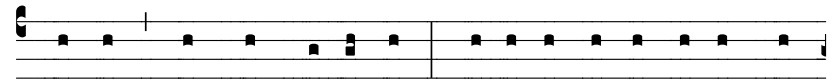


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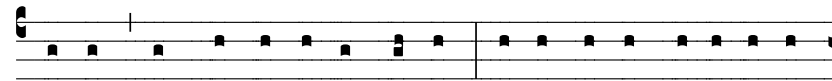
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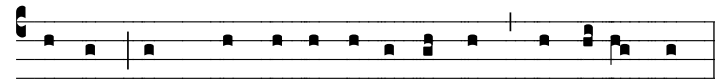
O God, make speed to save us



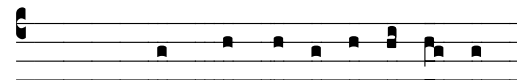
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the Son, and to the Ho -ly Spi - rit. As it was in the be-ginning,

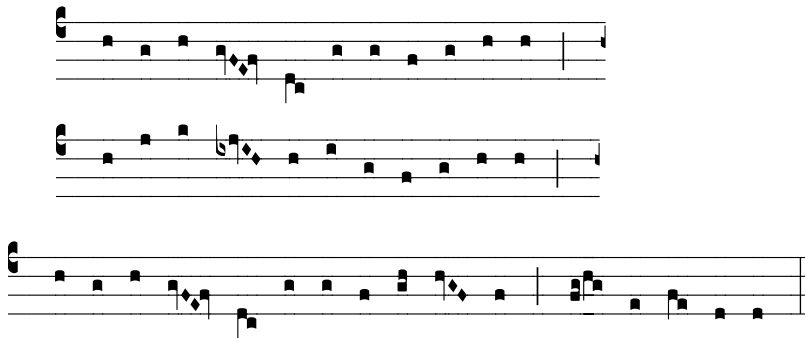


is now, and shall be for e-ver. Amen. Al-le-lu - ia.



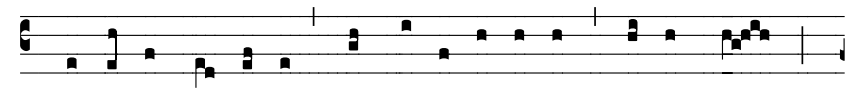
*IN LENT:* and shall be for e-ver. A-men.

## Hymn

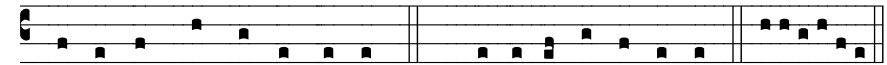


- 1 Joseph, acclaimed with glory in the heavens,  
nurturing new hope, Christ the world's salvation;  
graciously hear us as we sing your praises,  
joyful before you.
- 2 From the Creator came your high vocation,  
offspring of David, husband of the Virgin,  
God's will fulfilling, Jesus called you father,  
salvation's servant.
- 3 Prophets proclaimed him as the promised Saviour,  
our blest Redeemer, lying in a stable,  
gazing in wonder with his holy mother,  
God there you worshipped.
- 4 He who is Sovereign, Lord of all creation:  
hell's mighty armies flee before him trembling;  
he whom the angels praise in heav'n for ever,  
bows down before you.
- 5 Praise to the Father, Son, and Holy Spirit,  
he who has raised you, crowned with highest honour,  
blessed with your virtues, may our God then grant us,  
life everlasting.

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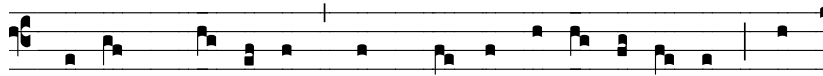
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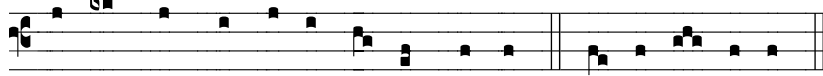
at the feast of the Pass-o-ver. (TP: Passover, al-le -lu - ia.)

