HE ROSE FROM DEATH

SONGS FOR THE NEOCATECHUMENAL COMMUNITIES
INTRODUCTION

‘if the psalm prays, pray with it;
if it cries, cry you too; if it gives thanks, be glad;
if it hopes, hope; if it fears, fear you too.’

(St Augustine – On the Psalms)

In the Neocatechumenal way the humble and essential ministry of cantor is coming to light.

In this way of initiation to Faith, the cantor has the mission of helping to create the liturgical community, or, in a better way, to recreate it; the cantor has the mission of transforming the assembly of many people into a unity of worshipping: with one voice, one heart, and one soul. The spiritual worship is expressed in the liturgy of the community. During our historical walking the spiritual worship is the inexhaustible source of conversion and faith.

The aim of this book is to present the original texts and the musical chords, so that the cantors may follow better the oral tradition that they received. We present the songs in a progressive order, according to the different stages of the Way, from the initial catechesis to the different passages.

The cards of songs are of different colours, in order to give an indication of the progressive walking, marked by the scrutinizes in which the songs are handed over:

-- Yellow cards for the songs of the Eucharist (Pg. 1 – 30)
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In order to find the songs easily, there is a general index (where we put more than a title for each song), a biblical index and another one according to the liturgical periods and the different moments of the celebrations, specially the Eucharist.

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THE POPE PAUL VI TO THE NEOCATECHUMENAL COMMUNITIES  (1)

“…. another group, this is the group of priests and lay people who represent the movement, a movement – behold the post conciliar realities – of the Neocatechumenal Communities. How great is the joy, how great is the hope, which you give us with your presence and with your activity! Your resolve, which for you, is a conscious, authentic way of living your Christian vocation, becomes an efficacious witness for others, you make an apostolate just because you are what you are, a stimulus to rediscover and recover the true, authentic and effective Christian values which otherwise might remain almost hidden and dormant, and are only too easily diluted in ordinary life. But no! You make them stand out, conspicuous and give them a moral splendour which is truly exemplary, precisely because, with this Christian spirit, you live your catechumenal communities. To live and foster this re-awakening is what you call a kind of “After Baptism”, which can renew in our contemporary Christian communities the effects of maturity and depth which were achieved in the early church during the period of preparation before baptism. You do this afterwards. “Before” or “After” is secondary, I would say. The fact is that you aim at the authenticity, fullness, coherence, sincerity of Christian life. And this is a very great merit, I repeat, which consoles us enormously, prompts and inspires our wishes, prayers, and most abundant blessings on you, on all those who help you, on all those whom you can, with your greeting and message, greet on your behalf.”

THE POPE JOHN PAUL II TO THE NEOCATECHUMENAL COMMUNITIES  (2)

“My dearest ones, we are living in a period in we are experiencing a radical confrontation – and I say this, because it is also my experience over many years – a radical confrontation that is everywhere. There is no one single manifestation of this, it is diverse in the world; faith and anti-faith, Gospel and anti-Gospel; Church and anti-Church, God and anti-God, if we can put it like that. An anti-God does not exist, an anti-god cannot exist, but an anti-god can exist in man, the radical denial of God can be created in man. We are living this experience in our history, and more so than in previous times. In this age of ours, we need to rediscover a radical faith, radically understood, radically lived and radically fulfilled. We have need of such a faith. I hope that our experience is born with such a perspective, and may lead towards a healthy radicalisation of our Christianity, of our faith, towards an authentic evangelical radicalism. This is why you have need of a great spirit, of great self control, and also, as your first catechist has said, of great obedience to the Church. This has always been the case. This witness, this proof, has been given by the saints: By St Francis, by various charismatic people in different ages of the Church. It is true that radicalisation of faith is needed, yes, but it must always be situated within the life of the Church, and with her guidance, because the Church in her entirety has received the Holy Spirit from Christ in the persons of the apostles after His resurrection. This joy that is in your surroundings, in your songs, in your behaviour, may very well be a sign of your southern temperament, but I hope it is a fruit of the Spirit, and I wish that it may be so. Yes, the Church needs joy, because joy, with its different expressions is a revelation of happiness. So here man finds himself faced with this fundamental vocation, we can say almost natural: man is created to be happy, for happiness. If he sees this happiness, if he meets it in the expression of joy, he can start a way. Here I must say to you: the songs are good, your expressions of joy are good, but it is the Spirit who is the One who initiates the way.”

(1) During the general audience of May 8, 1974
(2) During the visit to the parish of Our Lady of the Blessed Sacrament and the Canadian Martyrs, Rome, November 2, 1980

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C       B7
Lord have mercy

Em      Am
C You, who invited yourself bringing salvation to Zaccheus’ house

B7     Am           B7
A Have mercy on us, the sinners that we are

C You, who from death did call Lazarus,
A Have mercy ……………

C You, who didn’t refuse to eat with prostitutes and sinners,
A Have mercy ……………

C You, who did forgive the adulterous woman,
A Have mercy …………

C You, who from the Cross did forgive a murderer and a robber
A Have mercy …………

C You, who are the only one who knows our sins and doesn’t get scandalized by us
A Have mercy …………

C You, who always loved Judas until the end
A Have mercy …………

C You, who have died and risen for our justification
A Have mercy on me, the sinner that I am
Lord have mercy on me

(*) Capo III
PENITENTIAL LITANY (Continued)

Em          Am
C For the sins we have committed by hardening our hearts

B7        Am           B7      C           B7
A Have mercy on us, the sinners that we are. Lord, have mercy

Em          Am
C For the sins we have committed out of ignorance (*)
For the sins we have committed out of lust
For the sins we have committed in public and in private
For the sins we have committed by deceiving our neighbour
For the sins we have committed by using violence
For the sins we have committed by using insulting words
For the sins we have committed by despising our parents and teachers
For the sins we have committed by letting our bad habits get hold of us
For the sins we have committed by saying falsehoods
For the sins we have committed by lending with profit to our brothers
For the sins we have committed by gossiping
For the sins we have committed in our business relations (**) (*)
For the sins we have committed through bad use of food and drinks (**)
For the sins we have committed through our pride
For the sins we have committed through our grumbling
For the sins we have committed through our greedy desires
For the sins we have committed through our lustful desires
For the sins we have committed through prostitution
For the sins we have committed because we are not sincere
For the sins we have committed because of our envy
For the sins we have committed because we are irresponsible
For the sins we have committed by speaking ill of others
For the sins we have committed by resisting the will of God (**) (*)

After every verse, the Assembly answers: “Have mercy on us, the sinners that we are.”

Assembly answers: “Have mercy on us, the sinners that we are. Lord have mercy”

(*) Capo III
ANAPHORA FOR THE PENITENTIAL CELEBRATION

G    Am
P    The Lord be with you
G    Am
A    And also with you

F    E
P    Lift up your hearts
F    E
A    We lift them up to the Lord

E    Am
P    Let us give thanks to the Lord our God
G    Am
A    It is right to give him thanks and praise

Dm    Am
P    It is indeed right and fitting
E
it is our duty and leads to our
Am
salvation, to give you thanks
Dm    Am    E
always and everywhere, Almighty
Am
and merciful God.
F    Am
How wonderful you created man,
F
and still more wonderfully
E    Am
remade him; you do not abandon
G
the sinner, but seek him out
Am
with a Father's love.
G
You sent your Son into the world
to destroy death and sin by his
Am
passion and to restore life and
G    Am
joy by His resurrection.
You sent the Holy Spirit into
G
our hearts, to make us your
Am
children and heirs of your kingdom;
G
you constantly renew our spirit
in the sacraments of your
Am
redeeming love, freeing us from
G
slavery to sin and transforming
F    E
us into the likeness of your beloved Son
Am    G
A    Freeing us from slavery to sin
F
and transforming us into the likeness
E
of your beloved Son.
Am    G
P    We thank you and bless you, O Lord
Am
for the wonders of your mercy;
G
and we join with the whole Church
Am
in a new song of praise:
Am    G    Am
A    Holy, holy, holy, holy, holy, holy, holy ..........

(*) Capo III
HOLY, HOLY, HOLY (Advent Season)

A       E
A Holy, holy, holy,
       A
holy is the Lord
       E
God of the universe
       A
holy is the Lord
       F
C The heavens and the earth
       E
are full of your glory.
       F
Hosanna, hosanna, hosanna
       E
hosanna in the highest.
       A
Holy, holy, holy ……..

Am
C Blessed is he who comes
       E7
in the Name of the Lord
Blessed is he who comes
       Am
in the Name of the Lord
A Hosanna in the highest
       E7
Blessed is he who comes
blessed is he who comes
       A
in the Name of the Lord
A Holy, holy, holy ……..

HOLY, HOLY, HOLY (Easter Season)

Dm
A Holy, holy, holy
Gm holy, holy, holy
A holy, holy, holy
Gm A
C Holy is the Lord
Gm A
Yahweh Sabaoth
Gm A
Yahweh Sabaoth
Gm A
Dm Gm Dm The heaven and the earth
Gm
are full
A
are full of you

Dm A Hosanna, hosanna
       A7
hosanna, hosanna
       Gm
hosanna in the highest of heaven
       Gm A
hosanna, hosanna
       Dm Gm
Blessed
       Dm
is he who comes
       Gm
is he who comes
       A
in the Name of the Lord
A Hosanna, hosanna ……..

(*) Capo III
**HOLY HE’S HOLY** (Lenten Season)

Dm

A Holy, he’s holy – holy, he’s holy
F Holy, he’s holy – holy, he’s holy
Gm Dm holy, he’s holy – Yahweh Sabaoth.

Dm Gm Dm Gm Dm

C The heavens and the earth are full of you

Dm Gm Dm Gm Dm

A The heavens and the earth are full of you

Dm Gm Dm Gm Dm

C Hosanna in the highest, hosanna!

Dm Gm Dm Gm Dm

A Hosanna in the highest, hosanna!

Holy, he’s holy ……………

Dm Gm Dm

C Blessed is he who comes
Gm Dm in the Name of the Lord

Dm Gm Dm

A Blessed is he who comes
Gm Dm in the Name of the Lord

Dm Gm Dm Gm Dm

C Hosanna in the highest, hosanna!

Dm Gm Dm Gm Dm

A Hosanna in the highest, hosanna!

Holy, he’s holy ……………

**HOLY, HOLY, HOLY** (Ordinary Time) (*)

Am

A Holy, holy, holy

G Am holy, holy, holy

G Am G

C Heavens and earth are full

Am are full of your glory.

F E

A Hosanna, hosanna,

F E hosanna, hosanna,

F G hosanna, hosanna

F E in the highest of heaven.

F E Hosanna, hosanna,

F E hosanna, hosanna,

F G hosanna, hosanna,

Am in the highest of heaven.

G Am

C Blessed is he who comes
G in the Name

Am in the Name of the Lord

A Hosanna, hosanna, ……………

(*) Capo III
EUCHARISTIC PRAYER II  (*)

**P** The Lord be with you

**G**

**A** And also with you

**F**

**E**

**P** Lift up your hearts

**F**

**E**

**A** We lift them up to the Lord

**E7**

**P** Let us give thanks

**Am**

to the Lord our God

**G**

**A** It is right to give Him

**Am**

thanks and praise

**Am**

**G**

**P** Father it is our duty and our

**Am**

**C**

salvation always and everywhere

**Am**

**G**

to give thanks through your

**Am**

beloved Son Jesus Christ

**G**

He is the Word through whom

**Am**

You made the universe,

**C**

**Am**

the Saviour you sent to redeem us.

(*) Capo III

By the power of the Holy Spirit

He took flesh and was born of the

**Am**

Virgin Mary

**F**

**E**

To fulfil your will

**F**

**E**

and win for you a holy people,

**Am**

**G**

He opened his arms on the Cross

**F**

dying he overcame death and

**E**

revealed the resurrection.

**Am**

**G**

**A** He opened his arms on the Cross

**F**

dying He overcame death and

**E**

revealed the resurrection.

**Am**

**G**

**P** So for this mystery of salvation

**Am**

we join the angels and saints

**G**

in proclaiming your glory as

**Am**

today joyfully we sing:

**A**

Holy, holy, holy, ............
EUCHARISTIC PRAYER II (Continued)

P (spoken)
Lord, your are Holy indeed the fountain of all holiness.
Let your Spirit come upon these gifts to make them holy, so that they may become for us the Body and Blood of our Lord Jesus Christ.

Dm

P (sung)
Before He was given up to death a death He freely accepted He took bread and looking up to you Father, Father

F
He gave you thanks,

Gm
He broke the bread,

Dm
gave it to his disciples and said:

A7
TAKE THIS ALL OF YOU AND EAT IT:
Dm
THIS IS MY BODY
A7
WHICH WILL BE GIVEN UP FOR YOU.
Dm
When supper was ended, He took the cup and looking up to You, Father, Father

F
He gave You thanks,

Gm
gave the cup to his disciples and said:

Dm
TAKE THIS ALL OF YOU AND DRINK FROM IT
A7
THIS IS THE CUP OF MY BLOOD,
Dm
THE BLOOD OF THE NEW AND EVERLASTING COVENANT.
IT WILL BE SHED FOR YOU AND FOR

Gm
ALL SO THAT SINS MAY BE FORGIVEN

Dm
DO THIS IN MEMORY OF ME.

Gm
Let us proclaim the mystery of faith:

A7
We announce your death, O Lord,

Gm
We proclaim your resurrection,

A7
Maranatha! Maranatha! Maranatha!

Dm
Maranatha!

C
(goes on reciting, until):

C
Through Him, with Him, in Him,

G7
in the unity of the Holy Spirit,

A7
all glory and honour are yours

Gm
almighty Father for ever and ever.

E7
Amen, amen, amen,

Am
Amen, amen, amen

F
Amen, amen, amen,

E
Amen, amen, amen,

A
blessing and glory

E
praise and wisdom

E7
and thanksgiving we raise to God.

A
Amen, amen, amen

(3)
PREFACE OF EASTERTIDE (*)

G    Am
P The Lord be with you

G    Am
A And also with you

G    Am
P Lift up your hearts

F    E
A We lift them up to the Lord

F    E
P Let us give thanks

G    Am
A It is right to give Him

Am    G
P Father, all powerful and
ever-living God, it is our

duty and leads to our salvation

to proclaim always your glory, O Lord

F
but more especially to exult

Am
you in this season (night),

F    E
when Christ our Passover was sacrificed

(*) Capo III
AMEN AMEN AMEN (Apoc. 7, 12 – 14)

A Amen, amen, amen
F#m Amen, amen, amen
E A Amen, amen, amen
A Blessing and glory, E praise and wisdom, A and thanksgiving
A we raise to God
A Amen, amen, amen
F#m Amen, amen, amen
E A Amen, amen, amen
D C Honour and power C#m
A and all strength, D honour and power, C#m
to our God
A
A Blessing and glory, E Praise and wisdom, A and thanksgiving
A we raise to God
A Amen, amen, amen

D C Who are they C#m/E whence do they come?
A Who are they
A
A They are those who come E A E from the great tribulation.
A
A Amen, amen, amen
F#m Amen, amen, amen
E A Amen, amen, amen

D C They are those who come C#m/E whence do they come?
A
A They are those who come E A from the great tribulation.
D they have washed their robes C#m
A and made them white
A
A They are those who come E A E from the great tribulation.
A
A They are those who come E A from the great tribulation.
A Amen, amen, amen
F#m Amen, amen, amen
E A Amen, amen, amen

(3)
BLESSING OF THE WATER

P O God, through the sacramental
B7 signs you work with unseen power
Em the wonders of salvation.
Am In many ways through the ages,
C you have prepared the water
your creature,
B7 to be a sign of Baptism.
Em At the very dawn of creation
Am your Spirit breathed on the
B7 waters, making them the
wellspring of all holiness.
Em In the waters of the great
Am B7 flood you prefigured Baptism,
Em D so that today, as then, the waters
C would make an end of sin and the
B7 beginning of New Life.
Em You freed from slavery the sons
D of Abraham making them pass unhurt
through the Red Sea, to be an
D image of the new people born
Em through Baptism.
D Then in the fullness of time,
Em your Son, baptised by John in
D the waters of the Jordan, was
Em consecrated by the Holy Spirit
D lifted up on the cross, He shed
C B7 from His side blood and water.
Em D
A Lifted up on the Cross,
C He shed from His side
B7 blood and water.
Em D
P After His resurrection He told
Em His disciples:
D go out, announce the Gospel
Em to all nations,
baptising them in the Name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit.

Em

A Baptising them in the Name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit

Em

P Father, look now with love upon your Church unseal for her the fountain of Baptism.

Em

Give to the water of this font, by the power of the Spirit, the grace of your Son so that with the sacrament of Baptism, man, created in your own likeness, may be cleansed from the stain of sin, and be born again by water

C
and the Spirit as a new creature.

Em Am

Father, may the power of the Holy Spirit descend upon this water by the work of your Son, so that all who are buried with Christ in the death of Baptism, dead with him, may rise with him, may rise with him to a new and eternal life.

Em D

A Dead with him, may rise with him, may rise with him to a new and eternal life.

P Through our Lord, Jesus Christ!

Em

Amen, Amen, Amen
EXULTET (Paschal Preconium) (*)

C Exult choirs of angels
C exult heavenly assembly,
G with a hymn of glory greet
Am the triumph of our risen Lord,
F E Rejoice all the earth
F E flooded with the new light.
(G )
The splendour of the King ) (Assembly
G ) (Assembly
Am repeats)
The the darkness of the world
F E
Am
C Rejoice, O mother Church made resplendent
G with the glory of our risen Lord
G Let this place resound,
Am echoing the song of a people in feast.
G The Lord be with you.
G Am
A And also with you
F E
C Lift up your hearts
F E
A We lift them up to the Lord.
Am
C Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.
G Am
A It is right to give Him thanks and praise ) (2)
(*) Capo III
A This is the night in which Christ
  has destroyed death, and from the
dead He rises victorious.

C How wonderful is the mercy of your grace
how boundless the tenderness of your love
to ransom a slave you sacrificed your Son

Without the sin of Adam,
Christ would not have redeemed us.

A O happy fault which deserved
so great a Saviour, O happy fault

C O night truly blessed which knew
the hour in which Christ arose.
O night truly blessed which despoiled
the Egyptians to enrich Israel.
O night truly blessed which conquers
evil, washing guilt away.
O night truly glorious which
reconciles man to his God.

EXULTET (Continued)

A This is the night in which Christ
  has destroyed death, and from the
dead, He rises victorious.

C In this night receive, heavenly
Father, the sacrifice of praise
that the Church is offering you
by the hand of her ministers,
in the solemn liturgy of the candle,
sign of the new Light.
We pray you, O Lord,
let this candle, offered in honour
of your Name, shine with light;
Let it ascend to you like fragrant perfume
let it mingle with the stars of heaven
may the morning star
find this flame still burning,
the morning star which never sets.

G Christ, your Son risen from the dead,
make his clear light shine.

A Amen, amen, amen
EASTER ALLELUIA

D    A    D
C    Christ Jesus is risen
D    A    D
A    Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia
D    A    D
C    Christ Jesus is risen
D    A    D
A    Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia
D    A    D
C    Christ Jesus is the Lord
D    A    D    D    A    D
A    Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia, Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia

GLORY TO GOD

D    A
A    Glory to God in the highest of heavens
G    A
and peace on earth to the people that He loves
D    A
we praise you, we bless you, we worship you
G    A
we give you thanks for your transcendent glory
G
C    Lord God, king of heaven
G    F#m
almighty God and Father
Em
Lord only Son of the Father
A
A    Jesus Christ
G    F#m
C    Lord God, lamb of God, Son of the Father
Em
You who take away the sins of the world
A
A    Have mercy on us.
G
C    You who take away the sins of the world
F#m
receive our prayer
Em
you who sit at the right hand of the Father
A
A    Have mercy on us.
G
For you alone are Holy
F#m
you alone are the Lord
Em
you alone are the most high
A
A    Jesus Christ
G    F#m
Glory to God ...........
D    A    D
Amen, amen, amen
SEQUENCE OF PENTECOST

C        F
A Come, Holy Spirit
E send us your light.

C        F
C Come, you Father of the poor,
E come, light of the heart
C        F
come, you giver of gifts
E you, the best consoler.

A Come, Holy Spirit ............

C Sweet quest of the soul
sweetest consolation,
rest in the midst of our weariness
solace in the midst of woe

A Come, Holy Spirit ............

C Light immortal light,
come into our hearts,
without your strength,
there is nothing in man.

A Come, Holy Spirit ............

C Wash what is dirty
soak what is dry
heal what is bleeding,
bend what is stiff.

A Come, Holy Spirit ............

C Warm what is chilly,
straighten what goes astray,
give to your faithful
your holy gifts.

A Come, Holy Spirit ............

C Give virtue and love
give us a holy death,
give us everlasting joy,
Amen. Alleluia.

A Come, Holy Spirit ............
THE GOOD SHEPHERD ASCENDED  (Lauds)

Am    G
C    The Good Shepherd ascended
     Am
     at the right hand of the Father,
     G
     the little flock is in vigil,
     Am
     with Mary in the Cenacle.

Am    G
A    Come, O Divine Spirit,
     Am
     with your Holy gifts,
     G
     and make our hearts,
     Am
     a temple of your glory.

C    From the eternal splendour
     comes down the prophetic chrism,
     which consecrates the apostles,
     heralds of the Good News

A    Come, O Divine Spirit ..........

