

SIMPLE CHORAL GRADUAL

Entrance, Offertory, and Communion Antiphons
for Parish Choirs

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and Christ the King

Twenty-fifth Sunday of the Year

Entrance Antiphon

cf. Psalm (36)37:39,40,28; (77)78:1,2

I am the Sav - ior of all peo - ple, says the

Lord. What - ev - er their trou - bles, I will an - swer their cry, ___

___ and I will al - ways be their Lord.

1. Give heed, my people ___ to my teach - ing;
I will open my mouth ___ in a par - a - ble

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

1. turn your ear to the ___ words of my mouth.
and reveal hidden ___ les - sons of the past.

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

Offertory Antiphon

Psalm (137)138:7;3;2

1. Though I walk in the midst _____ of af - flic - tion,
You give me life, O Lord, and _____ frus - trate my foes.
2. On the day I called, you _____ an - swered me, O Lord,
you increased the _____ strength of my soul.
3. I will adore before your _____ ho - ly tem - ple,
and glorify your name for your _____ faith - ful - ness and love.

You stretch out your hand _____ and save _____ me. me.

1. 2.

Communion Antiphon I

Psalm (118) 119:4,5;1,2;3,8;9,26;59,60

You have laid down your pre - cepts to be faith - ful - ly

kept. May my foot - steps be firm in keep - ing your com - mands.

1. They are happy whose life is blame - less,
They are hap - py who do his will,
2. Who never do an - y - thing e - vil
I will o - bey your stat - utes:
3. How shall the young re - main sin - less?
I declared my ways and you an - swered:
4. I have pondered o - ver my ways
I made haste and did not de - lay

1. who fol - low God's law.
seeking him with all their hearts.
2. but walk in his ways.
do not for - sake me.
3. By o - bey - ing your word.
teach me your stat - utes.
4. and re - turned to your will.
to o - bey your com - mands.

Communion Antiphon II

John 10:14

I am the Good Shep - herd, _____ says the Lord;

I know my sheep, and mine _____ know _____ me.

Psalm (22)23:1-5

1. The Lord _____ is my shep - herd;
Fresh and green _____ are the pas - tures
2. Near restful wa - _____ ters he leads me,
He guides me a - _____ long the right path;
3. If I should walk in the val - _____ ley of dark - ness
You are there with your _____ crook and your staff;
4. You have prepared a _____ ban - quet for me
My head you have a - _____ noint - ed with oil;

1. there is _____ noth - ing I shall want.
where he _____ gives me re - pose.
2. to revive my _____ droop - ing spir - it.
he is _____ true to his name.
3. no _____ e - vil would I fear.
with these you _____ give me com - fort.
4. in the _____ sight of my foes.
my cup is _____ o - ver - flow - ing.

Twenty-sixth Sunday of the Year

Entrance Antiphon

Daniel 3:31,29,30,43,42; Psalm (118)119:1,2

O Lord, you had just cause to judge men as you did: be - cause we

sinned a - gainst you and dis - o - beyed _____ your will. But now show us _____ your great -

ness of heart, and treat us with your un - bound - ed kind - ness.
un - bound - ed

1. They are happy whose _____ life is blame - less,
They are hap - _____ py who do his will,
2. Glory to the Fa - _____ ther, and to the Son,
as it was in the be - _____ gin - ning, is now,

1. who _____ fol - low God's law.
seeking _____ him with all their hearts.
2. and to the _____ Ho - ly Spir - it:
and will be for _____ ev - er. A - men.

Offertory Antiphon

Psalm (136)137:1;2;4;5,6

1. By the riv - _____ ers of Bab - y - lon
--- there we sat and wept:
2. On the pop - _____ lars that grew there
we _____ hung up our harps:
3. O how could we sing the _____ song of the Lord,
how could we sing the song of the Lord on al - ien soil?
4. If I forget _____ you, Je - ru - sa - lem,
let my _____ right hand with - er.
O let my tongue _____ cleave to my mouth:

1. Re - mem - ber - ing you, O Zi - on, re - Zi - on.
2.

Communion Antiphon I

Psalm (118) 119:49-50; 1,2; 25,28; 74,76; 81,82

O Lord, re - mem - ber the words you spoke to me, your

ser - vant, which made me live in

hope and con - soled me when I was down - cast.

1. They are happy whose life is blame - less,
They are hap - py who do his will,
2. My soul lies in the dust;
My soul pines a - way with grief;
3. Your faithful will see me and re - joice
Let your love come and I shall live
4. I yearn for your sav - ing help;
My eyes yearn to see your prom - ise.

