**Psalms and canticles**

Psalms and verses from psalms

D1

Lord our God,  
the whole world tells the greatness of your name.  
Your glory reaches beyond the stars.

Even the babble of infants  
declares your strength,  
your power to halt the enemy and avenger.  
Your glory reaches beyond the stars.

I see your handiwork in the heavens:  
the moon and the stars you set in place.  
Your glory reaches beyond the stars.

What is humankind that you remember them,  
the human race that you care for them?  
Your glory reaches beyond the stars.

You treat them like gods,  
dressing them in glory and splendour.  
You give them charge of the earth, laying all at their feet:  
cattle and sheep, wild beasts,  
birds of the sky, fish of the sea, every swimming creature.  
Your glory reaches beyond the stars.

Lord our God,  
the whole world tells the greatness of your name.  
Your glory reaches beyond the stars.

D2

*Refrain:*

1 I will bless the Lord at all times;♦   
his praise shall ever be in my mouth.

2 My soul shall glory in the Lord; ♦   
let the humble hear and be glad.

3 O magnify the Lord with me; ♦   
let us exalt his name together.

4 I sought the Lord and he answered me ♦   
and delivered me from all my fears.

5 Look upon him and be radiant ♦   
and your faces shall not be ashamed.

6 This poor soul cried, and the Lord heard me ♦   
and saved me from all my troubles. R

7 The angel of the Lord encamps around those  
 who fear him ♦   
and delivers them.

8 O taste and see that the Lord is gracious; ♦   
blessed is the one who trusts in him.

9 Fear the Lord, all you his holy ones, ♦   
for those who fear him lack nothing.

10 Lions may lack and suffer hunger, ♦   
but those who seek the Lord  
 lack nothing that is good. R

11 Come, my children, and listen to me; ♦   
I will teach you the fear of the Lord.

12 Who is there who delights in life ♦   
and longs for days to enjoy good things?

13 Keep your tongue from evil ♦   
and your lips from lying words.

14 Turn from evil and do good; ♦   
seek peace and pursue it. R

15 The eyes of the Lord are upon the righteous ♦   
and his ears are open to their cry.

16 The face of the Lord is against those who do evil, ♦   
to root out the remembrance of them from the earth.

17 The righteous cry and the Lord hears them ♦   
and delivers them out of all their troubles.

18 The Lord is near to the brokenhearted ♦   
and will save those who are crushed in spirit. R

19 Many are the troubles of the righteous; ♦   
from them all will the Lord deliver them.

20 He keeps all their bones, ♦   
so that not one of them is broken.

21 But evil shall slay the wicked ♦   
and those who hate the righteous will be condemned.

22 The Lord ransoms the life of his servants ♦   
and will condemn none who seek refuge in him. R

D3

O magnify the Lord with me;  
let us exalt his name together.  
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let us exalt his name together.

I sought the Lord and he answered me;  
he delivered me from all my fears.  
O magnify the Lord with me.

In my weakness I cried to the Lord;  
he heard me and saved me from my troubles.  
Let us exalt his name together.

Glory to the Father and to the Son  
and to the Holy Spirit.  
O magnify the Lord with me;  
let us exalt his name together.

D4

Honour the Lord with me!  
Celebrate his great name.  
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Celebrate his great name.

I asked the Lord for help  
and he saved me from all my fears.  
Honour the Lord with me.

I was a nobody, but I prayed,  
and the Lord saved me from all my troubles.  
Celebrate his great name.

Glory to the Father and to the Son  
and to the Holy Spirit.  
Honour the Lord with me.  
Celebrate his great name.

D5

*Refrain:*The Lord is close to the brokenhearted;  
blessed be the Lord.

Cantor/Choir:   
I will bless the Lord at all times,   
 God’s praise always on my lips;  
glorify the Lord with me,   
 together let us praise God’s name. R

I sought the Lord and was heard;   
 from all my terrors set free.  
When the poor cry out the Lord hears them  
 and rescues them from all their distress. R

The Lord is close to the brokenhearted;  
 those whose spirit is crushed God will save.  
Many are the trials of the upright   
 but the Lord will come to rescue them. R

D6

*Refrain:*  
Glorify the Lord with me; exalt his name, for great is he!   
I'll praise the Lord for ever and ever.