C    O light of eternal wisdom
     reveal to us the great mystery,
     of God the Father and the Son,
     united in the same love.
     G    Am
     Amen.
COME O CREATOR SPIRIT

A
Am
Come, O creator Spirit
A
Am
visit our minds,
G
fill with your love
Am
the hearts you have created.

C
O sweet Consoler,
G
life of the most high Father
A
living water, fire, love,
G
holy chrism of the soul.

A
Finger of the hand of God
Am
promised by the Saviour,
G
pour out your seven gifts
Am
make the Word arise in us.

C
Be light to the intellect
A
living flame in the heart
Am
Heal our wounds
G
with the balsam of your love.

A
Defend us from the enemy
C
bring peace as a gift
A
your unconquerable guide,
G
may save us from all evil.

C
Light of eternal wisdom
Am
reveal to us the great mystery
G
of God the Father and the Son
A
united in only one Love.
G
Am
Amen.
HYMN OF LAUDS FROM EASTER TO ASCENSION

Am  G
C    Shines the sun of Easter
     Am
resounds the sky with songs
F     E
rejoices all the earth.

Am  G
A    From the abyss of death
     Am
Christ victorious rises up
F     E
together with the ancient fathers.

Am  G
C    Beside the empty tomb
     Am
in vain the guardian watches
F     E
the Lord is risen.

C              C
O Jesus immortal King
join to your victory
those reborn in baptism

A              A
From the abyss of death ..........  

C              C
May shine upon the Church
pledge of love and peace
the light of your Easter.

A              A
From the abyss of death ..........  

C + A          C + A
Glory and honour to Christ
to the Father and the Holy Spirit
now and forever.
O FIRST AND LAST DAY (Lauds)

Am G
O first and last day,
        Am
day radiant and splendid
        E
of Christ’s triumph.

Am G
The risen Lord
        Am
proclaims through the ages
        E
the edict of peace

Peace between heaven and earth
peace among the peoples,
peace in our hearts.

May the Passover alleluia,
resound in the Church,
pilgrim in the world.

May it be united,
to the joyful and everlasting praise,
of the assembly of the saints.

To you glory, O Christ,
to you power and honour,
for ever and ever. Amen.
ON THE EIGHTH DAY (Lauds)

Am         G
On the eighth day shines
          Am
the age of the new world,
         G
consecrated by Christ,
     Am
first fruit of the risen.

O Jesus, king of glory,
unite your faithful,
to the Paschal triumph,
over evil and death.

Grant that one day we come
to meet you, O Lord,
on the clouds of heaven,
in the kingdom of the blessed.

Transformed into your image,
we will see your face;
and there will be fullness of joy,
forever and ever.

G     Am
Amen
SHADOWS AND DARKNESS (LAUDS)

Am          G
Shadows and darkness of night,
    Am
flee, enter the light.
    E
Christ, the Lord is coming.

You, Saviour oft the poor,
let the glory of your face
shine on a new world

The Sun of Justice
transfigures and inflames;
the universe is waiting.

Praise to you, O Christ
with the Father and the Holy Spirit,
now and forever.

G  Am
Amen.
HOLY, HOLY, HOLY (1983)

Am G Am
A Holy, holy, holy is the Lord.
Am G Am
Holy, holy, holy is the Lord,
G Am
God of the universe
F E Dm E
C Heaven and earth are full of your glory.
Am Dm
A Hosanna, hosanna, hosanna, hosanna, ) (2)
E )
in the highest of heaven.

Am
Am G Am
C & A Holy, Holy, Holy
Am G Am
Holy, Holy, Holy
Am G
C Heaven and earth
Am are full of your glory
Am G
C & A Heaven and earth
Am are full of your glory
F E
C Hosanna in the highest of heaven
F E
C & A Hosanna in the highest of heaven
Am G Am
C & A Holy, Holy, Holy
Am G Am
Holy, Holy, Holy
F E
C Holy, Holy, Holy
F E
C & A Holy, Holy, Holy

HOLY 1988

C & A Holy, Holy, Holy
Am G Am
Hosanna in the highest of heaven
F E
C & A Holy, Holy, Holy
Am G Am
Holy, Holy, Holy
F E
C Holy, Holy, Holy
F E
C & A Holy, Holy, Holy
EUCHARISTIC PRAYER

P The Lord be with you
A And also with you

P Lift up your hearts
A We lift them up to the Lord

P Let us give thanks to the Lord our God
A It is right to give him thanks and praise

P Father, it is our duty and our salvation
always and everywhere
to give you thanks
through your beloved Son, Jesus Christ.

He is the word
through whom you made the universe
the Saviour you sent to redeem us.
By the power of the Holy Spirit
he took flesh and was born of the Virgin Mary.

For our sake He opened his arms on the cross
He put an end to death
and revealed the resurrection
and revealed the resurrection.

And revealed the resurrection.

In this He fulfilled your will
and won for you a holy people
and so we join the angels and saints
in proclaiming your glory as we sing:
Eucharistic Prayer: Consecration and Acclamation

P (spoken) Lord, you are Holy indeed the fountain of all holiness. Let your Spirit come upon these gifts and make them holy, so that they may become for us the Body and Blood of our Lord Jesus Christ.

Dm

P (sung) Before He was given up to death a death He freely accepted He took bread and looking up to, to you, Father, Father,

E He gave you thanks,

Gm He broke the bread,

Dm gave it to his disciples and said:

A7 TAKE THIS ALL OF YOU AND EAT IT: A

Dm THIS IS MY BODY A7 Dm WHICH WILL BE GIVEN UP FOR YOU.

Dm When supper was ended, He took the cup, and looking up to You,

F Father, Father,

Gm He gave you thanks,

Dm gave the cup to his disciples and said:

TAKE THIS ALL OF YOU AND Dm DRINK FROM IT:

A7 THIS IS THE CUP OF MY BLOOD, Dm THE BLOOD OF THE NEW AND EVERLASTING COVENANT.

IT WILL BE SHED FOR YOU AND FOR A7 Dm ALL SO THAT SINS MAY BE FORGIVEN. A7 Dm DO THIS IN MEMORY OF ME.

Gm Let us proclaim the mystery of faith:

Dm We announce your death, O Lord, Gm we proclaim your resurrection, A Gm A Maranatha. Maranatha. Maranatha Dm Maranatha.
EUCHARISTIC PRAYER II  (Long Version)

G  Em
In memory of his death and resurrection
Am
we offer you, Father, this life-giving bread
Em
this saving cup.
Am
We thank you for counting us worthy
Em
to stand in your presence and serve you.
G  Bm
May all of us who share in the body and blood
Am
of Christ
Em
be brought together in unity
G
by the Holy Spirit.
Am
Lord, remember your Church throughout
Em
the world;
Am
make us grow in love
Em
together with ........, our Pope
Am
........ our Bishop
Em
and all the clergy.
G
Remember our brothers and sisters
Am
who have gone to their rest
Em
in the hope of rising again;
G
bring them and all the departed
Bm  Em
into the light of your presence.
G  Em
Have mercy on us all:
Am
make us worthy to share eternal life,
Em
with Mary, the Virgin Mother of God
Am
with the Apostles and with all the Saints
Em
who have done your will throughout the ages
G
May we praise you in union with them
Em
and give you glory
A  Em
through your son Jesus Christ.

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G
Through Him, with Him, in Him
Bm
in the unity of the Holy Spirit,
Am
all glory and honour is yours
Em
Almighty Father,
G
forever and ever
Bm  A  Em
C We praise you, O God;  
G We acclaim you as the Lord  
Am Everlasting Father,  
E all the world bows down before you.

C & A To You sing all the angels,  
G and all the hosts of heaven.  
Am Holy, Holy, Holy  
E Holy, Holy, Holy  
E7 Am is the Lord God of the Universe.

The heavens and the earth  
are filled with Your glory.  
The glorious band of apostles  
and the noble company of martyrs  
sing Your praise.

The voice of the prophets is united in Your praise,  
The holy church proclaims Your glory,  
and adores Your only Son,  
and the Holy Spirit Paraclete.

You, Christ are the King of Glory,  
Son of the eternal Father,  
You were born of the Virgin Mother  
to save mankind.

You overcame the power of death  
Opening the Father's Kingdom to all who believe in you  
Enthroned at God's right hand in the glory of the Father.  
You will come to judge the world at the end of time.

Come to our aid, O Lord,  
You have redeemed Your people by Your Precious Blood.  
Grant us in Your Glory  
a place in the assembly of Saints.

Save Your people Lord,  
guide and protect Your children.  
Every day we praise You,  
We acclaim Your name to all eternity.

In Your goodness, Lord, keep us free from sin.  
May Your mercy always be with us  
In You we put our trust.

Have pity on us, Lord  
have pity.  
You are our hope,  
we shall not be put to shame forever.
He rose from death, he rose from death,
He rose from death, alleluia!
Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia,
He rose from death!

Death,
Where is death?
Where is my death?
Where is its victory?

He rose from death ………...

Rejoice,
Oh brothers, rejoice,
For if today we love each other,
It is because he rose from death.

He rose from death ………….
TOWARDS YOU HOLY CITY

Am   E
Towards you holy city

Am
Towards you our saviour's land

G          F
Like pilgrims we are walking

E
Coming unto you.

Am

C We are coming to your table

G
We shall seal your covenant

F
We shall eat your body

E
We'll be washed by your blood

Am
We shall reign with you

G
In your holy city

C We are your holy people

G
Today we walk together

F
You come among us

E
Your love shall guide us

Am
You are our way

G
You are our hope

F
You, brother of the poor

E
Amen alleluia

A Towards you  

THE MARCH IS HARD

Em            B7            Em
The march is hard, the sun is strong

B7            Em
Slow the people go

B7      Em      B7     Em
Moses chief of Israel goes to free them

Em   Am

C Em
Listen, Father

B7      Em
Send us our saviour

Em      B7      Em
C The people yearn for life and peace,

B7      Em
They want to rise again

Em      B7      Em      B7     Em
Moses chief of Israel goes to free them
PSALM 129 (130) - DE PROFUNDIS

Am           E       E    Am
C From the depth I cry to you, O Lord:
F       E
Lord, listen to my voice
Am         F      E   Am
Let your ears be attentive
  F        E
To the voice of my pleading!

Am             F         E  Am
A From the depth I cry to you, O Lord
F    E
Lord, listen to my voice!
Am         F     E    Am
Let your ears be attentive
  F     E         Am
To the voice of my pleading!

G            F  Am
C My soul is waiting for the Lord
  F      Am
I count on his Word.
G
My soul is longing for the Lord
  F    Am
more than watchmen for daybreak.
Am
Israel is longing for the Lord
  F        E
more than watchmen for daybreak.
  F     E
For with the Lord there is mercy
  F     Am
only with him there is forgiveness.

  F        E
A For with the Lord there is mercy
  F      Am
only with him there is forgiveness

  F        E
C If you O Lord should mark our guilt
Who would survive?
  F        E
Who would survive?
  F        E
But with you is found forgiveness
  F    Am
Only with you is found mercy.

  F        E
A But with you is found forgiveness
  F    Am
only with you is found mercy

  F        E
C The Lord redeems Israel
  E          Am
A The Lord redeems Israel from all her sins

  F        E
C The Lord redeems Israel
  E          Am
A The Lord redeems Israel from all her sins

  F      Am
Ay Yah Yah Yah
Bless Yahweh my soul

bless his holy Name

Bless Yahweh my soul
don’t forget his love

He who forgives all your faults
who cures all your diseases,
saves your life from death
fills you with grace and love.
He who is just towards you
who defends all the poor
He revealed his way to Moses
He showed his might to Israel.

Bless Yahweh ............
PSALM 12 (13) - HOW MUCH LONGER

Am
C How much longer
E will you forget me, oh my Lord
C How much longer
E will you hide your face from me?

A I will sing to Yahweh,
E Am I will sing to Him who is my Saviour

Am
C Look at me, answer me,
E Yahweh, oh my love;
Am give light to my eyes

C Lest I fall asleep in death.

YAHWEH YOU ARE MY GOD (Is., 25)

Am
A Yahweh, you are my God
Am I will exalt you
F
C I will bless your Name
E (Repeat)

A Yahweh ........
Am
C You will destroy death for ever,
G You will wipe away the tears

Am
F E
A Yahweh ........
Am
C Now we hear the footsteps of the poor
G the footsteps of the lowly,
C the remnant of Jacob
A Yahweh ........
Am   F   E
C     Lord, Lord Jesus
Am
May my plea reach your presence
F
may your song spring from my lips
G
may my tongue sing your Words,
      F   E
Jesus, my life!
Am
May your hand be with me to help me
F
I await salvation from you
      G
may my soul live to praise you
F   E
look at me I am lost

Am       G
A  Come in search of your servant,
      F   E
come Lord Jesus!
Am       G
A  Come for without you I am lost,
      F   E
come Lord Jesus
Em Am Em B7 Em
How good it is to be with the brothers (2)

Em C D G Bm Em
How good it is to be with the brothers (2)

Fine as oil on the head, running down the beard (2)

Fine as oil, running down the beard (2)

Like dew from Hermon, falling on Zion’s heights (2)

Like dew from Hermon, falling on Zion’s heights (2)

There Yahweh sends forever his blessing (2)

There Yahweh sends forever his blessing (2)

There Yahweh gives everlasting life (2)

There Yahweh gives everlasting life (2)

How good it is to be with the brothers (2)

How good it is to be with the brothers (2)
Em  Look how it is good
A    taste how it is sweet
     the love among the brothers.
Em  Look how it is good
      taste how it is sweet
C         B7  when brothers are together.

Am              B7
C  It is like fragrant oil running down
     running down on Aaron’s beard

C         B7
A  It is like fragrant oil running down
     on Aaron’s beard.

Am              B7
C  Because there the Lord gives us
     the Lord gives us his blessings

A    B7
C  Because there the Lord gives us
     the Lord gives us his love.

Look how it is good ............

Am              B7
C  It is like dew coming down from Hermon
     coming down on the mounts of Zion

C         B7
A  It is like dew coming down from Hermon
     on the heights of Zion

Look how it is good ............
Em        D        Em      D  Em
A Give thanks to the Lord, Alleluia
Em        D        Em      D  Em
Give thanks to the Lord, Alleluia
Am       Em   Am Em
Give thanks to the Lord, Alleluia
Am      Em   B7  Em
Give thanks to the Lord, Alleluia

Em      C      D       G
C Give thanks to the God of Gods

Em      C      D       G
A For his love is everlasting

G       Bm       Em
C He alone does great marvels

A Give thanks to the Lord, Alleluia  (4)

C He gave us according to his promise
A For his love is everlasting
C A land flowing with milk and honey

C He remembers us when we are down
A For his love is everlasting
C And snatches us from our oppressors

C He makes the heavens with wisdom
A For his love is everlasting
C The stars, the sun and the moon

C He struck down the first born of Egypt
A For his love is everlasting
C And brought out Israel from among them

C He opened the way through the sea
A For his love is everlasting
C He overthrew the enemy army

C He led his people through the desert
A For his love is everlasting
C He struck down mighty kings

C He provides for all living creatures
A For his love is everlasting
C Give thanks to the Lord of Heavens
SONG OF DANIEL  (Dn 3, 52-57)

G     F#m    E  
C Blessed are you, O Lord  
G     A      B7  
God of our fathers  

Em    D     Em  
A To you glory and praise  

D     C      B7    Em  
glory and praise for ever!  

C Blessed be your Name  
Your glorious and holy Name  

A To you glory ........  

C Blessed are you O lord  
in your glorious and holy temple  

A To you glory ..........  

C Blessed are you O Lord  
on the throne of your Kingdom  

A To you glory ..........  

C Blessed are you, enthroned on the cherubs  
who gaze into the depths  

A To you glory ..........  

C Blessed are you O Lord  
in the firmament of heaven  

A To you glory ..........  

C All things the Lord has made  

A Bless the Lord  

C Give glory and eternal praise to him.  

A Give glory and eternal praise to him.
SONG OF DANIEL  (Dn 3, 57-88)

Am
C    All things the Lord has made
E7    Am
A    Bless the Lord
     E7
C    Give glory
     Am
A    And eternal praise to him
     A
      and eternal praise to Him!

Am
C    Angles of the Lord (†)
Heavens
Waters above the heavens
Powers of the Lord
Sun and moon
Stars of heaven
Showers and dews
All winds
Fire and heat
Cold and heat
Dews and rains
Frost and cold
Ice and snow
Give glory

A    and eternal praise to Him!
C    Sons of men
     Israel
     Priests of the Lord
     Servants of the Lord
     Spirits and souls of the virtuous
     Devout and humble hearted men
     Ananiah, Azariah, Mishael
     Give glory

A    and eternal praise to Him!
C    Let us praise the Father, the Son and the Holy Spirit)
A    Give glory and eternal praise to Him) (#)
C    May you be blessed O Lord in the heaven)
A    Give glory and eternal praise to Him!

(†)  After every verse the assembly answers “Bless the Lord”
(#)  Spoken, not sung
C Praise the Lord from the heavens:

A Praise Him! Am

C Praise Him in the heights

A Praise Him

C Praise Him all his angels and Him all his hosts

Praise Him sun and moon
praise Him all you shining stars

Praise Him you highest heavens and you waters above the heaven

Let them praise the Name of the Lord for He commanded and they were created

And he established them for ever
He set a law that will never pass

Praise the Lord from the earth you sea monsters and all deeps

Fire and hail, snow and frost stormy wind that follows His Word

Mountains and every hill fruit trees and ever cedar

Beasts, wild and tame reptiles and flying birds

Kings of the earth and all peoples princes and rulers of the earth

Young men and maidens together, old men and children

Let them praise the Name of the Lord for his Name alone is exalted

His glory is above earth and heaven
He has raised up His people

Let all his faithful praise the Lord Israel his chosen people
E A D A D A E
A Aleluia, aleluia, aleluia
A D A E D E
Alleluia, aleluia, aleluia

E A D A
C Praise God in His holy temple
D A E
praise Him in the heights of heaven
A D A E
praise Him for His powerful deeds
D E
praise Him for His surpassing greatness

A Alleluia, aleluia, aleluia ........

C Praise Him with blasts of the trumpet
praise Him with harps and guitars
praise Him with drums and dancing
praise Him with flutes and strings.

A Alleluia, aleluia, aleluia, ........

C Praise Him with clashing cymbals
praise Him with clanging cymbals
let everything that lives and breathes
Praise, praise the Lord

A Alleluia, aleluia, aleluia
Alleluia, aleluia, aleluia
PSALM 26 (27) - THE LORD IS MY LIGHT AND MY SALVATION

Am        D           Am
C The Lord is my light and my salvation
F         G         Am
whom need I fear?
D       Am
the Lord is the fortress of my life
F  G       Am
of whom should I be afraid?

A I am sure I shall see
Dm
your goodness O Lord
E
Wait for the Lord, take courage
Am
wait for the Lord, take courage

C One thing I ask of the Lord
Am
one thing I only seek:
F         G         Am
to live in the house of Yahweh
D       Am
all the days of my life.

A I am sure I shall see ........

C For He hides me under His shelter
Am
in times of trouble
C
He hides me deep in his tent

A
sets me safe on a rock.

EVENU SHALOM ALEHEM (Hebrew Song)

Dm
C Evenu Shalom alehem
Gm
A Evenu Shalom alehem
A         Dm
Evenu Shalom alehem
A         Dm
Evenu Shalom, Shalom, Shalom alehem

A
and may peace be with us
A         Dm

C E sia la pace con noi

A
E sia la pace con noi
A         Dm

C E sia la pace con noi
A
e sia la pace con noi

C
Evenu Shalom, Shalom, Shalom alehem

A
Et la paix soit avec nous

C
Und sei der Friede mit uns

A
Y sea ja paz con nosotros

C
Ping an yu ni men tong chai
D7    G      B7    Em  D7
A Alleluia, Alleluia, Alleluia
G    B7    Em
Alleluia, Alleluia, Alleluia

Em       B7
C Here comes the kingdom
Em        B7
of the Lord and his Christ.
Here comes the kingdom
of the Lord our God

A Alleluia ..........  

C Let's give him glory
it is time for the wedding.

A Alleluia .......... 

C Happy are those
invited to the wedding
with the Lord

A Alleluia .......... 

C Happy are those
invited to the wedding
of the lamb.

A Alleluia .......... 

ABBA FATHER (Romans 8, 15-17)

C G     F     C
A Abba Father, Father!

Am
C We have not received,
Dm     Am
the spirit of slavery,
F      E
to fall back into fear
F      E
to fall back into fear
Am
A This same spirit
Dm     Am
bears united witness

F          E
with our spirit,
E7          Am
that we are children of God
G7
And if we are children,
)  
C  )
we are also heirs
)  
E7  )  (2)
co-heirs with Christ
)  
Am  )
heirs with God
)  
C G     F     C
Abba Father, Father!
WHO WILL SEPARATE US  (Rom 8, 33-39)

Am  C  Who will separate us,
G   who will separate us,
F     E  from the love of God?

Am  A  Who will separate us,  
G  who will separate us,  
F     E  from the love of God?

Am  C  Could Jesus Christ,  
He who died  
G  He who rose again,  
F  He who sits on the right of the Father  
E  interceding for us?

