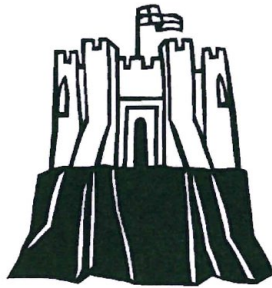


# God Is Our Refuge and Strength

*Psalm 46a*



## EVENING PRAYER

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☐ The Lord be with you. ☑ And al - so with you.

☐ Let us give thanks to the Lord our God. ☑ It is right to give him thanks and praise.

*The following or another thanksgiving may be sung.*

☐ Blessed are you, O Lord our God, king of the universe, who led your people

Israel by a pil - lar of cloud by day and a pil - lar of fire by night:

Enlighten our darkness by the light of your Christ; may his Word be a lamp

to our feet and a light to our path; for you are mer - ci - ful,

and you love your whole cre - a - tion, and we, your crea - tures, glo - ri - fy you,

Fa - ther, Son, and Ho - ly Spir - it. ☑ A - men

*We sit.*



# ✠ PSALMODY ✠

## PSALM 141

*Women sing parts marked ❶. Men sing parts marked ❷.*

*All sing parts marked ❸.*

❸ Let my prayer rise be - fore you as in - cense;

the lift - ing up of my hands as the eve - ning sac - ri - fice.

❶ O Lord, I call to you; come to me quick - ly; hear my voice when I cry to you.

❷ Let my prayer rise be - fore you as in - cense;

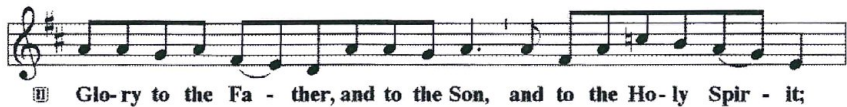
the lift - ing up of my hands as the eve - ning sac - ri - fice.

❶ Set a watch be - fore my mouth, O Lord, and guard the door of my lips.

❷ Let not my heart in - cline to an - y e - vil thing; let me not be oc - cu -

pi - ed in wick - ed - ness with e - vil - do - ers. ❶ But my eyes are

turned to you, Lord God; in you I take ref - uge. Strip me not of my life.



☐ Glo-ry to the Fa - ther, and to the Son, and to the Ho - ly Spir - it;



☐ as it was in the be - gin - ning, is now, and will be for - ev - er. A - men.



☐ Let my prayer rise be - fore you as in - cense;



the lift - ing up of my hands as the eve - ning sac - ri - fice.

*Silence for meditation is observed, then:*

#### PSALM PRAYER

☐ Let the incense of our repentant prayer ascend before you, O Lord,  
and let your lovingkindness descend upon us,  
that with purified minds we may sing your praises  
with the Church on earth and the whole heavenly host,  
and may glorify you forever and ever.

☐ Amen.

#### SECOND PSALM

*Silence for meditation is observed after the Psalm, followed by the Psalm Prayer.*

## ✠ WORD ✠

*We stand for the hymn.*

#### HYMN

*We sit.*

#### READINGS

*After the reading:*

☐ The Word of the Lord.

☐ Thanks be to God.

The following responsory may be sung.

## RESPONSORY



The LORD of hosts is with us; the God of Ja - cob



is our strong - hold. God is our ref - uge and strength; a



ver - y pres - ent help in trou - ble. The LORD of hosts is



with us; the God of Ja - cob is our strong - hold.



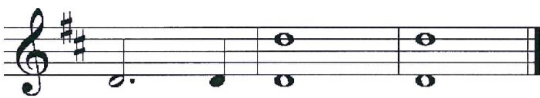
Glo - ry to the Fa - ther, and to the Son, and to the Ho -



Spir - it. The LORD of hosts is



with us; the God of Ja - cob is our strong



hold, our strong - hold.

