth.

Twentieth Sunday of the Year

Entrance Antiphon

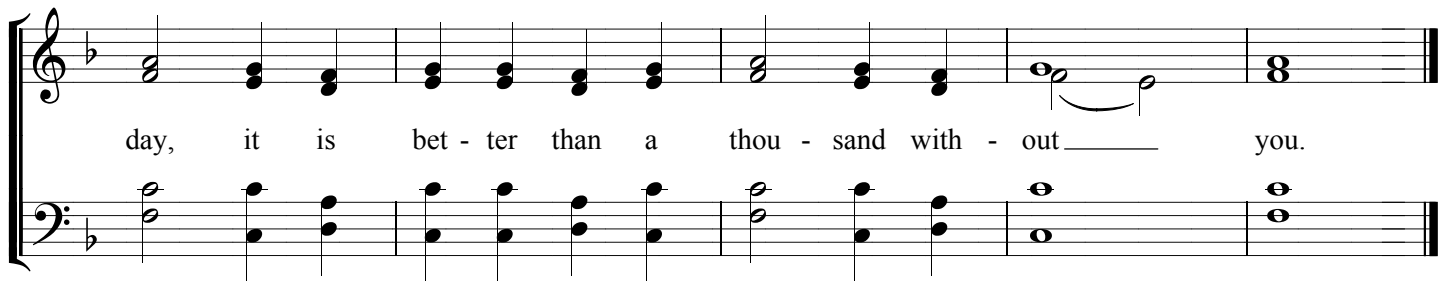
Psalm (83)84:10,11;1,2



God, our pro - tec - tor, keep us in mind; al - ways give strength



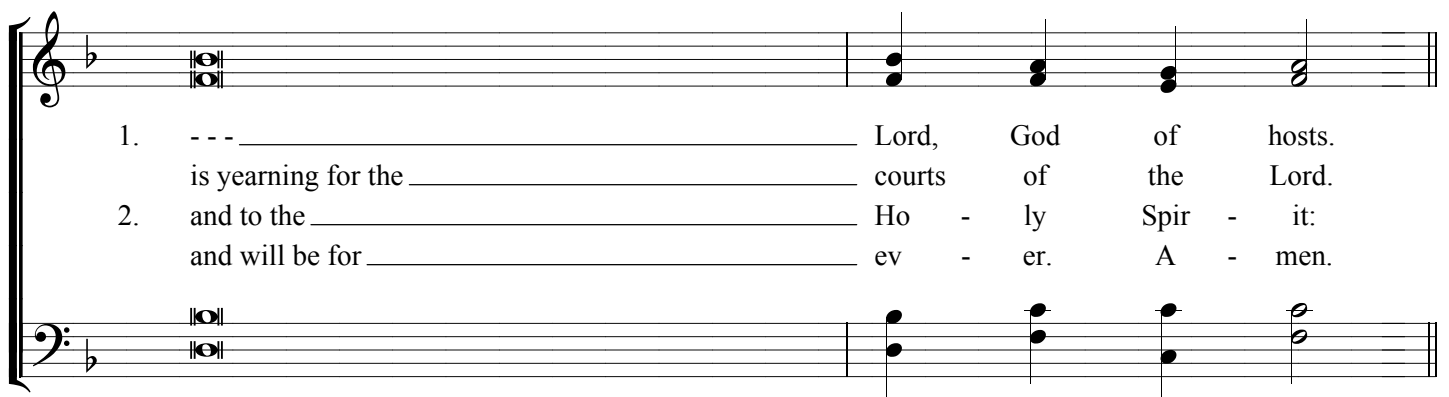
to your peo - ple. For if we can be with you e - ven one



day, it is bet - ter than a thou - sand with - out you.



1. How lovely _____ is your dwell - ing place,
My soul is long - _____ ing and yearn - ing,
2. Glory to the Fa - _____ ther, and to the Son,
as it was in the be - _____ gin - ning, is now,



1. --- Lord, God of hosts.
is yearning for the courts of the Lord.
2. and to the Ho - ly Spir - it:
and will be for ev - er. A - men.

Offertory Antiphon

Psalm (33)34:8,9;2;3;4

1. The angel of the _____ Lord is en - camped
around those who revere _____ him to res - cue them.

2. I will bless the _____ Lord at all times,
his praise _____ al - ways on my lips.

3. In the Lord my _____ soul shall make its boast.
The humble shall _____ hear and be glad.

4. Glori - _____ fy the Lord with me.
Together _____ let us praise his name.

Taste and see that the Lord is good. good.

1.

2.