I'll praise the Lord for ever and ever,  
my soul shall boast of his wonderful name: R

I sought the Lord, he answered my calling,  
delivered me from my innermost fears: R

O taste and see how gracious the Lord is –  
secure are they who take refuge in him: R

The Lord redeems the faithful who serve him,  
and those who trust him he never condemns. R

D7

You put a new song in my mouth:  
a song of praise to you, my God.   
You put a new song in my mouth:  
a song of praise to you, my God.

I waited patiently for you, Lord;  
you bent down to me and heard my cry for help.  
You put a new song in my mouth.

Many shall see, and stand amazed,  
and put their trust in you, Lord.  
You put a new song in my mouth.

I love to do your will, Lord God;  
your law is deep in my heart.  
You put a new song in my mouth.

I proclaimed your righteousness in the gathering of   
 God’s people;  
I did not hold back from speaking out.  
You put a new song in my mouth.

Glory to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Spirit.  
You put a new song in my mouth:  
a song of praise to you, my God.

cf Psalm 40.1-3, 9,10

D8

The Lord is with us, he is our stronghold;  
God will help at the break of day.  
The Lord is with us, he is our stronghold;  
God will help at the break of day.

God is our refuge and strength,  
ready to help whenever we are in trouble:  
God will help at the break of day.

We will not fear, even if the earth shakes,  
and the mountains topple into the sea:  
God will help at the break of day.

Come now and look at the works of the Lord,  
the awesome things he has done on earth:  
God will help at the break of day.

Be still and know that I am God;  
I will be exalted among the nations;  
I will be exalted in the earth:  
God will help at the break of day.

Glory to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Spirit.  
The Lord is with us, he is our stronghold:  
God will help at the break of day.

Psalm 46.1-3, 8, 10

D9

Leader  Let the praises of God ring out.

All  He is the source of our life.

A  Let all creation rejoice in God;

B  sing the glory of his name.

A  Come and see the work of God,

B  how wonderful he is to all people.

A  He turned the sea into dry land,

B  so his people went through the water on foot.

A  There we rejoiced in him.

B  In his might he rules for ever.

Leader  Glory to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Spirit.

All  Let the praises of God ring out.  
He is the source of our life.

cf Psalm 66.4-8

D10

Help me, God.  
Lord, be quick to save me.  
People are plotting to kill me;  
humble them, shame them.

They want to ruin me;  
ruin and disgrace them.  
Let those who jeer at me  
swallow their shameful taunts.

But those who seek you  
and trust your saving love  
rejoice and always sing,  
‘God is great.’

I am poor and helpless,  
O God, hurry to my side!  
Lord, my help, my rescue,  
do not delay.

D11

Come, let us sing to the Lord our God;  
raise the roof to the Rock of rescue.

Come into the presence of the Lord with thanks;  
raise the rafters with songs of praise.

The Lord is the great God, over all;  
greater than every other power.

He holds the depths of the earth in his hands,  
and the mountain peaks belong to him.

The ocean is the Lord’s: it was made by God;  
the land was formed by his own hands.

Come, let us bow before the Lord our maker;  
with humble hearts we worship God.

The Lord is God and we are his;  
we are the Shepherd’s very own flock.

cf Psalm 95.1-7

D12

Turn your ear to me;  
be swift to answer when I call.

All Turn your ear to me;  
be swift to answer when I call.

Lord, hear my prayer,  
and let my cry come before you:

All be swift to answer when I call.

Do not hide your face from me  
in the day of my trouble:

All be swift to answer when I call.

You, Lord, endure for ever,  
and your name from age to age:

All be swift to answer when I call.

You will be moved to have compassion on Zion,  
for it is time to have pity on her:

All be swift to answer when I call.

Glory to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Spirit.

All Turn your ear to me;  
be swift to answer when I call.

cf Psalm 102.1, 2, 12, 13

D13

When I was really going through it, I prayed to the Lord.  
He answered my prayer, and set me free.

The Lord is on my side,  
I am not afraid of what others can do to me.

With the Lord on my side  
I will defeat all my enemies.

It is best to trust the Lord for protection.  
Don’t put your trust in anyone else.

cf Psalm 118.5-8

D14

Open the gates of justice!  
I will enter and tell the Lord how thankful I am.

Here is the gate of the Lord!   
All who do right may enter this gate.  
I praise the Lord for answering my prayers and   
 **saving me.**

The stone the builders rejected has now become   
 the most important stone.  
The Lord has done this, and it is amazing to us.