Am  A  Who will separate us ………

Am  C  If we are sure  
that neither death, nor life  
G  nor the present, nor the future,  
F  nor the height, nor the depth,  
E  nor any other creature  
interceding for us?

Am  A  Can separate us  
G  can separate us  
F  from the love of God  
E  shown to us in Jesus Christ?

Am  A  Who will separate us ………
MAGNIFICAT (Lk 1, 46-55)

D        E
C My soul proclaims the greatness of the Lord
and my spirit exults in God my Saviour

AEA       E
C From this day all generations
will call me blessed.

D        A
C For the Almighty has done great things for me
and His Name is holy.

AEA
C He shows the power of His arm
He routs the proud of heart

C The mighty he casts down from their thrones
and exalts the lowly.

A The hungry He fills with good things
and the rich He sends empty away.

C He helps His servant Israel,
remembering His mercy.

C According to the promise He made to Abraham
and to all his seed for ever

Assembly repeats
PSALM 46 (47) - GOD RISES TO ACCLAMATION

Dm    Gm
A God rises to acclamation
     Dm
to the blast of the trumpet
     Gm
God rises to acclamation
     Dm
to the blast of the trumpet.

Dm    Gm
C All people clap your hands,
     Dm
All people clap your hands,
     Gm
All people clap your hands.

Dm
A All people clap your hands
     Dm
All people clap your hands
     Gm
All people clap your hands.

C For God is the king
    The King of all the earth
    Sing praises to God
    sing praises with psalms.

A God rises to acclamation ……….

C The princes of the nations
    rally to the people,
    to the people of God,
    to the God of Abraham

A God rises to acclamation ……..

C God reigns over the nations
    God sits on His throne.
    God reigns over the nations
    God sits on His throne.

A God rises to acclamation ……….

C Every shield belongs to God
    He reigns supreme
    Every shield belongs to God
    He reigns supreme

A God rises to acclamation ……….

C For us He chose
    our heritage
    the pride of Jacob
    whom He loves.

A God rises to acclamation ……….
PSALM 125 (126) - WHEN THE LORD BROUGHT HOME

D
C When the Lord
Em brought home
D the captives
Em of Zion
D it seemed like a dream.
Em Our mouths
D were full of laughter
Em on our tongues
D D7 were songs.

G
A For those who are going
A       G   D in tears are going
Em carrying
D the seed.
G But coming back
A       G   D they come back singing
Em carrying
D the sheaves.

C What marvels,
Em what great things
D has the Lord done for us
Em for this
D D7 we are full of joy

A For those who are going
D in tears are going
D carrying the seed.
A But coming back
D they come back singing
D D7 carrying the sheaves.

D
C Those who go sowing
Em D they are in sadness
Em But when they’re reaping
D D7 they shout for joy.

G
A For those who are going ……..
BENEDICTUS (Lk 1, 67 - 80)

C  Blessed be the Lord

A  The God of Israel

C  For He has visited

A  raising up, for us,

C  According to the promise

A  The God of Israel

C  For He has visited

A  raising up, for us,

C  According to the promise

A  The God of Israel

C  For He has visited

A  raising up, for us,
Am
C  Just in a moment
in the twinkling of an eye,
Em   A
when the last trumpet sounds,
for the trumpet will sound:
    D
and the dead
    F#m
will be raised imperishable
    G    C#
and we shall be changed as well.

A
That is why we sing:
death is swallowed up in victory
alleluia, alleluia.
C#
O death where is your victory?
alleluia, alleluia.
F#m
O death where is your sting?
alleluia, alleluia, alleluia.

A
That is why we sing:

Death is swallowed up in victory
alleluia, alleluia.

A  Brothers I want to remind you
the good news
that I preached to you,
the same that I received:
A
that Christ died for our sins

A
In accordance with the Scriptures
C#
He was raised to life,
A
In accordance with the Scriptures
F#m
then He appeared to Peter,
E
then to the twelve
D
next to more than five hundred brothers at once
C#
and last of all He appeared to me.

A
That is why we sing

Death is swallowed up in victory
alleluia, alleluia.
C#
O death where is your victory?
alleluia, alleluia.
A
That is why we sing
Oh heavens, rain from above;

Oh clouds send us the Holy One.

Oh earth, open up, earth

and sprout forth the Saviour.

We are the desert
we are the drought:

Maranatha! Maranatha!

We are the wind,
nobody hears us:

Maranatha! Maranatha!

We are the darkness
nobody guides us:

Maranatha! Maranatha!

We are the chains,
nobody loosens us:

We are the cold,
nobody covers us:

We are the hunger
nobody feeds us:

We are the tears,
nobody dries us:

We are the pain,
nobody looks at us:

Maranatha! Maranatha!

oh heavens ..........
They were poor men, like you, like me, they’d been casting their nets in the lake or collecting taxes at the gates of the city. I remember that out of them all there was not even a learned man and the one whom they called Master was dead and buried in a tomb.

If you feel a breeze from heaven a wind shaking the doors listen: it’s a voice that is calling you, inviting you to travel afar.

There is a fire arising in him who is awaiting in him who cherishes hopes of love.

They had a heart in their breasts like you, like me, they had eyes full of tears and faces pale with fever and fear, they surely were thinking about their lost friend about the women left in their homes about the Cross at the top of the hill.

And the wind shook the door of the house, it entered wildly into the room and they had eyes and voices of fire they rushed out to sing their joy in the street. Man you who listen hidden in shadow the voice that is calling, is calling you; it brings you joy, it brings you good news: the Kingdom of God has already come.
BEHOLD I'M COMING SOON (Apoc 22, 12 - 16)

A
Behold I'm coming soon
E
bringing with me the reward
B7
to be given to each one
E
according to his work.

E7 A
I am the Alpha and the Omega
E
I am the First and the Last
B7
I am the First and the Last
E
the Beginning and the End

I am the Alpha and the Omega
E
I am the First and the Last
B7
I am the First and the Last
E
the Beginning and the End

A
Happy are those
E
those who wash their robes
B7
that they may have the right
E
to the tree of life.

C# C
I am the root and the offspring of David,
F#m
the star
F#m shining in the morning

COME, SON OF MAN (Apoc 22, 17ff)

Em Am
Come, son of man
B7 Em
Come, Lord Jesus
Em Am
Come, Servant of the Poor
B7 Em
Come, Lord Jesus
Em Am
Come, my love
B7 Em
Come, Lord Jesus
C Em
The Bride says: Come
C B7
let him who listen say: Come

C Em
The Spirit says: Come
B7
let him who listen say: Come

Ven, hijo del hombre
Ven, Senor Jesus
Viens, fills de l'homme
Viens, Seigneur Jesus
Vieni, figlio dell' uomo
Vieni, Signor Gesu
Come, son of man
come……… come
Lord Jesus

• Assembly repeats
ABRAHAM (Gen 18, 1 - 5)

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Abraham was sitting by the entrance of his tent. It was a very hot day when Abraham was sitting by the Oak of Mamre.

He looked up and there he saw three men standing near him.

As soon as he saw them he bowed to the ground and said:

O my Lord don’t pass by I beg you without stopping!

I'll bring you a little water You'll wash your feet and lie down under the tree.

I'll bring you a little bread you'll refresh yourselves before going further.

Not by chance have you passed today near me.

O my Lord don’t pass by I beg you without stopping!

Without stopping don’t pass by I beg you without stopping!
SONG OF MOSES (Ex 15, 1-17)

C7       F
C Let us sing to the Lord
A7      D7
let us sing to the Lord
who covered himself in glory,
in glory, in glory.
G7
He has thrown into the sea
C7
horse and rider.
F
A My strength and my song
A7
is the Lord
D7
He is my salvation
is my God
G7
I will extol him.

C7
He has thrown into the sea
horse and rider.  (2)

F
C The Lord is a warrior
A7
Yahweh is his Name
D7
Pharaoh’s chariots
and the enemy’s army
G7
He has cast into the sea.

C7
A He has thrown into the sea
horse and rider  (2)
My strength and my song ...........

C Your right hand O Lord
glorious in power
your right hand O Lord
shattered the enemy
shattered the enemy.

A He has thrown into the sea .......

C The enemy said:
I shall pursue and overtake
I shall draw my sword
my hand will get possession
my hand will despoil them.

A He has thrown into the sea .......

C You blew with your breath
the sea covered them.
They sank like lead
in deep waters,
in the waters of death.

A He has thrown into the sea .......

C Who is like you, among the gods
who is like you O Lord
magnificent in holiness
terrible in deeds
worker of wonders

A He has thrown into the sea .......

A He has thrown into the sea ........
SONG OF MOSES (CONTINUED)

C  You led this people
    that you have redeemed
    in your strength you guided them
    in your strength and love
    to your holy dwelling.

A  He has thrown into the sea ..........

C  You brought them in and planted them
    on the mountain of your promise
    where O Lord you reign
    you reign for all eternity
    you reign for ever and ever.

A  He has thrown into the sea .........

PSALM 116 (117) PRAISE THE LORD

G           Am
A  Praise the Lord

    C
all peoples of the earth
    B7
all nations give him glory

G           Am
C  For his love for us is strong
    C
and his faithfulness endures for ever
    B7
all nations praise the Lord

G           Am
A  Praise the Lord ...........

G
C  For his love for us is great
    C
and his mercy endures for ever
    B7
all nations extol him

G
A  Praise the Lord ...........

C When Israel came out of Egypt the house of Jacob from a foreign nation, Judah became his sanctuary, Israel his dominion

Em F

A Judah became his sanctuary, Israel his dominion.

Am

C The sea saw him and fled and the Jordan turned back the mountains skipped like rams, the hills like lambs.

Am

A Why sea, do you flee, and you, Jordan, turn back? and you mountains skip like rams, and you hills like lambs?

A tremble, earth, tremble
PSALM 23 (24) - GATES LIFT UP YOUR HEADS

E C To the Lord belongs the earth

G C And everything that is in it

A B C The world and all its peoples.

E A Gates lift up your heads
G raise your arches
A raise them higher
E let the king of glory enter
the king of glory, the king of glory

Em Am C Who shall climb
Em the mountain of the Lord?
Em Am Who shall climb
Em the mountain of the Lord?
Bm He who has clean hands
G and whose heart is pure
G who does not turn
A his soul to vanity
B A To vanity

C Em Bm C And we are His Church
C Em Bm that today is coming to your presence
G that is seeking your face
A O God of Jacob

B A O God of Jacob
F Gates lift up your heads ………..

Em Am Em C Who is this king of glory?
Bm The Lord
G the strong the mighty
A mighty in battle
B A Mighty in battle

Em Bm C He is the Lord Sabaoth
G A He is the king of glory
B A The king of glory
E C & A Gates lift up your heads ………..
PSALM 22 (23) - THE LORD IS MY SHEPHERD

Am        F
C         The Lord is my shepherd
         E
I lack nothing
in the meadows of green grass
         Am
he lets me lie

Am        F
A         The Lord is my shepherd
         E
I lack nothing
to the waters of life
         Am
he leads me.

G
C         He revives my strength
         F
and guides me
         E
in the way of love
         G
He revives my strength
         F
and guides me
         E
through the love of his Name

Am        F
A         The Lord is my shepherd ……

G
C         You prepare a banquet
         F
before me
         E
under the eyes of my enemies
         G
You anoint my head with oil,
         F
my cup brims over

A         The Lord is my shepherd ……

G         F
C         Yes, the joy of your love
         E
will accompany me

G         F
A         Yes, I will live
in your house
         E
for ever.
         G
The Lord is my shepherd ……..

( • ) Capo III
PSALM 136 (137) - BESIDE THE RIVERS OF BABYLON

Am      Dm        Am
A Beside the rivers of Babylon
E7
remembering you
Am
we sat down to weep
Dm
on the willows we hung up
Am
our guitars
E7
remembering you
Am
we sat down to weep.
Dm        Am
“Sing” our enemies told us;
Dm      Am
“Sing” our oppressors told us.
E7
They wanted us to sing
Am
songs of joy
G
C How could we sing
Am
the Lord’s songs
Am
in a foreign land?
E7
if I forget you
Am
may my right hand wither,
may my tongue
Dm        Am
cling to my palate
E7
if I don’t remember you Jerusalem
Am
as my greatest joy.
Dm    Am
A Lord, ask account of our enemies;
Dm    Am
Lord, ask account of our oppressors
E7
when they say to each other:
Am
“Raze it down to its foundations”
G    Am
C Capital of criminal, Babylon
G
who could repay you the evil
Am
you have done to us?
E7
Who could crush
Am
your little ones against the rocks?
Dm      Am
A Beside the rivers of Babylon
E7
remembering you
Am
we sat down to weep;
Dm    Am
on the willows we hung up our guitars
E7
remembering you
Am
we sat down to weep.
Em       Am
C Have mercy on me God, in your kindness
      Em
in your compassion blot out my offence
O wash me more and more from my guilt
and cleanse me from my sin.

Em     D     Em
A Have mercy on me God, have mercy (2)

My offences truly I know them
my sin is always before me
Against you, you alone have I sinned
what is evil in your sight I have done

That you may be justified when you give sentence
and be without reproach when you judge
O see in guilt I was born
a sinner was I conceived

Indeed you love truth in the heart
then in the secret of my heart teach me wisdom
O purify me, then I shall be clean
O wash me, I shall be whiter than snow

Make me hear rejoicing and gladness
that the bones you have crushed may revive
from my sins take away your face
and blot out all my guilt.

A pure heart create for me O God
put a steadfast spirit within me
do not cast me away from your presence
nor deprive me of your Holy Spirit

Give me again the joy of your help
with a spirit of fervour sustain me
that I may teach transgressors your ways
and sinners may return to you.

O rescue me God my helper
and my tongue shall ring out your goodness
O Lord open my lips
and my mouth shall declare your praise

For in sacrifice you take no delight
burnt offering from me you would refuse
my sacrifice, a contrite spirit
a humbled, contrite heart you will not spurn

In your goodness show favour to Zion
rebuild the walls of Jerusalem
then you will be pleased with lawful sacrifice
holocausts offered on your altar.
C
The people
that walked in darkness
has seen a great light
On those who walked
in a land of darkness
a great light has shone
You have made their gladness greater
you have made their joy increase
they rejoice in your presence
as they rejoiced
at harvest time
as they are happy
when they divide the spoils

A
And dominion will be on his shoulders
and his name will be, and his Name will be
wonderful counsellor,
mighty God, eternal Father
Prince of Peace.

C
For the yoke
that was weighing on the people
the yoke
that was on their shoulders
the rod of their oppressors
these you have taken away
as on the day of Midian
So that all the trampling boots
every garment rolled in blood,
will be burnt
and consumed by fire.
for there is a child born for us
a son given to us

(Repeat)
CHRIST JESUS IS THE LORD (Ph. 2, 6-11)

C  With the same love, with the same spirit
    Em  with the same feeling
    Em  Nothing out of rivalry, nor of boasting
    Em  but everything with humility
    G  Keeping in mind that the desire of others
    B7  considering others superior to oneself
    Em  having the same feelings as Jesus.
    G  Who being God
    B7  did not cling to his dignity
    Em  but emptied himself and became man
    G  and once made man he took the condition
    B7  of a servant
    Em  obeying until death.
    G  Am  Em  And what kind of death, death of a criminal
    Am  Em  B7  Em  death of a sinner, death on a cross!
    G  Am  Because of this, God exalted him, raised Him up
    B7  and gave him the highest Name existing.

C  Christ Jesus is the Lord!
A  Alleluia!

C  Christ Jesus is the Lord!
A  Alleluia!

C  Christ Jesus is the Lord!
A  Alleluia!

C  Christ Jesus is the Lord!
A  Alleluia!
HAIL MARY

C   E7/Am
C   E7/Am
C   E7/Am
full of grace
F   E
The Lord is with you
and blessed are you
Am
among all women
Dm
and blessed is the fruit
of your womb
E
Jesus

C   E7/Am
C   E7/Am
A   F   E   Am
C   E7/Am
A Holy Mary
C   E7/Am
Mother of God
F   E
pray for us,
Am
pray for us sinners
Dm
pray now
and in the hour
E
of our death

Am   F   E   Am
C,A   Amen, amen (amen)

HAIL QUEEN OF HEAVEN

Am
C   Hail queen of heaven
G   Am
Lady, lady of the angels
Hail, root
E7
Hail, door
You…..You……You
E7
You opened the door
Am
to our light

E7   Am
pray to Christ for us
Dm   Am
Hail eternal handmaid
E7   Am
pray to Christ for us

C   Ee   Ee   Ee
Hail, root:
E7
Hail door
You you you
E7
You opened the door
Am
to our light

A   Rejoice, Virgin Mary
A   Rejoice, Virgin Mary

Am
of all the most beautiful
Dm   Am
Hail, eternal handmaid
MARY, LITTLE MARY (Hymn to the Virgin Mary)

D         F#m
C        O Mary, little Mary,
G        Em       Em6
you are the gentle breeze of Elijah
A7        D
the breath of the Spirit of God
D          F#m
You are the burning bush of Moses
G
which bears the Lord
A7
without being consumed
D          F#m
You are ‘that place near me’
G        D
which the Lord showed to Moses
G          D
You are the cleft in the rock
A
which God covers with his hand,
G        D
while his glory passes by.
D          F#m
A        Let the Lord come with us
G
if we have found favour
D
in his eyes
G        D
it’s true that we are sinners
A
but pray for us
G        A        D
and we shall be his heritage
D         F#m
C        O Mary, little Mary,
G        Em       A7
child of Jerusalem
D          F#m
Mother of all nations
G        A7
Virgin of Nazareth
D
You are the cloud
F#m
which protects Israel
G        D
the tent where we meet
G        D
the Ark of the Covenant
A
the place where the Lord dwells,
G        A        D
the Sanctuary of his Shekinah.
A        Let the Lord ………
C, A    You are ‘that place ………
PSALM 120 (121) - I LIFT MY EYES TO THE MOUNTAINS

C             Em
A  I lift my eyes to the mountains
     F     G    C
from where will come my help?
     F         C
My help comes from the Lord
     G       F          C
who made heaven and earth.

C       Em
C  He won’t let you stumble
     F                  G            C
your guardian won’t go to sleep.

F     C
C,A  The guardian of Israel
     G       F          C
doesn’t sleep nor does he slumber.

A  I lift my eyes ............

C             Em
C  The Lord is your guardian
     F     G    C
He’s like shade which covers you
     F         C
by day the sun can’t strike you down
nor the moon at night

A  I lift my eyes ..........

C             Em
C  The Lord guards you from every evil
     F                  G            C
He guards your life
     C       F          C
The Lord is the One who guards you
when you go out and when you come back

C,A  The Lord is the One who guards you
     F                  C
now and for ever.

A  I lift my eyes ..........

C,A  My help comes from the Lord
     F                  C
who made heaven and earth
If today you listen to his voice
do not harden your hearts

Come, let us praise Yahweh joyfully
acclaiming the rock who saves us.
Let us come to his presence with thanksgiving
acclaiming him with psalms and songs

For Yahweh is a great god,
a greater king than all other gods.
From depths of earth to mountain top
everything comes under his rule,
the sea belongs to him, so does the land

Come, let us bow down before Him and kneel
in front of Yahweh our maker
For He is our God and we are His people

the flock that He guides
the people that He pastures.

If only, if only
you would listen to me today
and not harden your hearts,
as at Meribah
as on the day of Massah in the desert
when your fathers challenged me
tested me
although they had seen my deeds.
For forty years that generation repelled me
until I said: they are a people with a
crooked heart,
they don’t know my ways
so I swore in my anger,
they shall never enter my rest.
Em   Am   B7     )  (2)
A  Taste and see     )
          C7            B7     )
how good is the Lord     )

Am     B7
C  I will bless the Lord at all time
Am     B7
his praise always on my lips
C     B7
I make my boast in the Lord
C     B7
let the humble hear and rejoice.

A  Taste and see ...........

C  Glorify with me the Lord
together let us praise His Name
I sought the Lord and He answered me,
from all my terrors He set me free

A  Taste and see ......

C  Look towards Him and you will be radiant
your faces will not be ashamed
This poor man calls, the Lord hears him;
he rescues him from all his distress.