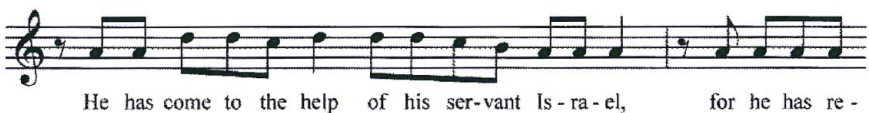
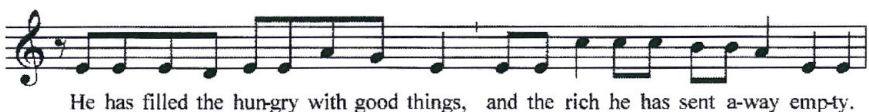
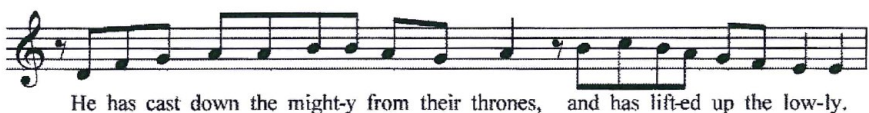
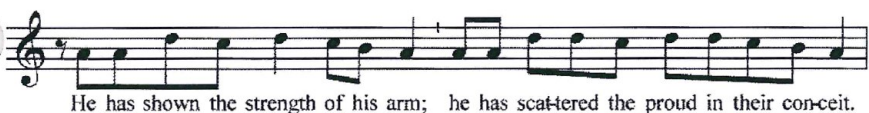
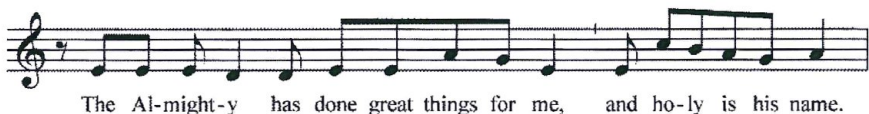
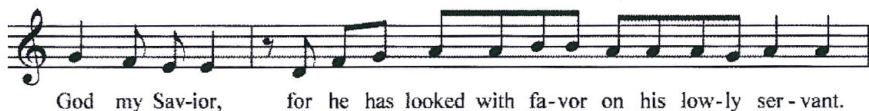
## HOMILY/REFLECTION

*Silence is observed, then:*

- Ⓐ In many and various ways God spoke to his people of old by the prophets.
- Ⓑ **But now in these last days he has spoken to us by his Son.**

*We stand. The following or another setting of the Magnificat is sung.*

### GOSPEL CANTICLE



mem-bered his prom-ise of mer-cy, the prom-ise he made to our fore-bears,  
 to A - bra - ham and his chil - dren for - ev - er. —  
 Glo-ry to the Fa-ther, and to the Son, and to the Ho - ly Spir-it;  
 as it was in the be-gin-ning, is now, and will be for-ev-er. A - men.

## ✠ PRAYERS ✠

### LITANY

☐ In peace, let us pray to the Lord.

☑ Lord, have mer - cy.

*After each petition:*

☐ ...let us pray to the Lord.

☑ Lord, have mer - cy.



*The litany continues:*

- ☐ For the faithful who have gone before us and are at rest,  
let us give thanks to the Lord.



*The litany concludes:*

- ☐ Help, save, comfort, and defend us, gracious Lord.

*Silence is kept, then:*

- ☐ Rejoicing in the fellowship of all the saints, let us commend  
ourselves, one another, and our whole life to Christ, our Lord.



*The following collect is prayed:*

- ☐ O God, from whom come all holy desires,  
all good counsels, and all just works:  
Give to us, your servants, the peace which the world cannot give,  
that our hearts may be set to obey your commandments;  
and also that we, being defended from the fear of our enemies,  
may live in peace and quietness;  
through the merits of Jesus Christ our Savior,  
who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, God forever.
- ☑ **Amen.**

*Other collects may follow.*



**L** Gathered into one by the Ho-ly Spir - it, let us pray as Je-sus taught us.



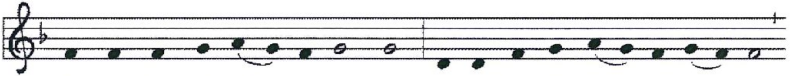
**C** Our Fa - ther in heav - en, hal - lowed be your name,



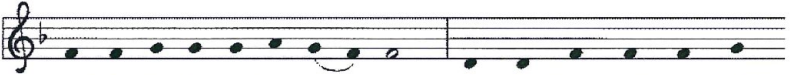
your king - dom come, your will be done, on earth as in heav - en.