1. who fol - low God's law.
seeking him with all their hearts.
2. by your word re - vive me.
by your word raise me up.
3. for I trust in your word.
for your law is my de - light.
4. I hope in your word.
When will you con - sole me?

Communion Antiphon II

1 John 3:16

This is how we know what love is: Christ gave up his life

for us; and we too must give up our lives for our brothers.

Psalm (118) 119:1,2;25,28;74,76;81,82

1. They are happy whose life is blameless,
They are happy who do his will,
2. My soul lies in the dust;
My soul pines away with grief,
3. Your faithful will see me and rejoice
Let your love come and I shall live
4. I yearn for your saving help;
My eyes yearn to see your promise.

1. who follow God's law.
seeking him with all their hearts.
2. by your word revive me.
by your word raise me up.
3. for I trust in your word.
for your law is my delight.
4. I hope in your word.
When will you console me?

Twenty-seventh Sunday of the Year

Entrance Antiphon

Esther 13:9,10,11; Psalm (118)119:1,2

O Lord, you have giv - en eve - ry - thing its place in the world, and

no one can make it oth - er - wise. For it is your cre - a - tion, the

heav'ns and the earth and the stars: you — are the Lord of — all.

1. They are happy whose _____ life is blame - less,
They are hap - _____ py who do his will,
2. Glory to the Fa - _____ ther, and to the Son,
as it was in the be - _____ gin - ning, is now,

1. who _____ fol - low God's law.
seeking _____ him with all their hearts.
2. and to the _____ Ho - ly Spir - it:
and will be for _____ ev - er. A - men.

Offertory Antiphon

Job 1:1;2:7

1. There was once a man _____ in the land called Job:
a sound and honest _____ man who feared God.

2. The Lord gave him power over _____ his be - long - ings
and _____ o - ver his flesh.

3. So Job lost all his possessions _____ and his chil - dren;
he himself was struck down with ma - _____ lig - nant ul - cers.

Sa - tan asked that he might tempt _____ him; Sa - tan him.

Communion Antiphon I

Lamentations 3:25

The Lord is good _____ to those _____ who hope in

him, to those who are search - ing, search - ing for his love.

Psalm (33)34:2-9

1. I will bless the _____ Lord at all times,
in the Lord my _____ soul shall make its boast.

2. Glori - _____ fy the Lord with me.
I sought the Lord _____ and he an - swered me;

3. Look towards him _____ and be ra - di - ant;
This poor man called; _____ the Lord heard him

4. The angel of the _____ Lord is en - camped
Taste and see _____ that the Lord is good.

1. his praise _____ al - ways on my lips;
The humble shall _____ hear and be glad.

2. Together _____ let us praise his name.
from all my ter - _____ rors he set me free.

3. let your faces _____ not be a - bashed.
and rescued him from _____ all his dis - tress.

4. around those who revere _____ him, to res - cue them.
He is happy who seeks _____ ref - uge in him.

Communion Antiphon II

cf. 1 Corinthians 10:17

Be - cause there is one bread, we, though man - y, are one bod - y,

for we all share in the one loaf and in the one cup.

Psalm (33)34:2-9

1. I will bless the Lord at all times,
in the Lord my soul shall make its boast.

2. Glorify the Lord with me.
I sought the Lord and he answered me;

3. Look towards him and be radiant;
This poor man called; the Lord heard him

4. The angel of the Lord is encamped
Taste and see that the Lord is good.

1. his praise always on my lips;
The humble shall hear and be glad.

2. Together let us praise his name.
from all my terrors he set me free.

3. let your faces not be abashed.
and rescued him from all his distress.

4. around those who reverence him, to rescue them.
He is happy who seeks refuge in him.

Twenty-eighth Sunday of the Year

Entrance Antiphon

Psalm (129)130:3,4;1,2

If you, O Lord, laid bare our guilt,

who could en - dure it? But you are for -

giv - ing, God of Is - ra - el.

1. Out of the depths I cry to you, O Lord:
O let your ears be attentive

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

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

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

Offertory Antiphon

Esther 14:12,13,14

1. Remember me, Lord, _____ mas - ter of all pow'r.
Manifest yourself and _____ give me cour - age.
2. Turn his heart to hatred _____ for our en - e - my,
so that _____ he may per - ish.
3. Save us by your _____ pow'r and help me,
who am alone and have no _____ one but you, O Lord.

