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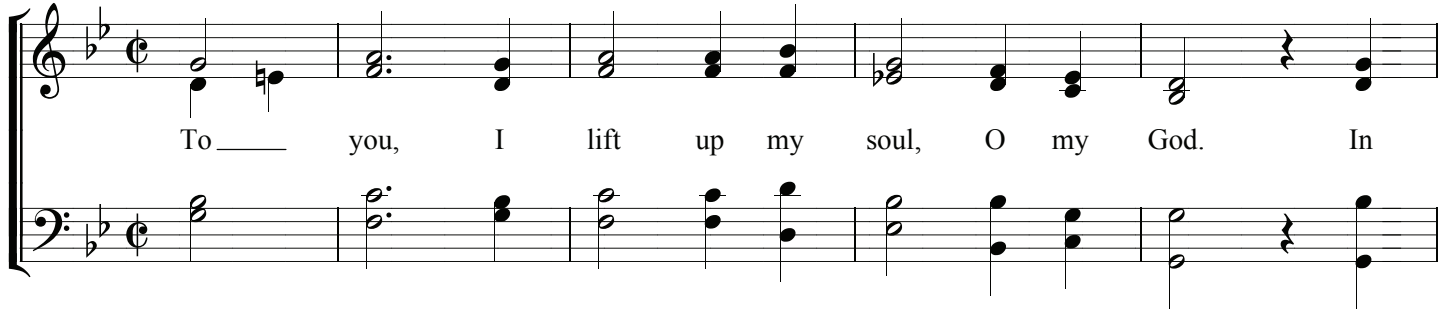
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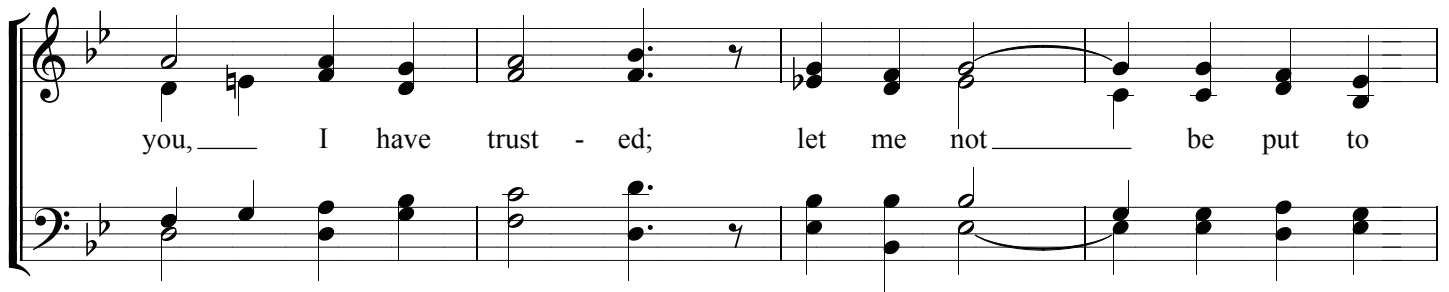
First Sunday of Advent

Entrance Antiphon

Psalm (24)25:1-3;4,5



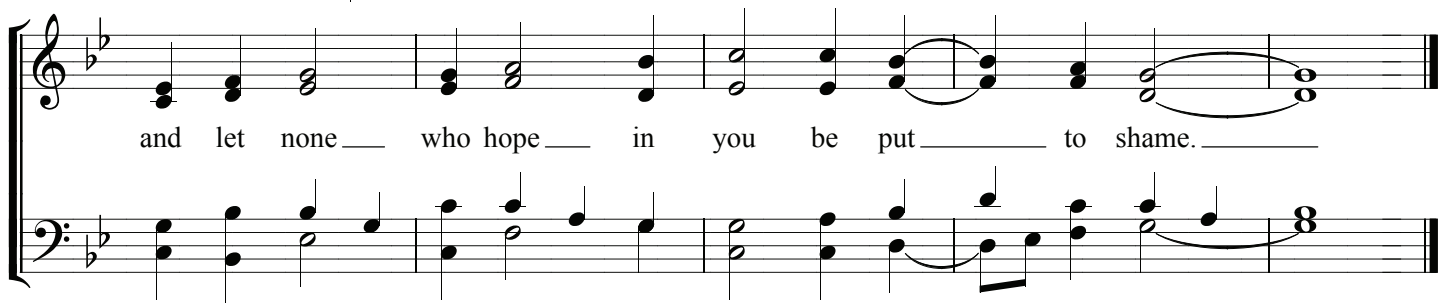
To you, I lift up my soul, O my God. In



you, I have trust - ed; let me not be put to



shame. Nor let my en - e - mies ex - ult o - ver me;



and let none who hope in you be put to shame.



1. Lord, make me know *your* ways. Lord, teach me your paths.
Make me walk in your truth, and teach me: for you are God my sav - ior.

2. Glory to the Fa - ther, and to *the* Son, and to the Ho - ly Spir - it:
as it was in the be - gin - ning, is now, and will be for ev - er. A - men.

Communion Antiphon

Psalm (84)85:13; 2-5,7,8,11,12

The Lord will be - stow his bount - y, and our

earth shall yield its in - crease.

1. O Lord, you once fa - vored your land
 you forgave the guilt of your peo - ple
 2. You a - vert - ed all *your* rage,
 Revive us now, God, our help - er!
 3. Will you not re - store a - gain *our* life
 Let us see, O Lord, your mer - cy
 4. Mercy and faith - ful - ness *have* met;
 Faithfulness shall spring from the earth

1. and revived the for - tunes of Ja - cob.
 and cov - ered all *their* sins.
 2. you calmed the heat of your an - ger.
 Put an end to your griev - ance a - gainst us.
 3. that your people may re - jice *in* you?
 and give us your sav - ing help.
 4. justice and peace have em - braced.
 and justice look down from heav - en.

Second Sunday of Advent

Entrance Antiphon

cf. Isaiah 30:19,30

O peo - ple of Si - on, be - hold, the Lord will come to
save the na - tions, and the Lord will make the glo - ry of his
voice heard in the joy, the joy of your heart.

Psalm (79)80:2,3

1. O shepherd of Is - ra - el, hear us,
shine forth from your cher - u - bim throne:
2. Glory to the Fa - ther, and to *the* Son,
as it was in the be - gin - ning, is now,
1. you who lead Jo - seph's flock,
O Lord, rouse up your might!
2. and to the Ho - ly Spir - it:
and will be for ev - er. A - men.