Communion Antiphon I

Psalm (129)130:7;1,2;3,4;5,6;7,8

With the Lord there is mer - cy, and

full - ness of re - demp - tion.

1. Out of the depths I _____ cry to you, O Lord,
O let your ears _____ be at - ten - tive

2. If you, O _____ Lord, should mark our guilt,
But with you is _____ found for - give - ness:

3. My soul is _____ wait - ing for the Lord,
My soul is _____ long - ing for the Lord

4. Let the watchman _____ count on day - break
Israel in - _____ deed he will re - deem

1. --- _____ Lord, hear my voice!
to the voice _____ of my plead - ing.

2. Lord, _____ who would sur - vive?
for this _____ we re - vere you.

3. I _____ count on his word.
more than watch - _____ man for day - break.

4. and _____ Is - rael on the Lord.
from all _____ its in - iq - ui - ty.

Communion Antiphon II

John 6:51-52

I am the liv - ing bread from heav - en, says ___ the Lord; if
 an - y - one eats this bread ___ he will live for ev - er.

Psalm (129)130:1,2;3,4;5,6;7,8

1. Out of the depths I ___ cry to you, O Lord,
 O let your ears ___ be at - ten - tive
 2. If you, O ___ Lord, should mark our guilt,
 But with you is ___ found for - give - ness:
 3. My soul is ___ wait - ing for the Lord,
 My soul is ___ long - ing for the Lord
 4. Let the watchman ___ count on day - break
 Israel in - ___ deed he will re - deem

1. - - - ___ Lord, hear my voice!
 to the voice ___ of my plead - ing.
 2. Lord, ___ who would sur - vive?
 for this ___ we re - vere you.
 3. I ___ count on his word.
 more than watch - ___ man for day - break.
 4. and ___ Is - rael on the Lord.
 from all ___ its in - iq - ui - ty.