Put per - sua - sive words in - to my mouth, such that should

earn the king's _____ fa - vor. _____ fa - vor.

Communion Antiphon I

Psalm (33)34:11;2-9

The rich suffer want and go hungry, but

nothing shall be lacking to those who fear the Lord.

1. I will bless the Lord at all times,
in the Lord my soul shall make its boast.

2. Glorify the Lord with me.
I sought the Lord and he answered me;

3. Look towards him and be radiant;
This poor man called; the Lord heard him

4. The angel of the Lord is encamped
Taste and see that the Lord is good.

1. his praise always on my lips;
The humble shall hear and be glad.

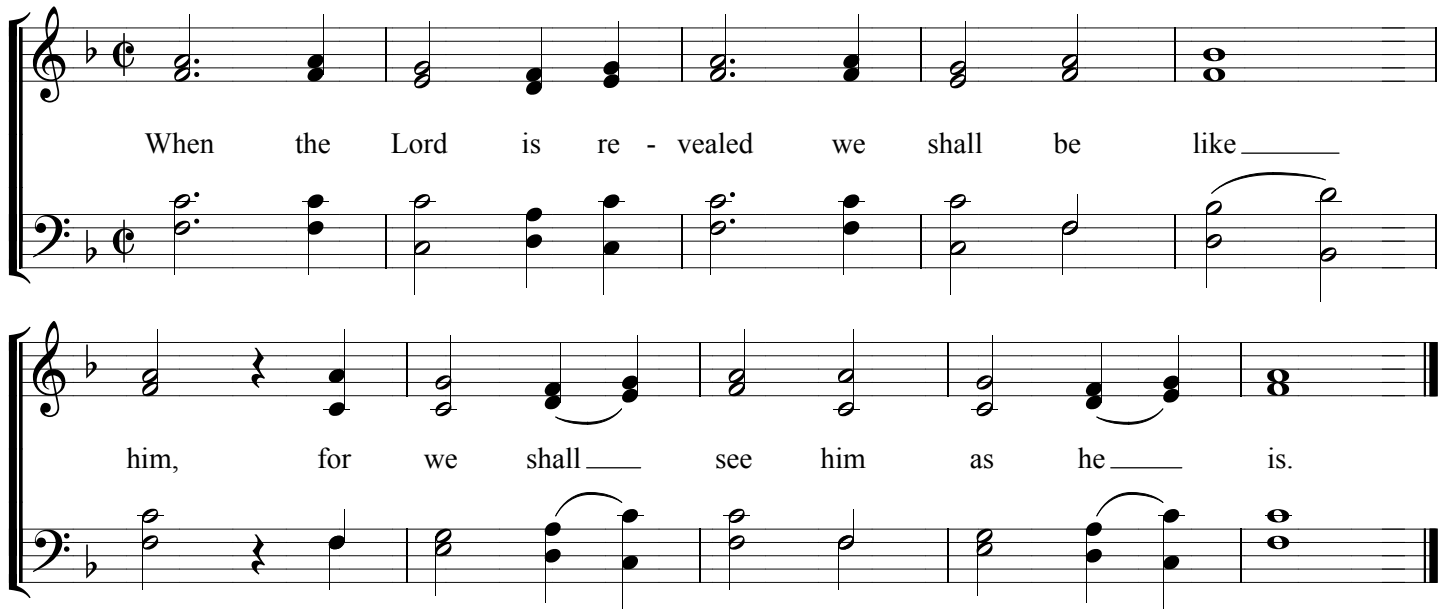
2. Together let us praise his name.
from all my terrors he set me free.

3. let your faces not be abashed.
and rescued him from all his distress.

4. around those who reverence him, to rescue them.
He is happy who seeks refuge in him.

Communion Antiphon II

1 John 3:2



When the Lord is re - vealed we shall be like _____
 him, for we shall _____ see him as he _____ is.

Psalm (33)34:2-9



1. I will bless the _____ Lord at all times,
 in the Lord my _____ soul shall make its boast.

2. Glori - _____ fy the Lord with me.
 I sought the Lord _____ and he an - swered me;

3. Look towards him _____ and be ra - di - ant;
 This poor man called; _____ the Lord heard him

4. The angel of the _____ Lord is en - camped
 Taste and see _____ that the Lord is good.

1. his praise _____ al - ways on my lips;
 The humble shall _____ hear and be glad.