Give us to - day our dai - ly bread. For - give us our sins as we



for-give those who sin a - gainst us. Save us from the time of tri - al

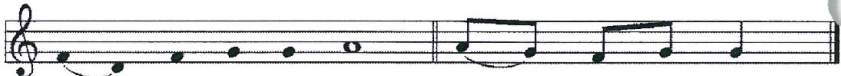


and de - liv - er us from e - vil. For the king - dom, the pow'r,



and the glo - ry are yours, now and for - ev - er. A - men.

## **BENEDICAMUS & BENEDICTION**



**L** Let us bless the Lord. **C** Thanks be to God.



**L** The almighty and merciful Lord, the Father,  $\dagger$  the Son, and the Holy Spirit, bless and pre - serve you. **C** A - men

*A hymn may be sung.*

**HYMN**

*We depart in silence.*

## PSALM 46

- <sup>1</sup> God is our ref- | uge and strength,\*  
a very present | help in trouble.
- <sup>2</sup> Therefore we will not fear, though the | earth be moved,\*  
and though the mountains be toppled into the depths | of the sea;
- <sup>3</sup> though its waters | rage and foam,\*  
and though the mountains tremble | at its tumult.
- <sup>4</sup> The LORD of | hosts is with us;\*  
the God of Jacob | is our stronghold.
- <sup>5</sup> There is a river whose streams make glad the cit- | y of God,\*  
the holy habitation of | the Most High.
- <sup>6</sup> God is in the midst of her; she shall not be | overthrown;\*  
God shall help her at the | break of day.
- <sup>7</sup> The nations make much ado, and the king- | doms are shaken;\*  
God has spoken, and the earth shall | melt away.
- <sup>8</sup> The LORD of | hosts is with us;\*  
the God of Jacob | is our stronghold.
- <sup>9</sup> Come now and look upon the works | of the LORD,\*  
what awesome things he has | done on earth.
- <sup>10</sup> It is he who makes war to cease in | all the world;\*  
he breaks the bow, and shatters the spear,  
and burns the | shields with fire.
- <sup>11</sup> "Be still, then, and know that | I am God;\*"   
I will be exalted among the nations;  
I will be exalted | in the earth."
- <sup>12</sup> The LORD of | hosts is with us;\*  
the God of Jacob | is our stronghold.

PSALM 31:1-5, 9-24

- <sup>1</sup> In you, O LORD, have I taken refuge; let me never be | put to shame; \*  
deliver me | in your righteousness.
- <sup>2</sup> Incline your | ear to me; \*  
make haste to de- | liver me.
- <sup>3</sup> Be my strong rock, a castle to keep me safe,  
for you are my crag | and my stronghold; \*  
for the sake of your name, lead | me and guide me.
- <sup>4</sup> Take me out of the net that they have secretly | set for me, \*  
for you are my tow- | er of strength.
- <sup>5</sup> Into your hands I com- | mend my spirit, \*  
for you have redeemed me, O LORD, O | God of truth.
- <sup>9</sup> Have mercy on me, O LORD, for I | am in trouble; \*  
my eye is consumed with sorrow,  
and also my throat | and my belly.
- <sup>10</sup> For my life is wasted with grief, and my | years with sighing; \*  
my strength fails me because of affliction,  
and my bones | are consumed.
- <sup>11</sup> I have become a reproach to all my enemies and even to my neighbors,  
a dismay to those of | my acquaintance; \*  
when they see me in the street | they avoid me.
- <sup>12</sup> I am forgotten like a dead man, | out of mind; \*  
I am as useless as a | broken pot.
- <sup>13</sup> For I have heard the whispering of the crowd; fear is | all around; \*  
they put their heads together against me;  
they plot to | take my life.
- <sup>14</sup> But as for me, I have trusted in | you, O LORD. \*  
I have said, "You | are my God.
- <sup>15</sup> My times are | in your hand; \*  
rescue me from the hand of my enemies,  
and from those who | persecute me.
- <sup>16</sup> Make your face to shine up- | on your servant, \*  
and in your loving- | kindness save me."
- <sup>17</sup> LORD, let me not be ashamed for having called | upon you; \*  
rather, let the wicked be put to shame;  
let them be silent | in the grave.
- <sup>18</sup> Let the lying lips be silenced which speak a- | gainst the righteous, \*  
haughtily, disdainfully, and | with contempt.

