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Twelve Communion Propers for Lent

for Congregation, Schola, Organ, SATB

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Ash Wednesday | Communion | *Qui meditabitur*

Psalm 1: Ant. 2b, 3b, Vss.: Psalm 30 (29)

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He who me - di - tates day and night on the law of the Lord, shall bear fruit in due sea - son.

1. Bless - ed indeed is the man who follows not the counsel of the wick - ed,
2. but whose delight is the law of the Lord, and who ponders his law day and night. *(ant.)*
3. He is like a tree that is planted † beside the flow - ing waters, that yields its fruit in due sea - son.
4. Not so are the wicked, not so! For they like winowed chaff,† shall be driven away by the wind. *(ant.)*
5. When the wicked are judged they shall not rise, nor shall sinners in the council of the just;

(Optional SATB):

1. nor stands in the path of sinners, nor abides in the compan - y of scorners.
3. and whose leaves shall nev - er fade; and all that he does shall prosper.
5. for the Lord knows the way of the just, but the way of the wicked will perish.

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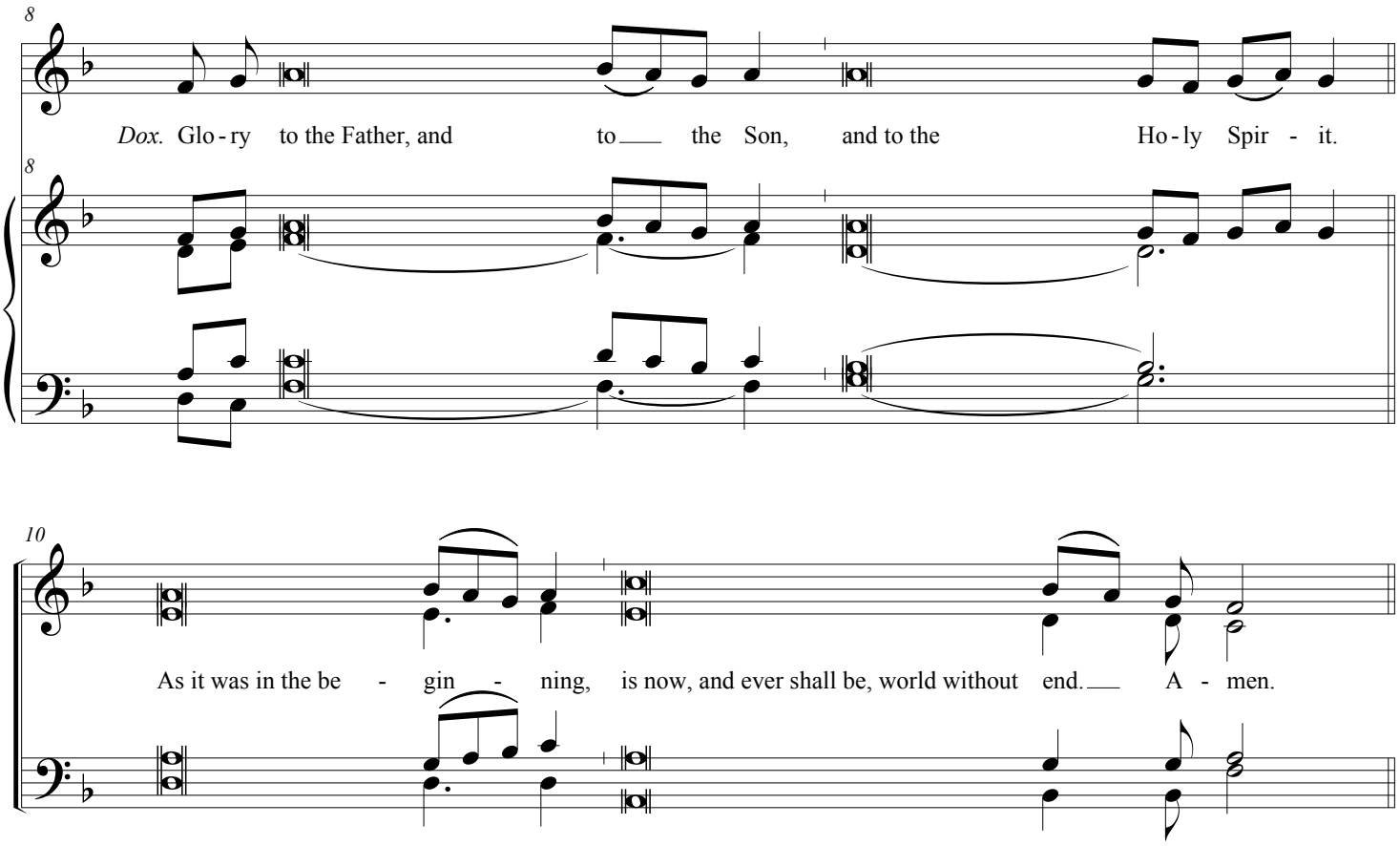
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Dox. Glo - ry to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Ho - ly Spir - it.
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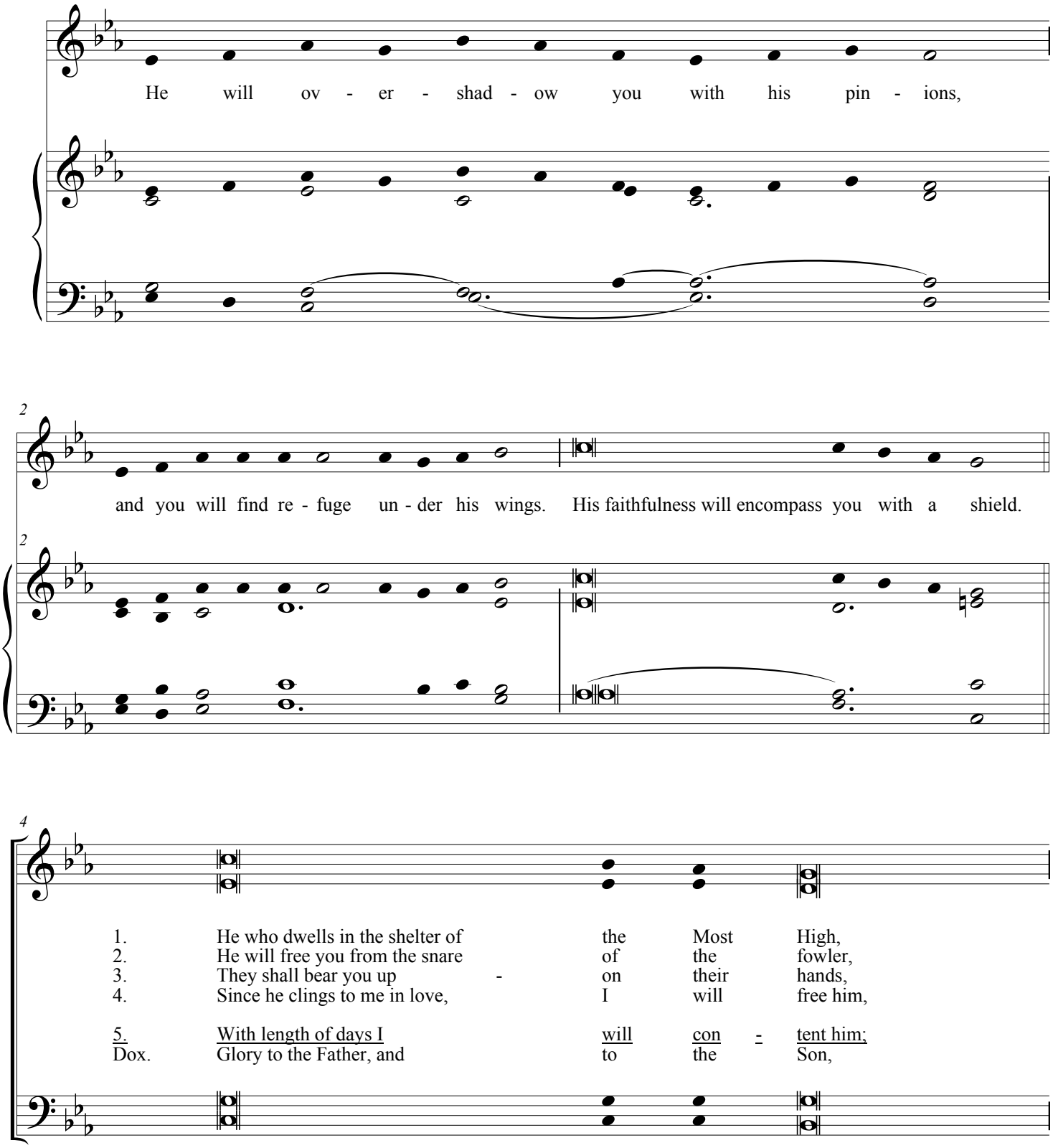
As it was in the be - gin - ning, is now, and ever shall be, world without end. A - men.