This is a day that belongs to the Lord!  
Let us rejoice and be glad today.

We’ll ask the Lord to save us.  
We’ll ask the Lord to let us succeed.

God bless the one who comes in the name of the Lord.  
We bless you from here, in the house of the Lord.

The Lord is God; he has given us light.  
Let us join the joyful procession to the   
 **altar of the Lord.**

The Lord is my God.  
I will praise him and tell him how thankful I am.

Tell the Lord how thankful you are  
because he is kind and always merciful.

cf Psalm 118.19-29

D15

Treat me with kindness, Lord  
so that I may live and do what you say.  
Open my mind:  
let me discover the wonders of your law.

Your laws are my greatest joy!  
I do what they say.

I am at the point of death.  
Breathe new life into me, as your word   
 **has promised.**

When I told you my troubles, you answered my prayers.  
Now teach me your laws.  
Help me to understand your teachings,  
and I will think about your marvellous deeds.

I am overcome with sorrow.  
Strengthen me, as you have promised.  
I am eager to do all that you want.  
Help me to understand more and more.

cf Psalm 119.17, 18, 24-28, 32

D16

Out of the depths I have called to you, Lord.  
Let your ears be open to hear my voice.  
My hope is in God’s word.

If you recorded all our sins  
who could come before you?  
My hope is in God’s word.

There is forgiveness with you:  
therefore you shall be feared.  
My hope is in God’s word.

My soul is longing for the Lord,  
more than those who watch for daybreak.   
My hope is in God’s word.

O Israel, wait for the Lord,  
for with the Lord there is mercy.  
My hope is in God’s word.

Glory to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Spirit.  
My hope is in God’s word.

D17

O Lord, we call to you: come to us quickly.  
Hear us when we cry to you.  
Let our prayers rise up before you like incense:  
let our lifted hands be like an evening sacrifice.

Put a guard on our mouths, O Lord;  
keep watch over our lips.  
Turn our hearts from evil desires,  
and keep us from doing wrong.

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.

cf Psalm 141.1-4

D18

Great is the Lord and greatly to be praised:  
there is no end to his greatness.  
One generation shall praise your works to another,  
and shall declare your power.

All creation praises you, Lord,  
and your faithful servants bless you.  
They declare the glory of your kingdom  
and tell of your mighty power.

My mouth shall proclaim the praise of the Lord.  
Let every living thing bless his holy name   
 **for ever and ever.**

cf Psalm 145.3, 4, 10, 11, 12, 21

Canticles

D19

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,  
the 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 praise,  
the Holy Spirit, advocate and guide.

You, Christ, are the King of glory,  
the eternal Son of the Father.  
When you took our flesh to set us free:  
you humbly chose 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 and 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.

Save your people, Lord, and bless your inheritance.  
Govern and uphold them now and always.

Day by day we bless you.  
We praise your name for ever.

Keep us today, Lord, from all sin.  
Have mercy on us, Lord, have mercy.

Lord, show us your love and mercy,  
for we have put our trust in you.

In you, Lord, is our hope:  
let us never be put to shame.

D20

God, we praise you, God, we bless you,  
God, we name you sovereign Lord!  
Mighty king whom angels worship,  
Father, by your Church adored:  
All creation shows your glory,  
Heaven and earth draw near your throne  
Singing ‘Holy, holy, holy,’  
Lord of hosts, and God alone.

True apostles, faithful prophets,  
Saints who set their world ablaze,  
Martyrs, once unknown, unheeded,  
Join one growing song of praise,  
While your Church on earth confesses  
One majestic Trinity:  
Father, Son, and Holy Spirit,  
God, our hope eternally.

Jesus Christ, the King of glory,  
Everlasting Son of God,  
Humble was your virgin mother,  
Hard the lonely path you trod:  
By your cross is sin defeated,  
Hell confronted face to face,  
Heaven opened to believers,  
Sinners justified by grace.

Christ, at God's right hand victorious,  
You will judge the world you made;  
Lord, in mercy help your servants  
For whose freedom you have paid:  
Raise us up from dust to glory,  
Guard us from all sin today;  
King enthroned above all praises,  
Save your people, God, we pray.

8.7.8.7.D

D21

*Refrain:*  
Alleluia, alleluia. Alleluia, alleluia.