Communion Antiphon

Baruch 5:5; 4:36

Je - ru - sa - lem, a - rise and stand _____ up - on the heights, and be -

hold _____ the joy _____ which comes _____ to you _____ from God.

Psalm 147:12-15,17-20

1. O praise the _____ Lord, Je - ru - sa - lem!
He has strengthened the _____ bars of your gates,
2. He established peace _____ on your bor - ders,
He sends out his _____ word to the earth
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 child- _____ ren with - in you.
2. he feeds _____ you with fin - est wheat.
and swiftly _____ runs his com - mand.
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.

Third Sunday of Advent

Entrance Antiphon

Philippians 4:4,5

Re - joice in the Lord al - ways; a - gain I say, ___

___ re - joice, I say, re - joice. In - deed, ___ the Lord ___

___ is near, in - deed, the Lord ___ is ___ near.

Psalms (84)85:2-4

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.

Communion Antiphon

Say to the faint of heart: Be strong

and do not fear. Be - hold,

our God will come, and he will save us.

1. The desert and the parched land will exult;
They will bloom with a - bun - dant flow'rs,
2. The glory of Lebanon will be giv - en to them,
They will see the glo - ry of *the* Lord,
3. Then will the eyes of the blind be o - pened,
Then will the lame leap like a stag,

1. the steppe will re - jice *and* bloom.
and re - jice with joy - ful song.
2. the splendor of Car - mel and Sha - ron;
the splen - dor of *our* God.
3. the ears of the deaf *be* cleared;
then the tongue of the dumb *will* sing.

Fourth Sunday of Advent

Entrance Antiphon

Isaiah 45:8

Drop down dew from a - bove, you heav - ens, and let the
clouds rain down the Just One; let the
earth be o - pened and bring forth a Sav - ior.

Psalms (18)19:2,3

1. The heavens proclaim the glo - ry of God
Day unto day takes up the sto - ry
2. Glory be to the Fa - ther, and to *the* Son,
as it was in the be - gin - ning, is now,
1. and the firmament shows forth the work of his hands.
and night unto night makes known the mes - sage.
2. and to the Ho - ly Spir - it:
and will be for ev - er. A - men.

Communion Antiphon

Isaiah 7:14

Be - hold, a Vir - gin shall con - ceive and bear a son;

and his name will be called Em - man - u - el.

Psalm (18)19:2-7

1. The heavens proclaim the _____
Day unto day takes _____

2. No speech, no word, no _____ voice is heard, yet their span ex -

3. There he has placed a tent _____ for the sun; it comes forth like a bridegroom

4. At the end of the sky is the rising _____ of the sun; to the furthest end of the

1. glo - ry of God and the firmament shows forth the work of his hands.
up the sto - ry and night unto night makes known the mes - sage.

2. tends through all *the* earth, their words to the utmost bounds of the world.

3. com - ing from *his* tent, rejoices like a cham - pion to run *its* course.

4. sky is its course. There is nothing concealed from its burn - ing heat.

Christmas Vigil Mass

Entrance Antiphon

cf. Exodus 16:6,7

To - day you will know _____ that the Lord _____ will come, _____

_____ and he will save _____ us, _____ and in the

morn - ing you _____ will see his glo - ry. _____

Psalm (23)24:1,2

1. The Lord's is the earth _____ and its full - ness,
It is he who _____ set it on *the* seas;
2. Glory to the Fa - _____ ther, and to *the* Son,
as it was in the be - _____ gin - ning, is now,

1. The world and _____ all its peo - ples.
On the wa - _____ ters he made *it* firm.
2. and to the _____ Ho - ly Spir - it:
and will be for _____ ev - er. A - men.

Communion Antiphon

The glo - ry of the Lord will be re - vealed, and all

flesh, all flesh will see the sal - va - tion of our God.

Psalm (23)24:1-8

1. The Lord's is the earth and its full - ness,
It is he who set it on *the* seas;
2. Who shall climb the moun - tain of *the* Lord?
The man with clean hands and pure heart, who de - sires not worth - less things,
3. He shall receive bless - ings from *the* Lord
Such are the men who seek him,
4. O gates, lift high your heads; grow high - er, an - cient doors.
Who is the king of glo - ry?

1. the world and all its peo - ples.
on the waters he made it firm.
2. Who shall stand in his ho - ly place?
who has not sworn so as to de - ceive his neigh - bor.
3. and reward from the God who saves him.
seek the face of the God of Ja - cob.
4. Let him enter, the king of glo - ry!
The Lord, the might - y, the val - iant.

Christmas Mass during the Night

Entrance Antiphon, I

Psalm 2:7;1,2,8,9

The Lord said to me: You are my Son. It is

I who have be - got - ten you, be - got - ten you this day.

1. Why this tumult among nations,
They arise, the kings of the earth,
2. "Ask and I shall bequeath you the nations,
With a rod of iron you will break them,
3. Glory to the Fa - ther, and to the Son,
as it was in the be - gin - ning, is now,

1. among peoples this use - less mur - mur - ing?
princes plot against the Lord and his A - noint - ed.
2. put the ends of the earth in your pos - ses - sion.
shatter them like a pot - ter's jar."
3. and to the Ho - ly Spir - it:
and will be for ev - er. A - men.

Entrance Antiphon, II

Missal

Let us all re - joice in the Lord, for our Sav - ior has been born in the

world. To - day true peace has come down to us from heav - en.

Psalm 2:1,2,8,9

1. Why this tumult among na - tions,
They arise, the kings of the earth,
2. "Ask and I shall bequeath you the na - tions,
With a rod of iron you will break them,
3. Glory to the Fa - ther, and to the Son,
as it was in the be - gin - ning, is now,

1. among peoples this use - less mur - mur - ing?
princes plot against the Lord and his A - noint - ed.
2. put the ends of the earth in your pos - ses - sion.
shatter them like a pot - ter's jar."
3. and to the Ho - ly Spir - it:
and will be for ev - er. A - men.