2. Together _____ let us praise his name.
 from all my ter - _____ rors he set me free.

3. let your faces _____ not be a - bashed.
 and rescued him from _____ all his dis - tress.

4. around those who revere _____ him, to res - cue them.
 He is happy who seeks _____ ref - uge in him.

Twenty-ninth Sunday of the Year

Entrance Antiphon

Psalm (16)17:6,8;1,2

I call up - on you, God, for you will an - swer me; bend your

an - swer

ear to hear my prayer. Guard me as the ap - ple †

ear to ap - ple

of your eye; hide me in the shade of your wings.

† Sacramentary: "pupil"

1. Lord, hear a _____ cause that is just,
Turn your _____ ear to my prayer:

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

1. pay _____ heed to my cry.
no de - _____ ceit is on my lips.

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

Offertory Antiphon

Psalm (118)119:47,48;57,58;58,59

1. Your commands have _____ been my de - light;
your com - _____ mands have I loved.

2. My part, I _____ have re - solved, O Lord,
 is _____ to o - bey your word.
 With all my heart I im - _____ plore your fa - vor.

3. Show the mercy _____ of your prom - ise.
 I have pondered _____ o - ver my ways
 and re - _____ turned to your will.

I will wor - ship your com - mands and love _____ them. them. _____

1. 2.

Communion Antiphon I

See how the eyes of the Lord are on those who fear him, on

those who hope in his love, that he may rescue them

from death and feed them in time of famine.

of

1. Ring out your joy to the Lord, O you just;
- Give thanks to the Lord up - on the harp,
2. For the word of the Lord is faith - ful
- The Lord loves jus - tice and right
3. By his word the heav'ns were made,
- He collects the waves of the o - cean;
4. Our soul is wait - ing for the Lord.
- In him do our hearts find joy.

1. for praise is fit - ting for loy - al hearts.
- play loud - ly with all your skill.
2. and all his works to be trust - ed.
- and fills the earth with his love.
3. by the breath of his mouth all the stars.
- he stores up the depths of the sea.
4. The Lord is our help and our shield.
- We trust in his ho - ly name.

Communion Antiphon II

Mark 10:45

The _____ Son _____ of Man came _____ to give his

life as a ran - som for man - y.

Psalms (32)33:1,3;4,5;6,7;20,21

1. Give thanks to the _____ Lord up - on the harp,
O sing him a _____ song that is new,
2. For the word of the _____ Lord is faith - ful
The Lord loves _____ jus - tice and right
3. By his _____ word the heav'ns were made,
He collects the waves _____ of the o - cean;
4. Our soul is _____ wait - ing for the Lord.
In him _____ do our hearts find joy.

1. with a ten-stringed _____ lute sing him songs.
play loud - _____ ly with all your skill.
2. and all his works _____ to be trust - ed.
and fills the _____ earth with his love.
3. by the breath of his _____ mouth all the stars.
he stores up the _____ depths of the sea.
4. The Lord is our _____ help and our shield.
We trust _____ in his ho - ly name.

Thirtieth Sunday of the Year

Entrance Antiphon

Psalm (104)105:3,4;1,2

Let hearts re - jice who search for the Lord.

Seek the Lord and his strength, seek al - ways the face of the Lord.

1. Give thanks to the _____ Lord, tell his name,
O sing to _____ him, sing his praise;

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

1. make known his deeds a - _____ mong the peo - ples.
tell all his _____ won - der - ful works.

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

Offertory Antiphon

Psalm (118)119:107,125;124,43;34,108

1. Lord, I am deep - _____ ly af - flict - ed:
by your _____ word give me life.

2. O Lord, treat your _____ ser - vant with love;
do not take the word of _____ truth from my mouth.

3. Train me _____ to ob - serve your law;
accept, Lord, the _____ hom - age of my lips.

Then I shall know, then I shall know ___ your will. will.

1. will. will.

2. will.

Communion Antiphon I

Psalm (19)20:6;2,3;4,5;7;8,9

We will re - jice at the vic - to - ry of

God and make our boast in his great name.

1. May the Lord an - swer in time of trial;
May he send you help from his shrine

2. May he remember all your of - fer - ings
May he give you your heart's de - sire

3. I am sure now that the Lord
will reply from his ho - ly heav - en

4. Some trust in char - iots or hors - es,
They will col - lapse and fall,

1. may the name of Jacob's God pro - tect you.
and give you sup - port from Zi - on.

2. and receive your sacri - fice with fa - vor.
and fulfill every one of your plans.