## Psalm 1

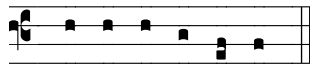
- 1 Happy are they who have not walked  
in the counsel óf the wícked, \*  
nor lingered in the way of sinners,  
nor sat in the séats of the scórnful!
- 2 Their delight is in the láw óf the Lord, \*  
and they meditate on his láw day ánd night.
- 3 They are like trees planted by streams of watêr,  
bearing fruit in due season,  
with leaves that dó not wíther; \*  
everything they dó shall próspér.
- 4 It is not só with the wícked: \*  
they are like chaff which the wínd blows áway;
- 5 Therefore the wicked shall not stand úpríght  
when júdgement comes, \*  
nor the sinner in the council of the ríghteous.
- 6 For the Lord knows the wáy of the ríghteous, \*  
but the way of the wícked ís doomed.



The young child Je-sus \* stayed be - hind in Je - ru-sa - lem, and



Jos - eph and his mother did not know it. (TP it, al-le - lu - ia.)



*Psalm 5*

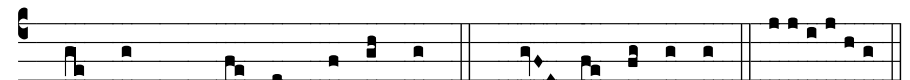
- 1 Give ear to my words, O Lord; \*  
consider my méditation.
- 2 Harken to my cry for help, my King and my God, \*  
for I máke my práyer to you.
- 3 In the morning, Lórd, you héar my voice; \*  
early in the morning I make my appéal and wáitch for you.
- 4 For you are not a God who takes pléasure in wíckedness, \*  
and evíl cánnót dwéll with you.
- 5 Braggarts cannot stand in yôur sight; \* †  
you hate all thóse who work wíckedness.
- 6 You destroy those who speak lies; \*  
the bloodthirsty and deceitful, O Lórd, you ábhor.
- 7 But as for me, through the greatness of your mercy,  
I will gó into your house; \*  
I will bow down towards your holy témple in áwe of you.
- 8 Lead me, O Lord, in your rightéousness, †  
because of those who líe in wáit for me; \*  
make your way stráight befóre me.
- 9 For there is no trúth ín their mouth; \*

there is destrúction ín their heart;

- 10 Their throat is an open grave; \*  
they fláttér with their tongue.
- 11 Declare them guilty, O God; \*  
let them fall, because of théir schemes.
- 12 Because of their many transgréssions cást them out, \*  
for they have rebélléd ágáinst you.
- 13 But all who take refuge in you will bē glad; \* †  
they will sing out their jóy for éver.
- 14 You will shelter them, \*  
so that those who love your náme may exúlt in you.
- 15 For you, O Lord, will bléss the ríghteous; \*  
you will defend them with your fávour as wíth a shield.



Son, why have you treated us so? Be-hold, I and your fa-ther



have searched an-xiously for you. (TP you, alle -lu - ia.)

*Psalm 15*

- 1 Lord, who may dwell in your tábernácle? \*  
who may abide upon your hólly hill?
- 2 Whoever leads a blameless lífe and does w hát is ríght, \*  
who speaks the trúth from hís heart.
- 3 There is no guile upón hís tongue; †  
he does no évil tó his friend; \*  
he does not heap contempt upon his néíghbour.

- 4 In his sight the wicked is rejected, \*  
but he honours those who féar the Lord.
- 5 He has swórn to dó no wrong \*  
and does nót take báck his word.
- 6 He does not give his móney in hópe of gain, \*  
nor does he take a bribe against the ínnocent.
- 7 Whoever does thése things \*  
shall néver be óverthrown.

VIIIc



How is it that you sought me? Did you not know that I must be



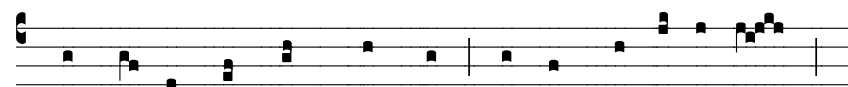
in my Father's house? (TP house, al-le- lu - ia.)

# Psalm 36

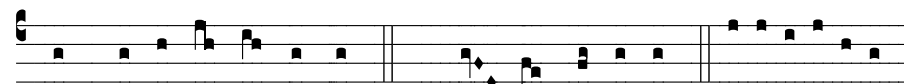
- 1 There is a voice of rebellion deep in the héart of the wicked; \*  
there is no fear of Gód befóre their eyes.
- 2 They flatter themsélves in their ówn eyes \*  
that their hateful sin will nót be fóund out.
- 3 The words of their mouths are wicked ánd decéitful; \*  
they have left off acting wisely and dóing good.
- 4 They think up wickedness upon their beds  
and have set themsélves in nó good way; \*  
they do not abhor thát which is évil.
- 5 Your love, O Lord, reaches tó the héavens, \*  
and your fáithfulness tó the clouds.
- 6 Your righteousness is like the strong mountáins,  
your justice líke the gréat deep; \*  
you save both mán and béast, O Lord.