Communion Antiphon

John 1:14

The Word _____ be - came flesh, _____ and we have seen _____ his

glo - ry, and we have seen _____ his glo - ry. _____

Psalms (109) 110:1-5,7

1. The Lord's revelation to my Master: _____ "Sit on my right:
The Lord will wield from Zion your _____ scep - ter of pow'r:
2. A prince from the day of your birth on the _____ ho - ly moun - tains;
The Lord has sworn an _____ oath he will not change.
3. The Master standing _____ at your right hand
He shall drink from the stream _____ by the way - side

1. your foes I will _____ put be - neath your feet."
rule in the _____ midst of all your foes.
2. from the womb before the dawn _____ I be - got you.
"You are a priest for ever, a priest like Mel - _____ chi - ze - dek of old."
3. will shatter kings in the _____ day of his wrath.
and therefore he shall _____ lift up his head.

Christmas Mass at Dawn

Entrance Antiphon

cf. Isaiah 9:2,6; Luke 1:33

To - day a light will shine up - on us, for the Lord ___

is ___ born ___ for ___ us; ___ and he will be called ___

Won - drous ___ God, ___ Prince ___ of peace, Fa - ther ___

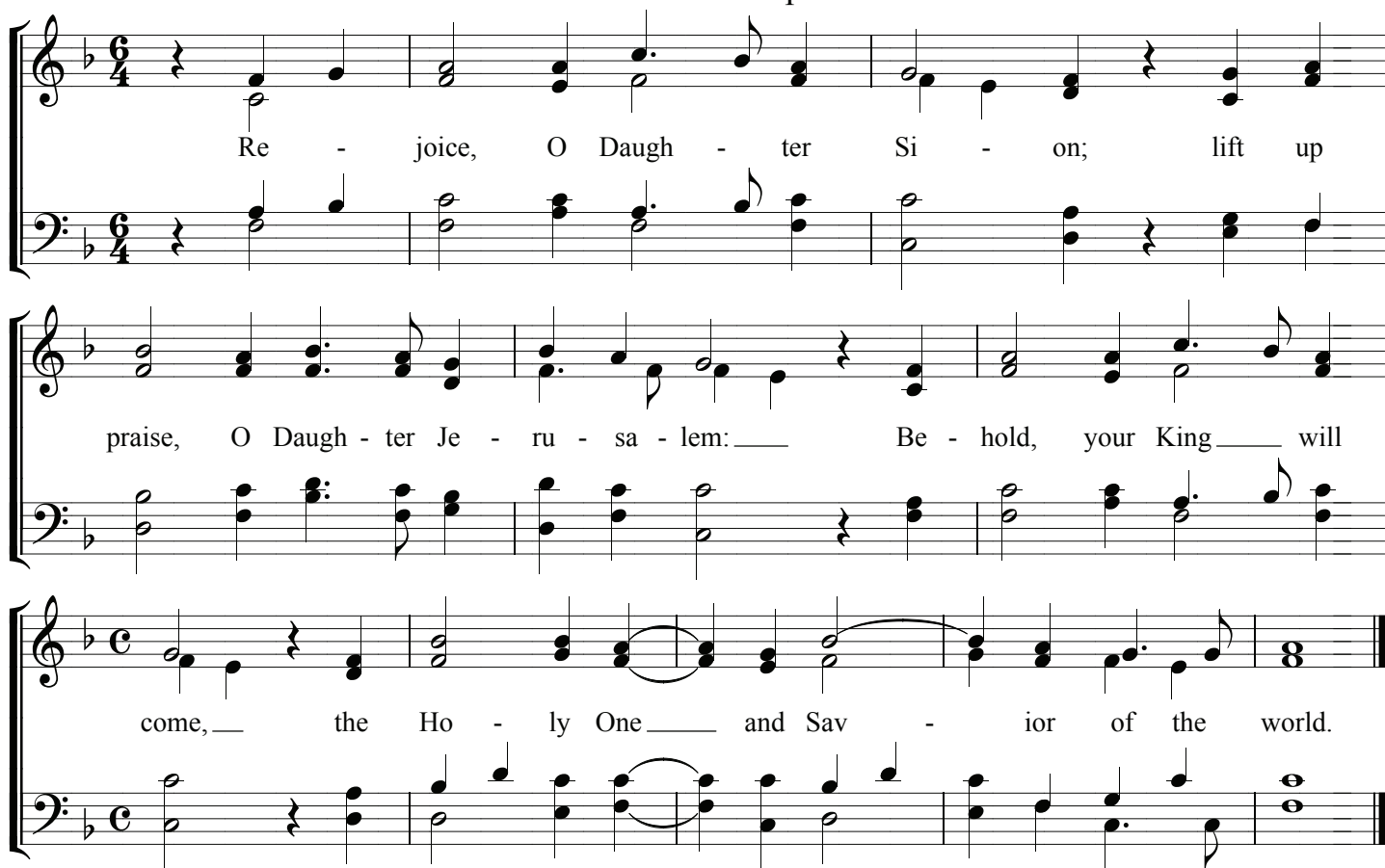
of fu - ture a - ges: and his reign ___ will be ___ with - out ___ end.

Psalm (92)93:1,2

1. The Lord is king, with ___ maj - es - ty *en* - robed; the Lord has ___ robed him - self *with* might, he has gird - ed him - self *with* pow'r: From all eterni - ty, O Lord, *you* are.