Father, we praise you as Lord,   
all of the earth gives you worship,  
for your majesty fills the heavens, fills the earth. R

Blessed apostles sing praise;   
prophets and martyrs give glory:  
‘for your majesty praise the Spirit, praise the Son!’ R

You are the Christ everlasting   
born for us all of a virgin,  
you have conquered death, opened heaven to all believers. R

Help those you saved by your blood,   
raise them to life with your martyrs.  
Save your people, Lord, as their ruler raise them up. R

D22

1 O come, let us sing to the Lord; ♦   
let us heartily rejoice in the rock of our salvation.

2 Let us come into his presence with thanksgiving ♦   
and be glad in him with psalms.

3 For the Lord is a great God ♦   
and a great king above all gods.

4 In his hand are the depths of the earth ♦   
and the heights of the mountains are his also.

5 The sea is his, for he made it, ♦   
and his hands have moulded the dry land.

6 Come, let us worship and bow down ♦   
and kneel before the Lord our Maker.

7 For he is our God; ♦   
we are the people of his pasture and the sheep of his hand.

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.

cf Psalm 95

D23

Come, worship God who is worthy of honour,  
Enter his presence with thanks and a song!  
He is the rock of his people’s salvation,  
To whom our jubilant praises belong.

Ruled by his might are the heights of the mountains,  
Held in his hands are the depths of the earth;  
His is the sea, his the land for he made them,  
King above all gods, who gave us our birth.

We are his people, the sheep of his pasture,  
He is our maker and to him we pray;  
Gladly we kneel in obedience before him –  
Great is the God whom we worship this day!

Now let us listen, for God speaks among us,  
Open our hearts and receive what he says:  
Peace be to all who remember his goodness,  
Trust in his word and rejoice in his ways!

11.10.11.10

D24

1 O be joyful in the Lord, all the earth; ♦   
serve the Lord with gladness  
 and come before his presence with a song.

2 Know that the Lord is God; ♦   
it is he that has made us and we are his;  
 we are his people and the sheep of his pasture.

3 Enter his gates with thanksgiving  
 and his courts with praise; ♦   
give thanks to him and bless his name.

4 For the Lord is gracious; his steadfast love is everlasting ♦   
and his faithfulness endures from generation to generation.

Psalm 100

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.

D25

Jubilate, ev'rybody,  
serve the Lord in all your ways,  
and come before his presence singing:  
enter now his courts with praise.  
For the Lord our God is gracious,  
and his mercy everlasting,  
Jubilate, Jubilate, Jubilate Deo!

D26

Come, rejoice before your maker  
All you peoples of the earth;  
Serve the Lord your God with gladness,  
Come before him with a song!

Know for certain that Jehovah  
Is the true and only God:  
We are his, for he has made us;  
We are sheep within his fold.

Come with grateful hearts before him,  
Enter now his courts with praise;  
Show your thankfulness towards him,  
Give due honour to his name.

For the Lord our God is gracious,  
Everlasting in his love;  
And to every generation  
His great faithfulness endures.

8.7.8.7

D27

*Refrain:*Laudate Dominum, laudate Dominum,  
Omnes gentes, alleluia!

We come before you with joyful songs,  
 alleluia, alleluia.  
You are our God, you have made us,   
 alleluia, alleluia, R

You are our God, we belong to you,   
 alleluia, alleluia,  
We are your people, the sheep of your flock,   
 alleluia, alleluia, R

Let us then enter your gates with thanksgiving,   
 alleluia, alleluia,  
Let us give thanks and praise your name,   
 alleluia, alleluia, R

For you are good and your love lasts forever,   
 alleluia, alleluia,  
Your faithfulness lasts from age to age,   
 alleluia, alleluia, R

D28

Sing all creation, sing to God in gladness!  
Joyously serve him, singing hymns of homage!  
Chanting his praises, come before his presence!  
Praise the Almighty!

Know that our God is Lord of all the ages!  
He is our maker, we are all his creatures,  
people he fashioned, sheep he leads to pasture!  
Praise the Almighty!

Enter his temple, ringing out his praises!  
Sing in thanksgiving as you come before him!  
Blessing his bounty, glorify his greatness!  
Praise the Almighty!

Great in his goodness is the Lord we worship;  
steadfast his kindness, love that knows no ending!  
Faithful his word is, changeless, everlasting!  
Praise the Almighty!