- 7 How priceless is your lóve, O God! \*  
your people take refuge under the shádw of your wings.
- 8 They feast upon the abundance of yôur house; \*  
you give them drink from the river of yôur delights.
- 9 For with you is the well of life, \*  
and in your light we sée light.
- 10 Continue your loving-kindness to thóse who knów you, \*  
and your favour to thóse who are trúe of heart.
- 11 Let not the foot of the próud come néar me, \*  
nor the hand of the wicked púsh me áside.
- 12 See how they are fallen, thóse who work wickedness! \*  
they are cast down and shall not be áble tó rise.

VIIIg



And Je - sus went down with them \* and came to Na-za- reth



and was o-be-dient to them. (TP them, al-le - lu - ia.)

# Canticle

Romans 8:28-35,37

- 1 God works for good in everything with thóse who lóve him \*  
who are called according tó his púrpose.
- 2 For thóse whom hé foreknew \*  
he also predestined to be conformed to the ímage of his Son.
- 3 And those whom he predéstitined he álso called \*  
and those whom he called he álso jústified.
- 4 And to those whom he justified he has also gíven his spléndour. \*  
If God is on our side, who can ever bé agáinst us?
- 5 He who did not spare his own Son, but gave him úp fôr us all \*  
will he not also with him freely gíve us áll things?

- 6 It is Gód who jústifies \*  
who then can éver condémn us?
- 7 For it is Christ Jesus who died and was ráised fróm the dead \*  
who is at God's right hánd to pléad our cause.
- 8 What can separate us fróm the lóve of Christ \*  
can persecution or hunger, can péril ór the sword?
- 9 No, in all these things we are móre than cónquerors \*  
through him who loved us, even Jésus Christ our Lord.

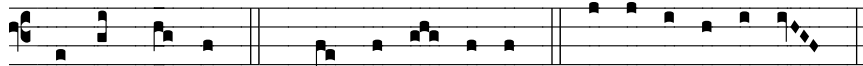
## READING

## MAGNIFICAT

### Antiphon



I will li- ken him \* to a wise man, who built his house



u-pon the rock. (TP rock, al-le - lu - ia.)

*Id*

My soul proclaims the greatness of thê Lord,  
my spirit rejoices **in** Gód my Sáviour \*  
for he has looked with favour on me his lówly sérvant.

From this day all generations **will** cáll me bléssed: \*  
the Almighty has done great things for me,  
and hóly ís his name.

He has mercy **on** thóse who féar him \*  
in every génerátion.

He has shown **the** stréngth of hís arm, \*  
he has scattered the próud in théir conceit.

He has cast down **the** míghty fróm their thrones, \*  
and has lifted úp the lówly.

He has filled the húngry with góod things, \*

and the rich he has sént away émpty.

He has come to the help of **his** sérvant Ísrael, \*  
for he has remembered his prómise of mércy,

the promise he **máde** to our fáthers, \*  
to Abraham and his chíldren for éver.

## Collect

God our Father,  
who from the family of your servant David  
raised up Joseph the carpenter  
to be the guardian of your incarnate Son  
and husband of the Blessed Virgin Mary:  
give us grace to follow him  
in faithful obedience to your commands;  
through Jesus Christ your Son our Lord,  
who is alive and reigns with you,  
in the unity of the Holy Spirit,  
one God, now and for ever.

*Hebdomadary* O Lord, open our lips,  
*ALL* **And our mouth shall proclaim your praise.**

*Hebdomadary* O God, make speed to save us.  
*ALL* **O Lord, make haste to help us.**

*ALL* **Glory to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Spirit: as  
it was in the beginning, is now, and shall be for ever. Amen.  
Alleluia. *(not in Lent)***

**Te Deum Laudamus**

We praise you, O God,  
We acclaim you as the Lord.

All creation worships you,  
the Father everlasting.