A  Taste and see ........
DAYENU

C Em Am Em
How many good things has the Almighty showered un us

Em Am Em
A How many good things has the Almighty showered on us

D C Em
How many good things has the Almighty showered on us

Am B7
C If Christ had taken us out of Egypt

Em
but without bringing judgement on Pharaoh

D C Em
A This would have been good enough, good enough

D C Em
dayenu, dayenu, dayenu

D C
C If He had brought judgment on Pharaoh,

B7 Em
but without liberating us from all idols:

A This would have been good enough, good enough

dayenu, dayenu, dayenu

C If He liberated us from all idols
but without giving us their riches

If He had given us a way across the desert
but without feeding us with the bread of life

If He had given us their riches,
but without dividing the Red Sea for us

If He had fed us with the bread of life
but without granting us the day of the Lord

If He had opened the Red Sea for us
but without drowning our oppressors

If He had given us the day of the Lord
but without giving us the New Covenant

If He had drowned our oppressors,
but without giving us a way across the desert
If He had given us the New Covenant,  
but without bringing us into His Church

If He had brought us to His Church  
but without building in us His own Temple

If He had built in us His own Temple  
but without filling us with His Holy Spirit

A This would have been good enough, good enough 
dayenu, dayenu, dayenu

Em Am Em

C So much more must we give thanks to the Lord

Em Am Em

A So much more must we give thanks to the Lord

D C Em

So much more must we give thanks to the Lord

Am Em

C Who has brought us out of Egypt

A Who has brought us out of Egypt

Am Em

C Who has brought judgment on Pharaoh

A Who has brought judgment on Pharaoh

D C Em

C Who has freed us from our enemies

A Who has freed us from our enemies

C Who has given us all their riches
Who has opened the sea for us
Who has drowned our oppressors

Who has given us a way across the desert
Who has nourished us with the bread of life
Who has given us the day of the Lord

Who has given us the New Covenant
Who has brought us to His Church
Who has built in us His Temple

D C Em

and has filled us with His Holy Spirit

B7 Em

through forgiveness of sin

D C Em

A Christ our Passover is risen for us

D C Em

Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia

(3)
TO THE PASCHAL VICTIM  (*)

Am    A7
C  To the paschal victim
Dm
we offer today the sacrifice of praise
F   E
the flock is ransomed by the lamb
Dm F E
The innocent has reconciled us sinners to His Father
Am A7
Death with life contended
Dm
in mighty battle
F   E
the Lord of life was slain
Dm F E
yet he lives to reign
A7
Tell us Mary what did you see upon the way:
Dm E
I saw the tomb of the Lord empty
Dm E
The Lord’s glory and Christ alive
F   E
the angels, the shroud, the grave clothes
Dm E
For Christ my hope is risen
F   E
He goes before us into Galilee
A
He goes before us into Galilee
Dm E
C  Yes, we are sure:
F   E
Christ is truly risen!
A  Yes we are sure:
F   E
Christ is truly risen!
F   E
C  He goes before us into Galilee
F   E
A  He goes before us into Galilee

You Victorious king, give us your salvation
(repeat)
At the end, the assembly may repeat the first four verses.

(*) Capo V
HYMN OF ADVENT

Am
C Clear a voice
dispels with its echoes darkness;

away with anguish

E
Jesus already shines!

Am
Let the numb soul wake up

E
and stop crawling on the ground:

Am
a new star is dawning!

Dm
Behold

a lamb is sent to us,

Am
to satisfy gratis our faults,

E
let us hasten to him with tears

Am
and let us all ask him for forgiveness.

Dm
So that

when he appears in glory

Am
in his second coming,

E
and fills the world with fear

Am
may he protect us with mercy.

Dm
A For this

Am
we sing this praise

E
to the Father, the Son and the Spirit

Am
let them live for ever,

Amen!
HE’S COMING MY GOD

A Em He’s coming my God, He’s coming my King B7
He’s coming my God, He’s coming my King
Em He’s coming, He’s coming my Saviour
B7 He’s coming, He’s coming my King
Em He’s coming, He’s coming my King

C Em C He is a poor worker born in Bethlehem
B7 his mother Mary, his father Joseph
Em He’s coming, He’s coming my Saviour
B7 He’s coming, He’s coming my King
Em He’s coming, He’s coming my King

A He’s coming my God ……….

C He has eyes speaking of love

He’s coming, He’s coming my Saviour
He’s coming. He’s coming my King

A He’s coming ……….

C He died on a tree, full of pain

He died for men, full of love

He’s coming, He’s coming my Saviour
He’s coming, He’s coming my King

A He’s coming my God ……….

C He entered death, He entered my God

then ascended, came out, He is coming the Lord

Let us shout, let us sing: ‘He rose from death’

My God has conquered, He came out through love

A He’s coming my God ……….
THE CHILDREN OF BETHLEHEM

C   G        C
A   The children of Bethlehem are playing in the square
     G           C
here come the Wise Men, they are One, Two, Three
     Am     G       C
But from where do they come, with horses and with camels
     G         C
But who are you, who are you, to come right here

C
1st I come from the very far east, from the country of
C      G          F      C
wise man gold and silver, but at night I cannot sleep,
     G           C
I have seen a star, a star in the sky

F     C          G
A   But at night you cannot sleep, you have seen a star,
     C
a star in the sky
The children of Bethlehem .......

C
2nd I come from the very far east, from the country of flowers and
C      G          F      C
wise man perfumes, but at night I cannot sleep
     G           C
I have seen a star, a star in the sky,

F     C          G
A   But at night you cannot sleep, you have seen a star
     C
a star in the sky
The children of Bethlehem .......
I come from the very far east, from the country of the wise
man poor and the sick, but at night I cannot sleep
I have seen a star, a star in the sky.

But at night you cannot sleep ……..

The children of Bethlehem are playing in the square
Here come the wise men they are One, and Three.

But from where do you come with incense, gold and myrrh
But who are you, who are you to come right here

We come from the very far east, we have seen his star
as it rose, we have come to adore and to worship
the king of the Jews who has been born here

They have come to adore and to worship the king of the Jews who was born here

All the children of Bethlehem look up to the sky
here rises the star on the houses of Jesus
Let us hurry all together with horses and with camels
with the wise men we have found where the saviour was born
If the Lord does not build the house in vain do the builders toil

If the Lord does not watch over the city in vain does the watchman keep vigil

If the Lord does not build the house in vain is your early rising your going late to rest
to earn your daily bread

God gives to his friends while they sleep

Sons are gifts from the Lord like arrows in the hands of a warrior
are the sons of one’s youth.

Happy the man who has his quiver full of them he will not be afraid when enemies arrive

God gives to his friends while they sleep

If the Lord does not build the house
Em        Am
A        For love of my brothers and friends
         Em
for love of my brothers and friends,
         B7
I will say, I will sing:
         Em
peace be with you

Em
C        How I rejoiced when they said to me
         Am           Em
let us go to the house of the Lord

A        And now our feet are standing
         B7           Em
at your gateways, Jerusalem.

Em        Am        Em  )
A        Jerusalem, Jerusalem rebuilt again     ) (2)
         B7       Em    )
Jerusalem, Jerusalem rebuilt again     )

A        For the love of my brothers ..........

C        Here the tribes come up,
the tribes of the Lord.

A        They come to praise the Lord
according to the use of Israel.

A        Jerusalem, Jerusalem, rebuilt again ....
PSALM 39 (40) - I HOPED, I HOPED IN THE LORD

A  I hoped, I hoped in the Lord

Am    Em
C    Happy the man who trusts in the Lord

Am    Em
and He has stooped down to me
F    E7
C    who does not side with the proud

He heard my cry for help
F
C    nor join those who follow false gods

He has pulled me out
E
H    happy the man who trusts in the Lord.

of the pit of death.

Am
A  I hoped, I hoped in the Lord ……

C Happy the man who trusts in the Lord

Em
who does not side with the proud

He has pulled me out
E
nor join those who follow false gods

of the mire of the marsh

Am    Em
C    happy the man who trusts in the Lord.

Am    Em
my feet he has set on a rock
F    E7
C    how many [plans have you made for us:

He has steadied my steps
F
C    too many to be counted

E
on a way, on a way of salvation
C    nobody can be compared to you.

A  I hoped, I hoped in the Lord ……

C How many wonders have you done my Lord

Em
A  I hoped, I hoped in the Lord ……

C    how many [plans have you made for us:

my feet he has set on a rock
F    E7
C    too many to be counted

He has steadied my steps
F
C    nobody can be compared to you.

on a way, on a way of salvation
A  I hoped, I hoped in the Lord ……

C Sacrifice and offering you do not want

A  I hoped, I hoped in the Lord ……

for this you opened my ear

C How many wonders have you done my Lord
you did not want sacrifice for sin
A  I hoped, I hoped in the Lord ……

then I said: “Here I am,

He has put a new song
in my mouth
C    how many [plans have you made for us:

a song of praise to our God
My God this is what I want
C    too many to be counted

many will come and see,
Your Word, your Word within me.
and they will trust in the Lord.

A  I hoped, I hoped in the Lord………..
A
I want to sing
C
Em
to you I want to sing,
F
awake, awake my heart,
G  C
awake harp and zither.

C
Have mercy on me
Em
have mercy on me, O God
F
in you, my soul takes refuge;
Dm
I take refuge in the shadow of your wings
G  C
until the danger is over.

A
I want to sing
C
I call on God
I call on God the most high
to God, who has done great things for me
who sends to me from heaven salvation
from the hands of my enemies.

A
I want to sing
C
Have mercy on me God
have mercy on me, O God
I lie, in the midst of lions
lions greedy to devour men
their teeth are spears and arrows

A
I want to sing
C
Have mercy on me
have mercy on me O God
they laid a net fro my steps
they dug a pit for me
but fell in it themselves

A
I want to sing
C
My heart is ready,
my heart is ready O God
I mean to sing and play for you
awake, awake my soul
I will awake the dawn.

A
I want to sing
C
I will praise you Lord
among the peoples
to you I will sing hymns among the nations
for your love is higher than the heavens
your faithfulness than the clouds

A
I want to sing
PSALM 2 - WHY DO THE NATIONS CONSPIRE

Em    Am  
C Why do the nations conspire?     
Em  
why in vain are peoples plotting  
Am  
They arise, the kings of the earth  
B7  
and the princes are plotting together  
Em  
against the Lord and against his Messiah  )

C Let us break their fetters asunder  
Am  
let us cast their cords away  
B7  
He laughs at them who sits in the heavens  
Em  
from on high the Lord derides them  
He speaks with wrath,  
Em  
He scares them in his anger  
Em  
A I have constituted Him my king  
B7  
on Zion my holy mountain  
Em  
on Zion my holy mountain  
Am  
on Zion my holy mountain  
Em  
on Zion my holy mountain  
A I have constituted Him my king ......

Em  
C I will announce the decree of the Lord  
B7  
He said to me: ‘You are my son  
Em  
today I have begotten you.  
Am  
Ask me, I will give you as possession the peoples  
B7  
as domain the ends of the earth  
you shall break them with rod of iron  
Em  
as clay vessels you will crush them’  
Am  
A I have constituted Him my king ......

Am  
B7  
C And now kings be wise  
Am  
learn wisdom, judges of the earth  
B7  
serve God with fear  
Em  
and with trembling exult  
Am  
lest he be angry and you lose the way  
B7  
for all of a sudden his wrath flares up  
Em  
blessed is he who takes refuge in Him  
Am  
Em  
A I have constituted Him my king ......

(*) Assembly repeats
PSALM 41 -42 (42 - 43) - AS THE DEER YEARNS

E
C As the deer yearns
for running streams
so my soul is yearning
C#m
for you my God
My soul is thirsting for God
B7
the living God
when shall I come
E
to see the face of God?
Tears are my bread day and night
while my enemies
say to me all day long:
F#m
Where is your God?
Where is your God?
Where is your God?
B7
And this I remember
and my soul is filled with sadness
how I used to walk
E G#
in the midst of rejoicing.
Why are you cast down my soul?
C#m
Why are you sighing within me?
F#m B7
A Hope in God, hope in God
E
and you'll praise Him again

C Because He, He is my salvation:
B7 C#m A G#
He is my God, He is my God
A G#

A Hope in God, hope in God
B hope in God
G#
and you will praise Him again

E
C How many times I say: ‘My rock,
why have you forsaken me?’
why do I walk so sadly
F#m
oppressed by my enemy?
B7
My bones are crushed
by listening all day long:
‘Where is your God?’
E
‘where is your God?’

F#m
Let them lead me to your holy mountain
B7
then I will be able to sing to you
E G#
a song of joy, a song of happiness
with my guitar.

Why are you cast down my soul ........
Psalm 99 (100) - Accl; Aim the Lord

Em
A Acclaim the Lord
Am Em
all peoples of the earth
G A B7
serve the Lord with gladness

Em B7
C Come before Him
Em
with songs of joy

A Acclaim the Lord ……

C The Lord is our God
we are His people
A Acclaim the Lord ……

C We are His people,
the flock that He pastures

A Acclaim the Lord ……

C Enter through His gates
with songs of joy

A Acclaim the Lord ……

C Give thanks to Him
bless His holy Name.
A Acclaim the Lord ……

C For the Lord is good
eternal His love for us
A Acclaim the Lord ……

Shout with joy (Is 12, 1ff)

Am
A Shout with joy
G
for great in your midst
F E
is the Holy One of Israel
E
C Truly God is my salvation
Am
I will trust, I will not be afraid
F G
for the Lord is my strength, my song
F E
He is my salvation
A Shout with joy ……

E Am
C With joy you shall draw water
E Am
from the wells of salvation

Am
A Acclaim the Lord
G
give thanks to the Lord
F
call upon His name
E
manifest his marvels to the people

A Shout with joy ……

E
C Sing psalms to the Lord
Am
for He has done great things with us
G
shout for joy
F
all you people of Zion
E
because God loves you
Children repeat

PSALM 16 (17) - WHEN I AWAKE

Am F
A When I awake
I'll be satisfied with your face, O Lord
Am F
when I awake
I'll be satisfied with your face, O Lord.
Dm Am

C Listen Lord to my prayer
Dm Am
and be attentive Lord to my clamour
E
Give ear to my plea
F E
my lips do not betray you O Lord
F E
from you let the sentence come,
Dm
let your eyes see,
E
let your eyes see righteousness.
A When I awake ..........
Dm Am

C God search my heart,
Dm Am
search me at night O Lord
Am
test me with a crucible,
E
test me with a crucible
F E
because you know there is no malice in me
F E
my mouth does not speak as men do
Dm
because I have followed your Word
E
I've avoided the way of the violent one;
F E
To your way I've held fast my steps
Dm E
and I will not stumble, and I will not stumble
A When I awake .......
D Am

C To you I cry, Lord, answer me
Dm Am
turn your ear, listen to my voice

(*) Children repeat
WHY IS THIS NIGHT (Children’s Song)

Em
C Why is this night
so different
    Am      Em   )
from all the other nights?  ) (•)

C All the other nights
we go to bed early
    Am      Em   )
and we don’t stay awake  ) (•)

Am      Em   )
C But this night, but this night,  ) (•)
B7      Em   )
we stay awake  )

Em
C Why is this night
so different
    Am      Em   )
from all the other nights  ) (•)

C All the other nights
we go to bed early
after having supper  ) (•)

C But this night, but this night
we have been fasting  ) (•)

C Why is this night
so different
from all the other nights  ) (•)

C All the other nights
we go to bed early
and we are expecting nothing  ) (•)

(•) Children repeat
PSALM 117 (118) - I SHALL NOT DIE

**Cantor**  
Am  
I shall not die  
I shall not die  
F  
To proclaim  
Am  
He has punished me  
He has punished me  
F  
E  
But He has not abandoned me to death  
Am  
Give thanks to the Lord for He is good  
Am  
Let the house of Israel say:  
Am  
Let the house of Aaron say:  
Am  
Let those who fear the Lord say:  
C  
It is better to take refuge in the Lord  
C  
It is better to take refuge in the Lord  
Am  
They surrounded me  
They surrounded me  
F  
In the name of the Lord  
Am  
I was pressed  
F  
But the Lord

**Assembly**  
But I shall live  
But I shall live  
E  
The deeds of the Lord  
He has punished me  
He has punished me  
F  
E  
But He has not abandoned me to death  
F  
E  
His love is everlasting  
His love is everlasting  
F  
E  
Give thanks to the Lord for He is good  
His love is everlasting  
F  
E  
Let the house of Israel say:  
His love is everlasting  
F  
E  
Let the house of Aaron say:  
His love is everlasting  
F  
E  
Let those who fear the Lord say:  
His love is everlasting  
F  
E  
It is better to take refuge in the Lord  
Than to trust in men  
F  
E  
It is better to take refuge in the Lord  
Than to trust in clever men  
F  
E  
They surrounded me  
They surrounded me  
E  
I cut them down  
I was pressed  
(twice)  
E  
Came to my help
Cantor

C
Listen, there are shouts of joy and victory
C
The Lord’s right hand is powerful
C
The Lord’s right hand is powerful

Am
A I shall not die ……

Am
Open to me the gates of victory
Am
This is the gateway of the Lord
Am
I called to the Lord in my distress
Am
The Lord is at my side, I do not fear
Am
The Lord is at my side as my helper
Am
The stone which the builders rejected
Am
This is the work of the Lord
Am
This day was made by the Lord

Assembly

F E
In the tents of the just
F E
The right hand of the Lord is exalted
F E
The Lord’s right hand raised me

F E
I will come and give thanks to the Lord
F E
Through which the victors will enter
F E
He answered and freed me
F E
What can men do against me?
F E
I shall look down on my foes
F E
Has become the corner stone
F E
A marvel in our eyes
F E
What immense joy for us!

A I shall not die ………
SAY TO ALL FAINT HEARTS  (Is 35,4 ff)

Am             Dm
C Say to all faint hearts

Am
say, say it to the poor

F         E
courage, do not be afraid,

F         E
your God is coming to save you

Am             Dm
Then the eyes of the blind shall be opened

Am
the ears of the deaf unsealed,

F         E
then the lame shall leap like a deer

F         E
and the tongue of the dumb shall sing for joy.

C      Em    C
A Because there will be a road

Em           Am
a way of salvation

C      Em    Am
a way, a path for the poor,

Em             Am
C By this way they shall return all those rescued by the Lord          (Assembly repeats)

Em             Am
C All the poor, the blind, the lame, the far away from the Lord      (Assembly repeats)

Em
C The sinners

F         E
A And they shall sing happiness!

F         E
and they shall sing happiness

F         E         F         E
Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia
PSALM 62 (63) - O GOD YOU ARE MY GOD

Am     Dm
A O God, you are my God,
   Am
I am seeking you from dawn
   F       E       Am
for you my soul is thirsting.
   F      E     Am

C For you my soul is thirsting
   Dm      E
my flesh is longing for you:
   Am
a land parched and weary,
   F       E     Am
a land parched, weary without water.

Your love is better than life
my lips speak your praise
so I bless you
in your Name I lift up my hands.

My soul clings to you,
your right hand holds me fast
when I remember you
when through the night I muse on you.

My soul is filled as with a banquet,
my mouth praises you with joy,
for you are my help
and in the shadow of your wings I rejoice.

GRACE BEFORE MEALS

D
You are the bread of the poor
   A
You are happiness for everyone
   D
we give you thanks O Lord

D
You give food to the birds
   G
You send the rain to make the grass grow
   D      G   D
We give you thanks O Lord
   D
We give you thanks O Lord
PSALM 92 (93) - THE LORD IS COMING WITH MAJESTY ENROBED

Dm Gm )
A The Lord is coming with majesty enrobed ) (2)
Dm )
girded with power, He robes himself with might. )

Gm
C The world He makes firm, not to be moved
Dm your throne stands firm, from eternity you are
Gm
holiness is fitting to your house

Dm
A Holiness is fitting to your house.
A The Lord is coming .......

C To him who loves us, who frees us from sin
who made of us a kingdom, kingdom of priests
Gm Dm
to him glory and might for ever and ever

Gm Dm
A To him glory and might for ever and ever.
A The Lord is coming .......

C Behold He’s coming, He’s coming on the clouds
behold He’s coming and all will see Him
also those, those who pierced Him
all the nations of the earth.
A The Lord is coming .......

SONG OF BALAAM (Nm 23, 7 - 24)

Em       D
C From Aram Balak made me come
the king of Moab
Em
from the eastern mountains
D       Em
‘Come, curse Jacob for me,
D       Em
come prophesy against Israel’
G       D
How shall I curse,
G   Bm   Em
if God does not let me?
G       D
how shall I prophesy
G   Bm   Em
if God does not want?
D       Em
From the top of this crag I see him
D       Em
from the top of this peak I observe him
D
This is a people different
Em
from all nations.

Em       D
A How beautiful are your tents
(2)
Em
how beautiful O Israel.

G       D
G   Bm   Em
C Who shall count your multitudes,
D       Em
domesticity is there.
D       Em
Jacob O Jacob. Jacob O Jacob.
A How beautiful are your tents ……..

G       D
C Let my death
G   Bm   Em
be like the death of your Just one
D       Em
Let my life be where He is
D       Em
A Let my life be where He is.
How beautiful are your tents ………

Em       D
C But what are you doing?
Em
you are blessing them.
D
Come to another place,
Em
maybe from there God will curse them.
G       D       G   Bm   Em
Listen, son of Zipor, give ear king Balak
D       Em
God is not a man who says and then repents
D       Em
a star is rising from Jacob,
D       Em
I hear acclamation for a king,
D       Em
God is his father.
D       Em
He crouches like a lion,
D       Em
He wakes up like a lioness
D       Em
no one will make Him rise
A How beautiful are your tents ………
PSALM 137 (138) - IN THE PRESENCE OF THE ANGELS

C     E       Dm9
A In the presence of the angels to you I want to sing
G     E
In the presence of the angels I want to sing psalms
Dm9
I give thanks to your Name
F     E
for your faithfulness and your love.

C
I give you thanks O Lord with all my heart
because your promise has surpassed your fame
on the day I cried to you, you answered me,
you gave strength and vigour to my soul

A
In the presence of the angels to you I want to sing ……..

C
All the kings of the earth shall praise you O Lord,
when they hear the words of your mouth,
and singing on the way of the Lord,
they will say: how great is your love.

A
In the presence of the angels to you I want to sing ……..

C
The Lord is sublime and looks upon the humble,
He knows the haughty man, looks on him from afar,
when I walk in affliction
he stretches out his hand, his right hand saves me.

A
In the presence of the angels to you I want to sing ……..

