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The Lord is full of compassion and mercy; long-suffering, and of great goodness.

9 He will not always be chiding; \* neither keepeth he his anger for ever.

10 He hath not dealt with us after our sins; \* nor rewarded us according to our wickednesses.<sup>1</sup> REFRAIN

11 For look how high the heaven is in comparison of the earth; \* so great is his mercy also toward them that fear him. [*toward*= 1 syllable]

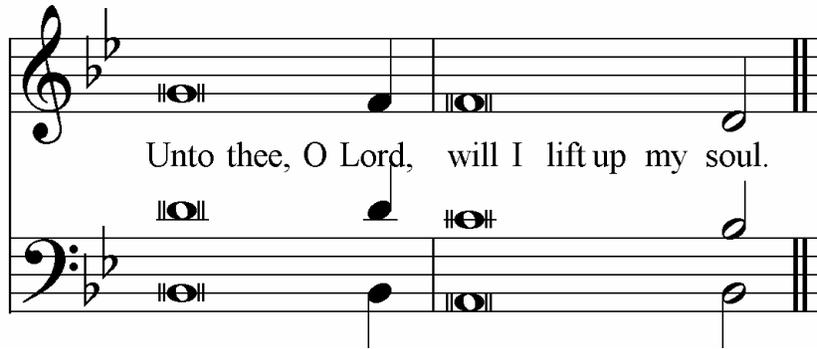
12 Look how wide also the east is from the west; \* so far hath he set our sins from us.  
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13 Yea, like as a father pitieth his own children; \* even so is the LORD merciful unto them that fear him.

14 For he knoweth whereof we are made; \* he remembereth that we are but dust.  
REFRAIN

1.

- ing to our wick - ed - ness - es.



Unto thee, O Lord, will I lift up my soul.



3 Show me thy | ways, O LORD, \* \_\_\_| and teach me thy paths.<sup>1</sup>

4 Lead me forth in thy | truth, and learn me: \* for thou art the God of my salvation; in thee hath been my | hope all the day long. REFRAIN

5 Call to remembrance, O LORD, thy | tender mercies, \* and thy loving-kindnesses, which have | been ever of old.

6 O remember not the sins and offences | of my youth; \* but according to thy mercy think thou upon me, O | LORD, for thy goodness. REFRAIN

7 Gracious and righteous | is the LORD; \* therefore, will he | teach sinners in the way.

8 Them that are meek shall he | guide in judgment; \* and such as are gentle, | them shall he learn his way. REFRAIN

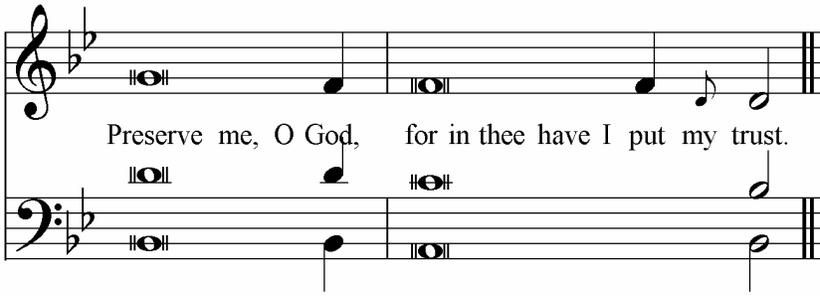
9 All the paths of the LORD are mer-|-cy and truth, \* unto such as keep his covenant| and | his testimonies.

10 For thy Name's | sake, O LORD, \* be merciful unto | my sin; for it is great.

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1. and teach me thy paths.



2 O my soul, thou hast said un-|-to the LORD, \* Thou art my God; I have | no good like unto thee.  
 3 All my delight is upon the saints that are | in the earth, \* and upon such as | excel in virtue.  
 REFRAIN

4 But they that run after an-|-other god \* \_\_\_| shall have great trouble.<sup>1</sup>  
 5 Their drink-offerings of blood will | I not offer, \* neither make mention of | their names within  
 my lips. REFRAIN

6 The LORD himself is the portion of mine inheritance, and | of my cup; \* \_\_\_| thou shalt  
 maintain my lot.<sup>2</sup>

7 The lot is fallen unto me | in a fair ground; \* yea, I have | a goodly heritage. REFRAIN

8 I will thank the LORD for giv-|-ing me warning; \* my reins also chasten me | in the night  
 season.

9 I have set the LORD al-|-way before me; \* for he is on my right hand, | therefore I shall not fall.  
 REFRAIN

10 Wherefore my heart is glad, and my glo-|-ry rejoiceth: \* my flesh | also shall rest in hope.

11 For why? thou shalt not leave my | soul in hell; \* neither shalt thou suffer thy Holy One | to  
 see corruption. REFRAIN



1. shall have great trou-ble.