Ant. Psalm91 (90): 4-5, Vss.: Psalm91 (90)



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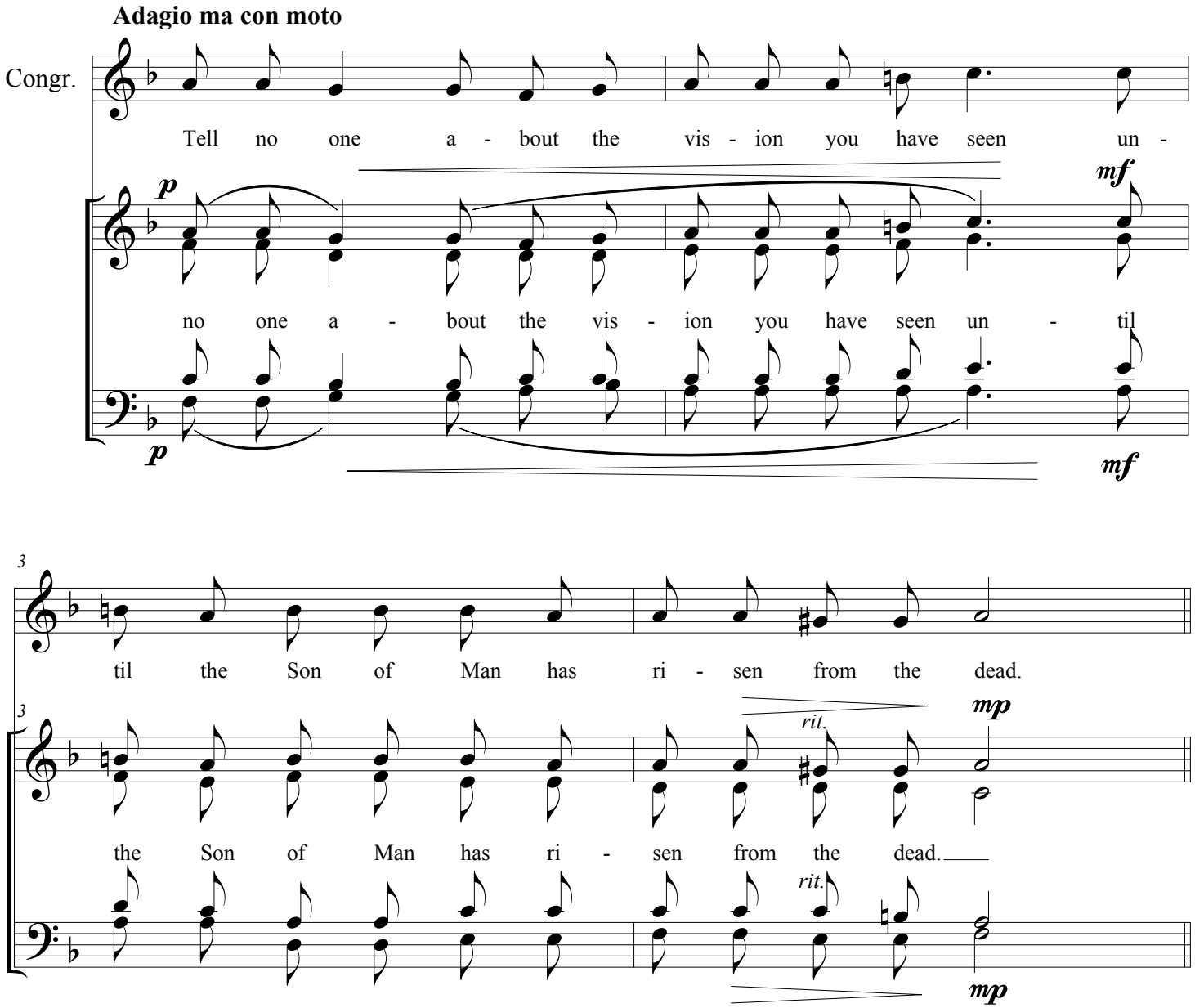
and abides in the shade of the Al - mighty, says to the Lord, "My
from the de - struc - tive plague; For you he has command - ed his
lest you strike your foot a - gainst a stone. On the lion and the viper you will
protect him, for he knows my name. When he calls on me, I will

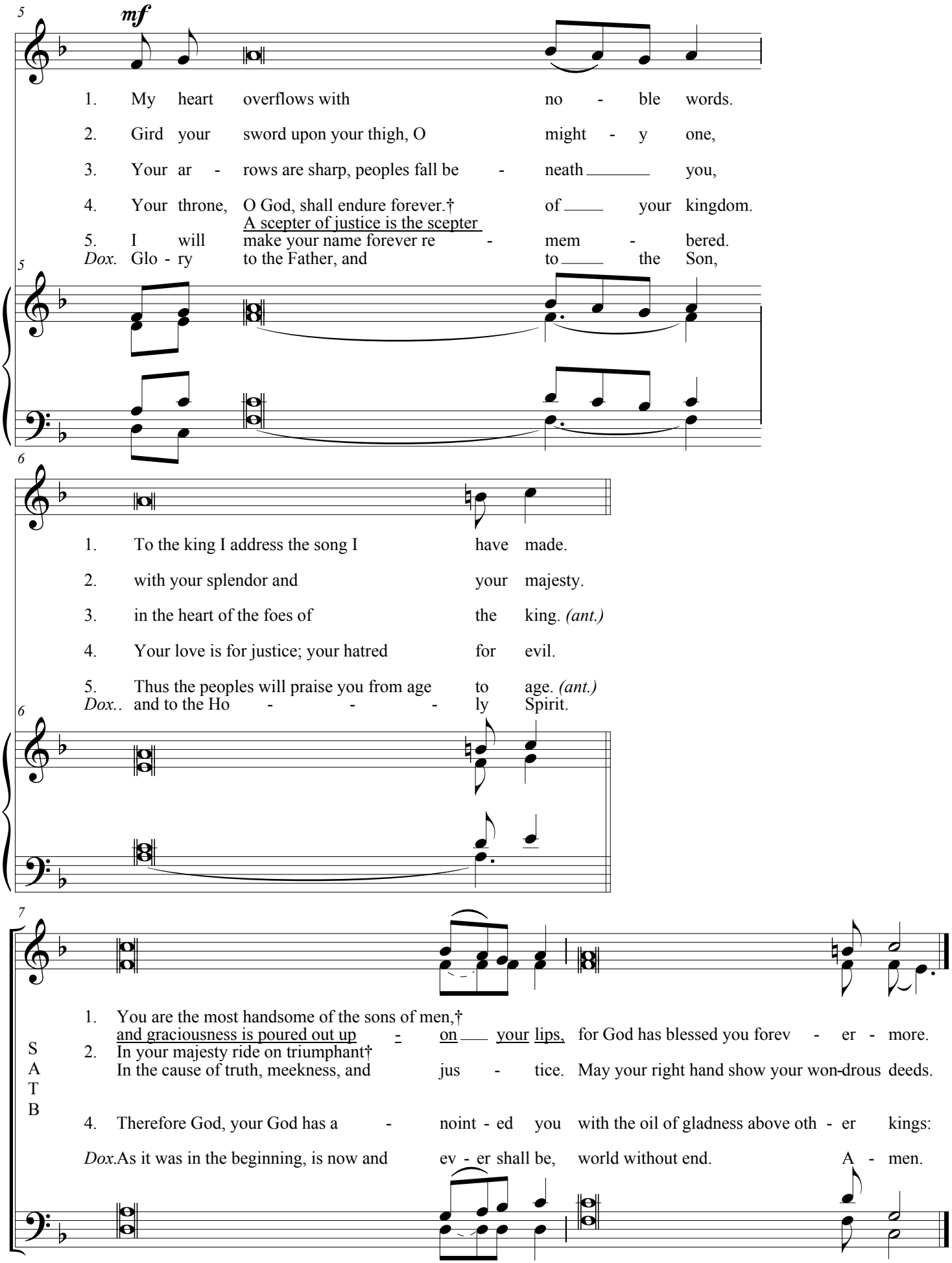
{
and to the Ho - ly Spirit. As it was in the beginning, is now, and ev-er shall

9

refuge, my stronghold, my God in whom I trust!"
angels to keep you in all of his ways.
tread, and trample the lion and the serpent.
answer him; I will be with him in distress;† give him glory.
I will deliver him, and
} I will show him my sav - ing power.
be, world without end. A - men.

Ant. Mt: 17: 9; Vss.: Ps. 45 (44)

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mf
1. My heart overflows with no - ble words.
2. Gird your sword upon your thigh, O might - y one,
3. Your ar - rows are sharp, peoples fall be - neath you,
4. Your throne, O God, shall endure forever.† of your kingdom.
A scepter of justice is the scepter
5. I will make your name forever re - mem - bered.
Dox. Glo - ry to the Father, and to the Son,
6
1. To the king I address the song I have made.
2. with your splendor and your majesty.
3. in the heart of the foes of the king. (ant.)
4. Your love is for justice; your hatred for evil.
5. Thus the peoples will praise you from age to age. (ant.)
Dox.. and to the Ho - - - ly Spirit.
7
1. You are the most handsome of the sons of men,†
and graciousness is poured out up - on your lips, for God has blessed you forev - er - more.
S 2. In your majesty ride on triumphant†
A In the cause of truth, meekness, and jus - tice. May your right hand show your won-drous deeds.
T
B
4. Therefore God, your God has a - noint - ed you with the oil of gladness above oth - er kings:
Dox.As it was in the beginning, is now and ev - er shall be, world without end. A - men.

Ant. Psalm 84 (83) : 4, 5; Vss. 2-3, 9-13

Andante Tranquillo con moto

mp

The spar - row finds a home and the swal - low a nest for her young;

legato sempre

Organ

p

mf

by your al - tars, O Lord of hosts, my King and my God.

mp

mp *mf* *mp*

Bless - ed are they who dwell in your house for ev - er sing - ing your praise.

p *mp* *p*

7

mf

1. How love - ly is your dwell - ing place, O Lord of hosts.
My soul is longing and yearn - ing for the courts of the Lord
2. O Lord God of hosts, hear my prayer; give ear, O God of Jacob.
3. One day with - in your courts is better than a thous - and elsewhere.
4. For the Lord God is a sun, a shield; the Lord will give us his favor and glory.
he will not withhold an - y good to those who walk with - out blame.
Dox. Glo - ry to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Ho - ly Spirit.