C
The Lord will complete in me what he has started
because his love is great and everlasting;
He doesn’t abandon the work of his hands.
O lord, do not abandon us.

A
In the presence of the angels to you I want to sing ……..


URI, URI, URA

A  Uri, Uri, Uri, Ura
    Em )                      ) (2)
    Uri, Uri, Uri, Ura
    B7
    Uri, Uri, Uri, Ura

Em
Pampam, pampam, pam, parampampam
B7
Pampam, pampam, pam, parampampam
Em
Laralalaralala

B7
C  A little baby will be born
    Em )                      ) (Assembly repeats)
    a tiny little baby

B7
C  What will His name be? Emmanuel.

Em
A  What will His name Be? Emmanuel.
    B7
What will His name Be? Emmanuel.
    Em
Come little baby, come.

A  Uri, Uri .......

C  His mother Mary is in Bethlehem
    His father is a carpenter
    ) (Assembly repeats
C  What will His name be? Emmanuel.
SONG OF TOBIT (Tb 13)

Am       G
O my soul bless the Lord
Am
O my soul bless the great king
G
because it shall be rebuilt
Am
Jerusalem, Jerusalem.
Am         G
C Jerusalem, Jerusalem,
Am         G
Jerusalem, Jerusalem,
G
Jerusalem rebuilt
Am
Jerusalem forever.
Am         G
C Your gates shall be rebuilt
Am
with sapphires and with emeralds
G
all your walls with precious stones
Am
your towers with pure gold.
G
Your squares are of rubies
Am
Your streets of gold of Ofir,
G
at your gates they will exult
Am
in your houses they will sing
A
Jerusalem, Jerusalem ..........  
Am
C Your light will arrive
G
to the ends of the earth
Am
many nations will come to you
G
the inhabitants of the whole world
Am
to the house which bears your Name
Am
The generations
G
shall proclaim their joy
Am
the nations shall sing
G
and there the Name of your Elected One
Am
shall endure forever.
A
Jerusalem, Jerusalem ........
Am
C Cursed be those who treat you badly
G
cursed be those who will destroy you
Am
those who break down your walls
G
and raze your towers to the ground
Am
But blessed be, blessed be forever
G
all those who built you
Am
all those who rebuilt you
G
happy are those who love you
Am
those who rejoice in your peace.
For at your gates
G
there will be exultation
Am
in your house there will be singing
Jerusalem, Jerusalem ........
Am         G
C Alleluia, alleluia. Alleluia, alleluia.
Am         G
C Alleluia, alleluia. Alleluia, alleluia.
How lovely are your dwelling places
O Lord, Lord of hosts!
My soul longs and yearns
for the courts of the Lord.
Even the sparrow finds a home,
the swallow its nest
near your altars O Lord
my King and my God,
my King and my God.

Happy he who lives
in your house,
ever singing your praise,
ever singing your praise.
Happy he who finds
in you the strength
and decides in his heart
the holy journey.

Passing through the valley
of weeping,
He turns it into a spring:
his strength grows along the way
till he arrives in Zion,
till he arrives in Zion.

For me a day in your courts
is worth more
than a thousand elsewhere.
To dwell at the gate of your house
is better than to live
in the palaces of the mighty.

Passing through the valley .......
For me a day in your courts .......
DAY OF REST

Em     Am     Em
C      If anyone keeps my word,
      he will never taste death,

Am     Em
A      You are the only one, the only one with joy,
      Who is like the Lord?

Am     Em
C      Crown of salvation

Am     Em
A      Memorial of joy.

Am
A      Day of rest and holiness
      (2)
Em
      you have given to your people,

Am     Em
C      Abraham saw this day

Am     Em
A      And he rejoiced in Isaac.

Am
C      Jacob and his sons
Em
      Assembly
      repeats
rested in this day

A      Day of rest and holiness ………..
CONSOLE MY PEOPLE (Is 40, 1-11)

Em
C Console my people
Am B7 Assembly
and speak to the heart of Jerusalem repeats
Em
and shout that her slavery
is ended.

G Am B
C Oyez, a voice in the desert shouts:
Am B7 Em prepare the way, the path to the Lord

Am Em
A Because the Lord is coming with power
B7 He brings with Him the reward.
Am Em
Like a shepherd gathers the flock,
B7 Em carrying the lambs on his breast.

Am Em
C Like a shepherd he leads slowly, slowly
B7 the mother ewes.
Am
Like a shepherd carries on his shoulders
B7 the lost sheep

A Console my people ..........
THERE WERE TWO ANGELS

Am    Dm    Am
C     There were two angels
Am    Dm    Am
and one asks the other:
Dm    Am    E    Am
“Where is, where is the glory of God?”
Dm    Am    E    Am
A     “Where is, where is the glory of God?
Am    Dm
C     In the blessing,
Am
in the blessing,
Dm
in the blessing
E    Am
is the glory of God
Am    Dm
A     In the blessing,
Am
in the blessing,
Dm
in the blessing
E    Am
is the glory of God.

repeat the song each time raising half tone
PSALM 114-115 (116) - I LOVE THE LORD

G           Bm
C I love the Lord for He listens
     C
to the cry of my appeal
Am       D7
For He turned His ear to me
     G
on the day when I called Him.
     G
They surrounded me the snares of death
     Bm
with the anguish of the tomb
     C     Am
they caught me sorrow and distress.
     D7
I called on the Lord’s Name:
     G
“Lord, my God, deliver me”.
     G           Bm
A Return my soul to your rest
     C     Am     D7
for the Lord has been good to you;
     C     G
He has saved you from death
     D     G
prevented your feet from falling

G           Bm
C I have faith even when I say:

“I am sorely afflicted”
     C     Am     D7
and when I said in my alarm:
     G
“No man can be trusted”.

How can I repay the Lord
     Bm
for all this goodness to me?
     C     Am
The cup of blessing I will raise
     D7     D
invoking the Name of the Lord.
COME TO ME ALL OF YOU (Mat. 11, 28-30)

C
Come to me all of you,
E Am
who are weary and overburdened,
F E
and I shall give you rest,
F E
and I shall give you rest.

C
Take my yoke upon you
E
and learn from me,
E Am
for I am meek and humble of heart,
F E
and you shall find rest for yourselves;
F E
and you shall find rest for your souls.

C E
Because my yoke is gentle,
F
because my yoke is gentle,
E
and my burden light,
F
Because my yoke is gentle,
E
and my burden light.
To you O Lord praise is due in Zion to you the vow is performed in Jerusalem

To you who hear our prayer

every mortal comes, every mortal comes.

Our faults burden us but you forgive our sins.

Blessed is the one you’ve chosen and called near he will dwell in your courts

You speak to us with the wonders of your love you answer us with the wonders of your justice

We shall fill ourselves with the goods of your house with the holiness of your temple.

To you who hear our prayer ……
PSALM 10 - IF IN THE LORD I HAVE TAKEN REFUGE

G   B7
A  If in the Lord I have taken refuge
   Em
   how can you say to me, how can you say to me?
C7   B7
Flee like a bird to its mountain
C7   B7
flee like a bird to its mountain
   C    B7
C
C  See the wicked bracing their bow
   C    B7
They are fixing their arrows on a string
   C7   B7
To shoot upright men in the dark
  Am    B7
But when foundations fall to ruin
   Am    B7
what can the just men do?
   Am    B7
What can the just men do?
   G    B7     Em
C  Yet the Lord, the Lord is in His holy temple
   C    B7
The Lord has his throne in heaven
   C7   B7
His eyes look down on the world
   C7   B7
His gaze searches every man.
   G    B7     Em
The Lord searches the just
   C7   B7
But the Lord searches the wicked too
   C7   B7
The Lord does not love violence
PSALM 67 (68) - THE LORD ANNOUNCES A GOOD NEWS

G C The Lord announces Em a good news Am Em the messengers are an Assembly immense army repeats Am Em the enemy kings flee, flee G Am Em The woman of the house Bm Em divides the spoils G

And while you are sleeping Bm among the sheepfolds Am the wings of the dove Em are covered with silver Am Em its feathers with gleaming gold G Bm And with her the snow fades

on the mountain Am Em on the shady mountain G Em

A The Lord announces a good news .......

G C Sing to the Lord, kings of the earth Bm sing hymns to Him, sing hymns Am The Lord rides the heavens Em He rides the eternal heavens Am Em His power is above the clouds G Behold! His voice thunders, Bm A Em His voice, His mighty voice, thunders G

A The Lord announces a good news .......
PSALM 133 (134) - GIVE BLESSING TO THE LORD

C & A
Allelu, Allelu, Alleluia,
Dm   Bb   A
Allelu, Allelu, Alleluia

Dm
Give blessing to the Lord,
C
Give blessing to the Lord,
give blessing to the Lord
A
all you servants of the Lord.
Give blessing to the Lord,
give blessing to the Lord,
Dm
all you who stay in the house of the Lord.
Lift up your hands to him,
lift up your hands to him,
A
and give blessing to the Lord,
you who stay in the house of the Lord
Dm
throughout the night.

C & A
Alleluja, Alleluja, Alleluja
Dm   A   Bb   A
Alleluja, Alleluja, Alleluja
Dm   Bb   A
Allelu, Allelu, Alleluia
Dm   Bb   A
Allelu, Allelu, Alleluia
DAUGHTERS OF JERUSALEM DO NOT WEEP (Lk 23, 28-46)
(Funeral March)

Am
A Daughters of Jerusalem
  F Am
do not weep, do not weep for me.
  F
c
C For if they do this with the green wood
  G Am
with the dry what will happen,
  F E Am
with the dry what will happen? Ay, ay, ay, ay!
A Daughters of Jerusalem ……

Am
C Father, forgive them,
  F Am
for they don’t know what they do;
  F E Am
forgive them, forgive them. Ay, ay, ay, ay!
A Daughters of Jerusalem ……

F E
C I assure you:
  F E
today you will be with me in paradise!
A Daughters of Jerusalem ………

Am F
C Father, Father
  G Am F E Am
into your hands I commit my spirit. Ay, ah, ah, ay!
A Daughters of Jerusalem …………. 
Am              Dm
A I have admitted to you my sin
Am
I have no longer concealed my guilt
G   Am
I said: "I will confess to the Lord my faults,
G            Am
and you have pardoned the malice of my sin
Am  Dm
C That's why each man prays to you
Am
in time of anguish,
G       Am
when great waters come rushing down
G     Am
they will never be able to reach him.
Am   Dm
C Happy is the man whose guilt is forgiven
Am
and when sin is pardoned.
G       Am
Happy is the man to whom God imputes no evil
G     Am
and in whose spirit there is no deceit.  (*)

Am              Dm
C I kept silent and my bones were wasting away
Am
while I groaned all the day long
G            Am
Day and night your hand weighed upon me
G
and like a summer drought, my strength
Am
C was drying up
Dm
But I have admitted to you my sin,
Am
I have no longer concealed my guilt.
G   Am
I said: "I'll confess to the Lord my faults,
G           Am
and you have pardoned the malice of my sin   (*)
MARY, MY MOTHER  (Jn 19, 26-34)

E
C  Woman, behold your son,

woman, behold your son, behold your son,

behold your son!

Am       Dm      E
Behold your mother, behold your mother.

C & A
Am         G7       Am
Mary my mother, Mary our mother,

G          E
come to live with me,

G          E
come to my house

E          F
and teach us to love your son

E
as you have loved Him.

E
C  I thirst, I thirst

all is accomplished,

all is accomplished,

all is accomplished.

Am
C & A  Mary my mother ........

E
C  Then the soldiers came

and seeing that he was already dead

they broke not his leg,

but one of the soldiers pierced His side

with a lance,

and at once there flowed out

blood and water, blood and water.

C & A
Am         G7       Am
Mary my mother, Mary our Mother

G          E
you are the mother of the Church,

E          F
who springs from the side of Christ:

E
his bride, the new Eve.

Am
Mary my mother ........
STABAT MATER

Dm
C & A Stabat mater dolorosa
C7 Bb7
juxta crucem lacrimosa
A7
dum pendebat filius.

Dm
C Her grief-stricken soul,
C7 Bb7
suffering and anguished
A7
was pierced by a sword

C & A Stabat mater ........

Dm
C Oh, how sad and afflicted
C7 Bb7
was the blessed
A7
mother of the Only-begotten!

C & A Stabat mater ........

Dm
C Who can but help cry
C7 Bb7
when looking at Christ’s mother
A7
in such anguish!

C & A Stabat mater ........

Dm
C & A For the sins of his people
C7 Bb7
she sees Jesus in torment
A7
and subject to scourges

C & Q Stabat mater .......

Dm
C She sees her sweet offspring
C7 Bb7
dying alone,
A7
offering up his spirit!

C & A Stabat mater ..... 

Dm
C Oh Christ when I die,
C7 Bb7
through your mother, bring me
A7
to the palm of victory!

Dm Bb7 A7
C Amen, amen, amen!

C & A Amen, amen, amen!
THE REPROACHES (O MY PEOPLE)

Em  A  O my people, o my people
Am  C  What harm have I done you?
     B7  What harm have I done you?
     Am  How have I hurt you?
     B7  Give me an answer: How have I hurt you?

C  I led you out of Egypt, I led you out of Egypt
B7  Yet you, you have prepared the cross for me

Em  A  O my people ……
Am  C  What could I have done for you that I haven’t done
     B7  To you I sang, ‘My beloved vineyard’ yet
     Am  you, you became bitter!

B7  C  Aghios Teos  A  Sanctus Deus
     C  Aghios Iskiros  A  Sanctus fortis
     Am  B7  Aghios Atanatos  A  Eleison imas
     C  Sanctus immortalis  A  Miserere nobis

Em  A  O my people ……..
Oh Lord our God how great is your name
Throughout the earth, is your name;
above the heavens rises your love!

From the mouth of babes and infants
You affirm your glory, O Lord,
to reduce to silence enemies and rebels;

O Lord, our God ……..

If I look at the heavens, the works of your hands,
the moon and the stars that you have set in place
what is man that you care for him?
the son of man that you keep him in mind?
Yet, yet you have made him little less than the angels
with glory and honour you have crowned him
everything you have put under his feet

O Lord, our God ……..
HAIL MARY

C E F E
C Ave Maria
C E F E
full of grace
F E
the Lord is with you
F E
blessed are you among women
F E
and blessed is the fruit of your womb, Jesus

C E F E
C-A Holy Mary
C E F E
mother of God
F E
pray for us
F E
sinners
F E
pray now and at the hour of our death
E
Amen

(*) BLESSED MARY (LK 1, 41-45)

Am G Am
C Blessed are you, Mary,
G Am
among all women, Mary
G Am
Blessed is the fruit, Mary
G Am
the fruit of your womb, Jesus.
F E
Mary, you have believed!

Am
A How is it that the mother of the Lord
G Am
is coming to me, how is this?
Am
How is it that the mother of the Lord
G Am
is coming to me, how is this?

Am E
C Because as soon as I heard your voice
Dm E
something moved within me
Dm E
my child leapt for joy!

Am F
A Mary, blessed Mary,
E
you have believed in the word of the Lord
Am F
Mary, blessed Mary,
E
you have believed in the word of the Lord
A How is it ..........
VIRGIN OF WONDER

Bm   Em           Bm
A  Maria, daughter of your Son
    Em      Bm
Mother of Jesus and our Mother
    G       F
Virgin of Wonder.

Bm   Em           Bm
C  Maria, You the creature
    Em      Bm
who brought to light the Creator
    G       F
You are servant who conceived the Lord

Bm   Em           Bm
A  Maria, daughter of your Son
    Em      Bm
Mother of Jesus and our Mother
    G       F
Virgin of Wonder

Bm   Em           Bm
C  Maria, made of earth
    Em      Bm
You are the glorious one
    G       F
glorious image of heaven

Bm   Em           Bm
A  Maria, daughter of your Son
    Em      Bm
Mother of Jesus and our Mother
    G       F
Virgin of Wonder

Bm   Em           Bm
C  Maria, you the smallest
    Em      Bm
are the greatest woman
    G       F
The daughter of God
    F
You are His Mother
    Em
the daughter of God
    F
You are His Mother
    G       F
Virgin of Wonder

Bm   Em           Bm
A  Maria, daughter of your Son
    Em      Bm
Mother of Jesus and our Mother
    G       F
Virgin of Wonder

(*)  Capo IV
MARIA, HOUSE OF BLESSING  

Am Dm Am
A Maria, house of blessing,
Dm Am
salvation of our age
E
dwelling on earth of the humble

Dm E
C As in Cana of Galilee
Dm E
You have seen we were lacking wine,
F
that our feast was no feast
G
that our life was no life
E
because death was reigning within us.

Am Dm Am
A Maria, house of blessing
Dm Am
salvation of our age
E
dwelling on earth of the humble

Dm E
C You have brought us to your Son
Dm
and taught us to obey Him
E
and to do everything He may say to us
F E
so that He would change our water into new wine

Am G
A Victory, victory
F E
eternal life in the risen Christ
Am G Am
Alleluia, allelu, alleluia
Am G Am
alleluia, alleluia, alleluia!

(*) Capo IV
I WILL BLESS THE LORD (PSALM 34)

Dm
A I will bless the Lord at all times
     C    A7
his praise always in my mouth
     Bb7     A7
I glory in the Lord
     Bb7     A7
let the humble hear and rejoice

Dm
C Sing with me to the Lord
     C    A7
together let us sing to his name
     Bb7     A7
for I sought the Lord and he answered me
     Bb7     A7
and He freed me from all my fears

A I will bless ..........

Dm
C The angel of the Lord encamps
     C    A7
around those who fear him and he rescues them
     Bb7     A7
this poor man calls out; and the Lord hears him
     Bb7     A7
and frees him from all his anguish

A I will bless ..........

Dm
C O taste and see
     C    A7
how good is the Lord
     Bb7     A7
happy is the man who takes refuge in Him

A I will bless .........
ANOTHER FOUR MONTHS AND THEN YOU HAVE THE HARVEST
(JN 4, 31-38)

Bm
C The disciples arrived and told him:
     Em F Em F
“Rabbi, eat, Rabbi, eat”

G
But he answered: “I have food to eat
     F
which you don’t know about.

G     F
My food is to do the will of him who sent me
     Em F
and to complete his work.”

Bm     F
C-A Do you not say:
     )
another four months and then you
     )
have the harvest

Em
C So I say to you:
     A7 G
“Lift up your eyes and look at the fields
     F
already white, waiting for the harvest!”

G     F
A Waiting for the harvest!

C-A Do you not say …………..

G     F
C The reapers come together,
     G F
receive their wages and gather fruit for eternal life

(*) Capo IV
Says the Lord to my Lord:

“Sit at my right hand,
till I make your enemies
a stool for your feet,
a stool for your feet,
a stool for your feet.”

The Lord has sworn and does not repent:

“You are a priest forever
of the order of Melchizedek
of the order of Melchizedek.”

The Lord is at your right hand
he will shatter your enemies
he will judge the peoples
For along the way he drinks from the torrent
and lifts up his head
and lifts up his head.

From the womb of dawn
like dew I have begotten you
From the womb of dawn
like dew I have begotten you.
PSALM 1 - HAPPY THE MAN

Am
A Happy the man
F       Am
who follows not the counsel of the impious
F     Am
nor lingers in the way of sinners
F           Am
nor sits in the company of scorners
G          E
C But whose delight is the Word of the Lord
G F       E
whose word he murmurs day and night.
Am    F  )
C He will be like a tree planted  ) Ass.
Am   )   rpts
beside flowing waters   )
F   E
that bears fruit in due season,
F   E
and its leaves shall never fall:
G          F   E
everything he undertakes will succeed
G   F    E
all his works will flourish.
Am     )Ass.
Not so the impious, not so.  )   rpts.
F    )
who are like chaff blown  ) Ass.
Am       )   rpts
away by the wind.
F                     E
At the judgement the impious will not stand
F   E
nor sinners in the community of saints.
G   F    E
For the Lord watches over the way of His faithful
F   E
but the way of the impious leads to doom,
F   E
leads to doom
Am
A Happy the man ……
G
C But whose delight ……….
E
A You are handsome, the most handsome
of the sons of Adam, of the sons of Adam
Grace is on your lips, You are blessed
The blessed one forever.
E
Tu eres hermoso
El mas hermoso
de los hijos de Adan ( x 2)
La gracia esta en tus labios
eres benedito, el benedito
para siempre.

C#
G# A
C Gird your sword at your side, Valiant One
A G#
and march on full of glory and full of splendour
F#- G#
Ride on in the cause of truth, meekness and justice
A
Stretch your bow, lending terror to
G#
your right hand,
F#- G# B
Your arrows are sharp, the nations have
A G#
been subjected to you.
A You are handsome .......

C#
G# A
C From the palaces of ivory the cithars sing for you
F#- G#
Daughters of kings are your favoured ones
B
At your right hand stands ) (Assembly
A G# ) repeats)
the Queen in gold of Ophir )
A You are handsome .......