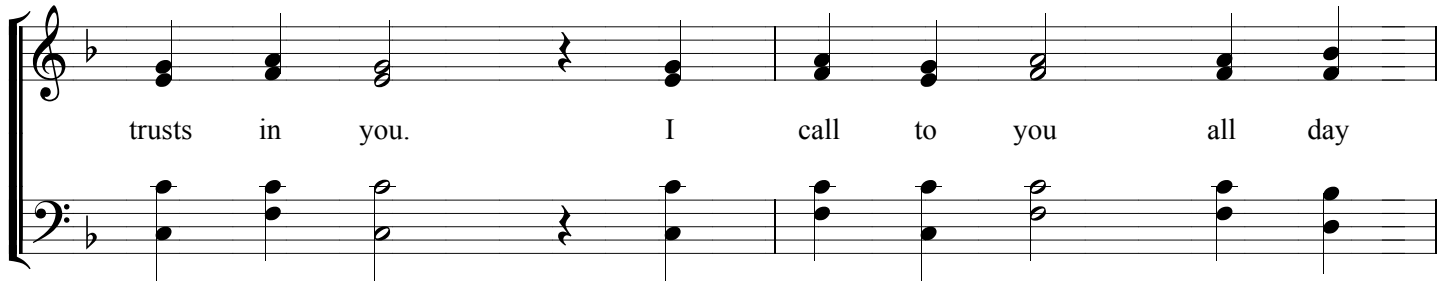
Twenty-first Sunday of the Year

Entrance Antiphon

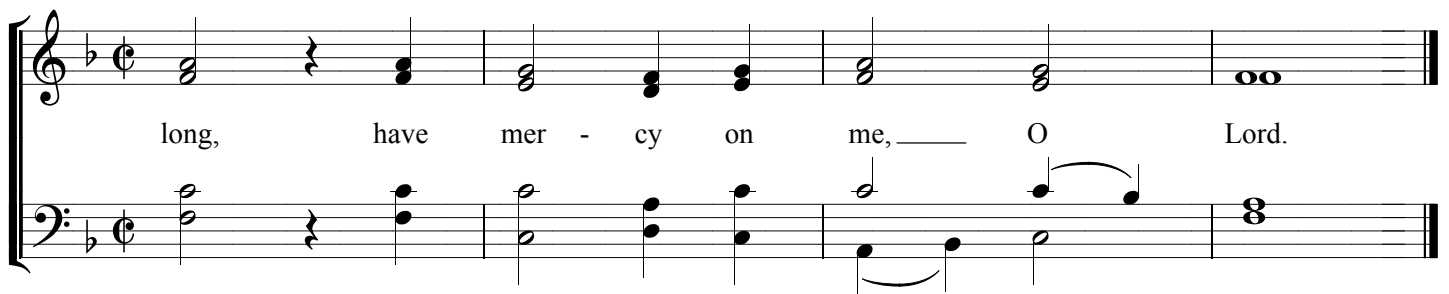
Psalm (85)86:1,2,3;4,6



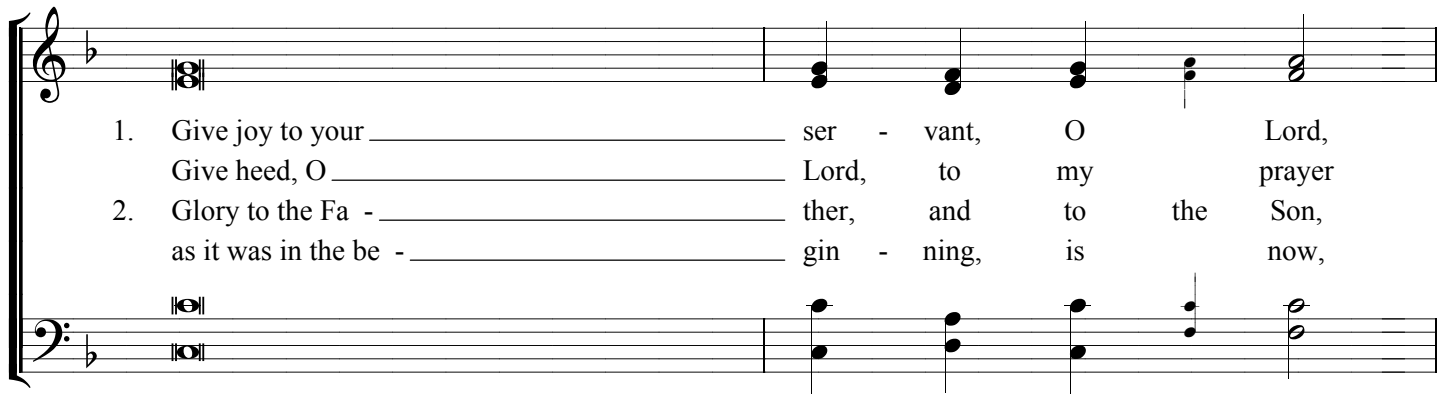
Lis - ten, Lord, and an - swer me. Save your ser - vant who



trusts in you. I call to you all day




long, have mer - cy on me, O Lord.



1. Give joy to your ser - vant, O Lord,
Give heed, O Lord, to my prayer

2. Glory to the Fa - ther, and to the Son,
as it was in the be - gin - ning, is now,



1. for to you I lift up my soul.
and attend to the sound of my voice.

2. and to the Ho - ly Spir - it:
and will be for ev - er. A - men.

Offertory Antiphon

Psalm (39)40:2,4;3;6,10

1. I waited, I _____ wait - ed for the Lord
and he stooped down to _____ me; he heard my cry.

2. He set my _____ feet up - on a rock
and _____ made my foot - steps firm.

3. How many are the wonders _____ you have worked for us,
and in your thoughts you _____ have no e - qual.
Your justice I have proclaimed in the _____ great as - sem - bly.

He put a new song _____ in - to my mouth, praise of our God.