7

9 *(Optional SATB):*

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A
T
B

1. My heart and my flesh cry out to the liv - ing God.
2. Turn your eyes, O God our shield; look on the face of your an - ointed
3. The threshold of the house of God I prefer to the dwellings of the wicked.
4. O Lord of hosts, how blessed is the man who trusts in you!
Dox. As it was in the beginning, is now and ev - er shall be, world without end. A - men.

Third Sunday of Lent | Communion | *Qui biberit aquam*

Cycle A (When the Gospel of the Samaritan Woman is read)

Ant. John: 4:13,14; Vss.: Isaiah 12

Congr. Schola

"Who-so - ev - er drinks the wa - ter that I shall off - er", said the Lord,

Organ

3

"shall have with - in him a spring of wat - er well - ing up un - to et - er - nal life.

3

6 *(Optional SATB):*

1.	On that day you	will	say:	I give you	thanks, O	Lord;
2.	God indeed is	my	savior;	I am confident and	un - a -	fraid.
3.	With joy you will	draw	water	at the fountain of	sal - va -	tion,
4.	Sing praise to the Lord for his glorious	a -	chievement;	let this be known throughout	all the	earth.
Dox.	Glory be to the Father, and to	the	Son,	and to the Ho -	ly Spi -	rit.

9

though you have been an -	gry with	me,	you anger has abated, and	you have	con - soled	me.
My strength and my courage	is the	Lord,	and he	has been	my sav -	iour.
and say	on that	day:	Give thanks to the	Lord, ac -	claim his	name.
Shout with exultation, O ci -	ty of	Zion,	for great in your midst is the	Ho - ly	One of	Israel!
As it was in the beginning, is now and ev-er	shall	be,	world	with - out	end. A -	men.

(bass divisi)

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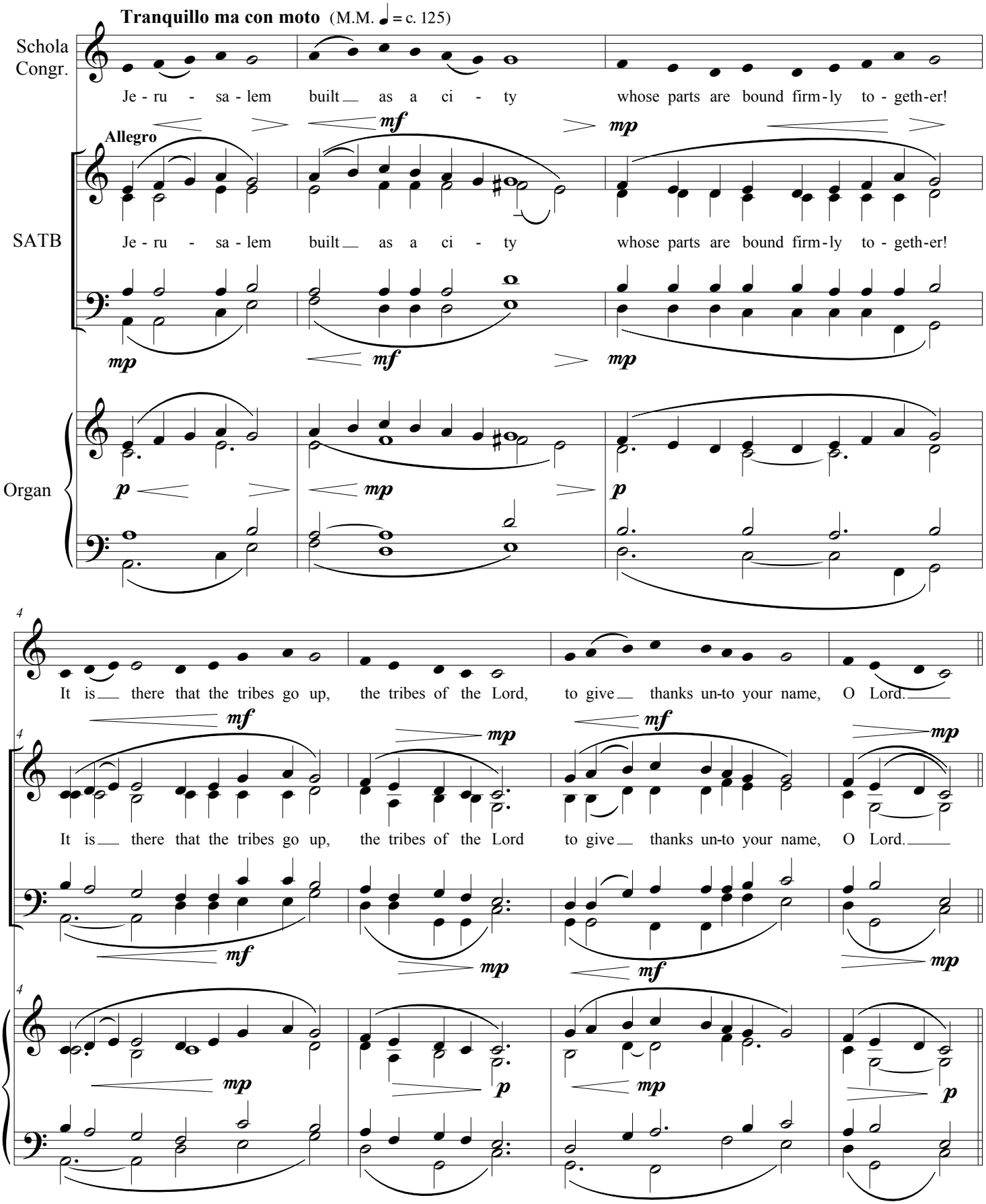

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(Optional SATB):

1. I rejoiced when they said to me, "Let us go to the house of the Lord."†
   And now our feet are standing within your gates, O Je - ru - sa - lem.
2. For the peace of Jerusa - lem pray, "May they prosper, those who love you."
3. For the sake of my family and friends, let me say, "Peace up - on you."

Dox. Glory be to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Ho - ly Spirit.

12

There were set the thrones of judgment, the thrones of the house of David.

May peace abide in your walls, and se - curity be in your towers.

For the sake of the house of the Lord, our God, I will seek good things for you.

As it was in the beginning, is now, and ever shall be, world without end. A - men.

Fourth Sunday of Lent | Communion | *Lutum fecit*

Cycle A (When the Gospel of the Man Born Blind is read)

Ant. John: 9: 6, 11, 38; Vss.: Psalm 27 (26)

Larghetto ma con moto

Congr. Schola

The Lord made some clay with his spit - tle, and he

mp

S A T B (Opt. Org.)

The Lord made some clay with his spit - tle, and he

mp

4

spread it ov - er my eyes; and I went forth, I washed my - self,

mf *mp*

spread it ov - er my eyes; and I went forth, I washed my - self,

mf *mp*

8

I be - gan to see, and I put my faith ni God.

f *mf* *mp*

rit.

I be - gan to see, and I put my faith in God.

rit.

f *mf* *mp*

11

(Optional SATB):

1. The Lord is my light and my sal - va - tion; whom should I fear?
2. There is one thing I ask of the Lord, only this do I seek:
3. For there he keeps me safe in his shel - ter in the day of evil.

4. And now my head shall be raised above my foes who sur - round me,
5. It is your face, O Lord, that I seek hide not your face from me.
6. Do not abandon or for - sake me, O God my Savior!

7. I believe I shall see the Lord's good-ness [
Dox. Glory be to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Ho - ly Spirit.

15

The Lord is the stronghold of my life;
to live in the house of the Lord all the days of my life,
He hides me under cover of his tent;

and I shall offer within his tent a sacri - fice of joy.
Dismiss not your ser - - - vant in anger;
Though father and moth - - - er for - sake me,

]
As it was in the beginning, is now and ev - er shall be,

17

whom should I dread?
to gaze on the beauty of the Lord, to inquire at his temple.
he sets me high up - - - on a rock.

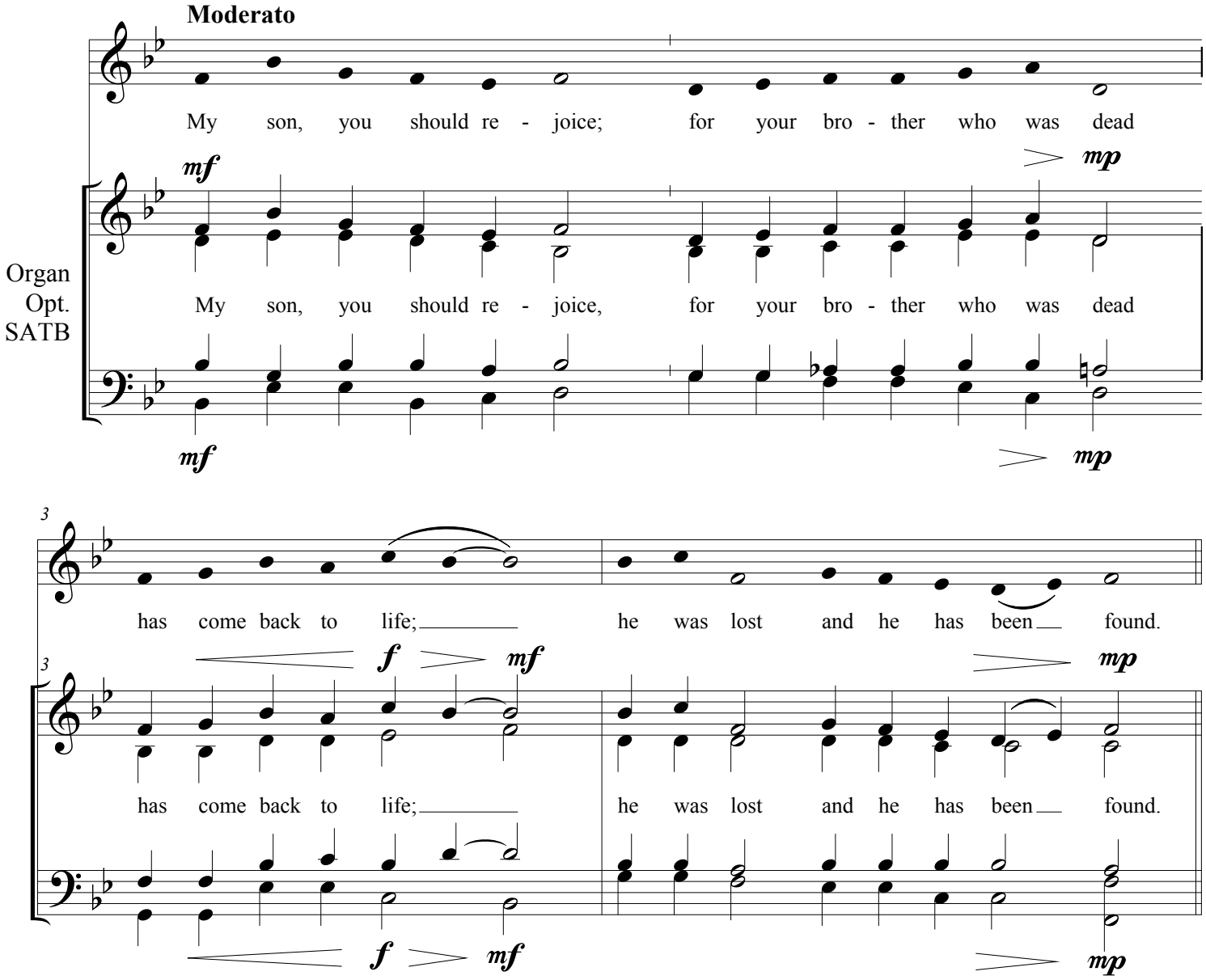
I will sing and make music for the Lord.
you have been my help.
the Lord will re - ceive me.