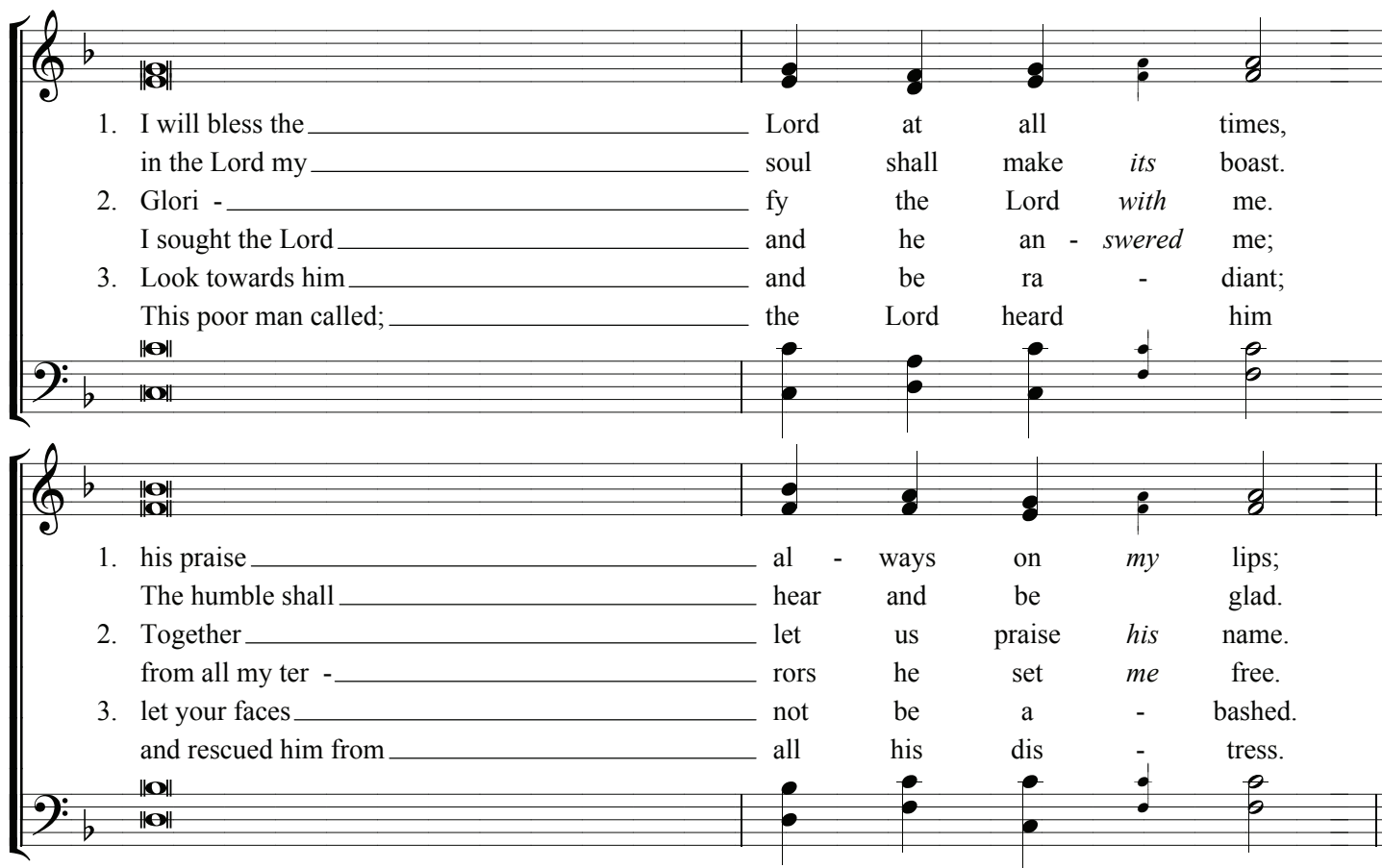
2. Glory to the Fa - ther, and to *the* Son, and to the Ho - ly Spir - it: as it was in the be - gin - ning, is now, and will be for ___ ev - er. A - men.

Communion Antiphon



Re - joice, O Daugh - ter Si - on; lift up
 praise, O Daugh - ter Je - ru - sa - lem: Be - hold, your King will
 come, the Ho - ly One and Sav - ior of the world.

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 - diant;
 This poor man called; the Lord heard him
 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.

Christmas Mass during the Day

Entrance Antiphon

Isaiah 9:5

A child is born for us, and a son is given to us; his scepter of power rests upon his shoulder, and his name will be called Messenger of great counsel.

Psalms (97)98:1

1. Sing a new song to the Lord
His right hand and his holy arm
2. Glory to the Father, and to the Son,
as it was in the beginning, is now,
1. for he has worked wonders
have brought salvation.
2. and to the Holy Spirit:
and will be for ever. Amen.

Communion Antiphon

Psalm (97)98:3;1-3,7-9

All the ends of the earth have seen the sal - va -

tion of our God, the sal - va - tion of our God.

1. Sing a new song to the Lord
His right hand and his ho - ly arm

2. The Lord has made known his sal - va - tion;
He has remem - bered his truth and love

3. Let the sea and all with - in it, thun - der;
Let the riv - ers clap *their* hands

4. at the presence of the Lord: for he comes,
He will rule the world with jus - tice

1. for he has worked won - ders.
have brought sal - va - tion.

2. has shown his justice to the na - tions.
for the house of Is - ra - el.

3. the world and all its peo - ples.
and the hills ring out *their* joy

4. he comes to rule *the* earth.
and the peo - ples with fair - ness.

Sunday in the Octave of Christmas
 The Holy Family of Jesus, Mary and Joseph

Entrance Antiphon

Luke 2:16

The shep - herds went in haste, and found _____

Ma - ry and Jo - seph and the In -

fant ly - ing in a man - ger.

Psalm (67)68:36

1. God is to be feared _____ in his ho - ly place.
 He gives strength and power _____ to his peo - ple.

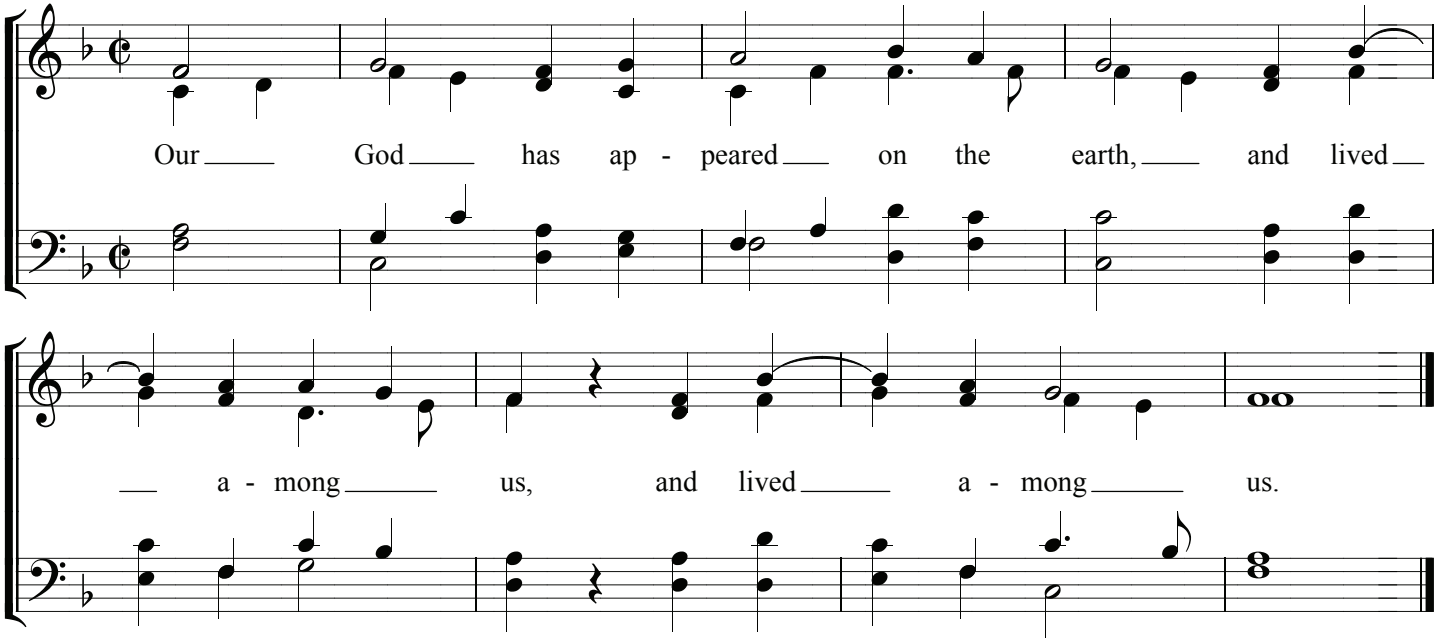
2. Glory to the Fa - _____ ther, and to *the* Son,
 as it was in the be - _____ gin - ning, is now,