3. will give victory to his a - noint - ed,
with the mighty vic - tory of his hand.

4. but we in the name of the Lord.
but we shall hold and stand firm.

Communion Antiphon II

Ephesians 5:2

Christ loved us and gave him - self up _____ for us

as a fra - grant of - fer - ing to God.

Psalm (19)20:2,3;4,5;7;8,9

1. May the Lord an - _____ swer in time of trial;
May he send you _____ help from his shrine

2. May he remember _____ all your of - fer - ings
May he give _____ you your heart's de - sire

3. I am _____ sure now that the Lord
will reply from his _____ ho - ly heav - en

4. Some trust in char - _____ iots or hors - es,
They _____ will col - lapse and fall,

1. may the name of Jacob's _____ God pro - tect you.
and give you sup - _____ port from Zi - on.

2. and receive your sacri - _____ fice with fa - vor.
and fulfill every _____ one of your plans.

3. will give victory to _____ his a - noint - ed,
with the mighty _____ vic - tory of his hand.

4. but we in the _____ name of the Lord.
but we shall _____ hold and stand firm.

Thirty-first Sunday of the Year

Entrance Antiphon

Psalm (37)38:22,23;2,3

Do not a - ban - don me, Lord. My God, do not go a - way from

me! Hur - ry to help me, Lord, my Sav - ior.

1. O Lord, do not rebuke me _____ in your an - ger;
Your arrows _____ have sunk deep in me;

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

1. do not punish me, _____ Lord, in your rage.
your hand has come _____ down up - on - me.

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

Offertory Antiphon

Psalm (102)103:2,5;3,4;17,18;19

1. My soul, give _____ thanks to the Lord
and never forget _____ all his bless - ings.

2. It is he who heals every _____ one of your ills,
who redeems your _____ life from the grave,
who crowns you with love _____ and com - pas - sion.

3. His justice reaches out to _____ chil - dren's chil - dren
when they keep his _____ cov - e - nant in truth,
when they keep his _____ will in their mind.

4. The Lord has set his _____ sway in heav - en
and his kingdom is _____ rul - ing o - ver all.

Who re - news your life like an ea - gle's. ea - gle's. _____

Communion Antiphon I

Psalm (15)16:11;1,2,3;5,6;7,8;9,11

Lord, you will show me the path of life and

fill me with joy in your presence.