- 19 How great is your goodness, O LORD,  
 which you have laid up for | those who fear you;\*  
 which you have done in the sight of all  
 for those who put their | trust in you.
- 20 You hide them in the covert of your presence  
 from those who | slander them;\*  
 you keep them in your shelter from the | strife of tongues.
- 21 Blessed | be the LORD!\*
- for he has shown me the wonders of his love in a | besieged city.
- 22 Yet I said in my alarm,  
 "I have been cut off from the sight | of your eyes."\*  
 Nevertheless, you heard the sound of my entreaty  
 when I cried | out to you.
- 23 Love the LORD, all you who | worship him;\*  
 the LORD protects the faithful,  
 but repays to the full those | who act haughtily.
- 24 Be strong and let your | heart take courage,\*  
 all you who wait | for the LORD.

#### PSALM 50:7-15

- 7 Hear, O my people, and I will speak:  
 "O Israel, I will bear wit- | ness against you;\*  
 for I am | God, your God.
- 8 I do not accuse you because | of your sacrifices;\*  
 your offerings are al- | ways before me.
- 9 I will take no bull-calf | from your stalls,\*  
 nor he-goats out | of your pens;
- 10 for all the beasts of the for- | est are mine,\*  
 the herds in their thousands up- | on the hills.
- 11 I know every bird | in the sky,\*  
 and the creatures of the fields are | in my sight.
- 12 If I were hungry, I | would not tell you,\*  
 for the whole world is mine and all | that is in it.
- 13 Do you think I eat the | flesh of bulls,\*  
 or drink the | blood of goats?
- 14 Offer to God a sacrifice | of thanksgiving\*  
 and make good your vows to | the Most High.
- 15 Call upon me in the | day of trouble;\*  
 I will deliver you, and you shall | honor me."

## PSALM 100

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

## PSALM 69:8–11, 18–20

- <sup>8</sup> Surely, for your sake have I suf- | fered reproach,\*  
and shame has cov- | ered my face.
- <sup>9</sup> I have become a stranger to | my own kindred,\*  
an alien to my | mother's children.
- <sup>10</sup> Zeal for your house has eat- | en me up;\*  
the scorn of those who scorn you has fall- | en upon me.
- <sup>11</sup> I humbled my- | self with fasting,\*  
but that was turned to | my reproach.
- <sup>18</sup> Answer me, O LORD, for your | love is kind;\*  
in your great compassion, | turn to me."
- <sup>19</sup> Hide not your face | from your servant;\*  
be swift and answer me, for I am | in distress.
- <sup>20</sup> Draw near to me | and redeem me;\*  
because of my enemies de- | liver me.

## PSALM 89:1–4, 15–18

- <sup>1</sup> Your love, O LORD, forever | will I sing;\*  
from age to age my mouth will pro- | claim your faithfulness.
- <sup>2</sup> For I am persuaded that your love is estab- | lished forever;\*  
you have set your faithfulness firmly | in the heavens.
- <sup>3</sup> "I have made a covenant with my | chosen one;\*  
I have sworn an oath to Da- | vid my servant:
- <sup>4</sup> "I will establish your | line forever,\*  
and preserve your throne for all | generations."''

- 15 Happy are the people who know the | festal shout!\*
- They walk, O LORD, in the light | of your presence.
- 16 They rejoice daily | in your name;\*
- they are jubilant | in your righteousness.
- 17 For you are the glory | of their strength,\*
- and by your favor our might | is exalted.
- 18 Truly, the LORD | is our ruler;\*
- the Holy One of Israel | is our king.