1. He is the Lord, _____ Is - ra - el's God.
 ---- _____ Bless - ed be God!

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

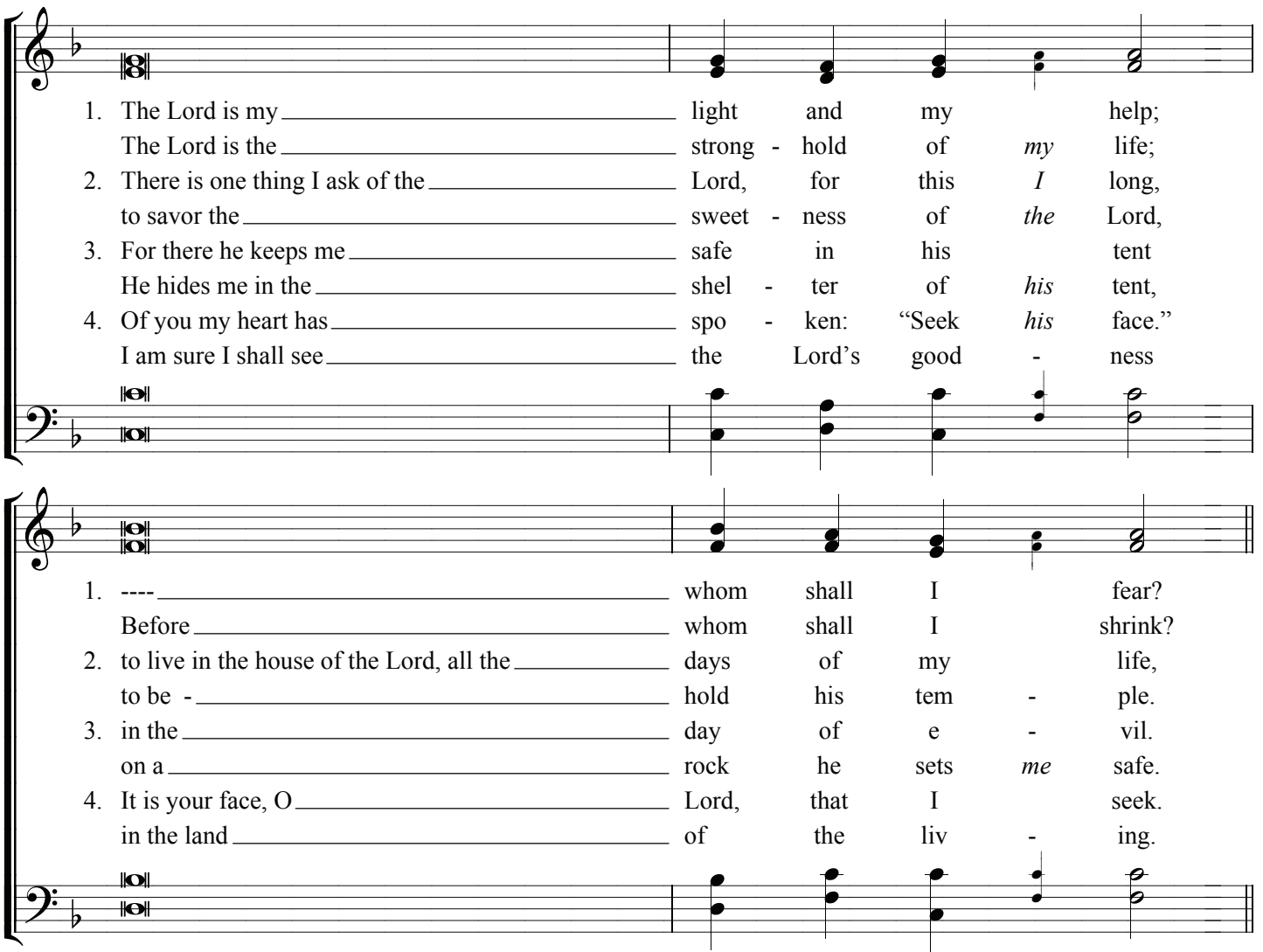
Communion Antiphon

Baruch 3:38



Our God has ap - peared on the earth, and lived
 a - mong us, and lived a - mong us.

Psalms (26) 27:1,4,5,8,13



1. The Lord is my light and my help;
 The Lord is the strong - hold of *my* life;
 2. There is one thing I ask of the Lord, for this *I* long,
 to savor the sweet - ness of *the* Lord,
 3. For there he keeps me safe in his tent
 He hides me in the shel - ter of *his* tent,
 4. Of you my heart has spo - ken: "Seek *his* face."
 I am sure I shall see the Lord's good - ness

1. ---- whom shall I fear?
 Before whom shall I shrink?
 2. to live in the house of the Lord, all the days of my life,
 to be - hold his tem - ple.
 3. in the day of e - vil.
 on a rock he sets *me* safe.
 4. It is your face, O Lord, that I seek.
 in the land of the liv - ing.

January 1, Octave of Christmas
Mary, The Holy Mother of God
Entrance Antiphon

(see also, Christmas Mass at Dawn, p. 14)

Missal (Sedulius)

Hail, Ho - ly Moth - er, who gave birth to the
King, who rules heav - en and earth for ev - er.