To you all angels, all the powers of heaven,  
cherubim and seraphim sing in endless praise,

**Holy, holy, holy Lord, God of power and might;  
heaven and earth are full of your glory.**

The glorious company of apostles praise you;  
the noble fellowship of prophets praise you.

The white-robed army of martyrs praise you;  
throughout the world the holy Church acclaims you.

**Father of majesty unbounded;  
your true and only Son, worthy of all worship;  
and the Holy Spirit, advocate and guide.**

You are the King of glory, O Christ,  
the eternal Son of the Father.

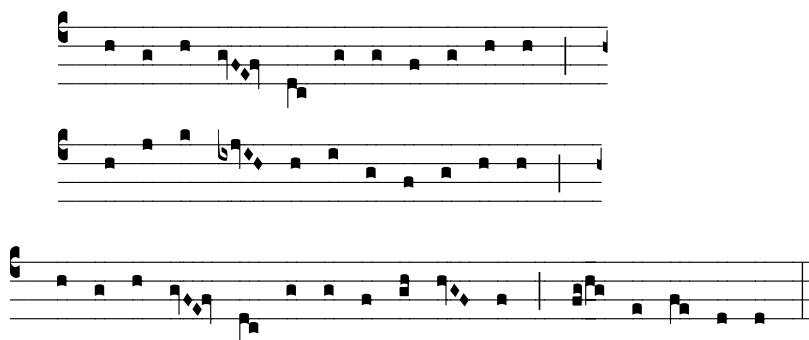
When you became man to set us free,  
you did not abhor the Virgin's womb.

You overcame the sting of death,  
and opened the kingdom of heaven to all believers.

You are seated at God's right hand in glory,  
we believe that you will come to be our judge.

**Come then, Lord, and help your people,  
bought with the price of your own blood;  
and bring us with your saints  
to glory everlasting.**

# Hymn



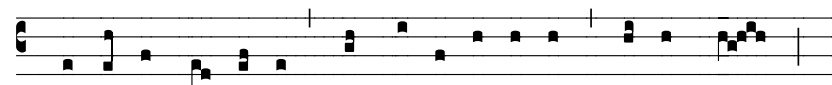
- 1 Joseph, acclaimed with glory in the heavens,  
nurturing new hope, Christ the world's salvation;  
graciously hear us as we sing your praises,  
joyful before you.
- 2 From the Creator came your high vocation,  
offspring of David, husband of the Virgin,  
God's will fulfilling, Jesus called you father,  
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- 3 Prophets proclaimed him as the promised Saviour,  
our blest Redeemer, lying in a stable,  
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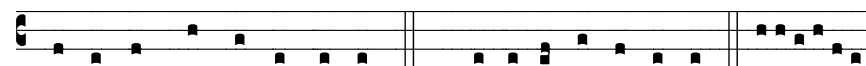
# The Word of God

## Psalm 128 Beati

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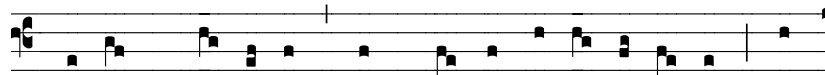
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at the feast of the Pass-o-ver. (TP: Passover, al-le -lu - ia.)

- 1 Happy are they áll who féar the Lord, \*  
and who fóllow ín his ways!
- 2 You shall eat the frúit of your lábour; \*  
happiness and prospérity sháll be yours.
- 3 Your wife shall be like a fruitful víne withín your house, \*  
your children like olive shoots round about your táble.
- 4 The mán who féars the Lord \*  
shall thús indéed be blessed.
- 5 The Lord bléss you from Zíon, \*  
and may you see the prosperity of Jerusalem  
all the dáy's of yóur life.
- 6 May you live to see your children's children; \*  
may peace bé upon Ísrael.

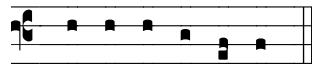
Creator God,  
whose Son is the true vine and we the branches:  
make us fruitful in your service,  
sharing your love and joy and peace  
with all your children,  
in the power of the Spirit  
of Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**



The young child Je-sus \* stayed be - hind in Je - ru-sa - lem, and



Jos - eph and his mother did not know it. (TP it, al-le - lu - ia.)