11.11.11.5

D29

1 Bless the Lord all you works of the Lord: ♦   
sing his praise and exalt him for ever.

2 Bless the Lord you heavens: ♦   
sing his praise and exalt him for ever.

3 Bless the Lord you angels of the Lord: ♦   
sing his praise and exalt him for ever.

4 Bless the Lord all people on earth: ♦   
sing his praise and exalt him for ever.

5 O people of God bless the Lord: ♦   
sing his praise and exalt him for ever.

6 Bless the Lord you priests of the Lord: ♦   
sing his praise and exalt him for ever.

7 Bless the Lord you servants of the Lord: ♦   
sing his praise and exalt him for ever.

8 Bless the Lord all you of upright spirit: ♦   
bless the Lord you that are holy and humble in heart;

bless the Father, the Son and the Holy Spirit: ♦   
sing his praise and exalt him for ever.

D30

*Refrain:*  
O sing hallelujah  
and praise God for evermore!

Glory to God above!   
Heavens declare his love;  
praise him, you angels,   
praise him all you high and heavenly host.  
Worship him, sun and moon;   
stars, complement their tune:  
grounded in God’s good purpose   
let his grace become your boast. R

Glory to God below   
let depths of ocean show;  
lightning and hail, snow,   
wind and cloud perform at his command!  
Let every mountain range,   
forest and grove and grange,  
creatures of earth and air and sea   
praise God in every land. R

‘Glory to God!’ now sing   
commoner, queen and king;  
women and men of every age   
unite to praise the Lord.  
Worship God’s holy name   
and let your lives proclaim  
God’s saving power extends to those   
who love and serve his word. R

D31

*Refrain:*     
Let us sing to the Lord, let us sing to the Lord!  
Let us sing to the Lord, let us sing to the Lord!

Cantor:  
All creation bless the Lord;   
and you, angels of the Lord,  
praise and glorify the Lord. R

Sun and moon, bless the Lord;   
and you, night and day, bless the Lord,   
and you, light and darkness, bless the Lord. R

Praise the Lord all the earth.   
Birds of the air, bless the Lord,  
all creatures of the sea, bless the Lord. R

Fire and hail, bless the Lord.   
Snow and frost, bless the Lord,  
mountains and hills, bless the Lord. R

Praised be Christ, he is our hope,   
he is the joy of our hearts,  
compassionate and gracious is our God. R

The Lord opens up a way   
and leads us on paths of life,  
the earth is full of God’s love. R

The glory of the Lord fills the earth.   
Let all peoples bless God’s name,  
Let everything that breathes bless the Lord. R

D32

*Refrain:*  
You have raised up for us a mighty Saviour,  
born of the house of your servant David.

1  Blessed be the Lord the God of Israel, ♦   
who has come to his people and set them free.

2  He has raised up for us a mighty Saviour, ♦   
born of the house of his servant David.

3  Through his holy prophets God promised of old ♦   
to save us from our enemies,  
 from the hands of all that hate us,

4  To show mercy to our ancestors, ♦   
and to remember his holy covenant.

5  This was the oath God swore to our father Abraham: ♦   
to set us free from the hands of our enemies,

6  Free to worship him without fear, ♦   
holy and righteous in his sight   
 all the days of our life.

7  And you, child, shall be called the prophet   
 of the Most High,♦   
for you will go before the Lord to prepare his way,

8  To give his people knowledge of salvation ♦   
by the forgiveness of all their sins.

9  In the tender compassion of our God ♦   
the dawn from on high shall break upon us,

10  To shine on those who dwell in darkness  
 and the shadow of death, ♦   
and to guide our feet into the way of peace.

Luke 1.68-79

 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.

You have raised up for us a mighty Saviour,  
born of the house of your servant David.

D33

Now bless the God of Israel   
who comes in love and power,   
who raises from the royal house   
deliv’rance in this hour.  
Through holy prophets God has sworn   
to free us from alarm,  
to save us from the heavy hand   
of all who wish us harm.

Remembering the covenant,   
God rescues us from fear,  
that we might serve in holiness   
and peace from year to year.  
And you, my child, shall go before,   
to preach, to prophesy,  
that all may know the tender love,   
the grace of God most high.

In tender mercy, God will send   
the dayspring from on high,  
Our rising sun, the light of life   
for those who sit and sigh.  
God comes to guide our way to peace,   
that death shall reign no more.  
Sing praises to the Holy One,   
O worship and adore.

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D34

O bless the God of Israel,  
who comes to set us free,  
who visits and redeems us  
and grants us liberty.  
The prophets spoke of mercy,  
of rescue and release;  
God shall fulfil the promise  
to bring our people peace.