Psalm (44)45:11,12

1. Listen, O daughter, give ear to my words:
So will the king de - sire your beau - ty:
2. Glory to the Fa - ther, and to *the* Son,
as it was in the be - gin - ning, is now,
1. forget your own people and your fa - *ther's* house.
He is your lord, pay hom - age to him.
2. and to the Ho - ly Spir - it:
and will be for ev - er. A - men.

Communion Antiphon

Hebrews 13:8

Je - sus Christ is the same ___ yes - ter - day, ___ to - day,
and for ev - er, to - day, and for ev - er.

Luke 1:46-55 (Magnificat)

1. My soul proclaims the ___ great - ness of *the* Lord,
The Almighty has ___ done great things *for* me,
2. He has mercy on ___ those who fear him
He has shown the ___ strength of his arm,
3. He has cast down the ___ might - y from *their* thrones,
He has filled the hun - ___ gry with good things,
4. He has come to the help of his ___ ser - vant Is - ra - el
the promise he made ___ to our fa - thers,

1. my spirit rejoices in ___ God my Sav - ior
and ___ ho - ly is *his* name.
2. in every ___ gen - er - a - tion.
he has scattered the ___ proud in their *con -* ceit.
3. and has lifted ___ up the low - ly.
and the rich he has sent ___ a - way emp - ty.
4. for he has remembered his prom - ___ ise of mer - cy,
to Abraham and his chil - ___ dren for ev - er.

Second Sunday after Christmas

if not Epiphany

Entrance Antiphon

Wisdom 18:14,15

When a pro-found si - lence cov-ered all things and night was in the
mid - dle of its course, your all - pow - er - ful Word,
O Lord, bound - ed from heav - en's roy - al throne.

Psalms (92)93:1,2

1. The Lord is king, with ma - jes - ty en - robed;
he has gird - ed him - self with pow'r.
2. Glory to the Fa - ther, and to the Son,
as it was in the be - gin - ning, is now,

1. the Lord has robed him - self with might,
From all eterni - ty, O Lord, you are.
2. and to the Ho - ly Spir - it:
and will be for ev - er. A - men.

Communion Antiphon

cf. John 1:12

To all who would ac - cept _____ him, he gave _____ the
 pow - er to be - come _____ chil - dren of God. _____

Psalm 8:2-9

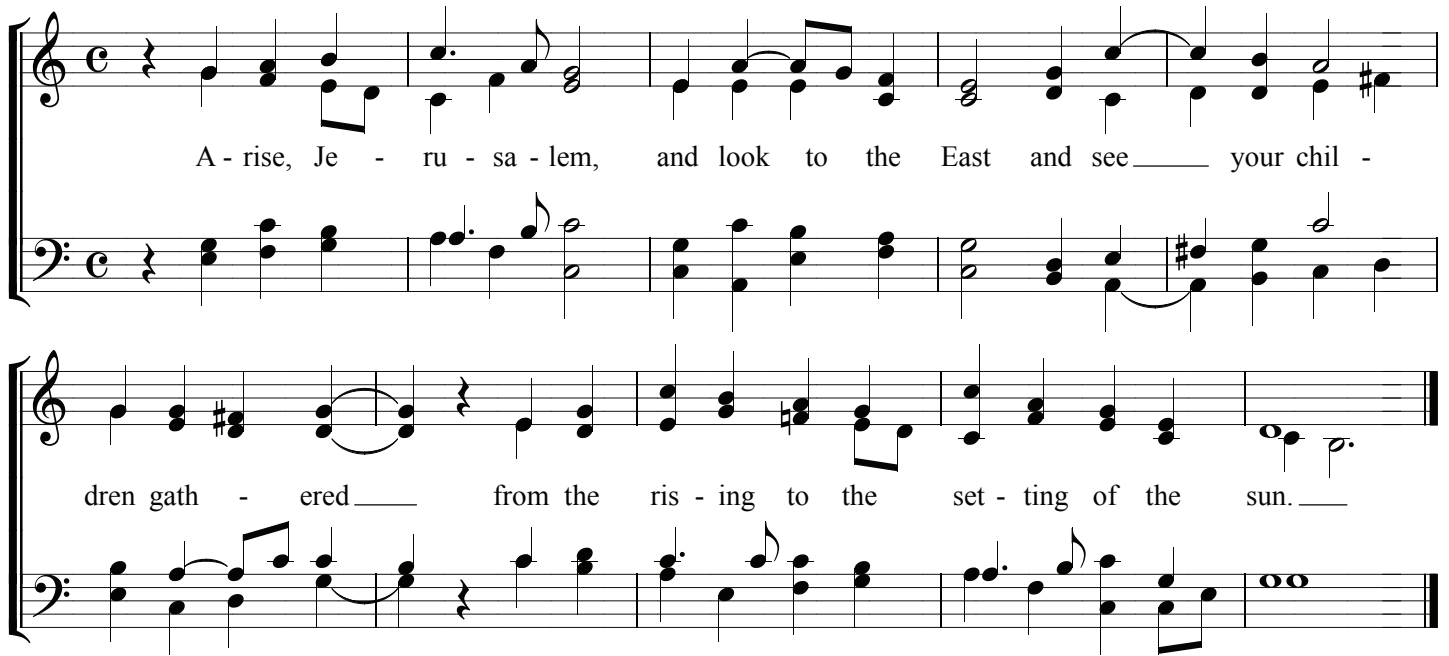
1. How great is your name, O Lord our _____ God, through all *the* earth!
 on the lips of _____ chil - dren and *of* babes
2. When I see the heavens, the _____ work of your hands,
 what is man that you should _____ keep him in mind,
3. Yet you have made him little _____ less than a god;
 gave him power over the _____ works of your hand,
4. All of them, _____ sheep and cat - tle,
 birds _____ of the air, *and* fish

1. Your majesty is praised a - _____ bove the heav - ens;
 you have found praise to _____ foil your en - e - my.
2. the moon and the _____ stars which you *ar -* ranged,
 mortal man _____ that you care *for* him?
3. with glory and hon - _____ or you crowned him,
 put all things _____ un - der his feet.
4. yes, e - _____ ven the sav - age beasts.
 that make their way _____ through the wa - ters.