in the land of the living.
world without end. A - men.

Fourth Sunday of Lent | Communion | *Oportet te*

(When the Gospel of the Prodigal Son is read)

Ant. Luke 15: 32; Vss.: Psalm 32 (31)



5 *mf*

1. Bless-ed is he whose transgression is for - giv - en, whose sin is re - mitt-ed
2. I kept it secret and my frame was wast - ed. I groaned all day long. (ant.)
3. To you I have ackowledged my sin; my guilt I did not hide.

4. I will instruct you and teach you the way you should go; I will fix my eyes up - on you.
5. Re - joice in the Lord; ex - ult you just! Ring out your joy, all you upright of heart! (ant.)

5 *Dox.* Glo - ry be to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Spir-it.

7 *(Optional SATB):*

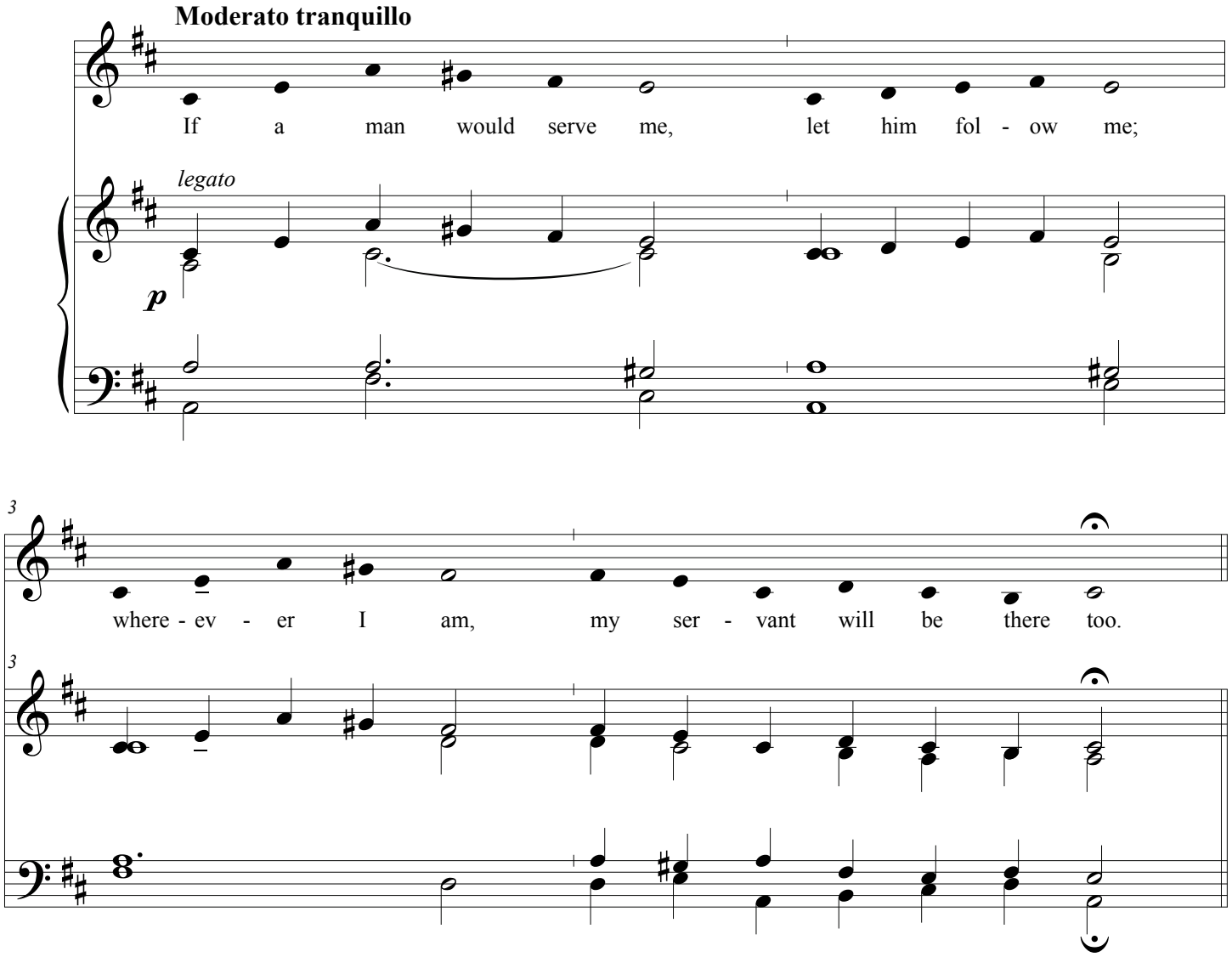
1. Blessed is the man to whom the Lord imputes no guilt, in whose spirit is no guile.

3. I said, "I will confess my transgression to the Lord." And you have forgiven the guilt of my sin.

4. Many sorrows has the wicked, but loving mercy surrounds one who trusts in the Lord.

Dox. As it was in the beginning, is now, and ever shall be, world without end. A - men.

Ant. John 12: 25; Vss.: Psalm 17 (16)



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(Optional SATB):

1. O Lord, hear a cause that is just; pay heed to my cry.
2. From you may my justice come forth. Your eyes discern what is upright. My
3. They advance against me, and now they sur - round me. Their eyes watch to strike the ground.
4. As for me, in justice I shall behold your face; {

Dox. Glory to the Father and to the Son, and to the Ho - ly Spirit. As it

9

Turn your ear to my prayer:
foes encircle me with a dead - ly in - tent.
They are like a lion read - y to claw,
}
was in the beginning, is now, and ev - er shall be,