Now from the house of David  
a child of grace is given;  
a Saviour comes among us  
to raise us up to heaven.  
Before him goes the herald,  
forerunner in the way,  
the prophet of salvation,  
the messenger of Day.

Where once were fear and darkness  
the sun begins to rise -  
the dawning of forgiveness  
upon the sinner's eyes,  
to guide the feet of pilgrims  
along the paths of peace:  
O bless our God and Saviour,  
with songs that never cease!

7.6.7.6.D

D35

Blest be the Lord, the God of Israel,  
Who brings the dawn and darkest night dispels,  
Who raises up a mighty saviour from the earth,  
Of David’s line, a son of royal birth.

The prophets tell a story just begun  
Of vanquished foe and glorious victory won,  
Of promise made to all who keep the law as guide:  
God’s faithful love and mercy will abide.

Men:  
This is the oath once sworn to Abraham:  
All shall be free to dwell upon the land,  
Free now to praise, unharmed by the oppressor’s rod,  
Holy and righteous in the sight of God.

Women:  
And you, my child, this day you shall be called  
The promised one, the prophet of our God,  
For you will go before the Lord to clear the way,  
And shepherd all into the light of day.

The tender love God promised from our birth  
Is soon to shine upon this shadowed earth,  
To shine on those whose sorrows seem to never cease,  
to guide our feet into the path of peace.

10.10.12.10

D36

*Refrain:*You have done great things, O God,  
and holy is your name.

1  My soul proclaims the greatness of the Lord,  
 my spirit rejoices in God my Saviour; ♦   
he has looked with favour on his lowly servant.

2  From this day all generations will call me blessed; ♦   
the Almighty has done great things for me  
 and holy is his name.

3  He has mercy on those who fear him, ♦   
from generation to generation.

4  He has shown strength with his arm ♦   
and has scattered the proud in their conceit,

5  Casting down the mighty from their thrones ♦   
and lifting up the lowly.

6  He has filled the hungry with good things ♦   
and sent the rich away empty.

7  He has come to the aid of his servant Israel, ♦   
to remember his promise of mercy,

8  The promise made to our ancestors, ♦   
to Abraham and his children for ever.

Luke 1.46-55

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.

You have done great things, O God,  
and holy is your name.

D37

With Mary let my soul rejoice,  
And praise God’s holy name –  
His saving love from first to last,  
From age to age the same!

How strong his arm, how great his power!  
The proud he will disown;  
The meek and humble he exalts  
To share his glorious throne.

The rich our God will send away  
And feed the hungry poor  
The arms of love remain outstretched  
At mercy’s open door.

So shall God’s promise be fulfilled,  
To Israel firmly made:  
A child is born, a Son is given  
Whose crown will never fade.

All glory to the Father, Son  
And Spirit now proclaim;  
With Mary let the world rejoice  
And praise God’s holy name!

D38

*Refrain:*  
And holy is his name through all generations!  
Everlasting is his mercy to the people he has chosen,  
and holy is his name!

My soul is filled with joy as I sing to God my Saviour:  
he has looked upon his servant, he has visited his people. R

I am lowly as a child, but I know from this day forward  
that my name will be remembered, for the world will call   
 me blessed. R

I proclaim the pow’r of God! He does marvels for   
 his servants;  
though he scatters the proud-hearted and destroys   
 the might of princes. R

To the hungry he gives food, sends the rich away empty.  
In his mercy he is mindful of the people he has chosen. R

In his love he now fulfils what he promised to our fathers.  
I will praise the Lord, my Saviour. Everlasting is his mercy. R

D39

Great is the Lord my soul proclaims,   
 in him my Spirit sings for joy;  
for he who saves has looked on me   
 with boundless love to raise me high.

Ages to come shall know that I am blessed and favoured   
 by the Lord:  
his name is holy, mighty God;   
 his wondrous power on me is poured.

All those who fear him find his love, in ev’ry age,   
 in ev’ry land.  
His strong right arm puts down the proud,   
 disperses them like grains of sand.

Down from their thrones he casts the strong,   
 and raises up the meek of heart,  
he gives the hungry choicest food;   
 in emptiness the rich depart.

Israel, his servant, knows his help in keeping   
 with the promise sworn  
to Abraham and all his race:   
 God’s love will never be withdrawn.