Communion Antiphon I

Psalm (103) 104:13,14,15;1,2;23,24;30,31;33,34

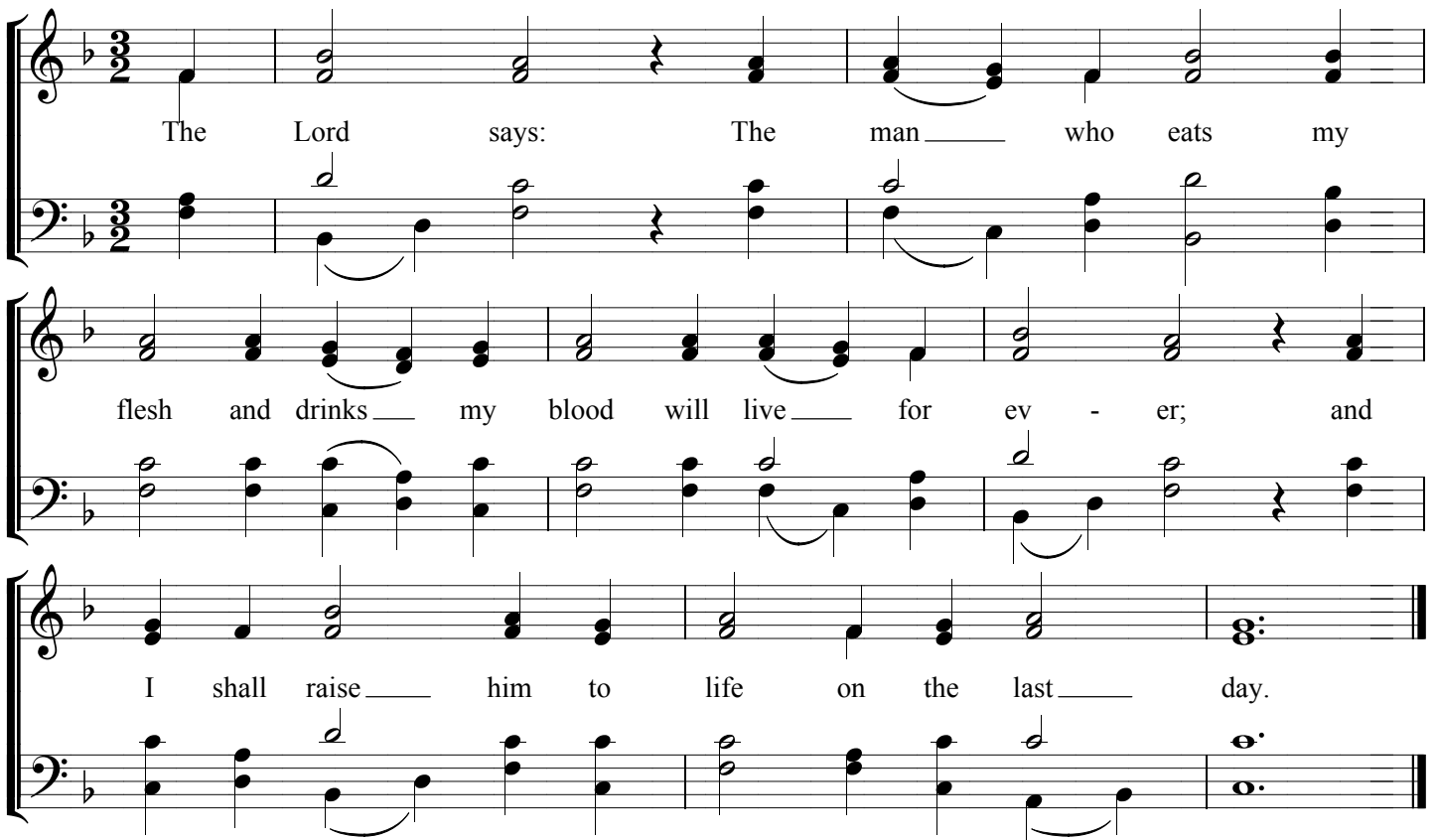
Lord, the earth is filled with your gift from heaven; man grows

bread from earth, and wine to cheer his heart.

1. --- Bless the Lord, my soul!
clothed in majesty and glory,
2. Man goes forth to his work,
How many are your works, O Lord!
3. You send forth your spirit, they are created;
May the glory of the Lord last forever!
4. I will sing to the Lord all my life,
May my thoughts be pleasing to him.