1. Preserve me, O God, I take refuge in you.
He has put into my heart a marvellous love

2. O Lord, it is you who are my portion and cup;
The lot marked out for me is my delight:

3. I will bless the Lord who gives me counsel,
I keep the Lord ever in my sight:

4. And so my heart rejoices, my soul is glad;
You will show me the path of life,

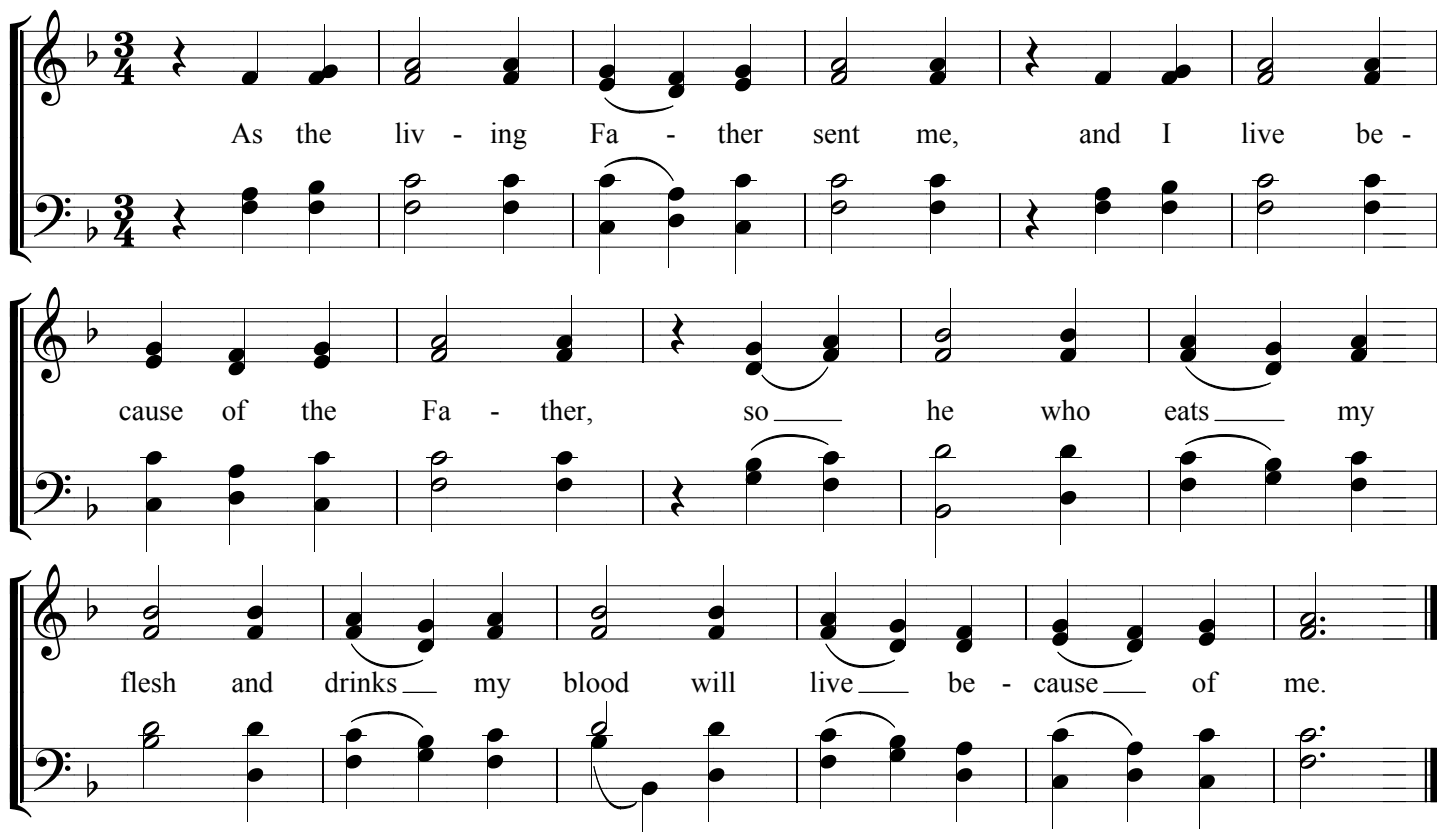
1. I say to the Lord: You are my God.
for the faithful ones who dwell in his land.

2. it is you yourself who are my prize.
welcome indeed the heritage that falls to me.

3. who even at night directs my heart.
since he is at my right hand, I shall stand firm.

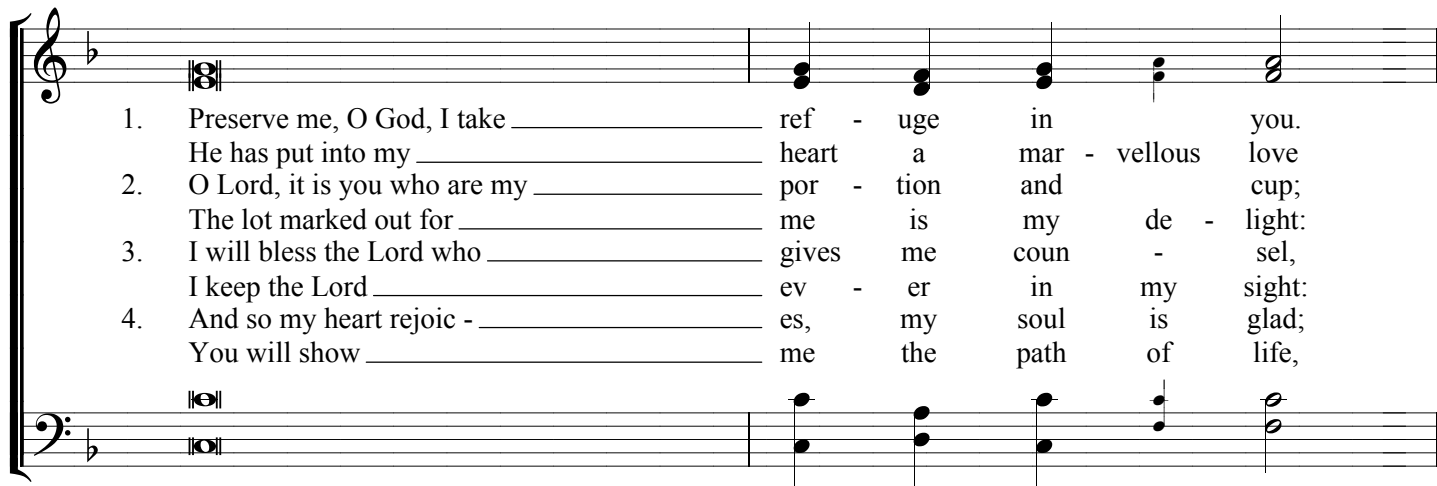
4. even my body shall rest in safety.
the fullness of joy in your presence.