2. thou shalt main- tain my lot.

The statutes of the Lord are right, and re-joyce the heart.

7 The law of the LORD is an undefiled law, conver-|-ting the soul; \* the testimony of the LORD is sure, and giveth wisdom | unto the simple.

8 The statutes of the LORD are right, and re-|-joyce the heart; \* the commandment of the LORD is pure, and giv-|-eth light unto the eyes. REFRAIN

9 The fear of the LORD is clean, and endur-|-eth for ever; \* the judgments of the LORD are true, and right-|-eous altogether.

10 More to be desired are they than gold, yea, than | much fine gold; \* sweeter also than hon-|-ey, and the honeycomb. REFRAIN

11 Moreover, by them is thy | servant taught; \* and in keeping of | them there is great reward.

12 Who can tell how oft | he offendeth? \* O cleanse thou | me from my secret faults. REFRAIN

13 Keep thy servant also from presumptuous sins, + lest they get the do-|-minion over me; \* so shall I be undefiled, and inno-|-cent from the great offence.

14 Let the words of my mouth, and the meditation of my heart, be always acceptable | in thy sight, \* O LORD, my strength | and my redeemer. REFRAIN

I was glad when they said unto me, let us go into the house of the Lord.

2 Our feet shall stand | in thy gates, \* | \_\_ \_\_ O Je-ru-sa-lem.<sup>1</sup>

3 Jerusalem is built | as a city \* that is at | unity in itself. REFRAIN

4 For thither the tribes go up, even the tribes | of the LORD, \* to testify unto Israel, to  
give thanks un-|-to the Name of the LORD.

5 For there is the | seat of judgment, \* even the seat of | the house of David. REFRAIN

6 O pray for the peace | of Jerusalem; \* they shall | prosper that love thee.

7 Peace be with-|-in thy walls, \* and plenteousness | within thy palaces. REFRAIN

8 For my brethren | and companions' sakes, \* I will | wish thee prosperity.

9 Yea, because of the house of the | LORD our God, \* I | will seek to do thee good.

REFRAIN

1. O Je - ru - sa - lem.

Make me a clean heart, O God; and renew a right spirit within me.

11 Cast me not away | from thy presence, \* and take not thy ho-|-ly Spirit from me.

12 O give me the comfort | of thy help again, \* and stablish me | with thy free Spirit.

13 Then shall I teach thy ways un-|-to the wicked, \* and sinners shall be | converted  
unto thee. REFRAIN

14 Deliver me from blood-guiltiness, O God, thou that art the God | of my health; \* and  
my tongue shall | sing of thy righteousness.

15 Thou shalt open my | lips, O Lord, \* and | my mouth shall show thy praise.

16 For thou desirest no sacrifice, else | would I give it thee; \* but thou delightest | not in  
burnt-offerings.

17 The sacrifice of God is a | troubled spirit: \* a broken and contrite heart, O | God, shalt  
thou not despise. REFRAIN

My God, my God, why hast thou forsaken me?

MY God, my God, look upon me; why hast | thou forsaken me? \* and art so far from my health,  
and from | the words of my complaint?

2 O my God, I cry in the day-time, | but thou hearest not; \* and in the night season | also I take no  
rest.

3 And thou contin-|uest holy, \* O thou | Worship of Israel. REFRAIN

4 Our fathers | hoped in thee; \* they trusted in thee, and | thou didst deliver them.

5 They called upon thee, | and were holpen; \* they put their trust in thee, and | were not  
confounded. REFRAIN

6 But as for me, I am a worm, | and no man; \* a very scorn of men, and the out-|cast of the  
people.

7 All they that see me laugh | me to scorn; \* they shoot out their lips, and | shake their heads,  
saying,

8 He trusted in the LORD, that he | would deliver him; \* let him deliver him, | if he will have him  
REFRAIN

9 But thou art he that took me out of my | mother's womb; \* thou wast my hope, when I hanged  
yet | upon my mother's breasts.

10 I have been left unto thee ever since | I was born; \* thou art my God e-|ven from my mother's  
womb.

11 O go not from me; for trouble is | hard at hand, \* and there | is none to help me. REFRAIN

So man did eat angels' food; for he sent them meat e - nough.

HEAR my law, | O my people; \* incline your ears unto | the words of my mouth.