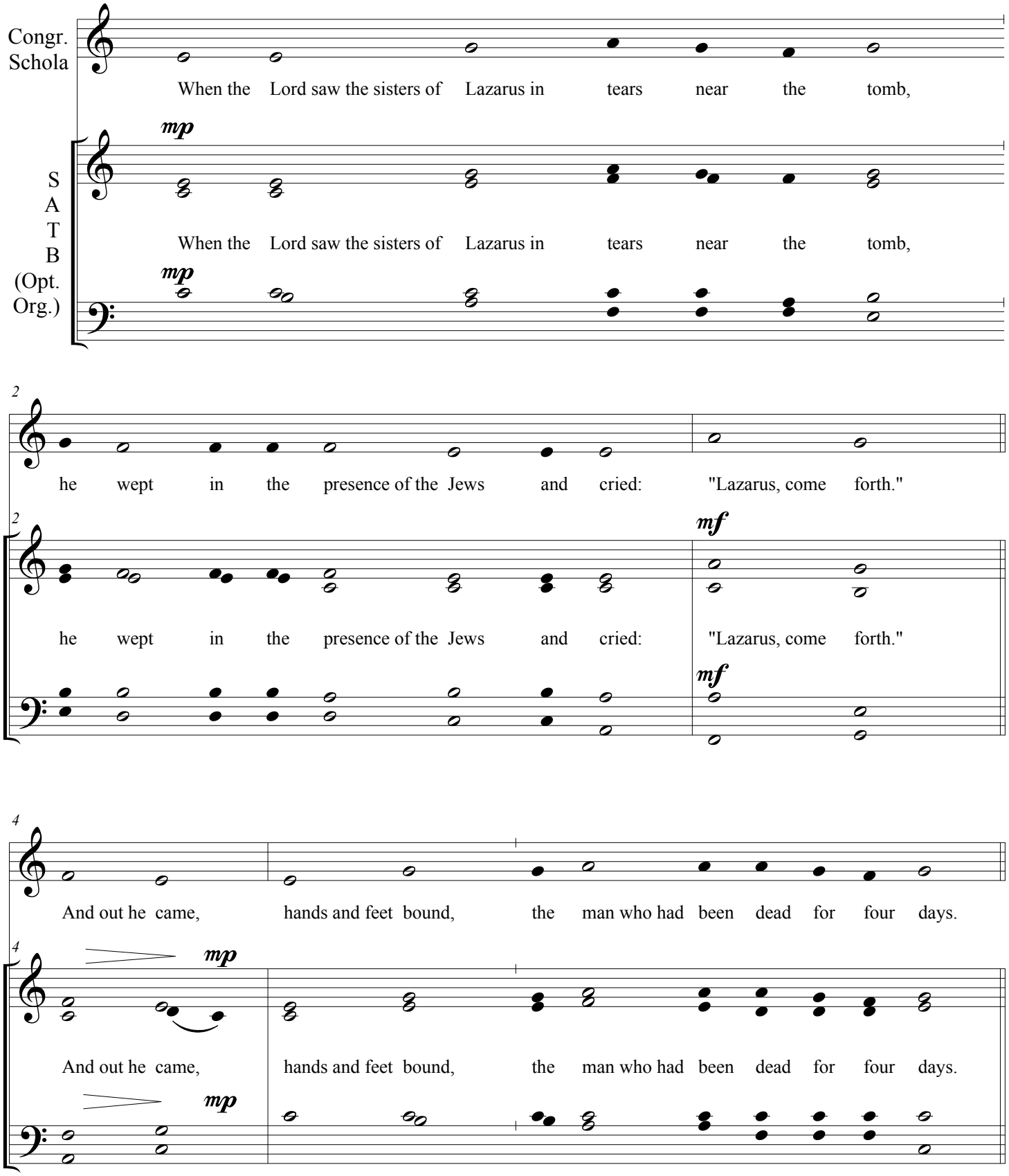
11

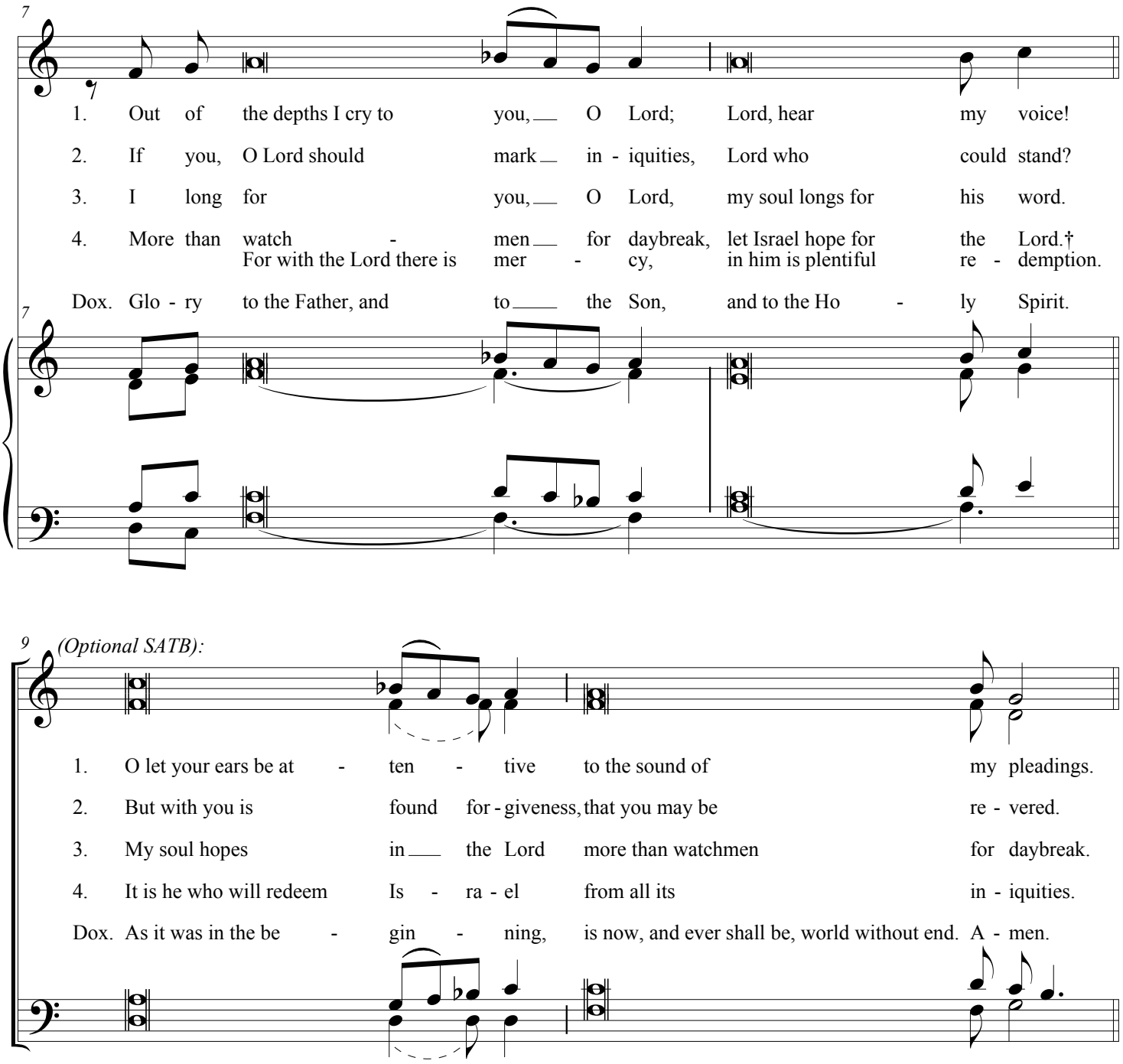
no de - - - ceit is on my lips.
Their hearts tight shut, their mouths speak proudly.
Like some young lion crouched in hiding.
When I awake I shall be filled with the vision of your presence.
world without end. A - men.

Fifth Sunday of Lent | Communion | *Videns Dominus*

Cycle A (When the Gospel of Lazarus is read)

Ant. John: 11: 33, 35, 43, 44, 39; Vss.: Psalm 130 (129)

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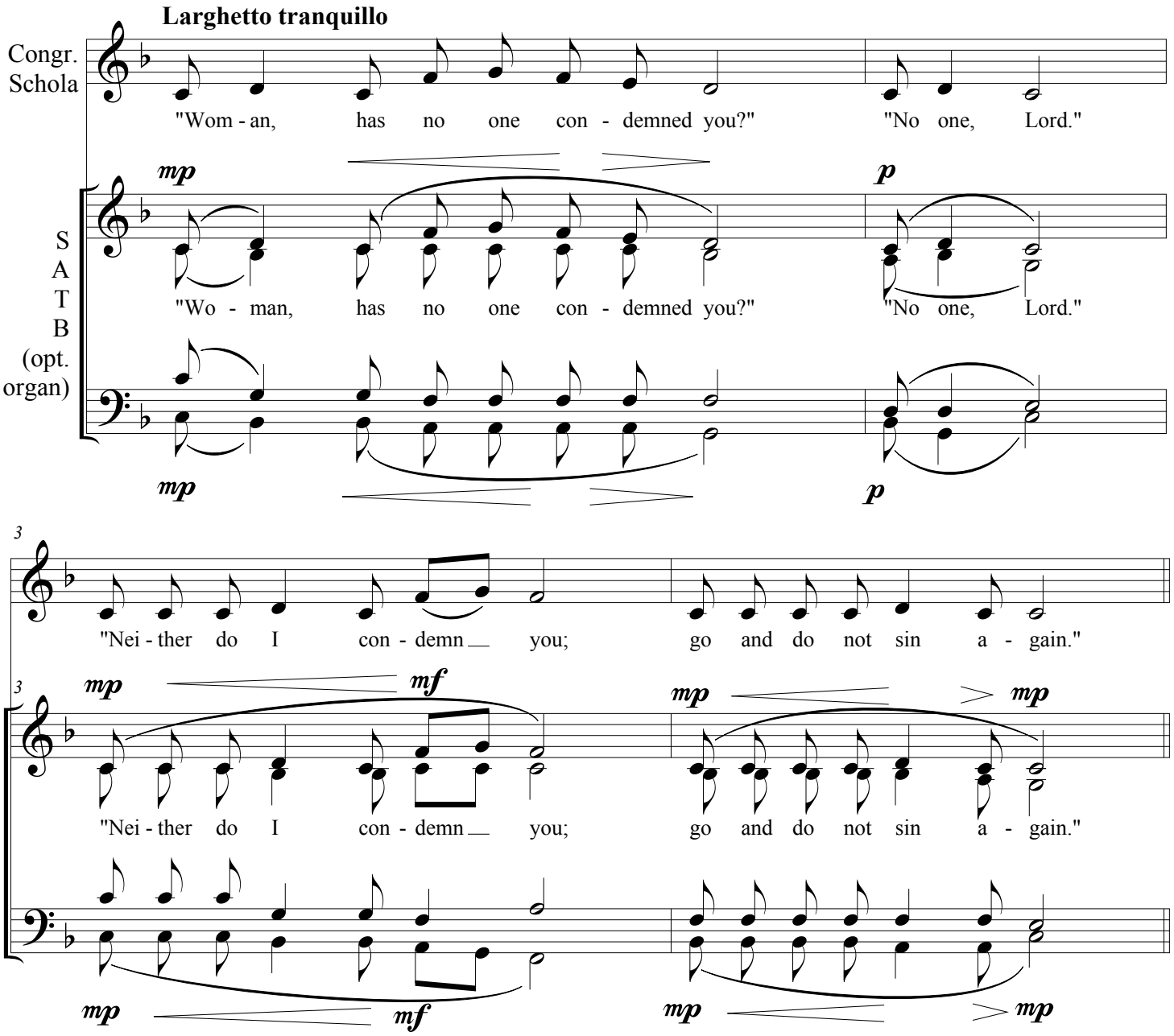
1. Out of the depths I cry to you, O Lord; Lord, hear my voice!
2. If you, O Lord should mark in - iquities, Lord who could stand?
3. I long for you, O Lord, my soul longs for his word.
4. More than watch - men for daybreak, let Israel hope for the Lord.†
For with the Lord there is mer - cy, in him is plentiful re - demption.
Dox. Glo - ry to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Ho - ly Spirit.
9 (Optional SATB):
1. O let your ears be at - ten - tive to the sound of my pleadings.
2. But with you is found for - giveness, that you may be re - vered.
3. My soul hopes in the Lord more than watchmen for daybreak.
4. It is he who will redeem Is - ra - el from all its in - iquities.
Dox. As it was in the be - gin - ning, is now, and ever shall be, world without end. A - men.