Communion Antiphon II

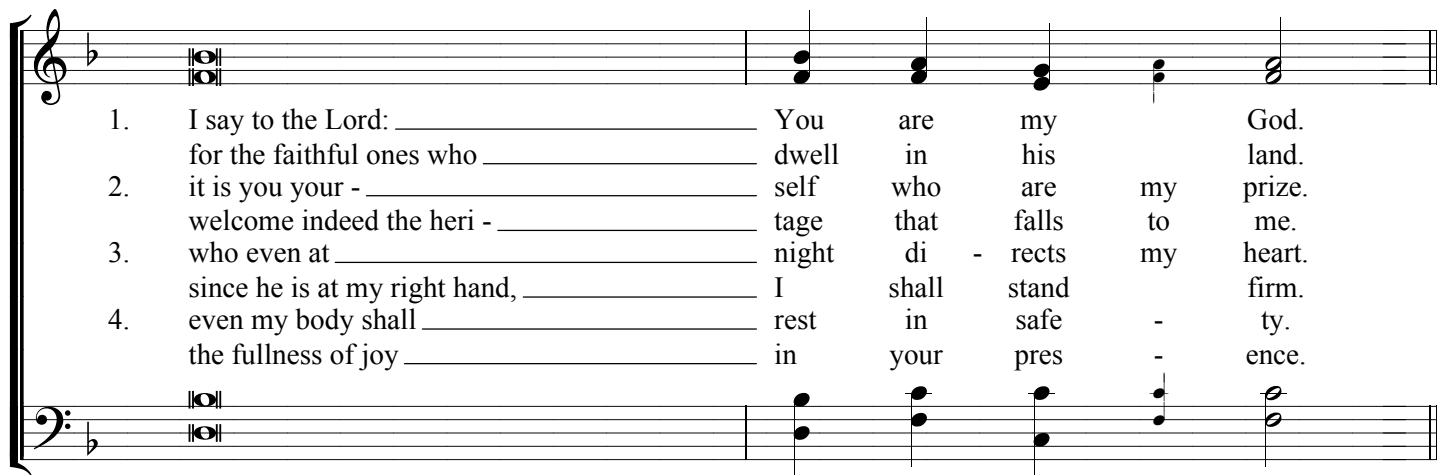


As the liv - ing Fa - ther sent me, and I live be -
 cause of the Fa - ther, so he who eats my
 flesh and drinks my blood will live be - cause of me.

Psalm (15)16:1,2,3;5,6;7,8;9,11



1. Preserve me, O God, I take _____ ref - uge in you.
 He has put into my _____ heart a mar - vellous love
2. O Lord, it is you who are my _____ por - tion and cup;
 The lot marked out for _____ me is my de - light:
3. I will bless the Lord who _____ gives me coun - sel,
 I keep the Lord _____ ev - er in my sight:
4. And so my heart rejoic - _____ es, my soul is glad;
 You will show _____ me the path of life,



1. I say to the Lord: _____ You are my God.
 for the faithful ones who _____ dwell in his land.
2. it is you your - _____ self who are my prize.
 welcome indeed the heri - _____ tage that falls to me.
3. who even at _____ night di - rects my heart.
 since he is at my right hand, _____ I shall stand firm.
4. even my body shall _____ rest in safe - ty.
 the fullness of joy _____ in your pres - ence.

Thirty-second Sunday of the Year

Entrance Antiphon

Psalm (87)88:3;2,10

Let my prayer come before you,

Lord; listen, and answer me.

an - swer

1. Lord my God, I _____ call for help by day;
I call to you, Lord, _____ all the day long;

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

1. I cry at _____ night before you.
to you I _____ stretch out my hands.

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

Offertory Antiphon

Psalm (118)119:133;130;75

1. Let my _____ steps be guid - ed,
guided _____ by your prom - ise.
2. The unfolding _____ of your word gives light
and teach - _____ es the sim - ple.
3. Lord, I know that _____ your de - crees are right,
that you afflict - _____ ed me just - ly.