13 Marvellous things did he in the sight of our fore-fathers, in the | land of Egypt, \* even in | the field of Zoan.

14 He divided the sea, and let | them go through; \* he made the waters | to stand on an heap. .

REFRAIN

15 In the day-time also he led them | with a cloud, \* and all the night | through with a light of fire.

16 He clave the hard rocks | in the wilderness, \* and gave them drink thereof, as it had been | out of the great depth.

17 He brought waters out | of the stony rock, \* so that it gushed | out like the rivers. REFRAIN

18 Yet for all this they sinned | more against him, \* and provoked the Most High-|est in the wilderness.

19 They tempted God | in their hearts, \* and | required meat for their lust.

20 They spake against God | also, saying, \* Shall God prepare a ta-|ble in the wilderness?

21 He smote the stony rock indeed, + that the water gushed out, and | the streams flowed withal; \* but can he give bread also, or provide | flesh for his people? REFRAIN

22 When the LORD heard this, | he was wroth; \* so the fire was kindled in Jacob, and there came up heavy displeas-|ure against Israel;

23 Because they believed | not in God, \* and put not | their trust in his help.

24 So he commanded the | clouds above, \* and opened | the doors of heaven.

25 He rained down manna also upon them | for to eat, \* and gave | them food from heaven. REFRAIN

This is the day which the Lord has made; we will rejoice and be glad in it.

14 The LORD | is my strength, and my song; \* and is become my | salvation.

15 The voice of joy and health is in the dwell-|-ings of the righteous; \* the right hand of the LORD bringeth migh-|-ty things to pass. REFRAIN

16 The right hand of the LORD | hath the preeminence; \* the right hand of the LORD bringeth migh-|-ty things to pass.

17 \_\_\_| I shall not die, but live,<sup>1</sup> \* and declare the | works of the LORD. REFRAIN

22 The same | stone which the builders refused, \* is become the head-stone in | the corner.

23 \_\_\_This | is the LORD'S doing,<sup>2</sup> \* and it is marvellous | in our eyes. REFRAIN

1. I shall not die, but live,

2. this is the Lord's do - ing,

I will give thanks unto the Lord with my whole heart.

I WILL give thanks unto the LORD with my | whole heart, \* secretly among the faithful, and in the con-|-gregation.

I WILL give thanks unto the LORD with my | whole heart, \* secretly among the faithful, and in the con-|-gregation.

2 The works of the LORD are | great, \* sought out of all them that have pleas-|-ure therein.

REFRAIN

3 His work is worthy to be praised and had in | honour, \* and his righteousness endureth | for ever.

4 The merciful and gracious LORD hath so done his marvellous | works, \* that they ought to be had in | re-mem-brance. REFRAIN

5 He hath given meat unto them that | fear him; \* he shall ever be mindful of | his covenant.

6 He hath showed his people the power of his | works, \* that he may give them the heritage of | the heathen. REFRAIN

7 The works of his hands are verity and | judgment; \* all his command-|-ments are true.

8 They stand fast for ever and | ever, \* and are done in truth | and equity. REFRAIN

9 He sent redemption unto his | people; \* he hath commanded his covenant for ever; holy and rev'-|-rend is his Name.

10 The fear of the LORD is the beginning of | wisdom; \* a good understanding have all they that do thereafter; his praise endureth | for ever. REFRAIN

O sing unto the Lord a new song; for he hath done marvellous things.

2 With his own right hand, and with his | holy arm, \* hath he gotten himself | the victory.

3 The LORD declared his sal-|-vation; \* his righteous ness hath he openly showed in the sight of | the heathen.

4 He hath remembered his mercy and truth toward the house of | Israel; \* and all the ends of the world have seen the salva-|-tion of our God. REFRAIN

5 Show yourselves joyful unto the LORD, | all ye lands; \* sing, rejoice, | and give thanks.

6 Praise the LORD upon the | harp; \* sing to the harp with a psalm of | thanksgiving.

7 With trumpets also and | shawms, \* O show yourselves joyful before | the LORD, the King. REFRAIN

8 Let the sea make a noise, and all that | therein is; \* the round world, and they | that dwell therein.

9 Let the floods clap their hands, + and let the hills be joyful together before the | LORD; \* for he is come | to judge the earth.

10 With righteousness shall he judge the | world, \* and the peoples | with equity. REFRAIN

The Lord is my shep - herd; therefore can I lack no - thing.

2 He shall feed me in a green | pasture, \* and lead me forth beside the waters | of comfort.

3 He shall con-|vert my soul, \* and bring me forth in the paths of righteousness for | his Name's sake. REFRAIN

4 Yea, though I walk through the valley of the shadow of death,+ I will fear no | evil; \* for thou art with me; thy rod and thy | staff comfort me.

5 Thou shalt prepare a table before me in the presence of them that | trouble me; \* thou hast anointed my head with oil, and my | cup shall be full.

6 Surely thy loving-kindness and mercy shall follow me all the days of my | life; \* and I will dwell in the house of the LORD | for ever. REFRAIN

O be joyful in God, all ye lands; sing praises unto his Name.