Fifth Sunday of Lent | Communion | *Nemo te condemnavit*

(When the Gospel of the Adultress is read)

Ant. John: 8: 10, 11; Vss.: Psalm 32 (31)



5 *(Optional SATB):*

1. Blessed is he whose transgression is for - given, whose sin is
2. I kept it secret and my
3. To you my guilt I did not hide. I said, "I will confess my trans -

4. I will instruct you and teach you the way
5. Many sorrows has the wicked, but loving mercy
6. Rejoice in the Lord; exult

Dox. Glory be to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Ho -

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re - mitted. Blessed the man to whom the Lord imputes no guilt,
frame was wasted. { }
gression to the Lord." And you have for - - - giv - en

you should go; { }
sur - rounds { }
you just! Ring out your joy,

ly Spirit. As it was in the be - - - gin - ning,

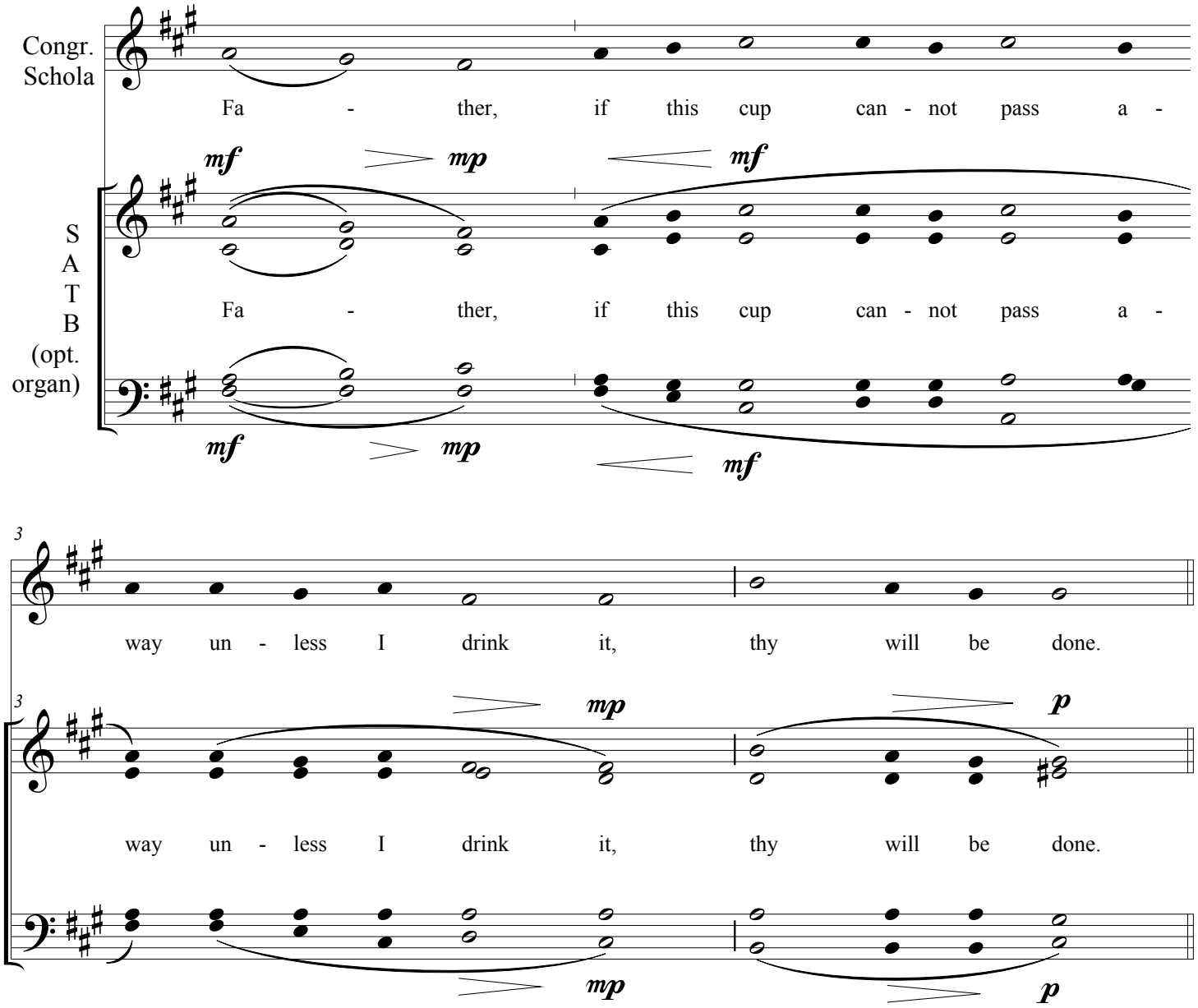
14

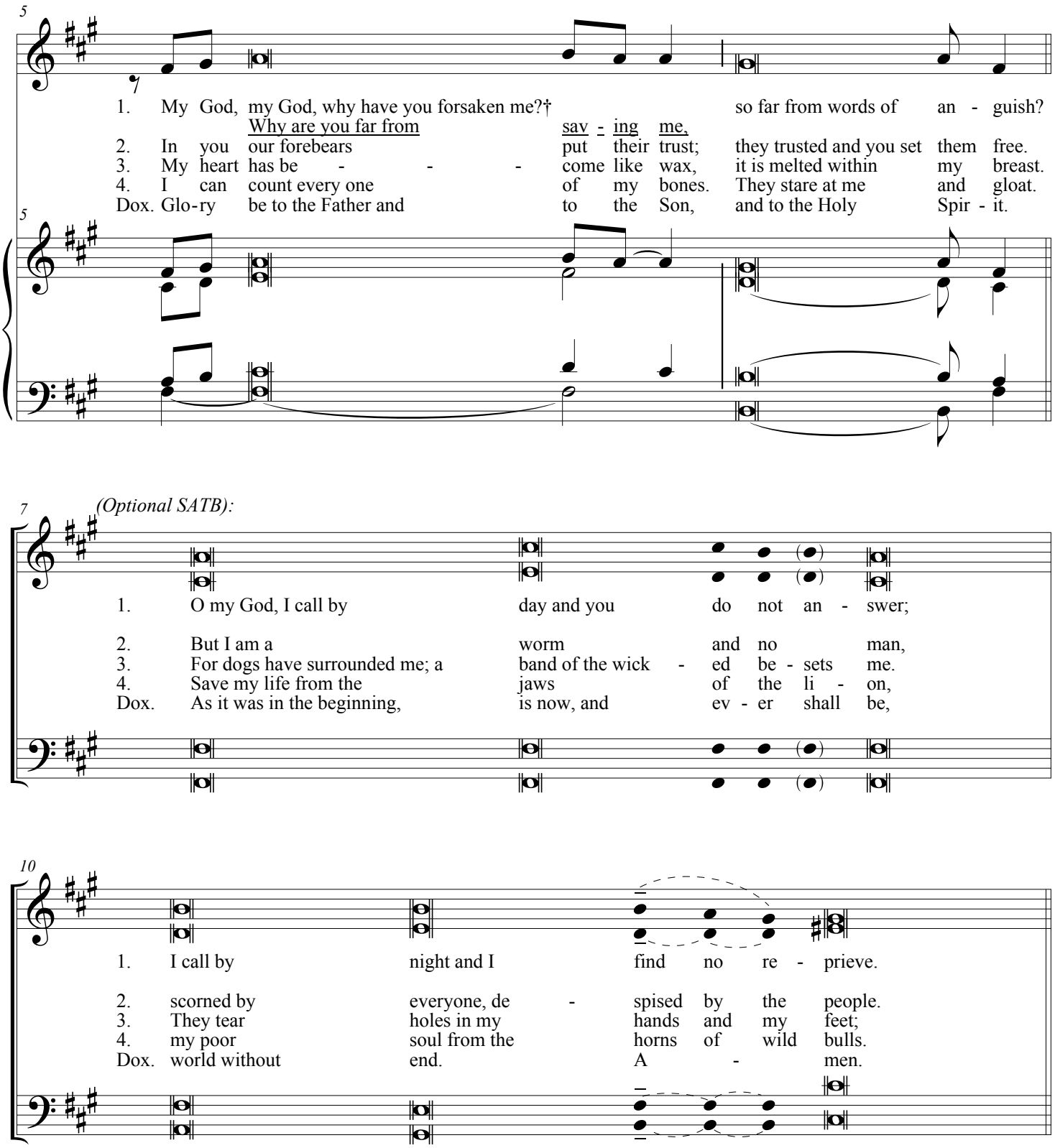
in whose spirit is no guile.
I groaned all day long.
the guilt of my sin.

I will fix my eyes on them.
one who trusts in the Lord.
all you upright of heart!

is now, and ever shall be, world without end. A - men.