The Epiphany of the Lord, Vigil Mass

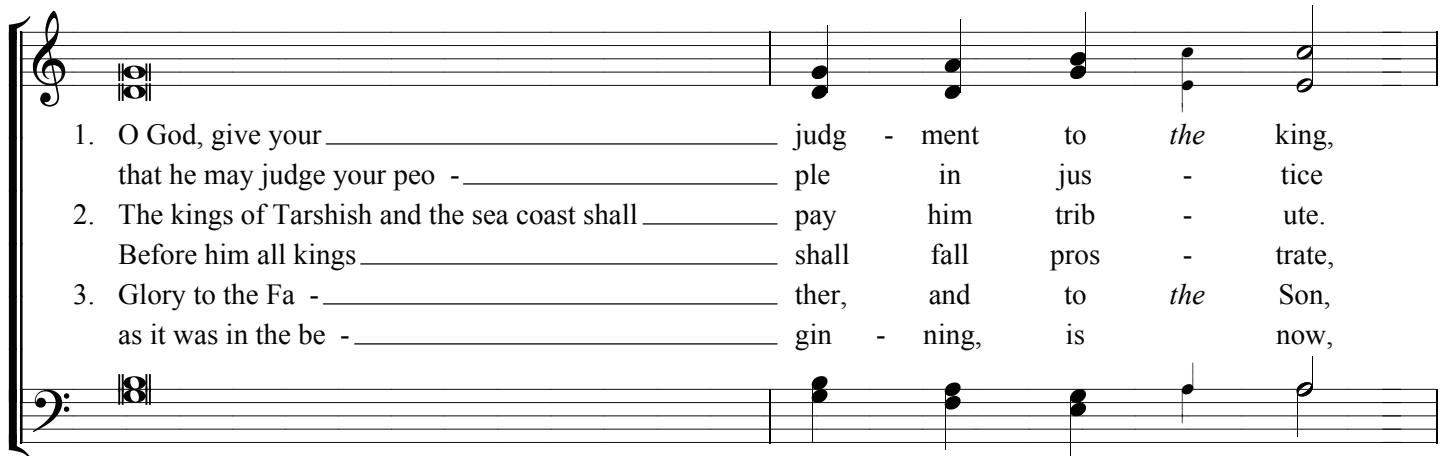
Entrance Antiphon

cf. Baruch 5:5

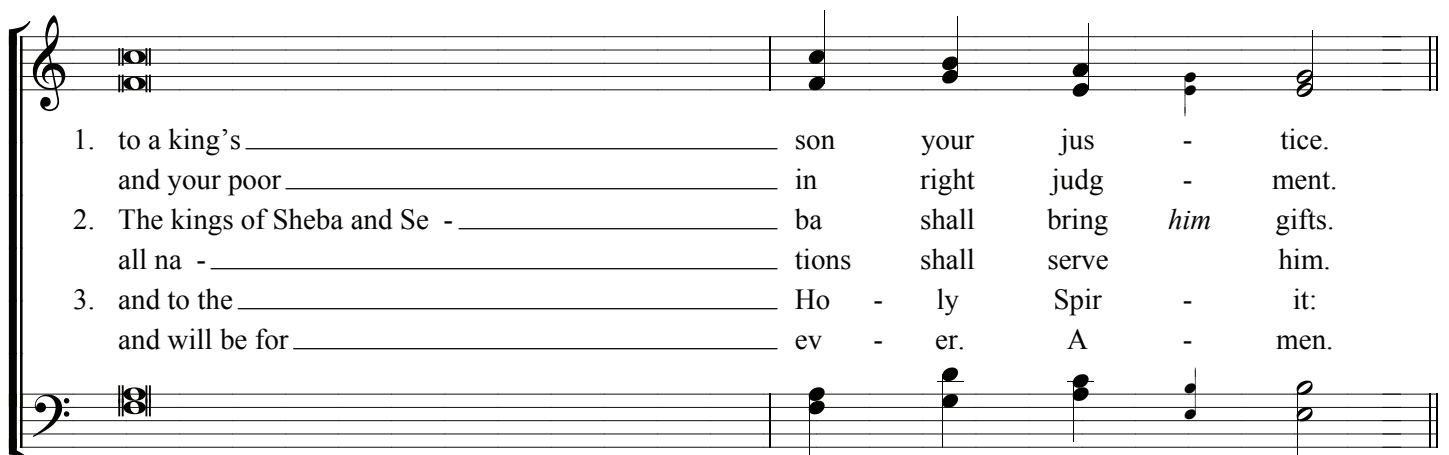


A - rise, Je - ru - sa - lem, and look to the East and see your chil -
 dren gath - ered from the ris - ing to the set - ting of the sun.

Psalm (71)72:1,2,10,11



1. O God, give your judgment to *the* king,
 that he may judge your peo - ple in jus - tice
 2. The kings of Tarshish and the sea coast shall pay him trib - ute.
 Before him all kings shall fall pros - trate,
 3. Glory to the Fa - ther, and to *the* Son,
 as it was in the be - ginn - ing, is now,