- 1 O Lord, I am nôt proud; \* †  
I háve no háughty looks.
- 2 I do not occupy myself with great matters, \*  
or with things that áre too hárd for me.
- 3 But I still my soul and make it quiêť, †  
like a child upón its móther's breast; \*  
my soul is quietéd withín me.
- 4 O Israel, wáit upón the Lord, \*  
from this time fórth for évermore.



Son, why have you treated us so? Be-hold, I and your fa-ther



have searched an-xiously for you. (TP you, alle - lu - ia.)

- 1 Blessèd bé the Lórd my rock! \*  
who trains my hands to fight and my fingers to báttle;

- 2 My help and my fortress, my stronghold and my deliverer, \*  
my shield in whom I trust,  
who subdues the péoples únder me.
- 3 O Lord, what are we that yóu should cáre for us? \*  
mere mortals that yóu should thínk of us?
- 4 We are líke a púff of wind; \*  
our days are líke a pássing shádw.
- 5 Bow your heavens, O Lórd, and cóme down; \*  
touch the móúntains and théy shall smoke.
- 6 Hurl the líghtning and scátter them; \*  
shoot out your árrows and róut them.
- 7 Stretch out your hand from ôn high; \* †  
rescue me and deliver me fróm the great wáters,  
from the hand of fóreign péoples,
- 8 Whose mouths spéak decéitfully \*  
and whose right hand is ráised in fálsehood.
- 9 O God, I will sing to yóu a nów song; \*  
I will play to yóu on a tén-stringed lyre.
- 10 You give victory tô kings \* †  
and have rescued Dávid your sérvant.
- 11 Rescue me from the hurtful sword \*  
and deliver me from the hand of fóreign péoples,
- 12 Whose mouths spéak decéitfully \*  
and whose right hand is ráised in fálsehood.
- 13 May our sons be like plants well núrťured fróm their youth, \*  
and our daughters líke sculptured corners óf a pálace.
- 14 May our barns be filled to óverflówing \*  
with all mánner óf crops;
- 15 May the flocks in our pastures  
increase by thousands and téns of thóusands; \*  
may our cátte be fát and sleek.
- 16 May there be no breaching of the walls,  
no going ínto éxile, \*



no wailing in the public squares.

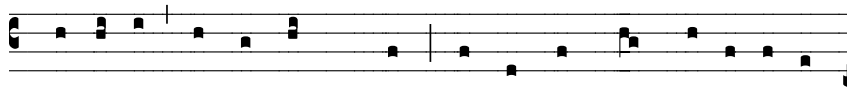
- 17 Happy are the people of whom this is so! \*  
happy are the people whose Gód is thé Lord!

Eternal God,  
whose Son struggled against the forces  
which enfeeble and enslave your people:  
shield us from evil and all deception,  
that we may enter your truth  
and enjoy the abundance of his risen life;  
who with you and the Holy Spirit  
is alive and reigns for ever and ever. **Amen.**

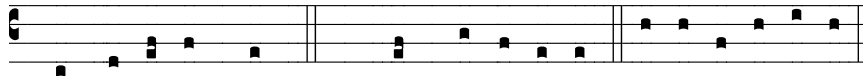
*Psalm 148*

*Laudate Dominum*

*VIIIc*



How is it that you sought me? Did you not know that I must be



in my Father's house? (TP house, al-le- lu - ia.)

- 1 Hallelujah!  
Praise the Lord from the heavens; \*  
práise him in the heights.
- 2 Praise him, all you angels of his; \*  
práise him, áll his host.
- 3 Praise him, sun and moon; \*  
praise him, áll you shíning stars.
- 4 Praise him, heaven of heavens, \*  
and you waters abóve the héavens.
- 5 Let them praise the náme óf the Lord; \*  
for he commanded and they wére créated.
- 6 He made them stand fast for éver and éver; \*  
he gave them a law which sháll not páss away.

- 7 Praise the Lord from the earth, \*  
you sea-mónsters and áll deeps;
- 8 Fire and hail, snow and fog, \*  
tempestuous wind, dóing his will;
- 9 Mountains and all hills, \*  
fruit trées and all cégars;
- 10 Wild beasts and all cattle, \*  
creeping thínks and wíngèd birds;
- 11 Kings of the éarth and all péoples, \*  
prínces and all rúlers óf the world;
- 12 Yóung men and máidens, \*  
old and yóung togéther.
- 13 Let them praise the name of thê Lord, \* †  
for his name only is exálted,  
his splendour is óver éarth and heaven.
- 14 He has raised up strength for his peoplê †  
and praise for all his lóyal sérvants, \*  
the children of Israel, a people who are near him.  
Hállélújah!