O BE joyful in God, all ye | lands; \* sing praises unto the honour of his Name; make his praise to  
| be glorious.

2 Say unto God, O how wonderful art thou in thy | works! \* through the greatness of thy power  
shall thine enemies bow | down unto thee.

3 For all the world shall | worship thee, \* sing of thee, | and praise thy Name. REFRAIN

4 O come hither, and behold the works of | God; \* how wonderful he is in his doing toward the  
child-|-ren of men.

5 He turned the sea into | dry land, \* so that they went through the water on foot; there did we |  
rejoice thereof.

6 He ruleth with his power for ever; his eyes behold the | nations: \* and such as will not believe  
shall not be able to | exalt themselves. REFRAIN

7 O praise our God, ye | peoples, \* and make the voice of his | praise to be heard;

8 Who holdeth our soul in | life; \* and suffereth not | our feet to slip. REFRAIN

Rejoice in the Lord, O ye right-eous.

REJOICE in the LORD, O ye | righteous; \* for it becometh well the just to | be thankful.

2 Praise the LORD with | harp; \* sing praises unto him with the lute, and instrument | of ten strings.

3 Sing unto the Lord a | new song; \* sing praises lustily unto him with a | good courage.

4 For the word of the LORD is | true; \* and all his works | are faithful. REFRAIN

5 He loveth righteousness and | judgment; \* the earth is full of the good-|-ness of the LORD.

6 By the word of the LORD were the | heavens made; \* and all the host of them by the breath | of his mouth.

7 He gathereth the waters of the sea together, as it were upon an | heap; \* and layeth up the deep, as in | a treasure-house. REFRAIN

8 Let all the earth fear the | LORD: \* stand in awe of him, all ye that | dwell in the world.

9 For he spake, and it was | done; \* he commanded, and | it stood fast. REFRAIN

Psalm 47. *Omnes gentes, plaudite. Tonus Peregrinus*

Ascension Day, Seventh Sunday of Easter/B

God is gone up with a merry noise, and the Lord with the sound of the trump.

CLAP your hands togeth-|er, all ye peoples: \* O sing unto God with the voice | of melody.

2 For the LORD | is high, and to be feared; \* he is the great King up-|-on all the earth. REFRAIN

3 He shall subdue | the peoples under us, \* and the nations | under our feet.

4 He shall choose out | an heritage for us, \* even the excellency of Ja-|-cob, whom he loved.

REFRAIN

6 O sing praises, sing | praises unto our God; \* O sing praises, sing praises | unto our King.

7 For God is | the King of all the earth: \* sing ye praises with un-|-derstanding. REFRAIN

8 God reigneth | over the nations; \* God sitteth upon | his holy seat.

9 The princes of the peoples are joined unto the people of | the God of Abraham; \* for God, which is very high exalted, doth defend the earth, as it | were with a shield. REFRAIN

O Lord, how manifold are thy works! in wisdom hast thou made them all.

24 O LORD, how | manifold are thy works! \* in wisdom hast thou made them all; the earth is full  
of | thy riches.

25 So is the great | and wide sea also; \* wherein are things creeping innumerable, both small |  
and great beasts.

26 There go the ships, and there | is that leviathan, \* whom thou hast made to take his pas-|-time  
therein. REFRAIN

27 These | wait all upon thee, \* that thou mayest give them meat | in due season.

28 When thou givest | it them, they gather it; \* and when thou openest thy hand, they | are filled  
with good.

29 When thou hidest thy | face, they are troubled: \* when thou takest away their breath, they die,  
and are turned again | to their dust.

30 When thou lettest thy breath go | forth, they shall be made; \* and thou shalt renew the | face  
of the earth. REFRAIN

31 The glorious majesty of the LORD shall | endure for ever; \* the LORD shall rejoice | in his  
works.

32 The earth shall trem-|-ble at the look of him; \* if he do but touch the hills, | they shall smoke.  
REFRAIN

33 I will sing unto the LORD | as long as I live; \* I will praise my God while I have | my being.

34 And so | shall my words please him: \* my joy shall | be in the LORD. REFRAIN

The Lord hath put on his appar - el, and girded himself with strength.

THE LORD is King, and hath put on | *glorious* apparel; \* the LORD hath put on his apparel, and girded | himself with strength.

2 He hath | made the round world so sure, \* that it can-|-not be moved.

3 Ever since the world began, hath | thy seat been prepared: \* thou art from ev-|-erlasting.

REFRAIN

4 The floods are risen, O LORD, the | floods have lift up their voice; \* the floods | lift up their waves.

5 The waves of the sea are migh-|-ty, and rage horribly; \* but yet the LORD, who dwelleth on high, | is mightier.

6 Thy testimonies, O | LORD, are very sure: \* holiness becometh thine house | for ever.

REFRAIN

