

FOURTH SUNDAY OF LENT



YEAR A

Entrance Antiphon:

Rejoice, O Jerusalem; and gather round, all you who love her;
rejoice in gladness, after having been in sorrow; exult and be replenished
with the consolation flowing from her motherly bosom.

Choral Prelude: *The Lord Is My Shepherd* from *Requiem*

by John Rutter

The Lord is my shepherd:
therefore can I lack nothing.
He shall feed me in a green pasture:
and lead me forth beside the waters of comfort.
He shall convert my soul:
and bring me forth in the paths of righteousness,
for his Name's sake.
Yea, though I walk through the valley
of the shadow of death,
I will fear no evil: for thou art with me;

thy rod and thy staff comfort me.
Thou shalt prepare a table before me
against them that trouble me:
thou hast anointed my head with oil,
and my cup shall be full.
But thy loving-kindness and mercy
shall follow me all the days of my life:
and I will dwell in the house of the Lord
forever and ever.

Psalm 23

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SHEPHERD OF SOULS

ST. AGNES



1. Shep-herd of souls, re-fresh and bless Your cho-sen pil-grim flock
2. We would not live by bread a-lone, But by your word of grace,
3. Be known to us in break-ing bread, But do not then de-part;
4. Lord, sup with us in love di-vine; Your bod-y and your blood,



1. With man-na in the wil-der-ness, With wa-ter from the rock.
2. In strength of which we trav-el on To our a-bid-ing place.
3. Sav-ior, a-bide with us, and spread Your ta-ble in our heart.
4. That liv-ing bread, that heav'n-ly wine, Be our im-mor-tal food.

Text: CM; James Montgomery, 1771–1854. Music: John B. Dykes, 1823–1876.

Kyrie Eleison from Belmont Mass

by Christopher Walker



Musical notation for the Kyrie Eleison from Belmont Mass, by Christopher Walker. The notation is written on two staves in treble clef, key of D major (one sharp), and 3/4 time.

The first staff shows the Cantor's part (Invocation) and the All repeat part (Ký - ri - e, e - lé - i - son. Invocation). The second staff shows the Cantor's part (Invocation) and the All repeat part (Chri - ste, e - lé - i - son. Invocation).

Reading I: Exodus 17: 3-7

The Lord said to Samuel: "Fill your horn with oil, and be on your way. I am sending you to Jesse of Bethlehem, for I have chosen my king from among his sons." As Jesse and his sons came to the sacrifice, Samuel looked at Eliab and thought, "Surely the Lord's anointed is here before him." But the Lord said to Samuel: "Do not judge from his appearance or from his lofty stature, because I have rejected him. Not as man sees does God see, because man sees the appearance but the Lord looks into the heart." In the same way Jesse presented seven sons before Samuel, but Samuel said to Jesse, "The Lord has not chosen any one of these." Then Samuel asked Jesse, "Are these all the sons you have?" Jesse replied, "There is still the youngest, who is tending the sheep." Samuel said to Jesse, "Send for him; we will not begin the sacrificial banquet until he arrives here." Jesse sent and had the young man brought to them. He was ruddy, a youth handsome to behold and making a splendid appearance. The Lord said, "There—anoint him, for this is the one!" Then Samuel, with the horn of oil in hand, anointed David in the presence of his brothers; and from that day on, the spirit of the Lord rushed upon David.

The word of the Lord. Thanks be to God.



Responsorial Psalm 23: 1-6

by Owen Alstott



R. The Lord is my shep-herd; there is noth-ing I shall want.

The Lord is my shepherd; I shall not want.
In verdant pastures he gives me repose;
beside restful waters he leads me;
he refreshes my soul. **R.**

You spread the table before me
in the sight of my foes;
you anoint my head with oil;
my cup overflows. **R.**

He guides me in right paths for his name's sake.
Even though I walk in the dark valley
I fear no evil; for you are at my side
with your rod and your staff that give me courage. **R.**

Only goodness and kindness follow me
all the days of my life;
and I shall dwell in the house of the Lord
for years to come. **R.**

Reading 2: Ephesians 5: 8-14

Brothers and sisters: Since we have been justified by faith, we have peace with God through our Lord Jesus Christ, through whom we have gained access by faith to this grace in which we stand, and we boast in hope of the glory of God. And hope does not disappoint, because the love of God has been poured out into our hearts through the Holy Spirit who has been given to us. For Christ, while we were still helpless, died at the appointed time for the ungodly. Indeed, only with difficulty does one die for a just person, though perhaps for a good person one might even find courage to die. But God proves his love for us in that while we were still sinners Christ died for us.