*In Lent:*

- 14 He has raised up strength for his peoplê †  
and praise for all his lóyal sérvants, \*  
the children of Israel, a people whó are néar him.

O glorious God, the whole of creation proclaims your marvellous work:  
increase in us a capacity to wonder and delight in it,  
that heaven's praise may echo in our hearts  
and our lives be spent as good stewards of the earth;  
through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

*Canticle*

*Sirach 14:20,21; 15:3,4,5a,6b*

*VIIIg*



And Je - sus went down with them \* and came to Na-za- reth



and was o-be-dient to them. (TP them, al-le - lu - ia.)

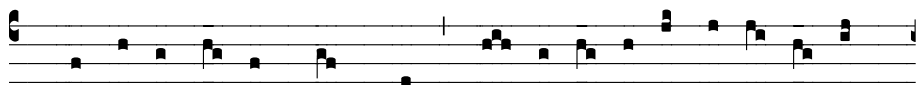
- 1 Happy is he who meditatés on wísdóm \*  
and reasons intélligéntly,
- 2 who reflects in his héart *ón* her ways \*  
and pónders her sécrets.
- 3 She will feed him with the bréad of léarning, \*  
and give him the water of wísdóm tó drink.
- 4 He will lean on hér and will not fall, \*  
and he will rely on her and nót be pút to shame.
- 5 He will find gladness and a crówn of rejóicing, \*  
and will inherit an éverlásting name.

## READING

## BENEDICTUS

*Exsurgens Joseph a somno (AM 840 Matt 1:24)*

*Ig<sup>3</sup>*



When Jo-seph a-woke from sleep \* he did as the Angel of the Lord



commanded him: he took Ma - ry to be his wife.



(TP) to be his wife, al-le - lu - ia.

Blessed be the Lord, **the** Gód of Ísrael; \*

he has come to his péople and sét them free.

He has raised up for us **a** míghty Sáviour, \*  
born of the house of his sérvant Dávid.

Through his holy prophets he promised ôf old, †  
that he would save **us** fróm our énemies, \*  
from the hands of áll who háte us.

He promised to show **mercy** tó our fáthers \*  
and to remember his hóly cóvenant.

This was the oath he swore to **our** fáther Ábraham, \*  
to set us free from the hánds of our énemies,

free to worship hím withóut fear, \*  
holy and righteous in his sight all the dáys of óur life.

You, my child, shall be called the **prophet** óf the Móst High, \*  
for you will go before the Lórd to prepáre his way,

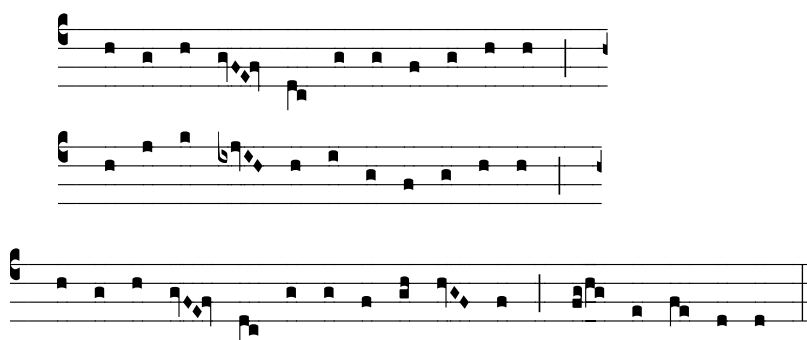
to give his people knowledge óf salvátion \*  
by the forgíveness óf their sins.

In the tender **compá**ssion óf our God \*  
the dawn from on high shall bréak upón us,

to shine on those who dwell in darkness and **the** shádów  
of death, \*  
and to guide our feet intó the wáy of peace.