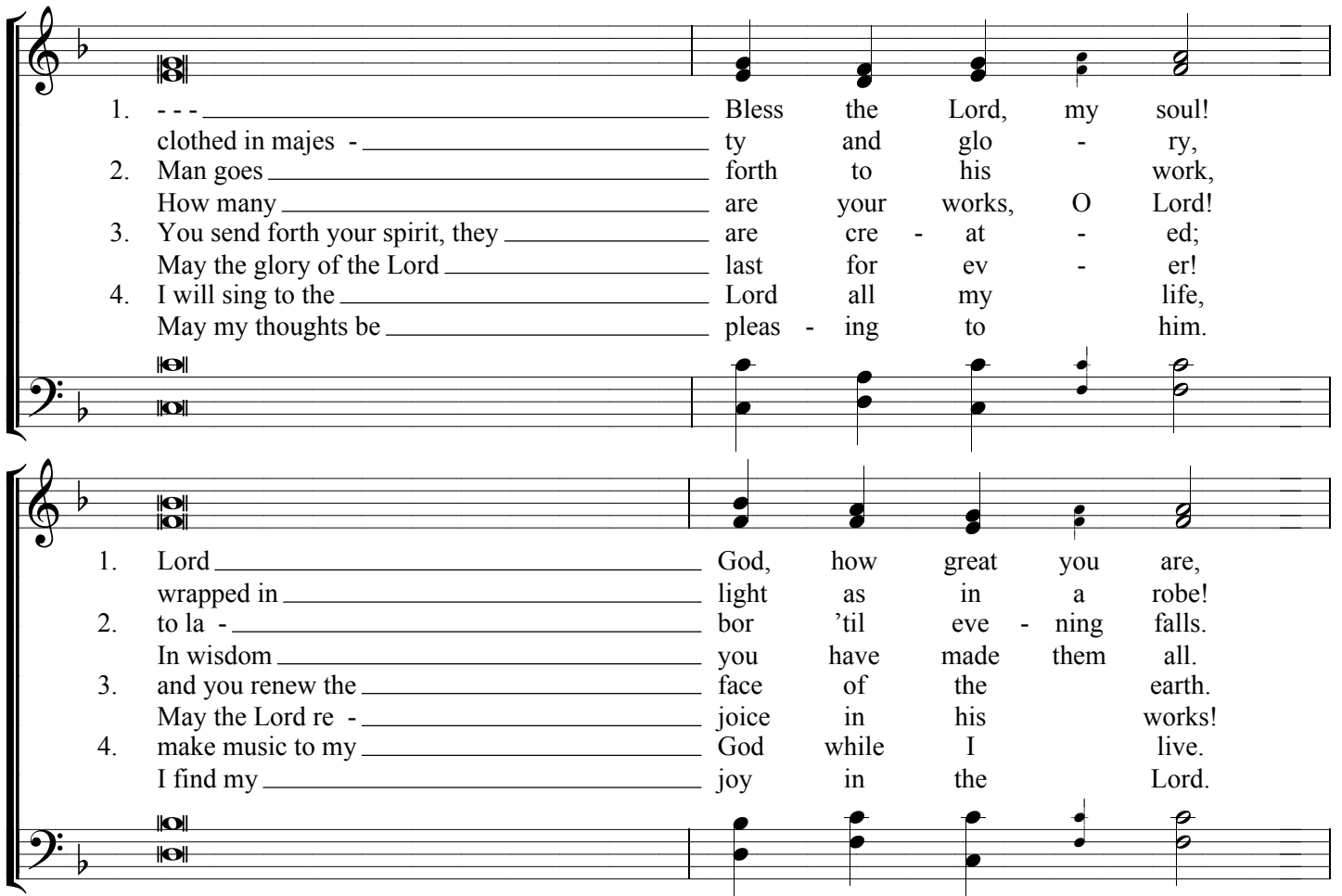
1. Lord God, how great you are,
wrapped in light as in a robe!
2. to labor 'til evening falls.
In wisdom you have made them all.
3. and you renew the face of the earth.
May the Lord rejoice in his works!
4. make music to my God while I live.
I find my joy in the Lord.

Communion Antiphon II



The Lord says: The man who eats my
flesh and drinks my blood will live for ev - er; and
I shall raise him to life on the last day.

Psalm (103)104:1,2;23,24;30,31;33,34



1. Bless the Lord, my soul!
clothed in majesty and glo - ry,
2. Man goes forth to his work,
How many are your works, O Lord!
3. You send forth your spirit, they are cre - at - ed;
May the glory of the Lord last for ev - er!
4. I will sing to the Lord all my life,
May my thoughts be pleas - ing to him.

1. Lord God, how great you are,
wrapped in light as in a robe!
2. to labor 'til eve - ning falls.
In wisdom you have made them all.
3. and you renew the face of the earth.
May the Lord re - joice in his works!
4. make music to my God while I live.
I find my joy in the Lord.

Twenty-second Sunday of the Year

Entrance Antiphon

Psalm (85)86:3,5;1,2

I call to you all day long, have mercy on

me, O Lord. You are good and forgiving,

full of love for all who call to you.

call to

1. Turn your ear, O Lord, _____ and give an - swer
Preserve my life, for _____ I am faith - ful:

2. Glory to the Fa - _____ ther, and to the Son,
as it was in the be - _____ gin - ning, is now,

1. for I am _____ poor and need - y.
save the ser - _____ vant who trusts in you.

2. and to the _____ Ho - ly Spir - it:
and will be for _____ ev - er. A - men.

Offertory Antiphon

Psalm (39)40:14,15;15;2

1. O Lord, come _____ to my res - cue.
O let there be shame and confusion on _____ those who seek my life.

2. O let them turn back _____ in con - fu - sion,
who de - _____ light in my harm.

3. I waited, I _____ wait - ed for the Lord
and he stooped down to _____ me; he heard my cry:

O Lord, come to my aid. aid.

Communion Antiphon I

Psalm (30)31:20;2,3;3,4;8,9;16,17

O Lord, how great _____ is the depth of the kind - ness

which you have shown to those _____ who love _____ you.