Ant. Matthew 26: 42 Vss.: Psalm 22 (21)

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1. My God, my God, why have you forsaken me?† so far from words of an - guish?
Why are you far from sav - ing me,
2. In you our forebears put their trust; they trusted and you set them free.
3. My heart has be - - - come like wax, it is melted within my breast.
4. I can count every one of my bones. They stare at me and gloat.
Dox. Glo-ry be to the Father and to the Son, and to the Holy Spir - it.
5
7
(Optional SATB):
1. O my God, I call by day and you do not an - swer;
2. But I am a worm and no man,
3. For dogs have surrounded me; a band of the wick - ed be - sets me.
4. Save my life from the jaws of the li - on,
Dox. As it was in the beginning, is now, and ev - er shall be,
10
1. I call by night and I find no re - prieve.
2. scorned by everyone, de - spised by the people.
3. They tear holes in my hands and my feet;
4. my poor soul from the horns of wild bulls.
Dox. world without end. A - men.

Ash Wednesday | Communion | *Qui meditabitur*

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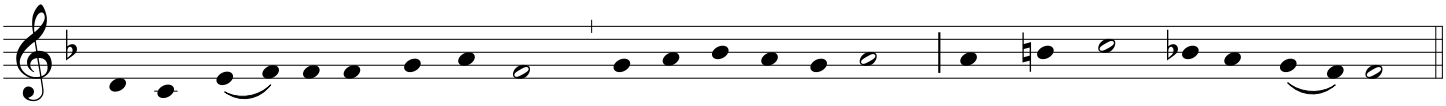

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First Sunday of Lent | Communion | *Scapulis suis*

Ant. Psalm91 (90): 4-5, Vss.: Ps. 90

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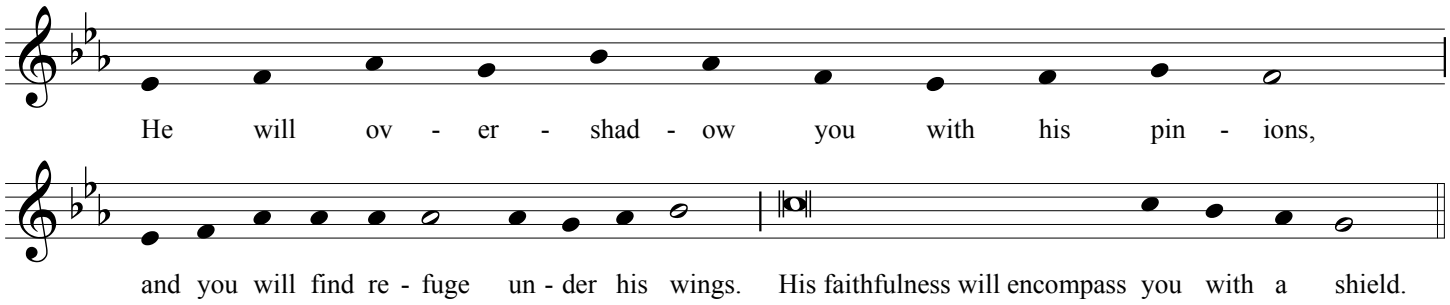

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Second Sunday of Lent | Communion | *Visionem*

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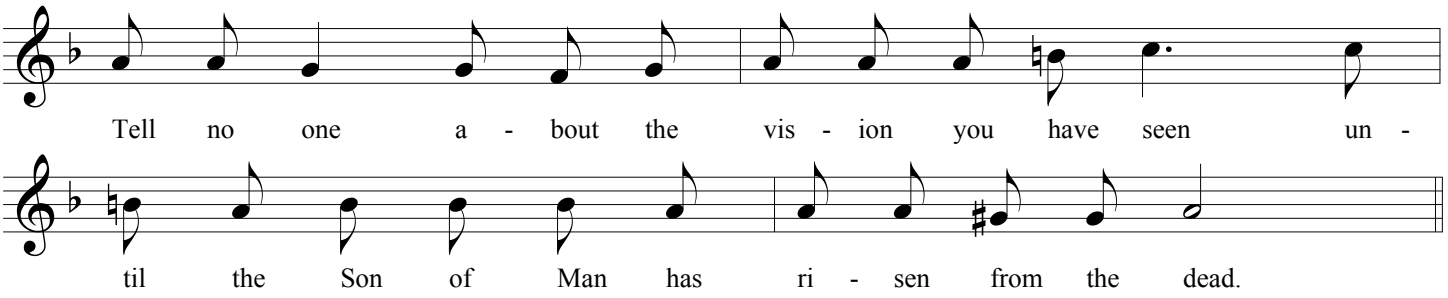

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Third Sunday of Lent | Communion | *Passer invenit*

Ant. Psalm 84 (83) : 4, 5; Vss. 2-3, 9-13

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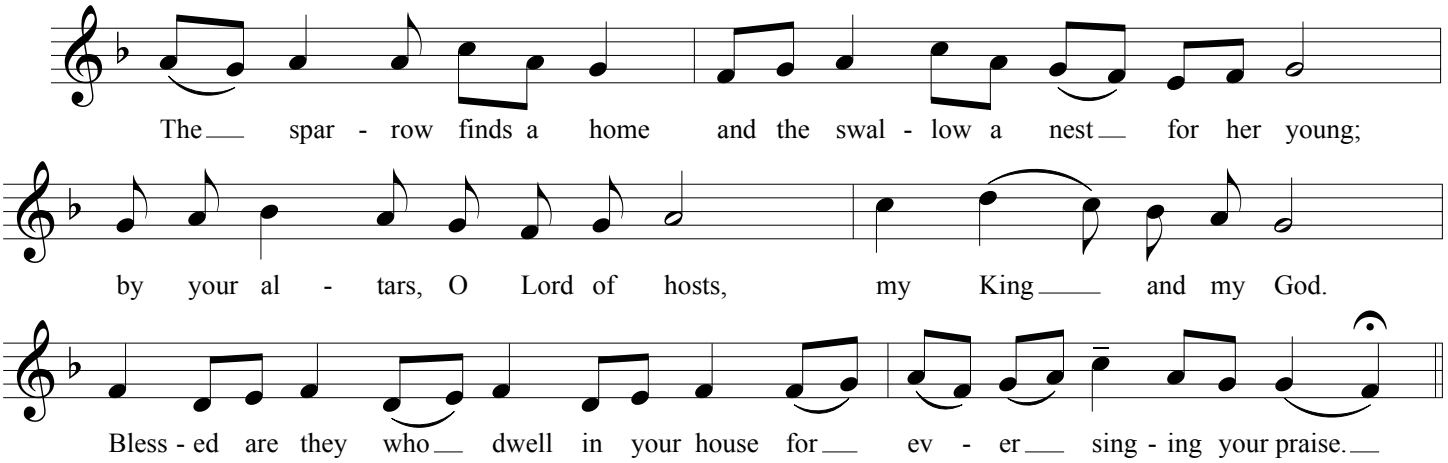

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Third Sunday of Lent | Communion | *Qui biberit aquam*

Cycle A (When the Gospel of the Samaritan Woman is read)

Ant. John: 4:13,14; Vss.: Isaiah 12

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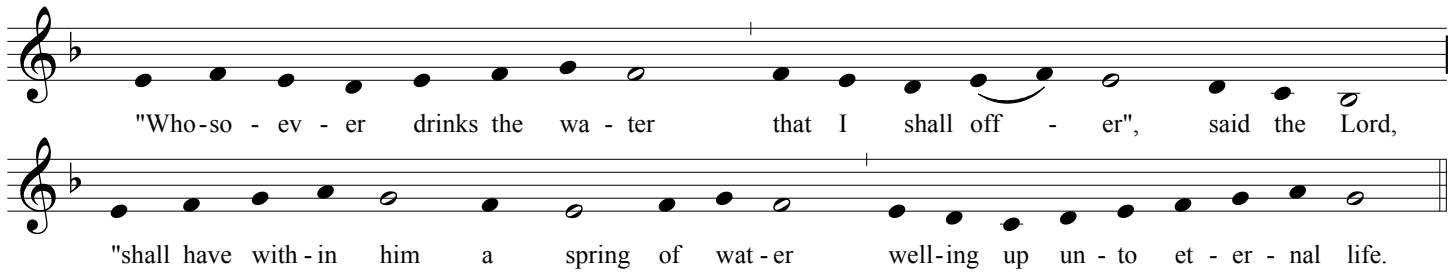

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Fourth Sunday of Lent | Communion | *Ierusalem, que ædificatur*

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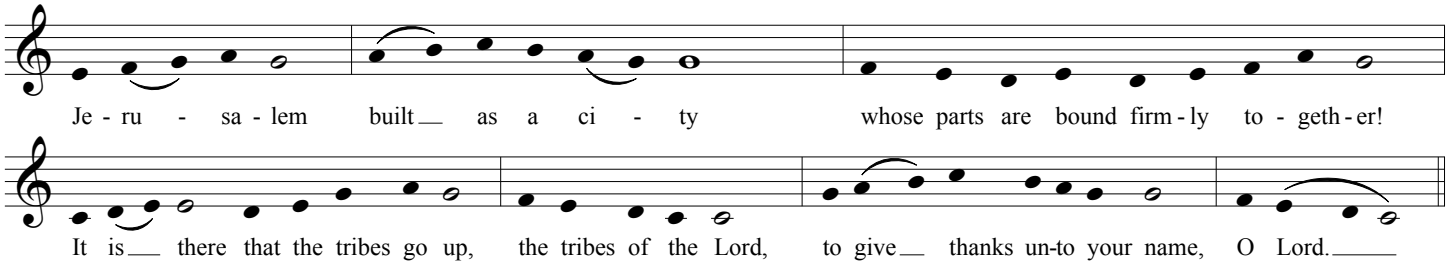