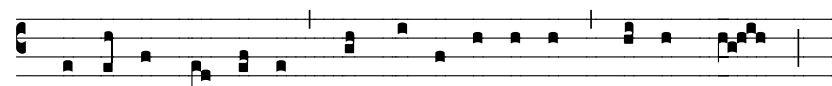
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## Hymn

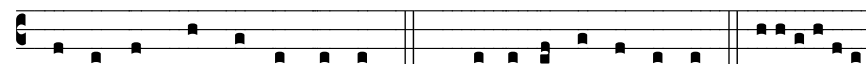


- 1 Joseph, acclaimed with glory in the heavens,  
nurturing new hope, Christ the world's salvation;  
graciously hear us as we sing your praises,  
joyful before you.
- 2 From the Creator came your high vocation,  
offspring of David, husband of the Virgin,  
God's will fulfilling, Jesus called you father,  
salvation's servant.
- 3 Prophets proclaimed him as the promised Saviour,  
our blest Redeemer, lying in a stable,  
gazing in wonder with his holy mother,  
God there you worshipped.
- 4 He who is Sovereign, Lord of all creation:  
hell's mighty armies flee before him trembling;  
he whom the angels praise in heav'n for ever,  
bows down before you.
- 5 Praise to the Father, Son, and Holy Spirit,  
he who has raised you, crowned with highest honour,  
blessed with your virtues, may our God then grant us,  
life everlasting.

**Caelitum, Joseph (Hieronymus Casanate d.1700)**  
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The pa-rents of Je-sus \* went to Je- ru-sa- lem e-very year



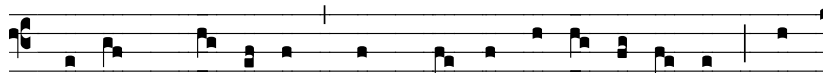
at the feast of the Pass-o-ver. (TP: Passover, al-le -lu - ia.)

## Psalm 86

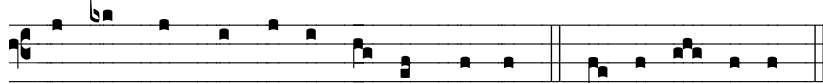
- 1 Bow down your ear, O Lórd, and ánswer me, \*  
for I am póor and in mísery.
- 2 Keep watch over my life, for Í am fáithful; \*  
save your sérvant who trústs in you.
- 3 Be merciful to me, O Lord, fór you áre my God; \*  
I call upon you áll the dáy long.
- 4 Gladden the sóul of your sérvant, \*  
for to you, O Lord, Í lift úp my soul.
- 5 For you, O Lord, are góod and forgíving, \*  
and great is your love towards all who cáll upón you.
- 6 Give ear, O Lórd, tó my prayer, \*  
and attend to the voice of my súpplicáti-  
ons.
- 7 In the time of my trouble I will cáll upón you, \*  
for yóu will ánswer me.
- 8 Among the gods there is nóne like yóu, O Lord, \*  
nor ánything líke your works.
- 9 All nations you have made  
will come and wórship yóu, O Lord, \*  
and glórfify your name.
- 10 For you are great; yóu do wóndrous things; \*

and yóu alóne are God.

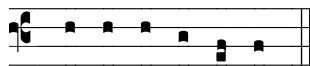
- 11 Teach me your way, Ô Lord, †  
and I will wálk in your truth; \*  
knit my heart to you that Í may fêar your name.
- 12 I will thank you, O Lord my Gód, with áll my heart, \*  
and glorify your náme for évermore.
- 13 For great is your lóve towárd me; \*  
you have delivered me from the néthermóst Pit.
- 14 The arrogant rise up against me, Ô God, †  
and a band of violént men séeks my life; \*  
they have not set yóu befóre their eyes.
- 15 But you, O Lord, are gracious and fúll of compásson, \*  
slow to anger and full of kíndness ánd truth.
- 16 Turn to me and have mercy upon mê; \* †  
give your stréngth to your sérvant;  
and save the child of your hándmaid.
- 17 Show me a sign of your favôur, †  
so that those who hate me may sée it and bé ashamed; \*  
because you, O Lord, have helped me and cómfortéd me.



The young child Je-sus \* stayed be - hind in Je - ru-sa - lem, and



Jos - eph and his mother did not know it. (TP it, al-le - lu - ia.)