C#
G# A
C Listen daughter and see, give ear to me
F#- G#
Forget your own people and your father’s house
B A G#
and the king will be conquered by your beauty
E#- G# A G#
He is your Lord, give yourself to Him,
B A G#
And instead of fathers you will have sons
F# G#
Whom you will make princes over the earth
A You are handsome ......
Happiness for the man who fears the Lord
He shall live by the works of his hands
he shall be happy and enjoy every good
his bride like a fertile vine
in the centre of his house
his children like shoots of the olive
around his table
Happiness ..........
LET US GO SHEPHERDS

Em        B7
ALL       Let us go shepherds, let’s go to Bethlehem
          today a child is born, his name is Emmanuel
          His name is Emmanuel, His name is Emmanuel
          Let us go shepherds, let's go to Bethlehem

Em            B7            Em
C        The poor are singing the little ones are laughing

Em            B7            Em
ALL            Rejoice, rejoice, rejoice, rejoice, rejoice
              Rejoice, today the saviour is born

Em            B7
ALL            Let us go shepherds ...........

LA LA LA LA

Em            B7            Em
C        His mother Mary; His father Joseph
          today a child is born
          His name is Emmanuel

ALL            Rejoice, rejoice, ........

Let us go shepherds .......

LA, LA, LA, LA
MARIA OF JASNA GORA

Maria di Jasna Gora
Mater abscondita,
et semper solicita,
Tu Redemptoris Mater
ora pro nobis

Mary of Jasna Gora
Hidden Mother

Yet always caring
You, Mother of the Redeemer
pray for us

Rise up like Deborah
Save us like Judith
Sing for us like Anna,
Intercede or us like Esther

Mary of Jasna Gora ……..
Am  Dm
To you, O Lord, with my voice I cry for help

Am
Lord, in my pleading I entreat you

E7
To you, O Lord, I pour out my lament,

F           E
To you my anguish I unfold.

Dm
I feel that my spirit faints

E7
But you know my path,

Am            Dm
Look Lord, that on the road

Am
Look, they have laid a snare for me,

E
Look, at my right hand there is no one,

F        E
no one who knows me

Dm
And every comfort escapes me

E7
Because there is no one who cares for my soul

F       G
To you I cry O Lord,

G           E7
To you I say: you alone are my refuge

F
You are my lot on this earth

E
My only happiness

Dm         E7
Listen Lord to my clamour

Dm       E7
Because I am so depressed

F
Free me from my enemies

Am        E
that are stronger than me.

F      (G)
Snatch my soul from this prison

(F)G    E
And I will give thanks to your name

F
Then the just will gather around me

E7
Then I will rejoice for your love towards me
A SHOOT SPRINGS FROM THE STOCK OF JESSE (Is. 11)

G       Em
A shoot springs from the stock of Jesse
G
A scion from his roots.
C      G
Upon him rests the Spirit of the Lord;
D       G
Spirit of Wisdom and of Intelligence,
D       G
Spirit of Counsel and of Strength,
C         G
Spirit of Knowledge and of Piety
D               G
Spirit of the Fear of the Lord.
C     D
He will not judge by hearsay
D   G
But will help all the oppressed.
C      G
His word will be a rod for the violent
D       G
And with the breath of his mouth he will kill the wicked
C        G
The wolf will dwell with the lamb,
C      G
The panther will lie down with the kid,
D       G
The lion and the calf will graze together
C             G
A little child will guide them,
D     G
A little child will guide them.
A shoot springs

G       Em
C       G
The cow and the bear will be together
C      G
The lion will eat straw like the ox
D               G
The infant will play over the hole of the asp,
C       G
The child will put his hand into the den of the
G
venomous snake,
D             G
Because no evil will be done,
D               G
For the knowledge of the Lord will fill the earth.
B
Because on that day the root of Jesse will be raised
Em
as a standard for the people.
Am               B
And the peoples will follow him with eagerness.
C             B7
On that day the Lord will stretch out his hand.
C          B
Because a road will be opened,
C               B
A way for the nations
Am     B7
That the Virgin will show

A shoot springs
Em            B7
A I am calling you, I am calling you, O Lord
Am            B7
come, hurry to me,
Em
Listen to my voice for I cry to you,
Em   B7
let my prayer rise like incense,
D  G        B7
Em
and the lifting up of my hands
D     C  B7
like the evening sacrifice.
Am           B7

C Set O Lord, a sentinel at my mouth,
D     C  B7
a guard at the door of my lips,
Am           B7
lest my heart turn towards sin,
Am           B7
and commit wicked actions.
G          Em             B7
Em
Let the just man strike me out of love
Em
and correct me,
C           B7
Em
lest the oil of the wicked man anoint my head
Am           B7
Am           B7
for I would fall into his sins,
C           B7
for I would fall into his sins
A I am calling you .......

D    G    B7
C To you, O Lord I turn my eyes,
D     C    B7
in you I take refuge, do not leave alone my soul
Am           B7
keep me from the snares they have laid for me
Am           B7
from the traps of many enemies.
G          Em             B7
C           B7
Em
Get them fall each into his own net
C           B7
for I, united to you, pass unharmed
Am           B7
for I, united to you, pass unharmed.
CARMEN '63

A- E F
C-A Broken are my bonds
    D- E
    Paid are my debts
    F
My doors wide open
    E
I go everywhere

D- E
C They, crouched in their corners
    D- E
continue to weave the pale web of their hours
    F
or go back to sit in the dust
    E
to count their coins.
    F E
And they call me, and they call me
    F E
to make me go back.

    A- E-
A- E- But already my sword is forged
    A-
Already I've put on my armour
    G B
My horse is ready to run
    D A F#
And I shall gain my kingdom
    B-G F#
And I shall gain my kingdom

D A )
A I shall gain my kingdom ) T
D A ) W
I shall gain my kingdom ) I
E A ) C
I'll go everywhere.) E

A- E F
A Broken are my bonds .......
PSALM 32 (33) - EXULT, YOU JUST IN THE LORD

Exult, you just in the Lord,
Praise is fitting for the saints,
Praise the Lord with the zither,
With the ten-stringed harp,
Sing to Him.

Sing a new song to the Lord,
play the zither with art and acclaim him
for the Word of the Lord is right
truth are all his works.
In him are justice and right,
of his love the earth is full

Exult you just in the Lord …..

The Word of the Lord made the heavens,
the breath of his mouth, all his hosts.
The Lord brings to nothing
the designs of the nations,
and defeats the plans of the peoples.
But the plan of the Lord,
The plan of the Lord, stands for ever.

Exult you just in the Lord …..
E
C I come to gather  (Assembly repeats)
A    E
all the nations:  (Assembly repeats)
F#   B
They'll come and see my glory
A    E
A They'll come and see my glory.

A E A E B7 E
A Glory, Glory, Glory
A E A E B7 E
Glory, Glory, Glory

C#-
C I will set a sign upon them
A and I will send them
E to the distant nations;
B    E
to announce my glory
B    E
to announce my glory
A Glory .........

C#-
C They shall bring your brothers
E from all the nations
B    E
as an offering to the Lord
B    E
as an offering to the Lord
C#- G#
And from among them I will take
B    G#
priests for me
A    E
priests to announce my glory
B    E
priests to announce my glory.
A Glory .........

C#-
C For as the new heavens
G#
and the new earth that I am making
B    G#
will endure forever,
A    E
so they will endure forever,
B    E
says the Lord.
A Glory .........

(*) CAPO II
PSALM 17 (18) - I LOVE YOU O LORD (*)

C     E
C I love you O Lord,
    Am
you are my rock
F
you are my liberator
    E
you are my God,
    F     E
I love you, I love you O Lord.

C     Am
A The waves of death were surrounding me
    F     C
I was frightened by the roarings of Belial
    G
I was entangled in the bonds of Sheol
C
I was caught in the fetters of death

** VIOLIN **

A The waves of death .....
PSALM 67 (68) - LET GOD ARISE

E
A Sing to God
Sing hymns to his name
Sing to God
Make straight the path
For Him who rides upon the clouds

C The Lord is His name
Dm9
rejoice before Him, Father of the orphan,
E
Defender of the widow is God
Dm9
The poorest he makes live in His house
Dm9
The prisoners He frees with joy

E
A Let God arise, let His enemies scatter,
(Twice)
Let the Just One rejoice and sing for Joy
PSALM 6 - LORD DO NOT REPROVE ME

A
Lord, do not reprove me in your anger,
G  F#
do not punish me in your rage.

B-   A
C Have pity on me, have pity on me Lord:
F#        I am fading away;

B-   A  F#
Heal me, Lord, for my bones tremble.
G  F#
My soul is shaken to its very depths
A        F#
but you, O Lord, how long?

A (Assembly repeats)

A Lord, do not....

B-   A  F#
C Return, O Lord, rescue my soul.
B-   A  F#
Save me, Lord, in your mercy
A        F#
for in death no one remembers you

A (Assembly repeats)
PSALM 128 (129) - MUCH HAVE THEY PERSECUTED ME

D-
C   Much have they persecuted me
    A7  since my youth,
       
much have they persecuted me
    D-
       let Israel say.
D-
C   Much have they persecuted me
    A7  since my youth
       
much have they persecuted me
    D-
       but have not prevailed.
A   Much have they persecuted ......
D-   A7
C   Upon my back, the ploughmen ploughed.
    D-
      Upon my back, they drew long furrows.
    A7
      Upon my back, the ploughmen ploughed.
    D-
      Upon my back, they drew long furrows.
    A7
       But the Lord, who is just.
       D-
       Has broken the yoke of the wicked.

D-
A   Let them fall back,
    A7  all those who hate zion.
    
Let them fall back,
    D-
       all those who hate zion.
A6
C   Let them be like the grass on the roofs
    D-
       which dries up before it is plucked.
    A7
       Never the reaper fills his hand with it,
    D-
       nor the gatherer of sheaves fills his lap.
D-
A   Let them fall back.
    A7  all those who hate zion.
    
Let them fall back,
    D-
       all those who hate zion.
PSALM 122 (123) - TO YOU I LIFT UP MY EYES

Dm     A7     
C     To You I lift up my eyes     )  (All
Gm     A7     )     repeat)
To You Who dwell in heaven     )

Dm
C     Like the eyes of slaves
A7
Are fixed on the hand of their master,
Gm
Like the eyes of a slave girl,
A7
on the hand of her mistress,
Bb     A     Gm
So our eyes are on the Lord, for Him
A
to take pity on us

Dm     A
Women     Have pity on us, Lord
Bb     A
Men     Have pity on us, Lord
Dm     A
Women     We are filled with contempt
Bb     A
Men     All too full is our soul with scorn
Dm     A
Women     With the disdain from the proud
Bb     A
Men     With the scorn from the complacent
Dm     A
All     Have pity on us, Lord
Bb     A
Have pity on us, Lord
PSALM 24 (25) - TO YOU, O LORD, I LIFT UP MY SOUL

A       E
A       To you, O Lord, I lift up my soul
D- F   E
To you O my God

C       E
A       In you I trust, O Lord
D- F   E
Do not let my enemies triumph over me.

A       E
C       Show me O Lord, your way.
D- F   E
Teach me, O Lord, your path.

C       E
A       Remember, O Lord, your tenderness
D- F   E
and your compassion, that are eternal
A       E
Do not remember, O Lord, my sins.

A       E
A       To you, O Lord, I lift up my soul ......

A       E
C       Remember, O Lord, that you are mercy.
F       E
Give me, O Lord, your mercy;
F       E
immerse us in your mercy.

A       E
A       To you, O Lord, I lift up my soul ..........
C Woman, tell me why you’re weeping
F Woman, tell me why you’re weeping
C G Whom do you seek? Whom do you seek?
C Whom do you seek?
C A Sir, if it’s you who took him away
F Sir, if it’s you who took him away
C Tell me where you placed Him
G C and I will go and take him. (Twice)
Fm )
C Maria ) (Twice)
Cm )
A Rabbuni!

Bb C Bb C
C Noli me tangere – do not cling to me,
Bb C I have not yet ascended to the Father
Fm Cm But go and announce to my brothers
G# Cm (Ass repeats)
G# G that I ascend to my Father and your Father
G# G (Ass repeats)
G# G my God and your God (Ass repeats)

NOLI ME TANGERE
SHLOM LEKH MARIAM

Em B7 Em
C-A Shlom Lekh Mariam (Plucking)
Em B7 Em
Malyat Thai Butha
C B7
Maran, Maran amekh
C B7
Maran, Maran amekh
Em

C Ave Maria, full of grace,
C B7
The Lord, the Lord is with you;
C B7
blessed are you among women
C B7
and blessed is the fruit of your womb, Jesus

Em

A Santa, Santa Maria (Strumming)

Mother, mother of God,
C B7
Pray, pray for us,
C B7
we are, we are sinners.

Am B7
C Mary, don’t weep… (Vibrato)
Am B7
Mary, Mary, Mary rejoice!

Em

A Santa, Santa Maria ….

G B7 Am B7
C Mary, help us; Mary help us (Vibrato)
Am
Virgin Mary, Virgin Mary
B7
may his Word be fulfilled in us!

A Shlom lech Mariam
O Lord, help me, O Lord! (Twice)
never to doubt you
O Lord, help me, O Lord
never to doubt your love.

The gift of your grace
has left my heart in blossom
with desires to love
I can do no more
than suffer
and spend my life in sighs

And in this flame of your love, this dark flame,
in this veil that enwraps my soul and stifles it,
I feel my heart dislocated
opening, pouring out.
like water flooding through your garden.

O Lord, help me, O Lord! (2)
ever to doubt you
O Lord, help me, O Lord
never to doubt your love.
Am E7
You’ve seduced me, Lord
Am
and I let myself be seduced
E7
you wrestled with me, and you
Am
defeated me
F E
you’ve taken me by force and have prevailed
Am E7 Am
When I speak I have to shout: violence, oppression
Am
and so your word has brought me insult and derision
E7
I said to myself: I will think of him no more
Am
I will not speak any more in his name
E7
But in my heart there was a burning fire
F E
that was running within my bones

Am E7
Cursed be the day I was born
E7
cursed be the man who brought the news to my father
Am
a son is born to you
E7
Why did I come out of my mother’s womb
E7
only to see torment and sorrow

C G
But the Lord is at my side
C
like a brave and mighty warrior.
Am E7 Am
Sing hymns to the Lord, praise the Lord
F
for he has freed the life of this poor man.
CARITAS CHRISTI

Em  G  B7
Caritas Christi urget nos
C  B7
Caritas Christi urget nos
Em  G  B7
The love of Christ urges us at the thought,
C  B7
the love of Christ urges us at the thought
Em  G
that if one has died for all
B7
then all have died;
C
that if Christ has died for all
B7
then all have died.

Am  B7
And he died for all so that those who live
Am  B7
may live no longer for themselves,
C  Adim  D  B7
but for Him who died and is risen for them.

Caritas Christi.........

Am  B7
If someone is in Christ he is a new creation,
Am  B7
the old things have passed away, new ones are born
C  Adim
The one who did not know sin

God has treated as sin

D  B7
so that we may become the righteousness of God in Him

Caritas Christi.........

Em  E7  Am
Woe to me, if I do not announce the Gospel,
B7  Em
woe to me, woe to me!

Caritas Christi.........
MARY, MOTHER OF THE BURNING WAY

D Bm   G       E
C Mary, mother of the burning way,
G    D
you free us from the fire of the passions
A   D  )  (twice)
with the dew of your intercession. )

Bm       G     E            A
A Meek Mary all immaculate,
G              D
 guardian angel of the third millennium,
A        D
 place of all graces,
G           D
 image of every virtue,
A           D
 the heavenly Jerusalem sings your beauty.

Bm   C   E
C You have shown us the way,
G              D
 under the cross you have received us,
D           D
 Mother of the burning way;
G            D
 under the cross you have received us,
A        D
 how could you refuse your dying Son.

Meek Mary.........
GO AND ANNOUNCE TO MY BROTHERS  (Mt 28, 16 - 20)

Am
Go and announce to my brothers
\(G\ Am\)
that they must go into Galilee!
E  \(Am\)
there they will see me, there they will see me

Am       Dm       Am
The disciples went to Galilee
\(Dm\ Am\)
to the mountain that Jesus had shown them
E  \(Am\)
When they saw him they adored him.
F     \(E\)
And Jesus said to them:
C        \(G\)
All power has been given to me
\(C\)
in heaven and on earth.

G        C
Go therefore and make disciples of all peoples
\(Am\ E\)
baptising them in the name of the Father
\(Am\)
of the Son and of the Holy Spirit,
\(F\)
and teaching them to observe
\(E\)
All that I have commanded you.
\(Am\)
And behold, I am with you

Am
And behold, I am with you all the days
\(G\ Am\)
\(\text{(Assembly repeats)}\)
Am   F Dm
You will show me the path of life
Am
You will show me the path of life
E
Fullness of joy in your presence
Dm E
Sweetness without end at your right hand
Am         F Dm Am
Protect me O God: in you I take refuge
F Dm Am
I said to God: “You are my Lord,
E
Without you I have no good at all.”
Am         F
You will show me the path of life ………
Am
The Lord is my portion of inheritance and my cup
Dm Am
In your hands is my life
Am F
My lot has fallen in delightful places
Dm E
My heritage is wonderful.
Am         F
I bless the Lord who gave me counsel;
Dm
Even at night he instructs my heart
E
I keep the Lord always before me,
Dm E
He is at my right hand, I will not waver
Am         F
You will show me the path of life ………
Am
Therefore my heart rejoices,
Dm Am E
My soul exults; even my body will rest in safety
Dm E
For you will not leave my soul among the dead
Dm
nor allow your Holy one to see
E Dm E
corruption, to see corruption.
Am         F
You will show me the path of life ………
Oh God, by your name save me,
by your great power see justice done to me.
Oh God, pay heed to my prayer,
give ear to the words of my mouth
for arrogant men have risen against me
and ruthless men seek my life.
They do not set God before them,
they do not set God before them.
Behold, God is my help,
the Lord, the Lord upholds me.
With all my heart I will offer you a sacrifice
I will praise your name, for it is good.
From all anguish you have delivered me.
Upon a dark night, ablaze with love, with urgent longings, oh, happy chance, I left without being noticed, my house at last completely quiet.

In darkness and secure, by the secret ladder, in disguise, oh, happy chance, in darkness and concealed, my house at last completely quiet.

On the night of blessings, in secret and not seen by anyone, and nothing I beheld, with no other light or guide, except for that which in my heart was burning.

And this was guiding me more surely than the noonday light, to where he was awaiting me, he whom I knew so well, there where no other presence might appear.

Oh night, that was my guide! Oh night, more lovely than the morning’s pride! Oh night, that united the Lover to his beloved, the beloved in her Lover transformed.
PSALM 142 (143) - LORD, LISTEN TO MY PRAYER

C        D      Cm       D
C:  Lord, listen to my prayer
    give ear to my supplication.
Gm      Cm
A:  You who are faithful,
    you who are faithful, answer me.
Cm      D7
In your justice, answer me
Gm      D7
C:  Do not call your servant to judgment,
    no one is just in your sight.
The enemy pursues me,
crushes my life to the ground.
Gm      Cm
A:  You who are faithful ........
Gm      D7
C:  To you I stretch out my hands,
    like a parched land I stand before you.
Cm      D7
Answer me soon, O Lord,
My spirit faints within me.
Gm      Cm
A:  You who are faithful ........

Gm      D7
C:  Let me know the way,
    the path to walk.
Save me from my enemies,
I entrust myself to you, O Lord.
Gm      Cm
A:  You who are faithful ........
Gm      D7
C:  Teach me to do your will,
    For you are my God.
Let your good spirit guide me,
on level ground.
Gm      Cm
A:  You who are faithful ........
Gm      Cm      D7
you who are faithful, answer me.
Cm      D7
In your justice, answer me.
PSALM 13 (14) – THE FOOL THINKS: THERE IS NO GOD

Dm  A7
A: The fool thinks: there is no God
they are corrupt and commit abomination,
Gm  A7
no one is left who does good,
Bb  A7
no one is left who does good.

Dm  A7
C: From heaven the Lord looks down on men
to see if there is a man who is wise;
Gm  A7
a man who seeks God
Bb  A7
a man who seeks God.
F  Am
They have all gone astray, they are all corrupt,
Bb  A7
no one does good, not even one.

Dm  A7
A: The fool thinks: there is no God ……

Gm  A7
C: Evil-doers understand nothing,
Gm  A7
Evil-doers who devour my people like bread.
Bb
They do not call upon God,
A7
but they will tremble with terror.
F  A
For God is with the just man,
Bb  A7
the Lord is his refuge.

Dm  C  A
A: For God is with the just man,
Bb  A7
the Lord is his refuge.

Dm  A7
A: The fool thinks: there is no God ……

Dm  C  A
A: For God is with the just man …..
SIT DOWN ALONE AND IN SILENCE (Lam. 3, 1 - 33)

D God, God
C F#m Bm
has driven me and forced me
D to walk in darkness.
F#m
He has built for me a yoke
Bm and He has pressed, has pressed
D my head.
F#m
He has bent his bow,
Bm making me the target
D for his arrows.
F#m
Though I call and cry
Bm He shuts out, He shuts out
D my prayers.
Em To see where He has brought me
A in my wandering life:
A is wormwood and gall
A G F#
What will I
Bm do if hope fails within me
A G the hope that comes from the Lord,
F# A G F# that comes from the Lord.

D A Sit down alone and in silence
F#m Bm D because God has laid it upon you.
F#m Put your mouth in the dust,
Bm D there may yet be hope.
Em Offer your cheek to him
A7 who strikes you;
A G )
G )
A ) For the Lord
A ) does not cast off forever ) (Twice)
G )
A ) even if He afflicts you
A )
A7 He will then be merciful
D According to the abundance of His love
THE LORD HAS GIVEN ME (Is. 50, 4 - 10)

Bm       C       Bm
C The Lord has given me a disciple’s tongue
       C
So that I may bring to the wearied
Bm
a word of relief.
       C
Morning after morning you open my ear
Bm
so that I can listen as a disciple.