1. Let no e - vil rule me, O Lord. Lord.
2. Lord.

Communion Antiphon I

The Lord is my shep - herd; there is noth - ing

I shall want. In green pas - tures he gives me

rest, he leads me be - side the wa - ters of peace.

1. The Lord is my shep - herd;
He guides me a - long the right path;
2. If I should walk in the val - ley of dark - ness
You are there with your crook and your staff;
3. You have prepared a ban - quet for me
My head you have a - noint - ed with oil;
4. Surely goodness and kind - ness shall fol - low me
In the Lord's own house shall I dwell

1. there is noth - ing I shall want.
he is true to his name.
2. no e - vil would I fear.
with these you give me com - fort.
3. in the sight of my foes.
my cup is o - ver - flow - ing.
4. all the days of my life.
for ev - er and ev - er.

Communion Antiphon II

Luke 24:35

The dis - ci - ples rec - og - nized the Lord _____

Je - sus in the break - ing of bread.

Psalm (22)23:1,2;4;5;6

1. The Lord _____ is my shep - herd;
Fresh and green _____ are the pas - tures

2. If I should walk in the val - _____ ley of dark - ness
You are there with your _____ crook and your staff;

3. You have prepared a _____ ban - quet for me
My head you have a - _____ nointed with oil;

4. Surely goodness and kind - _____ ness shall fol - low me
In the Lord's own _____ house shall I dwell

1. there is _____ noth - ing I shall want.
where he _____ gives me re - pose.

2. no _____ e - vil would I fear.
with these you _____ give me com - fort.

3. in the _____ sight of my foes.
my cup is _____ o - ver - flow - ing.

4. all the _____ days of my life.
for ev - _____ er and ev - er.

Thirty-third Sunday of the Year

Entrance Antiphon

Jeremiah 29:11,12,14; Psalm (84)85:2,3

The Lord says: my plans for you are peace and not dis - as -

ter; when you call to me, I will lis - ten to you, and I will

bring you back to the place from which I ex - iled you.

1. O Lord, you once _____ fa - vored your land
you forgave the guilt _____ of your peo - ple
2. Glory to the Fa - _____ ther, and to the Son,
as it was in the be - _____ gin - ning, is now,

1. and revived the for - _____ tunes of Ja - cob,
and _____ cov - ered all their sins.
2. and to the _____ Ho - ly Spir - it:
and will be for _____ ev - er. A - men.

Offertory Antiphon

Psalm (129)130:1,2;2;3

1. Out of the _____ depths I cry to you,
I cry to you, O Lord.

2. O let your ears _____ be at - ten - tive
to the voice _____ of my plead - ing.

3. If you, O _____ Lord, should mark our guilt,
Lord, _____ who would sur - vive?

Lord, hear _____ my voice, hear _____ my voice. voice.

1. _____

2. _____

Communion Antiphon I

Psalm (72)73:28;1,2;3,8;23,24;25,26

It is good for me to be with the Lord

and to put my hope in him.

1. How good God _____ is to Is - ra - el,
Yet my feet came _____ close to stum - bling,
2. For I was filled with _____ en - vy of the proud
They scoff; they _____ speak with mal - ice;
3. Yet I was always _____ in your pres - ence;
You will guide me _____ by your coun - sel
4. What else have I in _____ heav - en but you?
My body and my _____ heart faint for joy;

1. to those _____ who are pure of heart.
my _____ steps had al - most slipped.
2. when I saw how the _____ wick - ed pros - per.
from on high they _____ plan op - pres - sion.
3. you were holding me _____ by my right hand.
and so you will lead _____ me to glo - ry.
4. Apart from you I want _____ noth - ing on earth.
God is my posses - _____ sion for ev - er.

Communion Antiphon II

Mark 11:23,24

I tell you sol - emn - ly, what - ev - er you ask for in prayer, be -
 lieve that you have re - ceived it, and it will be yours, says the Lord.

Psalm (60)61:1-8

1. O God, hear my cry!
 From the end of the earth I call:
 2. On the rock too high for me to reach
 O you who have been my refuge,
 3. Let me dwell in your tent for ever
 For you, O God, hear my prayer,
 4. May you lengthen the life of the king:
 May he ever sit enthroned before God:
 So I will always praise your name

1. Listen to my prayer!
 my heart is faint.
 2. set me on high,
 my tower against the foe.
 3. and hide in the shelter of your wings.
 grant me the heritage of those who fear you.
 4. may his years cover many generations.
 bid love and truth be his protection.
 and day after day fulfil my vows.