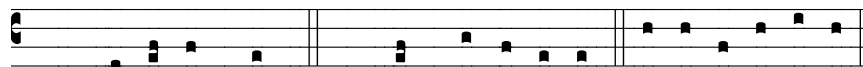
*Psalm 92*

*Ild*

- 1 It is a good thing to give thánks tó the Lord, \*  
and to sing praises to your náme, O Móst High;
- 2 To tell of your loving-kindness early ín the mórning \*  
and of your faithfulness ín the night séason;
- 3 On the psalterý and ón the lyre \*  
and to the mélody óf the harp.
- 4 For you have made me glád by your ácts, O Lord; \*  
and I shout for joy because of the wórks of yóur hands.
- 5 Lord, how gréat áre your works! \*  
your thóughts are véry deep.
- 6 The dullard does not know,  
nor does the fóol únderstand, \*  
that though the wicked grow like weeds,  
and all the workers of íniquity flóurish,
- 7 They flourish only to be destróyed for éver; \*  
but you, O Lord, are exálted for évermore.
- 8 For lo, your enemies, O Lord,  
lo, your enemíes shall pérish, \*  
and all the workers of iniquity sháll be scátered.
- 9 But my horn you have exalted  
like the hórns of wild bulls; \*  
I am anóinted with frésh oil.
- 10 My eyes also gloat óver my énemies, \*  
and my ears rejoice to hear the doom of the wicked  
who rise úp agáinst me.
- 11 The righteous shall flourish like a pálm tree, \*  
and shall spread abroad like a cédar of Lébanon.
- 12 Those who are planted in the house of thê Lord \* †  
shall flourish in the cóurts of óur God;
- 13 They shall still bear fruit in old age; \*  
they shall be gréen and súcculent;
- 14 That they may show how úpright the Lórd is, \*  
my rock, in whóm there is no fault.



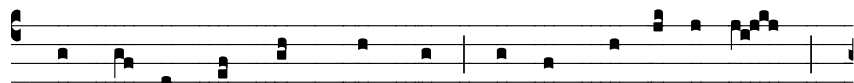
How is it that you sought me? Did you not know that I must be



in my Father's house? (TP house, al-le- lu - ia.)

### *Psalms 100*

- 1 Be joyful in the Lord, all you lands; \* †  
serve the Lord with gladness  
and come before his presence with a song.
- 2 Know this: The Lord himself is God; \* †  
he himself has made us and we are his;  
we are his people and the sheep of his pasture.
- 3 Enter his gates with thanksgiving; †  
go into his courts with praise; \*  
give thanks to him and call upon his name.
- 4 For the Lord is good; his mercy is everlasting; \*  
and his faithfulness endures from age to age.



And Je - sus went down with them \* and came to Na-za- reth



and was o-be-dient to them. (TP them, al-le - lu - ia.)

- 1 There is one God,  
and there is one mediator between God and man, \*  
Christ Jesus, himself man,
- 2 who sacrificed himself to win freedom for all mankind, \*  
the testimony to which was borne at the proper time.
- 3 He was manifested in the flesh, \*  
vindicated in the Spirit,
- 4 seen by angels, preached among the nations, \*  
believed on in the world, taken up in glory.
- 5 This will be made manifest at the proper time \*  
by the blessed and only Sovereign,  
the King of kings and Lord of lords,
- 6 who alone has immortality and dwells in unapproachable light,  
whom no man has ever seen or can see. \*  
To him be honour and eternal dominion. Amen.

### *READING*

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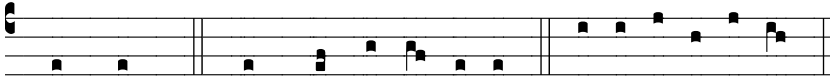
#### *Antiphon*

*Fidelis servus D\*27 (AM 671)*

IIIa



This wise and faithful servant \* the Lord appointed o - ver his



household. (TP) household, al-le - lu - ia.

My soul proclaims the greatness of the Lord,  
my spirit rejoices in God my Saviour \*  
for he has looked with favour on me his lowly servant.

From this day all generations **will** call me blessed: \*  
the Almighty has done great things for me,  
and hóly is his name.

He has mercy **on** thóse who féar him \*  
in every génerátion.

He has shown **the** strength of his arm, \*  
he has scattered the proud in their conceit.

He has cast down **the** mighty from their thrones, \*  
and has lifted up the lowly.

He has filled the **hú**ngry with góod things, \*  
and the rich he has sént away émpty.

He has come to the help of **his** *sérvant* Ísrael, \*  
for he has remembered his *prómise* of *mércy*,

the promise he **made** to our fáthers, \*  
to Abraham and his chíldren for éver.

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