D          F#m  G  )
A The Lord, the Lord, the Lord ) (Twice)
       F#  )
has opened my ear.

D           F#m
C For this I made no resistance,

D           G
I offered my back to those who struck me

D           F#m
A For this I made no resistance

D           G
I offered my cheek

D           F#m
C I did not cover my face

C I did not cover my face

A The Lord, the Lord, the Lord

F#
against insult and spittle.

Bm        C
Because I already knew

Bm
that you would come to my help

Bm
for this I’ve set my face hard as a flint

C
I was sure

Bm
that you would come to my help.

D          F#m  G
A If you are, if you are near, if you save me

F#
who will fight against me?

D          F#m  G
If you help, if you help me, if you save me

F#
who will dare to condemn me?

Bm        C
C All of you who fear the Lord,

Bm
listen to the voice of his servant

C
if you find yourself in darkness

Bm    C       Bm
trust in the Lord, trust in His Name.

A If you are, if you are near ........
THE KINGS SHALL SEE YOU : II SONG OF THE SERVANT  (Is 49, 1 - 16)

A7

C  Listen to me, remotest islands,
   all the nations,
   thus speaks the Lord
   the Holy One of Israel:
   To ‘him whose life is despised,
   whom the nations loathe
   to the slave of all the oppressors’.

D

A  The kings shall see you,
   they will stand up
   the princes of the earth
   they will bow down,
   I've chosen you, I've chosen you.

D

C  You will say to the prisoners: ‘Come out’
   to those who are blind : “Look”
   you will guide the people
   to the waters of life

D

A  The kings shall see you ……..

Bm

C  But Zion says:
   ‘The Lord has abandoned me,
   the Lord has forgotten me’.
   Can a woman forget her baby at the breast
   Or fail to cherish the son of her womb?

D

A  Even if a mother forgets her baby
   yet, I will never forget you
   Look at me, I have branded you
   on the palms of my hands

D

C  On the day of salvation I shall listen to you
   on the favourable day I shall help you
   for I have appointed you
   as a covenant to the nations

A  The kings shall see you ……..
It was night when Jacob arose, took his wives with him and all his sons and crossed the ford of the Jabbok.

After taking them

he sent them across the stream, and sent also with them all his possessions and Jacob remained alone.

And someone fought with him. And someone fought with him.

And seeing that he couldn’t overcome Jacob, struck the hollow of his hip and Jacob’s hip was dislocated as he fought with him.

Let me go for dawn is coming. Let me go for dawn is coming.

Then God asked: “What is your name?”

“What is your name?”

‘Jacob’ he replied, Jacob he replied. ‘You shall no more be called Jacob.’

Israel, Israel, Israel shall be your name. Israel, you have discovered your weakness.

Israel, you shall lean on God. Israel: strong with God, Israel: you shall win.

Israel, you have discovered your weakness. Israel, you shall lean on God.

Israel, Israel shall be your name.
SONG OF DEBORAH (Jud. 5, 1ff)

C
D7

When Israel gathers the assembly
when the people offer themselves as volunteers

Em F E

A Bless Yahweh, Bless Yahweh,
bless Yahweh,
to Yahweh I want to sing.

Am F

A Awake Deborah, awake Deborah,

strike up the song.

Am F

A Awake Deborah, awake Deborah,

stand up, Barak.

D7

C On the day of Samgar, son of Anak
on the day of Jael,
there were no caravans,
no one could walk around the streets
Since Israel had gone after other gods
and the war was at the gates.
No saviour could be found in Israel,
not one lance could be found
among ten thousand men.

A

Bless Yahweh, Bless Yahweh, …….
I see heaven open and a white horse
He who rides it is clad in a robe dipped in blood, dipped in blood
His eyes, flames of fire in his mouth there is a sword, to smite, to smite.

What is his name? What is his name? (Twice)

His name is, His name is
Word of God.

I see a beast and a prophet gather together for a battle, for a battle against Him who rides the horse and wears a robe dipped in blood, dipped in blood.

He alone treads the winepress of the furious wrath of God
He alone treads the winepress of the furious wrath of God

Behold the beast is captured, and with it also its prophet by him who rides the horse and wears a robe dipped in blood

Alleluia, Alleluia; Alleluia, Alleluia
Alleluia, Alleluia, Alleluia.

What is his name …………
THUS SPEAKS THE AMEN (Rev 3, 14 - 18)

Em
A Thus speaks the Amen
C    D7
the faithful and truthful witness

the beginning
Em
of the creatures of God.

Em
C I know your behaviour:
G
you are neither hot nor cold
D
I wish you were cold or hot
B7
and not lukewarm

Em
because I am going to vomit you from my mouth

A Thus speaks the Amen .........

Em
C Those that I love I correct
G          D
be then zealous and repent
B7        Em
listen to my voice, listen to my voice

G
C Behold: I stand at the door and knock

Em
if anyone hears my voice
D7
and opens to me the door
B7
I will enter in his house

Em
and I will dine with him and he with me

A Thus speaks the Amen .........
WHO IS THIS WHO COMES FROM EDOM (Is. 63, 1 - 6)
(The Winepresser)

Em
C Who is this who comes from Edom?
Am Em who is this who advances dyed in red,
B7 magnificent in his garment
Em he walks full of strength?
(Assembly repeats)

D Em
C It is I, it is I who speaks with justice:
B7 Em It is I, a great liberator.

A And why, why is your garment red?
Am Em why, like that of a presser in the winepress?
B7 Em Why? Why?

D
C In the winepress, in the winepress
Em I have trodden alone;
B7 Em of my people nobody was with me.
D I looked, I looked, there was
Em no one to help me;
B7 I was appalled:
Em there was no one to support me.

Am Em
A Who is this who comes from Edom?
B7 Em who is this who advances dyed in red?
B7 magnificent in his garment
Em he walks full of strength

Am Em
Then my own arm saved me,
B7 my wrath, my wrath supported me:
Em the day of vengeance had arrived
Am Em I trod, I trod upon the peoples
B7 and made their blood run on the earth
Em and all my garments were stained.

Em
A Who is this who comes from Edom?
B7 Em who is this who advances dyed in red?
B7 magnificent in his garment
Em he walks full of strength
THE SOWER (Mt. 13, 4 - 9)

Dm C
A sower went out to sow
Dm (*)
and some seed fell on the road

F G A
C The birds came down, they ate it up, they ate it up

Dm
A They ate it up.

C A sower went out to sow (*)
and some seed fell on the rock.

Gm Dm Gm A
C The sun came out, it had no soil.
and dried it up.

A It had no soil.

C A sower went out to sow (*)
and some seed fell among thorns.

Gm Dm Gm A
C They choked it.

A They choked it
C A sower went out to sow (*)
and some seed fell on the soil.

Gm A Dm A Dm
A The good soil, where Jesus may grow.

A Dm Where Jesus may grow.

(*) Assembly repeats
THE SPIRIT OF THE LORD (Lk. 4, 18 - 19)

Am     E     Am
C The Spirit of the Lord is upon me

(Assembly repeats)

G
C For He has anointed me

F   E
He has sent me to announce salvation

Am
A To announce salvation

G
to announce salvation

F   E
to the poor whose hearts are broken

Am  E
The Spirit of the Lord ..........

G
For He has anointed me

F   E
He has sent me to announce salvation

Am     E
C That the blind may see the lame may walk

F
the lepers may be cleansed

E
to announce salvation.

Am  E
C The Spirit of the Lord ..........

G
For He has anointed me

F   E
He has sent me to announce salvation

BEHOLD OUR MIRROR (13th Ode of Solomon)

Dm
C Behold our mirror is the Lord

Am
Open your eyes and look at yourselves in Him

Gm     A7
and you will see what your face is like

Dm
A Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia

Gm
C Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia  ) (Twice)

A Glorify his spirit  ) (Twice)
Glorify his spirit  )

Dm
C Wipe away the dirt from your faces

Am
love his holiness and clothe yourselves in him

Gm               A
then you will be spotless forever before him

Dm
A Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia

Gm
C Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia

A Glorify his spirit, glorify his spirit, glorify his spirit
YOU ARE THE WAY  (7th Ode of Solomon)

C  Am         Dm
C As the impulse of anger towards the enemy
G as the impulse of love
C towards the loved one
Am  A7       Dm
so I feel an impulse towards you
G
You are the immortal one,
C the fullness of time.

A  E
Am
A You are the way, how wonderful it is,
G Am
You are the way, You are the love,
G Am
You are the way, You are the life,
G Am
You are the way, You are the truth,
G F
You are the way, you are the truth,
E
You are the life.

C  You have given yourself to me
   without any reserve.  )
   You made your greatness small
   full of tenderness  )

C  You became sin for me
   full of mercy and compassion  )
   so that my sin
   could not separate me from You.  )

A  You are the Way..........

C  God who thought about me
   when I did not exist  )
   from the beginning He knew
   everything I would do  )
   that's why He took pity on me
   full of mercy and compassion  )
   and He made it possible for me
   to ask for His same nature.  )

A  You are the Way ............

C  You became like me  )
   So I could welcome You  ) (2a)
   in Your looks like me  )
   so I could clothe myself with You  )
   so that I wouldn't be afraid
   when I meet You,  ) (1b)
   You the immortal One,
   the fullness of time.  )

A  You are the Way ............
D    Em  A7    D
C  Blessed be God
      Em
the Father
A7      D
of Jesus Christ
F#
  For He has chosen us before the creation
      Bm
of the world.
F#  For He has blessed us
Bm  with every kind of love,
  A        G            F#
to be holy and blameless in His love
Bm  A  To be the praise if His glory,
      A
the glory of His grace,
      G
the grace of His love
A  with which He loves us
F#  in Jesus Christ
D    Em
C  Blessed
      A7    D
be God
      Em
the Father
A7      D
of Jesus Christ
F#  In Him all of us
Bm  who have heard
F#  the Word of Truth
Bm  the Good News
Bm  of salvation,
A  have been sealed
G  with the Holy Spirit
F#  thus making us His people.
Bm  A  To be the praise of His glory
      A
the glory of His grace,
      G
the grace of His love
A  with which He loves us
F#  in Jesus Christ.
PSALM 138 (139) - LORD YOU SEARCH ME

Dm    Gm
C Lord, you search me and you know me
you know when I sit down
and when I get up.

Gm
From afar you know my thoughts
you are familiar with all my ways.

A     Dm
Before a word is on my tongue
you, O Lord, already know everything.

C7   F
You press me from behind,
you attack me from the front,
and at the same time
you keep your hand on me:

A         Dm
Such knowledge is mysterious to me
knowledge I cannot grasp,
knowledge so high that I do not understand

Bb
A But where shall I go far from your Spirit?
Where from your face shall I flee?

Bb
C If I climb the heavens you are there,
If I descend to death, there I find you
You press me from behind
You attack me from the front,
And at the same time,
you keep your hand on me:

Bb          A
Knowledge I cannot grasp,
Knowledge so high
that I do not understand

Dm           Gm
C Lord, you search me and you know me,
you put to the test my heart,
so that I may not walk in a way of duplicity,
so that I may never
abandon your way.

C Before a word is on my tongue ........
Em Am Em
A Eli, Eli, lamma sabactani?

My God, my God
Am Em
why have you forsaken me?

B7
C How far I feel you from saving me,

I call on you by day and you do not answer
Em
I call by night and there is no rest for me.

A Eli, Eli, lamma sabactani ………

B7
C Yet you are the Holy One,
you dwell in the praises of your people
In you my fathers have hoped,
and you have freed them;
they cried to you and they were saved
they hoped in you and did not
Em
remain confused.

Am
But me? Why don’t you help me?
Em
Perhaps I am not a man?
B7
Look I am a worm; disgraced among men!
Rejection of my people!
All those who see me laugh at me,
twist their lips, shake their heads
and they say:
‘Let him turn to God, let God
rescue him if it is true that

Em
He loves him so much.’

Am
Yes, you love me, yes you cherish me!
Em
You drew me out of my mother’s womb.

B7
At my birth you picked me up,
from my mother’s womb you have
been my God.
When I was being born she entrusted
Em
me to you.

A Eli, Eli, lamma sabactani ………

B7
C Many bullocks surround me
bulls of Bashan besiege me
against me they open their mouth,
like a lion raging and roaring,
Em
like rabid dogs.

Am
I am dirty water which is thrown away.
Em
All my bones are wrecked.

B7
My heart is like wax,
melting away within my bosom.
As clay, dry potsherd is my palate
my tongue is stuck to my throat,

Em
to ashes of death you have reduced me.

A Eli, Eli, lamma sabactani ………
A pack of dogs surrounds me
a gang of evildoers besiege me,
they have pierced my hands and feet,
I can count all my bones.
They stare at me, they observe me:
they divide my garments among them,
and for my tunic they cast lots
But you, Lord, do not stay far away,
my strength, run, run to my help.
Save me from the sword, from the
claws of the dogs save my life,
save me, save me from the mouth
of the lion and from the horns
of the wild bulls. Save my life, save my life.

I will announce your Name to my brothers,
I will praise you in the midst of the assembly
praise the Lord you who fear him,
sing to the Lord, descendant of Jacob
Let the house of Israel fear him, all the race of Israel
Because he was not disgusted with
this poor man, he did not despise
this wretched man, but at his cry
for help he answered him; he did
not hide his face from him and help him.
No one can serve two masters
because loving the one, he despises the other
you cannot serve God and money!
That’s why I tell you:
do not be anxious about your life
what you shall eat
or what you shall drink; what you shall wear
is not life worth more than food?
and the body more than clothing?
Look at the birds of the air
they don’t sow, they don’t reap
yet your father feeds them!

And which of you by being anxious,
can add one hour to his life?
and about clothing, why do you worry?
Look at the lillies of the field:
they don’t toil, they don’t spin,

Solomon was not dressed like them!

Look at the lillies of the field
they don’t toil, they don’t spin
Solomon was not dressed like them!

Seek first the kingdom of God
and all other things will be given to you as well.

You cannot serve two masters
because loving the one, he despises the other
you cannot serve God and money!

(repeat the three refrains)
PSALM 130 (131) - O LORD MY HEART HAS NO LOFTY AMBITIONS

Em    Am    Em
C O Lord, my heart has no lofty ambitions,
     Am    B7
nor are my eyes raised with pride.

I am not looking for great things
Em
which are above my strength.

Em    Am    Em
A O Lord, my heart has no lofty ambitions,
     Am    B7
nor are my eyes raised with pride.

I am not looking for great things
Em
which are above my strength.

Em    Am    Em
C But I have calmed and quieted my soul
     B7
like a child in its mother's arms
Em
like a child that has suckle is my spirit,
Em
like a child within me.

Em    Am    Em
A O Lord, my heart has no lofty ambitions ....

Em    Am    Em
C O Israel hope in the Lord now and forever,
     Am    Em
O Israel hope in the Lord now and forever.

I WANT TO GO TO JERUSALEM

E    Am
C I want to go, mother
     Dm    E
to Jerusalem, Jerusalem
     Am    Dm    E
To eat the herbs, to fill myself with them,

To fill myself with them

F    Am
C - A In the path I find myself
     F    Am
in the path I am walking.
     Dm    E
in the path of all the world, of all the world
SHEMA ISRAEL  (Deut 6, 4 - 9)

Am     G
C    Shema Israel, shema Israel
      F
Adonai elohenu
      Am
Adonai ehad.

Am     G
A    Shema Israel, shema Israel
      F
Adonai elohenu
      Am
Adonai ehad
Am
Listen Israel       Shema Israel
G
Listen Israel       Shema Israel
      F
the Lord is our God
      Am
Adonai elohenu
      Am
the Lord is one
    Adonai ehad.

Am
C You shall love the Lord your God
    F      Am      F      Am
with all your heart, with all your mind
    F      E
with all your strength.
    Am      Dm
You shall fasten these my words
    G      Am
on your hand as a sign
    Dm
as a band round your forehead
    G      E
on the door of your house and on your gates

A    Shema Israel .......
      Listen Israel .......
      Am
C    Instill them into your children Israel
      F      Am      F      Am
resting in your house, walking abroad,
      F      E
when you go to bed and when you rise.
      Am      Dm
This is the first commandment of life.
      G      Am
The second is like the first:
      Dm
love your neighbour as yourself
      G      E
do this and you will live forever.

A    Shema Israel .......
      Listen Israel .......
      Am
C    Shema Israel, shema Israel
      F
Adonai elohenu
      Am
Adonai ehad.
THE GLORIOUS CROSS

A The glorious cross of the risen Lord
   F#m   G#
is the tree of my salvation,
   G#  C#m
on it I feed, in it I delight,
   F#m   B7
in its roots I grow,
   E
in its branches I lie down.
   G#   A

C Its dew makes me glad
   G#
its breeze fertilises me,
   F#m   G#
in its shadow I have put my tent.
   A
In hunger, my nourishment
   G#
in thirst, the fountain
   F#m   G#
in nakedness, my clothing
   G#
Hard path, narrow road,
   F#m
Jacob's ladder, bed of love
   G#
where the Lord espoused us.

A The glorious cross ……..

   G#   A
C In fear, defence
   G#
in stumbling, support
   A
in victory, crown
   G#
in struggle, you are reward
   F#m   G#
Tree of eternal life,
   G#
pillar of the universe,
   A
skeleton of the earth,

   G#
your peak reaches heaven
and in your open arms
   G#
shines the love of God.

A The glorious cross ………….
THE ARMOUR OF GOD (Eph 6, 11ff)

C Clothe yourselves in the armour of God,
A carrying the weapons of light
Bb because our struggle is not against
A the creatures of flesh and blood,
Bb but against the spirits of evil which live in
A this world of darkness.

C-A Having girded your loins with the truth
Dm clothe yourselves with the justice of the Cross
Bb Which doesn’t resist evil,
A but takes on itself the sins of others.

C Having shod your feet with zeal to
A announce the Gospel
Dm above all carrying the shield of faith

C C-A Carry the sword of the spirit,
Dm which is the Word of God
Bb and the helmet of salvation
A C That Christ rose from death,
Bb that He is the Lord
Gm that He will come again, will come again
A and take us with Him.

C-A Alleluia, allelu, allelu, Alleluia (Twice)
Am    F
C  Her foundation is on the holy mountain

the Lord loves the gates of Zion

E  B7
more than all Jacob’s dwellings

Of you are told glorious things

E
City of God

Am   F
I remember Rahab and Babylon

Palestine, Tyre and Ethiopia,

when someone is born in them

E  B7
men say: “Here this one was born”

E
But of Zion all say “Mother”!

Am   Dm    E    Am
C-A  For all were born in her  (Twice)

Dm  F       E
The Lord himself has founded her  (Twice)

Am     G     F     E
Mother, mother, city of God  (Twice)

Am    F
C  The Lord writes in his book of the peoples

E  B7
this one was born in her,

and while dancing they will sing

E
in you are all my foundations
The night was not yet over when Abraham was getting ready to sacrifice his son:
The two kept looking at each others' eyes when Isaac said:

Am    Dm9             Am
A Akeda, akeda, akeda, akeda
Am    Dm9     Am
Bind me, bind me fast
Am
father of mine, lest I resist you!

C Bind me, bind me fast father of mine
Am
lest I resist you out of fear
Am
and your sacrifice will not be valid
Dm9
and both of us shall be rejected!

C Come and see faith upon the earth
Dm9
come and see faith upon the earth
the father that sacrifices his only son
E
and the beloved son who offers him his throat

A Akeda, akeda, akeda, akeda …….
Am    F  
A  Do not get angry because of the wicked
   E7  
do not envy those who do evil
   Dm   E7  
for they shall wither like grass
   F7          E7  
and dry up like the green of the fields.

Am       F  
C  Trust in the Lord and do good
   E7  
live in your land and be loyal
   Dm   E7  
let the Lord be your delight,
   F            E7  
and He will grant you your heart's desire.

Am       F  
C  Entrust yourself to the Lord and hope in Him,
   E7  
hope in Him and He will act
   Dm   E  
He’ll make your justice shine forth
   F            E7  
and your faithfulness like the noonday sun.

A  Do not get angry ……

Am              F  
C  Keep silent before the Lord and hope in Him,
   E7  
do not get angry about a man who prospers
   Dm   E7  
who makes his fortune by telling lies
   F            E7  
you trust in the Lord and hope in Him.

A  Do not get angry ………

Am       F  
C  Refrain from anger, forsake your rage,
   E7  
fret not, lest you do evil,
   Dm   E7  
for those who do evil will be excluded
   F            E7  
but he who hopes in the Lord shall inherit the land

Am       F  
C  Wait a little longer, the wicked shall be no more
   E7  
look at this place, he is not there.
   Dm   E7  
Instead the meek possess the land,
   F            E7  
and delight in peace, great peace.

A  Do not get angry ………
Even if I speak with the eloquence of angels if I have no love, nothing! Even if I have the gift of prophesy and understand all the mysteries; even if I have faith in its fullness and I am able to move mountains, if I have no love, nothing! Even if I give away everything to the poor and hand over my body to be burned: if I have no love, nothing!