### PSALM 145:8-15

- 8 The LORD is gracious and full | of compassion,\*
- slow to anger and | of great kindness.
- 9 The LORD is loving to | everyone\*
- and his compassion is over | all his works.
- 10 All your works praise | you, O LORD,\*
- and your faithful | servants bless you.
- 11 They make known the glory | of your kingdom\*
- and speak | of your power;
- 12 that the peoples may know | of your power\*
- and the glorious splendor | of your kingdom.
- 13 Your kingdom is an ever- | lasting kingdom;\*
- your dominion endures through- | out all ages.
- 14 The LORD is faithful in | all his words\*
- and merciful in | all his deeds.
- 15 The LORD upholds all | those who fall;\*
- he lifts up those who | are bowed down.

## PSALM 65:9–14

- <sup>9</sup> You visit the earth and water it abundantly;  
    you make it | very plenteous;\*  
    the river of God is | full of water.
- <sup>10</sup> You pre- | pare the grain,\*  
    for so you provide | for the earth.
- <sup>11</sup> You drench the furrows and smooth | out the ridges;\*  
    with heavy rain you soften the ground and | bless its increase.
- <sup>12</sup> You crown the year | with your goodness,\*  
    and your paths over- | flow with plenty.
- <sup>13</sup> May the fields of the wilderness be | rich for grazing,\*  
    and the hills be | clothed with joy.
- <sup>14</sup> May the meadows cover themselves with flocks,  
    and the valleys cloak them- | selves with grain;\*  
    let them shout for | joy and sing.

## PSALM 86:11–17

- <sup>11</sup> Teach me your way, O LORD, and I will walk | in your truth;\*  
    knit my heart to you that I may | fear your name.
- <sup>12</sup> I will thank you, O LORD my God, with | all my heart,\*  
    and glorify your name for- | evermore.
- <sup>13</sup> For great is your | love toward me;\*  
    you have delivered me from the neth- | ermost pit.
- <sup>14</sup> The arrogant rise up against me, O God,  
    and a band of violent men | seeks my life;\*  
    they have not set you be- | fore their eyes.
- <sup>15</sup> But you, O LORD, are gracious and full | of compassion,\*  
    slow to anger, and full of kind- | ness and truth.
- <sup>16</sup> Turn to me and have mer- | cy upon me;\*  
    give your strength to your servant;  
    and save the child | of your handmaid.
- <sup>17</sup> Show me a sign of your favor,  
    so that those who hate me may see it and | be ashamed;\*  
    because you, O LORD, have helped me and com- | forted me.



## PSALM 119:129–136

- <sup>129</sup> Your de- | crees are wonderful;\*  
therefore I obey them with | all my heart.
- <sup>130</sup> When your word goes forth | it gives light;\*  
it gives understanding | to the simple.
- <sup>131</sup> I open my | mouth and pant;\*  
I long for | your commandments.
- <sup>132</sup> Turn to | me in mercy,\*  
as you always do to those who | love your name.
- <sup>133</sup> Steady my footsteps | in your word;\*  
let no iniquity have dominion | over me.
- <sup>134</sup> Rescue me from those | who oppress me,\*  
and I will keep | your commandments.
- <sup>135</sup> Let your countenance shine up- | on your servant\*  
and teach | me your statutes.
- <sup>136</sup> My eyes shed | streams of tears,\*  
because people do not | keep your law.

## PSALM 145:8–9, 15–22

- <sup>8</sup> The LORD is gracious and full | of compassion,\*  
slow to anger and | of great kindness.
- <sup>9</sup> The LORD is loving to | everyone\*
- <sup>15</sup> The LORD upholds all | those who fall;\*  
he lifts up those who | are bowed down.
- <sup>16</sup> The eyes of all wait upon | you, O LORD,\*  
and you give them their food | in due season.
- <sup>17</sup> You open | wide your hand\*  
and satisfy the needs of every | living creature.
- <sup>18</sup> The LORD is righteous in | all his ways\*  
and loving in | all his works.
- <sup>19</sup> The LORD is near to those who call | upon him,\*  
to all who call up- | on him faithfully.
- <sup>20</sup> He fulfills the desire of | those who fear him;\*  
he hears their | cry and helps them.
- <sup>21</sup> The LORD preserves all | those who love him,\*  
but he destroys | all the wicked.
- <sup>22</sup> My mouth shall speak the praise | of the LORD;\*  
let all flesh bless his holy name forev- | er and ever.