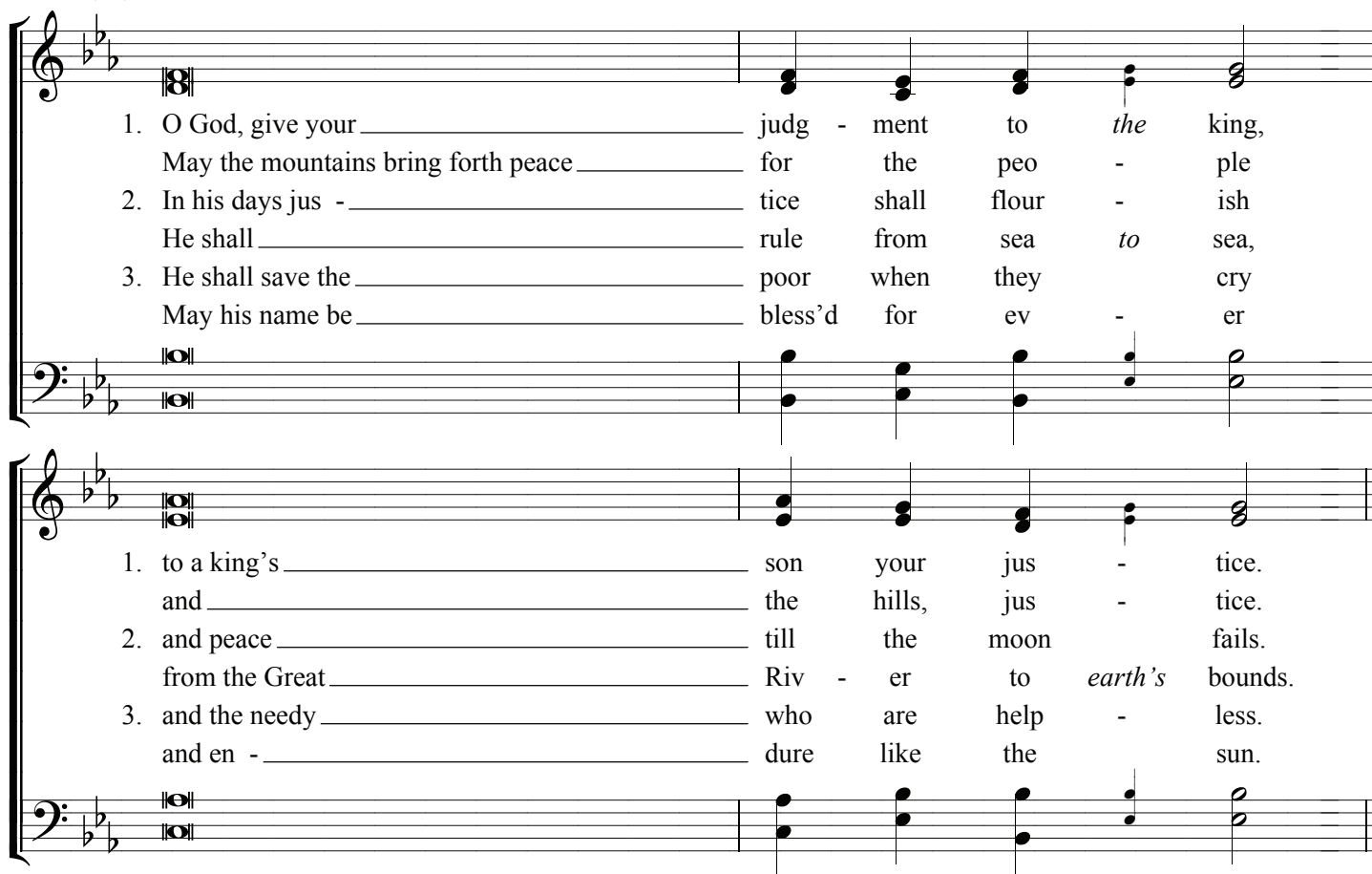
1. to a king's son your jus - tice.
 and your poor in right judg - ment.
 2. The kings of Sheba and Se - ba shall bring *him* gifts.
 all na - tions shall serve him.
 3. and to the Ho - ly Spir - it:
 and will be for ev - er. A - men.

Communion Antiphon



The bright - ness of God il - lu - mined the ho - ly
cit - y Je - ru - sa - lem, and the na - tions will walk
by its light, the na - tions will walk by its light.

Psalm (71)72:1,3,7,8,12,17,18



1. O God, give your judgment to *the* king,
 May the mountains bring forth peace for the peo - ple
 2. In his days jus - tice shall flour - ish
 He shall rule from sea to sea,
 3. He shall save the poor when they cry
 May his name be bless'd for ev - er
 1. to a king's son your jus - tice.
 and the hills, jus - tice.
 2. and peace till the moon fails.
 from the Great Riv - er to *earth's* bounds.
 3. and the needy who are help - less.
 and en - dure like the sun.

The Epiphany of the Lord, Mass of the Day

Entrance Antiphon

cf. Malachi 3:1; 1 Chronicles 29:12

Be - hold, the Lord, the Might - y One, has come;

and king - ship is in his grasp, and pow - er and do -

min - ion, and pow - er and do - min - ion.

Psalm (71)72:1,2,10,11

1. O God, give your _____ judg - ment to *the* king,
that he may judge your peo - _____ ple in jus - tice
2. Glory to the Fa - _____ ther, and to *the* Son,
as it was in the be - _____ gin - ning, is now,

1. to a king's _____ son your jus - tice.
and your poor _____ in right judg - ment.
2. and to the _____ Ho - ly Spir - it:
and will be for _____ ev - er. A men.

Communion Antiphon

cf. Matthew 2:2

We have seen his star in the East, and
 have come with gifts to adore the Lord, and have
 come with gifts to adore the Lord.

Psalm (71)72:1,3,7,8,12,17,18

1. O God, give your judgment to *the* king,
 May the mountains bring forth peace for the peo - ple
 2. In his days jus - tice shall flour - ish
 He shall rule from sea to sea,
 3. Every tribe shall be bless'd in him,
 Blessed be the Lord, God of Is - ra - el,

1. to a king's son your jus - tice.
 and the hills, jus - tice.
 2. and peace till the moon fails.
 from the Great Riv - er to *earth's* bounds.
 3. all na - tions bless *his* name.
 who a - lone works won - ders.

The Baptism of the Lord

Entrance Antiphon

cf. Matthew 3:16,17

Af - ter the Lord was bap - tized, the heav'ns were o -

- pened, and the Spir - it de - scend - ed up - on him like a

dove, and the voice of the Fa - ther thun - dered:

This is my be - lov - ed Son, with whom I am well pleased.

Psalm (44)45:2,3

1. My heart over - flows with no - ble words. To the king I must speak the song I have made.
You are the fairest of the chil - dren of men, because God has blessed you for ev - er - more.

2. Glory to the Fa - ther, and to the Son, and to the Ho - ly Spir - it:
as it was in the be - gin - ning, is now, and will be for ev - er. A - men.

Communion Antiphon

Be - hold the One of whom John said: I have seen and

tes - ti - fied that this is the Son of God.

Psalm (28)29:1-8,10,11

1. O give the Lord you sons of God,
give the Lord the glo - ry of his name.
2. The Lord's voice resounding on the wa - ters,
the voice of the Lord, full of pow'r,
3. The Lord's voice shatter - ing the ce - dars,
The Lord's voice shak - ing the wil - der - ness,
4. In his temple they all cry: "Glo - ry!"
The Lord will give strength to his peo - ple,

1. give the Lord glo - ry and pow'r;
Adore the Lord in his ho - ly court.
2. the Lord on the immensi - ty of wa - ters;
the voice of the Lord, full of splen - dor.
3. the Lord shatters the ce - dars of Leb - a - non.
the Lord shakes the wilder - ness of Ka - desh.
4. The Lord sits as king for ev - er.
the Lord will bless his peo - ple with peace.