1. In you, O Lord, _____ I take ref - uge.
 In your _____ jus - tice, set me free,
 2. Be a rock of _____ ref - uge for me,
 for you are my _____ rock, my strong - hold.
 3. As for me, I _____ trust in the Lord:
 You who have seen _____ my af - flic - tion
 4. My life is in your _____ hands, de - liv - er me
 Let your face shine _____ on your ser - vant.

1. Let me nev - _____ er be put to shame.
 hear me and speed - _____ i - ly res - cue me.
 2. a mighty strong - _____ hold to save me,
 For your name's sake, lead _____ me and guide me.
 3. let me be glad and re - _____ joice in your love.
 and taken heed _____ of my soul's dis - tress.
 4. from the hands of _____ those who hate me.
 --- _____ Save me in your love.

Communion Antiphon II

sons of

Hap - py are the peace - mak - ers; they shall be called sons of

God. Hap - py are they who suf - fer per - se - cu - tion for

heav - en

jus - tice' sake; the king - dom of heav - en is theirs.

Psalm (30)31:2,3;3,4;8,9;16,17

1. In you, O Lord, _____ I take ref - uge.
In your _____ jus - tice, set me free,

2. Be a rock of _____ ref - uge for me,
for you are my _____ rock, my strong - hold.

3. As for me, I _____ trust in the Lord:
You who have seen _____ my af - flic - tion

4. My life is in your _____ hands, de - liv - er me
Let your face shine _____ on your ser - vant.

1. Let me nev - _____ er be put to shame.
hear me and speed - _____ i - ly res - cue me.

2. a mighty strong - _____ hold to save me,
For your name's sake, lead _____ me and guide me.

3. let me be glad and re - _____ joice in your love.
and taken heed _____ of my soul's dis - tress.

4. from the hands of _____ those who hate me.
--- Save me in your love.

Twenty-third Sunday of the Year

Entrance Antiphon

Psalm (118)119:137,124;1,2

Lord, you are just, and the judgments you make are right. Show

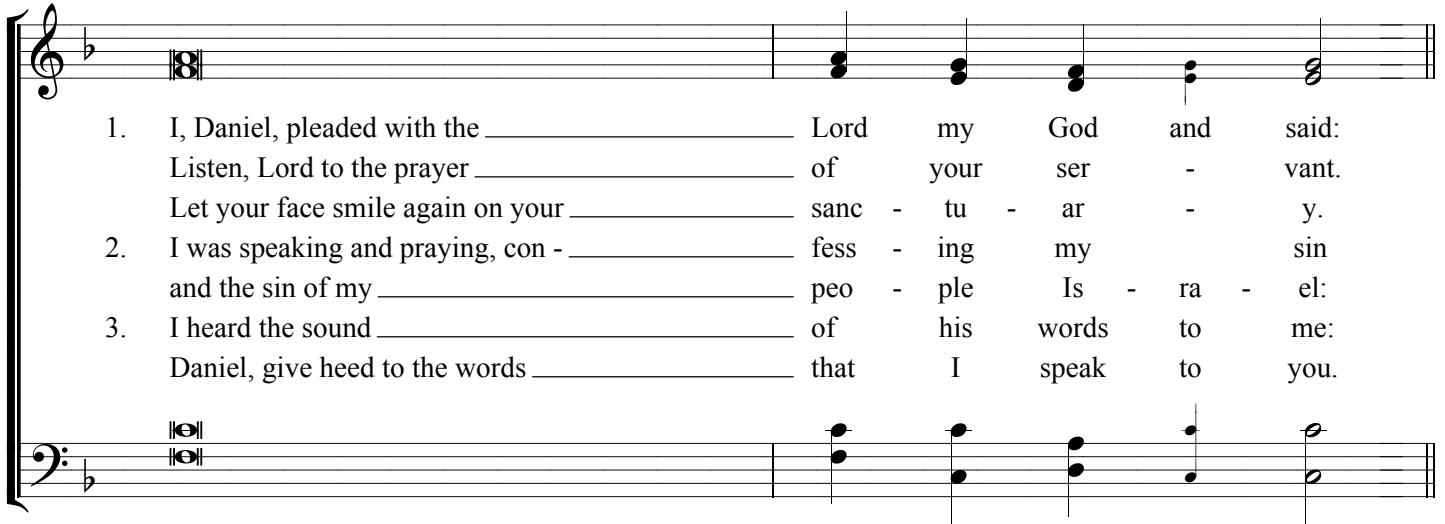
mer - cy when you judge me, when you judge me, your ser - vant.