Because Love, Love, Love:

is patient, is kind is not envious, is not boastful, is not conceited, is never rude;

HYMN TO CHARITY (1 Cor 13, 1-13)

C

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C

Even if I have the gift of prophesy and understand all the mysteries; even if I have faith in its fullness and I am able to move mountains, if I have no love, nothing!

C

Even if I give away everything to the poor and hand over my body to be burned: if I have no love, nothing!

C Am C

Because Love, Love, Love:

is patient, is kind is not envious, is not boastful, is not conceited, is never rude;

F
does not seek its own interest, G
does not get angry. C
does not take offence, Am
is not resentful, F
takes no pleasure in injustice, G
but rejoices in the truth. (G)

C

Love believes everything, excuses everything, (Twice)

C

is always hoping: Am C

C

endsures everything, Am C

C

endsures everything. Am C

Because Love, Love, Love, Am C Am C

is God, is God, is God!
THE SAME GOD (2 Cor 4, 6 - 10)

D      F#
C The same God who said:
    Bm
‘From darkness let the light shine’
    F#
it is He who shone into our hearts
    Bm
to make the knowledge of his glory shine
    A            Bm
which is on the face of Christ.

    A   Bm
A Which is on the face of Christ.
    F#
C But we carry this treasure
in earthen vessels.
    F#
A But we carry this treasure
in earthen vessels.
    Bm
C So that it may be shown
    A
that the sublimity of his love
    Bm
comes from God
    G       F#
comes from God and not from us.

    A               Assembly repeats
C Insulted on every side,
    but not distressed,
C-A Carrying always in our bodies
    A    ) (2)
persecuted but not forsaken
    Bm    )
cast down but not destroyed.
    G    )

    Bm
C-A Carrying always in our bodies
    A    ) (2)
the death of Jesus
    Bm    )
so that in us may be shown
    G    )
his resurrection.

    F#
C And so while we die
    A
you are receiving life
    F#
A And so while we die
    A
you are receiving life

    Bm
C-A Carrying always in our bodies
    A    ) (2)
the death of Jesus, 
    Bm    )
so that in us may be shown
    G    )
his resurrection.

    F#
AS MEN CONDEMNED TO DEATH (1 Cor 4, 9 - 13)

Am G
C Up to the present we suffer hunger
we suffer thirst and nakedness.

Am G
A Up to the present we suffer hunger
we suffer thirst and nakedness.

G Am
C We are persecuted and wander homeless

G Am
A We are persecuted and wander homeless

G Am
C We are cursed, yet we bless
we are insulted yet we bear it
we are despised
yet we answer with love.

G
A We are despised
yet we answer with love

G
C We have become, We have become, we have become
the rubbish of the earth.

G Am
A As men condemned to death
as men condemned to death
as men condemned to death

G Am
C For I think, that to us,
the apostles

G Am
A God has assigned
the last place.

G
A As men condemned to death ………..

C We are set up as a show
for the world, for the angels
for all men, for all men

A As men condemned to death ………..
We have become ………………..
JESUS WENT AROUND ALL THE TOWNS  (Mt 9, 35, 10, 42)

Am          F  Am          Am  G  Am
A Jesus went round all the towns
          F
passing from village to village
          Am
He proclaimed the Kingdom.
Dm     E7
When He saw the crowds following Him
          Am
He took compassion:
Em    )
A Because they were tired,
    ) (2)
because they were dejected
    E )
like sheep without a shepherd.
          Am  F  E7
C Then Jesus said to His disciples:
          Am  G
The harvest is large indeed,
          Am  G
but the workers are few.
          C  G )
Pray then to the Lord of the harvest,)
          Am  G  repeats)
to send workers to His harvest
          C  G )
C And now I am sending you out
          Am  G
like sheep among wolves:
          C  G  Am  G
so be cunning as serpents and simple as doves
          Am
A As doves
C          G  Am  G
C Do not carry purse or money knapsack or sandals
          C  G
and proclaim: the Kingdom is at hand
          Am  G
Jesus is risen, He comes with us,
          Am
A He comes with us.
C
C Whoever loves his father
or his mother more than me,
          G  Am
A Is not worthy of me, is not worthy of me
C
C Whoever loves his sons
or his daughters more than me
A Is not worthy of me ..........
C
C Whoever does not take his cross
and come after me,
A Is not worthy of me ..........
C
C And whoever seeks in this world his life
G      Am
A Will lose it, will lose it
C
C But whoever loses his life for the Gospel
G          Am
A He will find it, he will find it
G
C Who listens to you
          Am
A Listens to me
G
C Who welcomes you
          Am
A Welcomes me
          G    F    E
Who welcomes me, welcomes God welcomes God
DON'T PUT RESISTANCE TO EVIL  (Mt 5, 38ff)

C  You have heard how it was said to you
Bm  ‘Eye for an eye, tooth for a tooth’
A  Bm  But I say to you, but I say to you:

D  Bm

A  Do not resist evil, do not resist evil,
A  Bm  Do not resist evil, do not resist evil

Bm  D

C  If anyone strikes you on the right cheek,
A  Bm  offer him the other as well.

D

If anyone sues you to take your tunic
A  Bm  let him have your cloak as well.
A

And if anyone forces you to go one mile
Bm  go two miles with him.
A
And do not ask back your property
Bm  from the man who robs you.
A  Bm

C  You have heard how it was said to you:
Bm  ‘You shall love your neighbour
A  and hate your enemy’.

A  Bm  But I say to you, but I say to you
D  ‘Love your enemies,
Bm  do good to those who hate you,
A  pray for those who persecute you,
Bm  bless those who slander you.

G

Be perfect
Bm

as your heavenly Father is perfect
G  A
for He is good to the wicked,
G  A7
for He is good to the sinners
A

Do not resist evil ………

Bm  C  And you will be sons
D  of your heavenly Father
A  who makes the sun rise
Bm  on the good and the bad
A  Bm
and sends his rain also on the wicked
A

Do not resist evil ………
TELL ME THEN (Song 1, 2ff)

Dm Let Him kiss me,
with the kisses of His mouth
Bb your love
    A is sweeter than wine

your Name

is the fragrance of your perfume:
    Dm that's why the maidens love you

Dm Take me with you let us go out

Bb draw me towards you let us run
    A7 we shall praise your love more than wine
          Dm How wonderful it is to love you!

Tell me then beloved of my heart,)
of my heart,

where do you lead)

A (Twice)

your flock to pasture)
so that I may not wander)

as a vagabond)

Dm ) behind other shepherds.

C If you don’t know this

O loveliest of women
    Bb A follow the tracks of my flock

and take your kids to graze
          Dm close by the shepherd’s tent.

A Take me with you ..........

A Tell me then beloved of my heart ......
Bm  Em  F
C My beloved is for me, a rose of Sharon
G        F
a lily of the valleys.

Bm  Em  F
A My beloved is for me, perfume of myrrh
G        F
resting on my breast

Bm           Em
C My beloved is for me
F
as a lily among the thistles
G           F
so is my beloved among the maidens

Bm           Em
A My beloved is for me
F
a cluster of Henna flowers
G           F
among the vines of Engedi

G        F
C How beautiful are you my love
G        F
how beautiful, how beautiful
Em        F  Em        F
Your eyes are doves, your eyes are doves

G        F
A How beautiful are you my beloved
G        F
how delightful, how delightful
Em        F

C More than this our bed is all green
Em        F
A More than this our bed is all green
Bm
C As an apple tree among the trees
Em        F
of the orchards, so is my beloved
G        F
my beloved among the youth
Bm        Em
in his longed-for shade I am seated
G
and sweet is his fruit
G
how sweet it is to my taste
G
He has taken me into the chamber of wine
Em        F
and his banner upon me is love:
G        F
he has taken me into the banquet hall
Em        F
and his banner upon me is love:
Em        F
his left arm under my head
Em        F
and his right arm embraces me.
Bm
I implore you
A  (Assembly
daughters of Jerusalem  )      repeats)
G
do not rouse
F#
nor awake my love
)
COME FROM LEBANON (Songs 4, 8ff)

Em    D
C    Come from Lebanon, my bride
     C    D    Em
Come from Lebanon, come
     Em    D
You will have for your crown the mountains
     C    D    Em
the highest crests of Hermon
     Em    D
You have ravished, ravished my heart
     C    D    Em
O my sister, my bride.
     Em    D
Come from Lebanon, my bride
     C    D    Em
Come from Lebanon, come

A    I have searched for the love of my heart
     Am    Em
I searched but I didn’t find it
     G    A
I have found the love of my heart
     C    D    Em
I’ve embraced him and I’ll not let him go

C    I belong to my beloved
and his whole desire is for me;
     C
come let us go out in the fields
     and let us lodge in the villages.
     Let us go out
at dawn to the vineyards
     Let us pick the grapes
I belong to my beloved
and his whole desire is for me.

A    I have searched ………..
C    Get up quickly, get up my dove
     come away my dove,
winter time has already passed
     the voice of the turtle dove is heard
The flowers appear again on the earth
     the rain is over and gone
get up quickly, get up my dove
     come away, my dove.
A    I have searched …………..
C    Set me as a seal upon your heart
     as a seal upon your arm
for love is strong as death
     love no flood can drown
To give for it all the wealth of the house
     would be to despise it
As a seal upon your heart
     as a seal upon your arm
A    I have searched …………..
C
While I was asleep
E
but my heart was awake
Am
the voice of my beloved I heard
Dm E
‘Open to me, my sister
Dm E
open to me, my dove
for my head is wet with dew
Am
my locks with the drops of the night
C
He puts his hand
E
through the latch of the door
Am
my bowels stirred within me.
Dm E
I arose running
A
and my hand dripped with myrrh
Dm E
the purest myrrh from my fingers
Am
on the bolt of the door
A G )
I implore you daughters of Jerusalem
F ) (2)
if you find my beloved
E )
tell him I’m dying of love
C
I opened to my beloved
E Am
he was not there, he had already gone
Dm E
My soul fainted at his flight
I sought him but I did not find him
I called him, I called him
Am
but he did not answer me
The watchmen met me
G
going the rounds of the city
F
they undressed me, they beat me
E
the watchmen of the walls.
A
I implore you ……..
Am G
C Ah! If you were my brother
F
I could kiss you without
E )
anyone being scandalised
The Church through Baptism has been introduced into the gardens of the Kingdom “where the companions are listening.” There (made mother and teacher of all peoples through the experience of love that she has had and through the sufferings, the joys, the falls, the findings and - we could say - through the History of salvation expressed by the Song of Songs) she is invited by the Bridegroom to make her voice heard in a final wish.

She answers with a paschal eschatological shout: what she has known, and experienced of the Bridegroom, makes her long to flee with Him in a final exodus “on the mountains of the spices,” that is in Heaven, free forever.
SHE-LAMB OF GOD (Mt 1, 18ff)

C The virgin Mary
Am was betrothed to Joseph
C when before they came to live together
she was found to be with child
    B7
through the Holy Spirit
Em and Joseph who was just
Am did not want to repudiate her.
C    B7
He decided to send her away in secret
    Em
How bitter are the waters, Mary!

A She-lamb of God ………

C And when Joseph woke up
he took with him the child and his mother
and in the night fled to Egypt
because Herod
was looking for the child to kill him.
How bitter are the waters, Mary!

A She-lamb of God ………

C A cry is heard in Rama
a cry and great lamentation:
it is Rachel weeping for her children
and refusing to be consoled
because they are no more.
How bitter are the waters, Mary!

A She-lamb of God ………

C And the angel of the Lord
said to Joseph in Egypt
    Am
‘Get up and take with you
the child and his mother,
    C    B7
and go back to the Land of Israel:
    Em
because from Egypt I have called my son’

A She-lamb of God ………
IN HIM THERE IS NO BEAUTY: SERVANT OF YAHWEH, 4TH SONG (Is 53, 2ff)

C In Him there is no beauty, Am in Him there is no majesty, G7 no looks to attract our eyes C He seemed no longer human. A broken man, Am considered as nothing C despised Am rejected by all men.

A Before Him we turn away our face Am Before Him we turn away our face G7 Before Him we turn away our face C Before Him we turn away our face

C But it was He Am who took on Himself all our sins C But it was He Am who took on Himself all our pains

F A We had all gone astray G each on his own way. C Am Ill treated, yet he submitted, C He didn't say a word, Am like a lamb brought to the slaughter.

A Before Him ........ C Ill treated, ill treated, ill treated!
WORTHY ARE YOU (Rev 4,11:5,9ff)

Em
C Worthy are you to take the scroll  
Am B7
and to open its seals  
Em
for you have been slain  
B7
and you have ransomed with your blood  
Em
men from every people, tongue, tribe and nation  
G Bm G
C And you have made of them for our God  
Bm G
a kingdom of priests  
Bm Em
A Who reign, who reign, on the earth  
Em
C Worthy are you, slain lamb,  
Am B7
to take the scroll  
Em
and to open its seals  
B7
for you have ransomed with your blood  
Em
men from every people, tongue, tribe and nation  
G Bm G
A And you have made of them for our God  
Bm G
a kingdom of priests  
Bm Em
who reign, who reign, on the earth.
WHO IS SHE (Song 8, 5-7)

Am
C-A Who is she rising from the desert

who is she rising from the desert
F Am leaning on her beloved, on her beloved
leaning on her beloved.

G Am
C Under the apple tree I awakened you

there where your mother conceived you
F Am there where your mother gave birth to you
there where your mother gave birth to you.

C-A Who is she ……..

G F Am
C Set me as a seal on your heart

as a tattoo upon your arm
F E because love is strong as death
F E a flame coming from the Lord,
F E and the waters cannot quench it.

F E To give all the wealth of the house for love

F E would only be to despise it.

C-A Who is she ……..
THE VOICE OF MY BELOVED (Songs 2, 9-17)

C

The voice of my beloved,
Am F
behold here he comes
E
leaping on the mountains,
F E
skipping on the hills
C Am F
My beloved is like a gazelle like a young deer
E
my beloved is like a gazelle.
C Am F
Behold he stops behind our wall
looks in at the window
E
peers through the lattice
C
Now my beloved speaks and says to me:

C E )
A Arise my beloved ) (Assembly E repeats)
F E )
arise my love, arise and come )

Dm E
C Look winter time has already passed
Dm E
the rains are over, they have gone away.
F
The flowers have appeared on the earth
F
the time for singing has come again,
Dm E
and the voice of the turtle-dove has returned
F
the fig tree has blossomed with first fruits

E
and the grape vine gives off its scent.

A

Arise my beloved ……..
E Dm
O my dove in the cleft of the rock,
Dm E
in the hiding places of the cliffs
F
let me hear your voice,
E
let me hear your voice
C
Send the foxes away, the small foxes,
F E
who spoil the vineyard
G F E
for our vineyard is in blossom,
G F E
for our vineyard is in blossom:

Dm E Am E
C My beloved is for me, and I am for him
Dm E
before the breeze blows
Dm E
and the shadows of death stretch forth.
Am G Am
Return, return, return

Am G Am
A Return, return, return.
Em        B7
A The dove flew over the head of the Lord

and sang psalms, upon Him

The Lord revealed the designs of His love

B7   E
designs of ineffable art for every man

Am      B7
C The depths were opened

Am
and terrible cries were heard

B7
like those of women in delivery

C
and the Lord destroyed the darkness

B7
with the light of His gaze

Em
A The dove flew .........

Am        B7
C The designs were lost

Am        B7
and the angels of heaven cried

C
the designs of all those

B7
who did not follow His truth.

C        B7
For the Lord has shown His way

Am
and spread His grace

B7
on all those who follow Him;

C
He has given them power

B7
to make themselves beautiful by His Holiness

Em
A The dove flew .........
O JESUS MY LOVE

Am        F
C       O Jesus my love,
how much you have loved me,
how much you have loved me!
C-A O Jesus my love ……

Am       G       Am
C You have taken the sins from me
so that I may take forgiveness from you
C-A O Jesus my love ……

C You have taken thorns, pride from me
so that I may take humility and meekness from you
C-A O Jesus my love ……

C You have taken lashes, floggings: lust from me
so that I may take purity and love from you
C-A O Jesus my love ……

C You have taken spoliation: avarice from me
so that I may take the renunciation
of riches from you
C-A O Jesus my love ……

C You have taken gall and vinegar from me
so that I may take sweetness from you
You have taken derision, mockery from me
so that I may take mildness from you
You have taken the nails, the lance from me
so that I may take obedience from you
C-A O Jesus my love ……

C You have taken death from me
so that I may take life from you
C-A O Jesus my love ……

C You have taken burial from me
so that I may take resurrection from you
C-A O Jesus my love ……

Am       G   Am
C From me, O Lord, you have taken death and sin
so that I may take from you all of yourself
F           E
all of yourself you have given to me.
TAKE ME TO HEAVEN

E C#m G#
C Take me to heaven, take me to heaven, oh Lord
E C#m G#
because to die, because to die, is certainly better
A E
it is certainly better
B7 E
to stay with you, to stay with you

C-A Take me to heaven .........

E
C For one thing I pray you, for this only I beg you:
C#m G#
never to doubt of your love,
A E
never to doubt of your love,
B7 E
to stay with you, to stay with you

C-A Take me to heaven .........

E
C Oh how good, oh how sweet
C#m G#
your love has been for me
A E
your love has been for me
B7 E
Oh how good, oh how sweet

C-A Take me to heaven .........
YOU ARE MY HOPE, O LORD (Ode of Solomon)

C#dim
C You are my hope, O Lord,
   Bb7         A7
and I shall not be disappointed.
C#dim
With your glory you have created us
   Bb7         A7
in your mercy you have raised us up

Dm         A7
C-A You have pulled me out of the depths of Sheol
   Bb7         A7
from the mouth of death you have snatched me
Dm         A7
because I have believed in your Messiah
   Bb7         A7
and that he is the Lord I have confessed

Gm         A7
C You have given us the “great sign”,
   Gm         A7
the mystery hidden from the angels
   Bb7
   A7
to make war by your word

Dm         A7
C-A You are my hope, O Lord
   Bb7         A7
and I shall not be disappointed
A WOMAN CLOTHED WITH THE SUN

Am          G
C-A In heaven appeared then a grandiose sign

Am  a woman clothed in the sun
with the moon under her feet

G  and on her head a crown of twelve stars

F  she is pregnant and crying out

E  for the pangs and travails of delivery

Am  G
C  Then another sign appeared in heaven

F  a great red dragon

E  with seven heads and ten horns

Am  The dragon stood before the woman

G  who was giving birth

F  to devour her son, newly born

E  And the woman gave birth to a male child

Am  G
C  He who is to rule all the nations of the earth

F  And her son was carried away

E  up to God and his throne

C-A In heaven appeared then ........

G  F  Am
C  Now a war broke out in heaven;

G  Michael and his angels

F  E  fought against the dragon

G  F  and the dragon and his angels fought
but did not prevail

E  and there was no longer any place for in heaven

Am  The great dragon, the ancient serpent

G  who is called the Devil and Satan
the seducer of the whole world

F  was thrown down to earth

E  and his angels with him

C-A In heaven appeared then ........

Am  G
C  When the dragon saw he had been thrown down to earth

E  he pursued the woman

Am  who had given birth to the male child;

but the woman was given

G  the two wings of the great eagle to fly into the desert

F  where she is to be nourished

E  for a time and two times, and half a time

Am  G
C  Then the dragon got enraged with the woman

F  and went away to make war on the rest of her children

E  on those who keep the commandments of God

and bear witness to Jesus

C-A In heaven appeared then ........

Am  G  C  Rejoice then O heavens, and you who live there

G  F  E  because the accuser of our brothers has been thrown down

Am  But alas for you on earth and sea because the devil

G  F  has gone down to you filled with rage

E  knowing he has a short time left.

Am  G  F  E

C-A In heaven appeared then ........
I'VE STRETCHED OUT MY HANDS

D       Bm    G
C   I've stretched out my hands
     E         A
I've stretched out my hands
     G       D
And I've prayed to the Lord
     A       D
I have prayed like the Lord

A   I've stretched out ..........  

     F#       G    F#  
C   Abba, Father of mine, Abba, Father of mine
     E       A
into your hands I commit my spirit
     G       D   A   D
Into your hands I commit my spirit

A   I've stretched out ..........  

     Bm/G/E  A
C   Because to stretch the hands out is the sign of Him
     G       D
and my standing erect
     A       D
The wood is lifted up, the wood is lifted up

A   I've stretched out ..........  

     F#       G    F#  
C   Abba, Father of mine; Abba, Father of mine
     E       A
Into your hands I commit my spirit
     G       D   A   D
Into your hands I commit my spirit.
C
You have covered death with shame
A
you have thrown hell into mourning
Dm
you have struck iniquity
A
you have deprived injustice of her children
Bb
as Moses did to Pharoah
A
as Moses did to Pharoah
C-A
You have covered death with shame .....
Dm
C
You have brought us from slavery to freedom
A
from darkness to light, from death to life
Dm
You are the passover of our salvation
A
you are the lamb born of Mary
C-A
Mary, she-lamb without blemish .......
Dm
C
You were taken from the flock
A
led to the sacrifice
Dm
immolated towards evening
A
buried at night, your blessed
Dm
body did not know corruption
A
you are risen from death
A
you have raised humanity
Dm
from the depth of the tomb
Dm
You are the lamb who does not
A
open his mouth, you are the lamb
Dm
born of Mary.
C-A
Mary, she-lamb without blemish .......
Dm