Glory to God: the Father, Son, and Spirit, Trinity sublime.  
All honour, thanks and praise be theirs across   
 the spans of endless time.

D40

*Refrain:*  
The Almighty works marvels for me.  
Holy his name, holy his name.

Verses (Cantor)  
My soul glorifies the Lord.   
My Spirit rejoices in God my Saviour.  
He looks on his servant in her lowliness;  
henceforth all ages will call me blessed. R

His mercy is from age to age;  
on those who fear him, on those who fear him  
he puts forth his arm in strength   
and scatters the proud-hearted;  
he casts the mighty down and raises the lowly. R

He protects Israel, rememb’ring his mercy,  
as he promised to our fathers,  
to Abraham and his children for ever.   
Alleluia. R

D41

My soul proclaims the greatness of the Lord.  
My spirit sings to God, my saving God,  
who on this day above all others favoured me  
and raised me up, a light for all to see.

Through me great deeds will God make manifest,  
and all the earth will come to call me blest.  
Unbounded love and mercy sure will I proclaim  
for all who know and praise God’s holy name. R

God’s mighty arm, protector of the just,  
will guard the weak and raise them from the dust.  
But mighty kings will swiftly fall from thrones corrupt,  
the strong brought low, the lowly lifted up. R

Soon will the poor and hungry of the earth  
be richly blest, be given greater worth,  
and Israel, as once foretold to Abraham,  
will live in peace throughout the promised land. R

All glory be to God, Creator blest,  
to Jesus Christ, God’s love made manifest,  
and to the Holy Spirit, gentle Comforter,  
all glory be, both now and evermore. R

10.10.12.10

D42

1 Christ our passover has been sacrificed for us: ♦   
so let us celebrate the feast,

2 not with the old leaven of corruption and wickedness: ♦   
but with the unleavened bread of sincerity and truth.

1 Corinthians 5.7b, 8

3 Christ once raised from the dead dies no more: ♦   
death has no more dominion over him.

4 In dying he died to sin once for all: ♦   
in living he lives to God.

5 See yourselves therefore as dead to sin: ♦   
and alive to God in Jesus Christ our Lord.

Romans 6.9-11

6 Christ has been raised from the dead: ♦   
the first-fruits of those who sleep.

7 For as by man came death: ♦   
by man has come also the resurrection of the dead;

8 for as in Adam all die: ♦   
even so in Christ shall all be made alive.

1 Corinthians 15.20-22

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.

D43

1 Now, Lord, you let your servant go in peace: ♦   
your word has been fulfilled.

2 My own eyes have seen the salvation ♦   
which you have prepared in the sight of every people;

3 A light to reveal you to the nations ♦   
and the glory of your people Israel.

Luke 2.29-32

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.

D44

Lord, now let your servant  
Go his way in peace.  
Your great love has brought me  
Joy that will not cease:

For my eyes have seen him  
Promised from of old,  
Saviour of all people,  
Shepherd of one fold.

Light of revelation  
To the gentiles shown,  
Light of Israel's glory  
To the world made known.

6.5.6.5

D45

Jesus, hope of every nation,  
Light of heaven upon our way;  
Promise of the world’s salvation,  
Spring of life’s eternal day!

Saints by faith on God depending  
Wait to see Messiah born;  
Sin’s oppressive night is ending  
In the glory of the dawn!

Look, he comes! – the long-awaited  
Christ, redeemer, living Word;  
Hope and faith are vindicated  
As with joy we greet the Lord.

Glory in the highest heaven  
To the Father, Spirit, Son;  
And on earth let praise be given  
To our God, the Three-in-One!

8.7.8.7.

D46

O gladdening light,  
of the holy glory of the immortal Father  
heavenly, holy, blessed,  
O Jesus Christ.

Now that we have come to the setting of the sun  
and see the evening light  
we give praise to God,  
Father, Son and Holy Spirit.

Worthy are you at all times  
to be worshipped with holy voices,  
O Son of God and giver of life:  
therefore all the world glorifies you.

D47

Light of gladness, Lord of glory,  
Jesus Christ our king most holy,  
Shine among us in your mercy:  
Earth and heaven join their hymn.

Let us sing at sun’s descending  
As we see the lights of evening,  
Father, Son and Spirit praising  
With the holy seraphim.

Son of God, through all the ages  
Worthy of our holiest praises,  
Yours the life that never ceases,  
Light which never shall grow dim.