1. They are happy whose life is blameless,
They are happy who do his will,
2. Glory to the Father, and to the Son,
as it was in the beginning, is now,

1. who follow God's law,
seeking him with all their hearts.
2. and to the Holy Spirit:
and will be for ever. Amen.

Offertory Antiphon

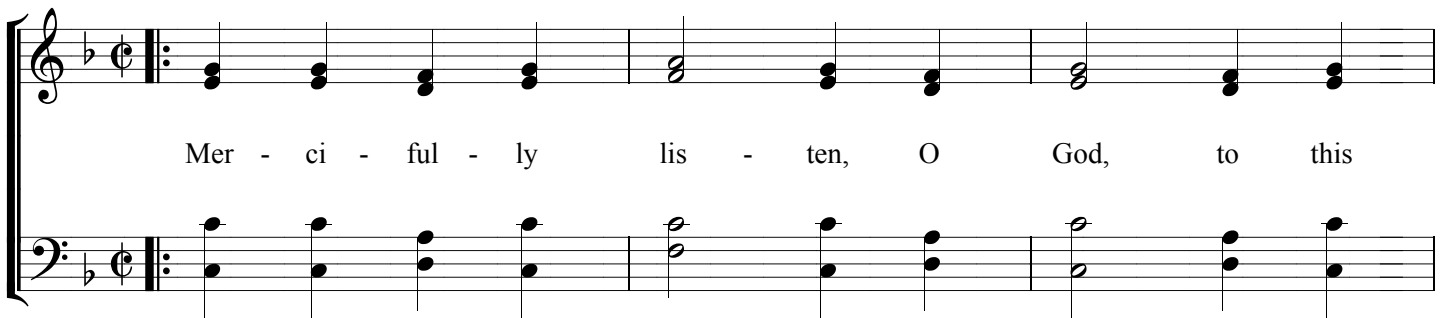
Daniel 9:4,(2),17,19;20;10:9,11



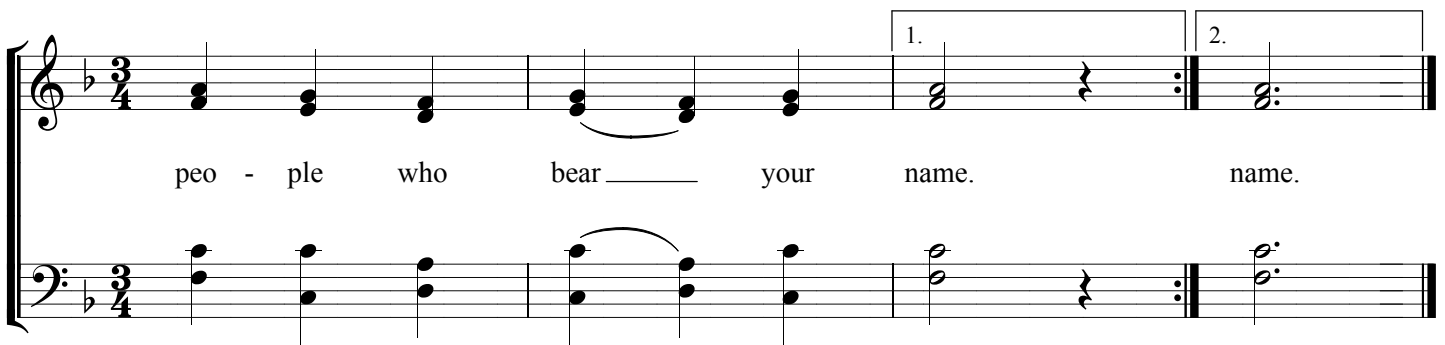
1. I, Daniel, pleaded with the _____ Lord my God and said:
Listen, Lord to the prayer _____ of your ser - vant.
Let your face smile again on your _____ sanc - tu - ar - y.

2. I was speaking and praying, con - _____ fess - ing my sin
and the sin of my _____ peo - ple Is - ra - el:

3. I heard the sound _____ of his words to me:
Daniel, give heed to the words _____ that I speak to you.



Mer - ci - ful - ly lis - ten, O God, to this



1. peo - ple who bear _____ your name.

2. name.

Communion Antiphon I

Psalm (41)42:2,3,3,4;5;10,11;12

Like a deer that longs _____ for run - ning streams, my soul longs _____

liv - ing
for you, my God. My soul is thirst - ing for the liv - ing God.