## PSALM 85:8–13

- <sup>8</sup> I will listen to what the LORD | God is saying,\*  
for he is speaking peace to his faithful people  
and to those who turn their | hearts to him.
- <sup>9</sup> Truly, his salvation is very near to | those who fear him,\*  
that his glory may dwell | in our land.
- <sup>10</sup> Mercy and truth have | met together;\*  
righteousness and peace have | kissed each other.
- <sup>11</sup> Truth shall spring up | from the earth,\*  
and righteousness shall look | down from heaven.
- <sup>12</sup> The LORD will indeed | grant prosperity,\*  
and our land will | yield its increase.
- <sup>13</sup> Righteousness shall | go before him,\*  
and peace shall be a pathway | for his feet.

## PSALM 67

- <sup>1</sup> May God be merciful to | us and bless us,\*  
show us the light of his countenance, and | come to us.
- <sup>2</sup> Let your ways be known | upon earth,\*  
your saving health a- | mong all nations.
- <sup>3</sup> Let the peoples praise | you, O God;\*  
let all the | peoples praise you.
- <sup>4</sup> Let the nations be glad and | sing for joy,\*  
for you judge the peoples with equity  
and guide all the nations | upon earth.
- <sup>5</sup> Let the peoples praise | you, O God;\*  
let all the | peoples praise you.
- <sup>6</sup> The earth has brought | forth her increase,\*  
may God, our own God, give | us his blessing.
- <sup>7</sup> May God give | us his blessing,\*  
and may all the ends of the earth stand in | awe of him.

## PSALM 138

- <sup>1</sup> I will give thanks to you, O LORD, with | my whole heart;\*  
before the gods I will | sing your praise.
- <sup>2</sup> I will bow down toward your holy temple and | praise your name,\*  
because of your | love and faithfulness;
- <sup>3</sup> for you have glori- | fied your name\*  
and your word a- | bove all things.
- <sup>4</sup> When I called, you | answered me;\*  
you increased my | strength within me.
- <sup>5</sup> All the kings of the earth will praise | you, O LORD,\*  
when they have heard the words | of your mouth.
- <sup>6</sup> They will sing of the ways | of the LORD,\*  
that great is the glory | of the LORD.
- <sup>7</sup> Though the LORD be high, he cares | for the lowly;\*  
he perceives the haughty | from afar.
- <sup>8</sup> Though I walk in the midst of trouble, you | keep me safe;\*  
you stretch forth your hand against the fury of my enemies;  
your right | hand shall save me.
- <sup>9</sup> The LORD will make good his pur- | pose for me;\*  
O LORD, your love endures forever;  
do not abandon the works | of your hands.

## PSALM 26:1-8

- <sup>1</sup> Give judgment for me, O LORD, for I have lived | with integrity;\*  
I have trusted in the Lord and | have not faltered.
- <sup>2</sup> Test me, O | LORD, and try me;\*  
examine my heart | and my mind.
- <sup>3</sup> For your love is be- | fore my eyes;\*  
I have walked faith- | fully with you.
- <sup>4</sup> I have not sat | with the worthless,\*  
nor do I consort with | the deceitful.
- <sup>5</sup> I have hated the company of | evildoers;\*  
I will not sit down | with the wicked.
- <sup>6</sup> I will wash my hands in inno- | cence, O LORD,\*  
that I may go in procession | round your altar,
- <sup>7</sup> singing aloud a song | of thanksgiving\*  
and recounting all your won- | derful deeds.
- <sup>8</sup> LORD, I love the house in | which you dwell\*  
and the place where your glo- | ry abides.

### PSALM 119:33–40

- <sup>33</sup> Teach me, O LORD, the way | of your statutes,\*  
and I shall keep it | to the end.
- <sup>34</sup> Give me understanding, and I shall | keep your law;\*  
I shall keep it with | all my heart.
- <sup>35</sup> Make me go in the path of | your commandments,\*  
for that is | my desire.
- <sup>36</sup> Incline my heart to | your decrees\*  
and not to | unjust gain.
- <sup>37</sup> Turn my eyes from watching | what is worthless;\*  
give me life | in your ways.
- <sup>38</sup> Fulfill your promise | to your servant,\*  
which you make to | those who fear you.
- <sup>39</sup> Turn away the reproach | which I dread,\*  
because your judg- | ments are good.
- <sup>40</sup> Behold, I long for | your commandments;\*  
in your righteousness pre- | serve my life.