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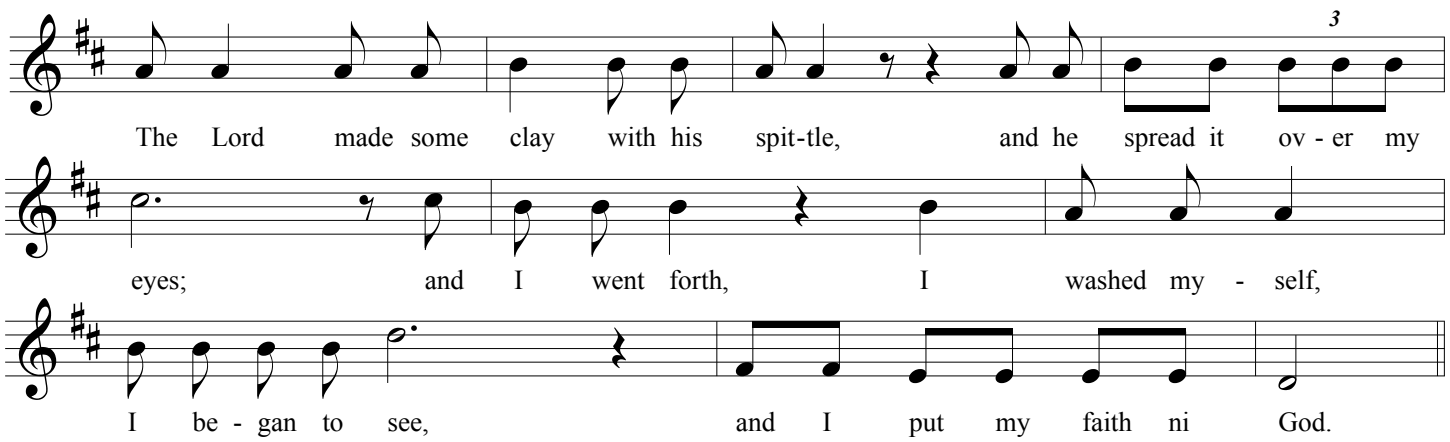

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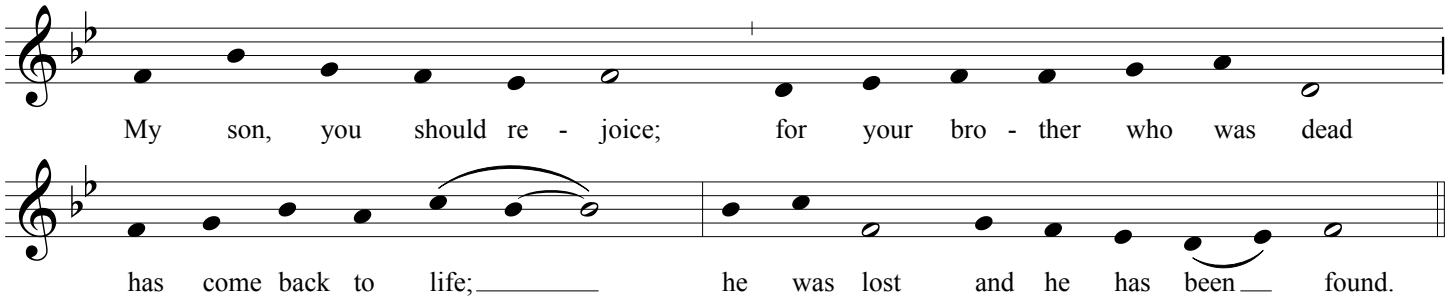

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Fifth Sunday of Lent | Communion | *Qui mihi ministrat*

Ant. John 12: 25; Vss.: Psalm 17 (16)

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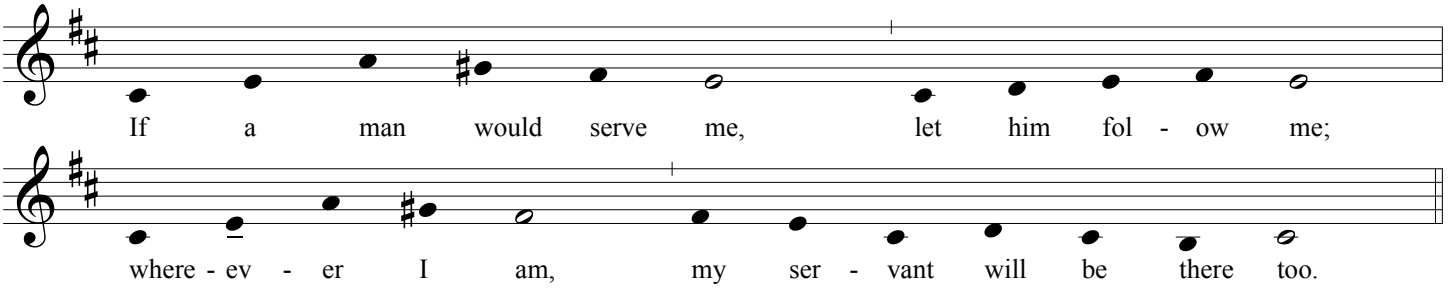

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Fifth Sunday of Lent | Communion | *Videns Dominus*

Cycle A (When the Gospel of Lazarus is read)

Ant. John: 11: 33, 35, 43, 44, 39; Vss.: Psalm 130 (129)

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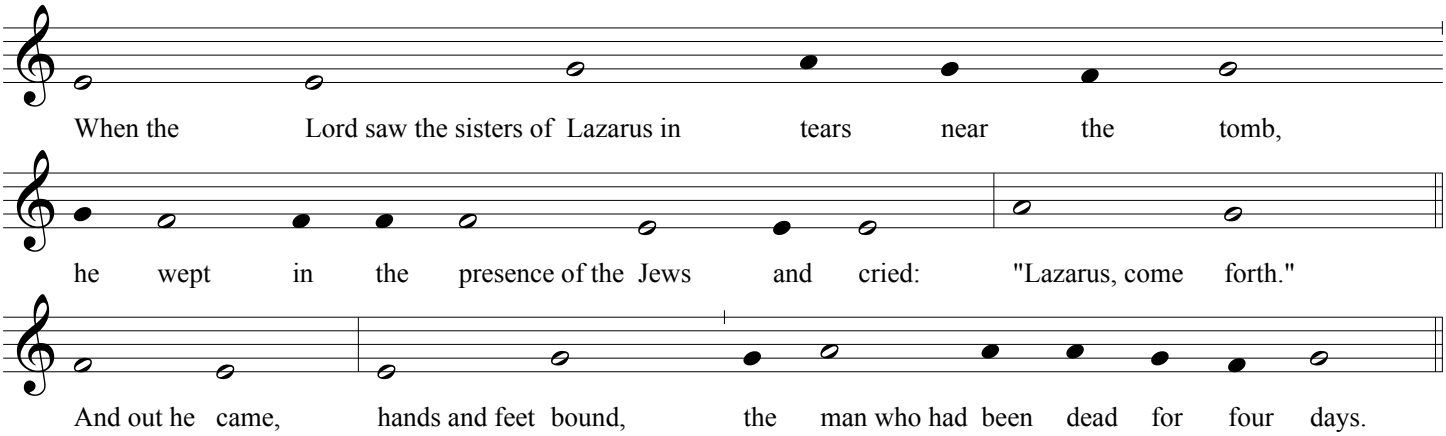

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Fifth Sunday of Lent | Communion | *Nemo te condemnavit*

(When the Gospel of the Adultress is read)

Ant. John: 8: 10, 11; Vss.: Psalm 32 (31)

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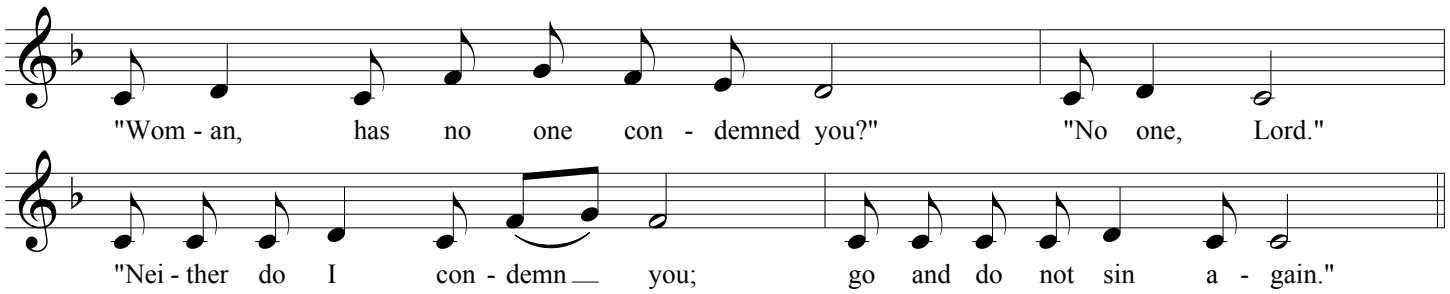

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Passion (Palm) Sunday | Communion | *Pater, si non potest*

Ant. Matthew 26: 42 Vss.: Psalm 22 (21)

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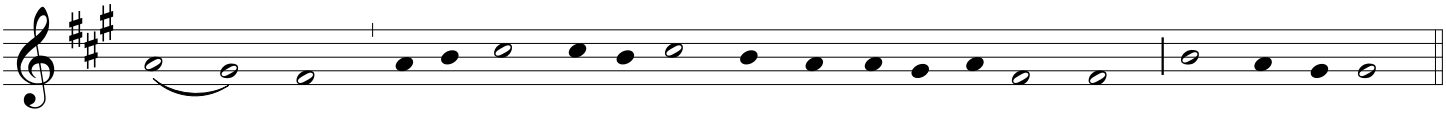

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