1. My soul is thirsting for God, the _____ God of my life;
My tears have become my _____ bread, by night, by day,
2. These things will I remember as I _____ pour out my soul:
amid cries of gladness _____ and thanks - giv - ing,
3. I will say to God, my rock: Why have _____ you for - got - ten me?
With cries that pierce me to the heart, my ene - _____ mies re - vile me,
4. Why are _____ you cast down, my soul,
Hope in God; _____ I will praise him still,

1. when can I enter and _____ see the face of God?
as I hear it said all the day long: _____ Where is your God?
2. how I would lead the rejoicing crowd in - _____ to the house of God,
the _____ throng wild with joy.
3. Why do I go mourning op - _____ pressed by the foe?
saying to me all the day long: _____ Where is your God?
4. why _____ groan with - in me?
my _____ sav - ior and my God.

Communion Antiphon II

John 8:12

I am the light of the world, says the Lord; the

man who fol - lows me will have _____ the light of life.

Psalm (41)42:2,3;5;10,11;12

1. Like the deer that _____ yearns for run - ning streams,
My soul is thirsting for God, the _____ God of my life;

2. These things will I remember as I _____ pour out my soul:
amid cries of gladness _____ and thanks - giv - ing,

3. I will say to God, my rock: Why have _____ you for - got - ten me?
With cries that pierce me to the heart, my ene - ___ mies re - vile me,

4. Why are _____ you cast down, my soul,
Hope in God; _____ I will praise him still,

1. so my soul is yearn - _____ ing for you, my God.
when can I enter and _____ see the face of God?

2. how I would lead the rejoicing crowd in - _____ to the house of God,
the _____ throng wild with joy.

3. Why do I go mourning op - _____ pressed by the foe?
saying to me all the day long: _____ Where is your God?

4. why _____ groan with - in me?
my _____ sav - ior and my God.

Twenty-fourth Sunday of the Year

Entrance Antiphon

Sirach 36:18; Psalm (121)122:1,2

Give peace, Lord, to those who wait for you and your

wait for proph - ets will pro - claim you as you de - serve. Hear the

prayers of your ser - vant and of your peo - ple Is - ra - el.

1. I rejoiced when I heard them say:
And now our feet are stand - ing

2. Glory to the Fa - ther, and to the Son,
as it was in the be - gin - ning, is now,

1. Let us go to God's house.
within your gates, O Je - ru - sa - lem.

2. and to the Ho - ly Spir - it:
and will be for ev - er. A - men.

Offertory Antiphon, Year A & B

Exodus 24:4,5;12,13;15,16,18

1. Moses consecrated an _____ al - tar to the Lord,
offering holocausts upon it and immo - _____ lat - ing vic - tims.

2. The Lord _____ said to Mo - ses:
Come up to me on the mountain, and _____ wait for me there.
So Moses rose and went up into the _____ moun - tain of God.

3. The cloud cov - _____ ered the moun - tain;
the glory of the Lord settled _____ on Mount Si - nai.
And Moses entered the cloud, and went up _____ on the moun - tain.

He of - fered _____ an eve - ning sac - ri - fice to the Lord _____ God,
sac - ri - fice

a sweet _____ fra - grance, _____ be - fore the sons of Is - ra - el.

Offertory Antiphon, Year C

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Communion Antiphon I

Psalm (35)36:8;6,7;7,8;9,10,11,12

O God, how much we value your mercy!

All mankind can gather under your protection.

1. Your love, Lord, reaches to heaven;
Your justice is like God's mountain,
2. To both man and beast you give protection.
My God, the sons of men
3. They feast on the riches of your house;
In you is the source of life
4. Keep on loving those who know you,
Let the foot of the proud not crush me,

1. your truth to the skies.
your judgments like the deep.
2. O Lord, how precious is your love.
find refuge in the shelter of your wings.
3. they drink from the stream of your delight.
and in your light we see light.
4. doing justice for upright hearts.
nor the hand of the wicked cast me out.

Communion Antiphon II

The cup that we bless _____ is a com - mun - ion
 with the blood of _____ Christ; and the bread that we break _____
 _____ is a com - mun - ion with the bod - y of the Lord.

Psalm (35)36:6,7;7,8;9,10,11,12

1. Your love, Lord, reach - _____ es to heav - en;
 Your justice is _____ like God's moun - tain,
 2. To both man and beast you _____ give pro - tec - tion.
 My _____ God, the sons of men
 3. They feast on the _____ rich - es of your house;
 In you _____ is the source of life
 4. Keep on loving _____ those who know you,
 Let the foot of the _____ proud not crush me,
 1. your _____ truth to the skies.
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 3. they drink from the _____ stream of your de - light.
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 nor the hand of the _____ wick - ed cast me out.