### PSALM 103:1–13

- <sup>1</sup> Bless the LORD, | O my soul,\*  
and all that is within me, bless his | holy name.
- <sup>2</sup> Bless the LORD, | O my soul,\*  
and forget not | all his benefits.
- <sup>3</sup> He forgives | all your sins\*  
and heals all | your infirmities;
- <sup>4</sup> he redeems your life | from the grave\*  
and crowns you with mercy and | lovingkindness;
- <sup>5</sup> he satisfies you | with good things,\*  
and your youth is renewed | like an eagle's.
- <sup>6</sup> The LORD ex- | ecutes righteousness\*  
and judgment for all who | are oppressed.
- <sup>7</sup> He made his ways | known to Moses\*  
and his works to the chil- | dren of Israel.
- <sup>8</sup> The LORD is full of compas- | sion and mercy,\*  
slow to anger and | of great kindness.
- <sup>9</sup> He will not al- | ways accuse us,\*  
nor will he keep his an- | ger forever.
- <sup>10</sup> He has not dealt with us according | to our sins,\*  
nor rewarded us according | to our wickedness.

- <sup>11</sup> For as the heavens are high | above the earth,\*  
so is his mercy great upon | those who fear him.
- <sup>12</sup> As far as the east is | from the west,\*  
so far has he removed our | sins from us.
- <sup>13</sup> As a father cares | for his children,\*  
so does the LORD care for | those who fear him.

**PSALM 72:1-7, 18-19**

- <sup>1</sup> Give the king your jus- | tice, O God,\*  
and your righteousness to | the king's son;
- <sup>2</sup> that he may rule your | people righteously\*  
and the | poor with justice;
- <sup>3</sup> that the mountains may bring prosperity | to the people,\*  
and the little | hills bring righteousness.
- <sup>4</sup> He shall defend the needy a- | mong the people;\*  
he shall rescue the poor and crush | the oppressor.
- <sup>5</sup> He shall live as long as the sun and | moon endure,\*  
from one generation | to another.
- <sup>6</sup> He shall come down like rain upon | the mown field,\*  
like showers that wa- | ter the earth.
- <sup>7</sup> In his time shall the | righteous flourish;\*  
there shall be abundance of peace till the moon shall | be no more.
- <sup>18</sup> Blessed be the Lord GOD, the | God of Israel,\*  
who alone does | wondrous deeds!
- <sup>19</sup> And blessed be his glorious | name forever,\*  
and may all the earth be filled with his glory. A- | men. Amen.

**PSALM 89:1–4, 19–26**

- <sup>1</sup> Your love, O LORD, forever | will I sing;\*  
from age to age my mouth will pro- | claim your faithfulness.
- <sup>2</sup> For I am persuaded that your love is estab- | lished forever;\*  
you have set your faithfulness firmly | in the heavens.
- <sup>3</sup> "I have made a covenant with my | chosen one;\*  
I have sworn an oath to Da- | vid my servant:
- <sup>4</sup> I will establish your | line forever,\*  
and preserve your throne for all | generations.""
- <sup>19</sup> You spoke once in a vision and said to your | faithful people:\*  
"I have set the crown upon a warrior  
and have exalted one chosen out | of the people.
- <sup>20</sup> I have found Da- | vid my servant;\*  
with my holy oil have I a- | nointed him.
- <sup>21</sup> My hand will | hold him fast\*  
and my arm will | make him strong.
- <sup>22</sup> No enemy | shall deceive him,\*  
nor any wicked man | bring him down.
- <sup>23</sup> I will crush his | foes before him\*  
and strike down | those who hate him.
- <sup>24</sup> My faithfulness and love shall | be with him,\*  
and he shall be victorious | through my name.
- <sup>25</sup> I shall make his domin- | ion extend\*  
from the great sea | to the river.
- <sup>26</sup> He will say to me, 'You | are my Father,\*  
my God, and the rock of | my salvation.'

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