The word of the Lord. Thanks be to God

Gospel of John 9: 1-41

Chant by Christopher Walker



Praise and hon - or to you, Lord Je - sus Christ!



I am the light of the world, says the Lord; whoever follows me will have the light of life.

As Jesus passed by he saw a man blind from birth. His disciples asked him, "Rabbi, who sinned, this man or his parents, that he was born blind?" Jesus answered, "Neither he nor his parents sinned; it is so that the works of God might be made visible through him. We have to do the works of the one who sent me while it is day. Night is coming when no one can work. While I am in the world, I am the light of the world." When he had said this, he spat on the ground and made clay with the saliva, and smeared the clay on his eyes, and said to him, "Go wash in the Pool of Siloam" —which means Sent—. So he went and washed, and came back able to see. His neighbors and those who had seen him earlier as a beggar said, "Isn't this the one who used to sit and beg?" Some said, "It is," but others said, "No, he just looks like him." He said, "I am." So they said to him, "How were your eyes opened?" He replied, "The man called Jesus made clay and anointed my eyes and told me, 'Go to Siloam and wash.' So I went there and washed and was able to see." And they said to him, "Where is he?" He said, "I don't know." They brought the one who was once blind to the Pharisees. Now Jesus had made clay and opened his eyes on a sabbath. So then the Pharisees also asked him how he was able to see. He said to them, "He put clay on my

eyes, and I washed, and now I can see." So some of the Pharisees said, "This man is not from God, because he does not keep the sabbath." But others said, "How can a sinful man do such signs?" And there was a division among them. So they said to the blind man again, "What do you have to say about him, since he opened your eyes?" He said, "He is a prophet." Now the Jews did not believe that he had been blind and gained his sight until they summoned the parents of the one who had gained his sight. They asked them, "Is this your son, who you say was born blind? How does he now see?" His parents answered and said, "We know that this is our son and that he was born blind. We do not know how he sees now, nor do we know who opened his eyes. Ask him, he is of age; he can speak for himself." His parents said this because they were afraid of the Jews, for the Jews had already agreed that if anyone acknowledged him as the Christ, he would be expelled from the synagogue. For this reason his parents said, "He is of age; question him." So a second time they called the man who had been blind and said to him, "Give God the praise! We know that this man is a sinner." He replied, "If he is a sinner, I do not know. One thing I do know is that I was blind and now I see." So they said to him, "What did he do to you? How did he open your eyes?" He answered them, "I told you already and you did not listen. Why do you want to hear it again? Do you want to become his disciples, too?" They ridiculed him and said, "You are that man's disciple; we are disciples of Moses! We know that God spoke to Moses, but we do not know where this one is from." The man answered and said to them, "This is what is so amazing, that you do not know where he is from, yet he opened my eyes. We know that God does not listen to sinners, but if one is devout and does his will, he listens to him. It is unheard of that anyone ever opened the eyes of a person born blind. If this man were not from God, he would not be able to do anything." They answered and said to him, "You were born totally in sin, and are you trying to teach us?" Then they threw him out. When Jesus heard that they had thrown him out, he found him and said, "Do you believe in the Son of Man?" He answered and said, "Who is he, sir, that I may believe in him?" Jesus said to him, "You have seen him, the one speaking with you is he." He said, "I do believe, Lord," and he worshiped him. Then Jesus said, "I came into this world for judgment, so that those who do not see might see, and those who do see might become blind." Some of the Pharisees who were with him heard this and said to him, "Surely we are not also blind, are we?" Jesus said to them, "If you were blind, you would have no sin; but now you are saying, 'We see,' so your sin remains.

The Gospel of the Lord **Praise to You, Lord Jesus Christ**

Homily



LENTEN SCRUTINIES

At Sunday 8:30am Mass

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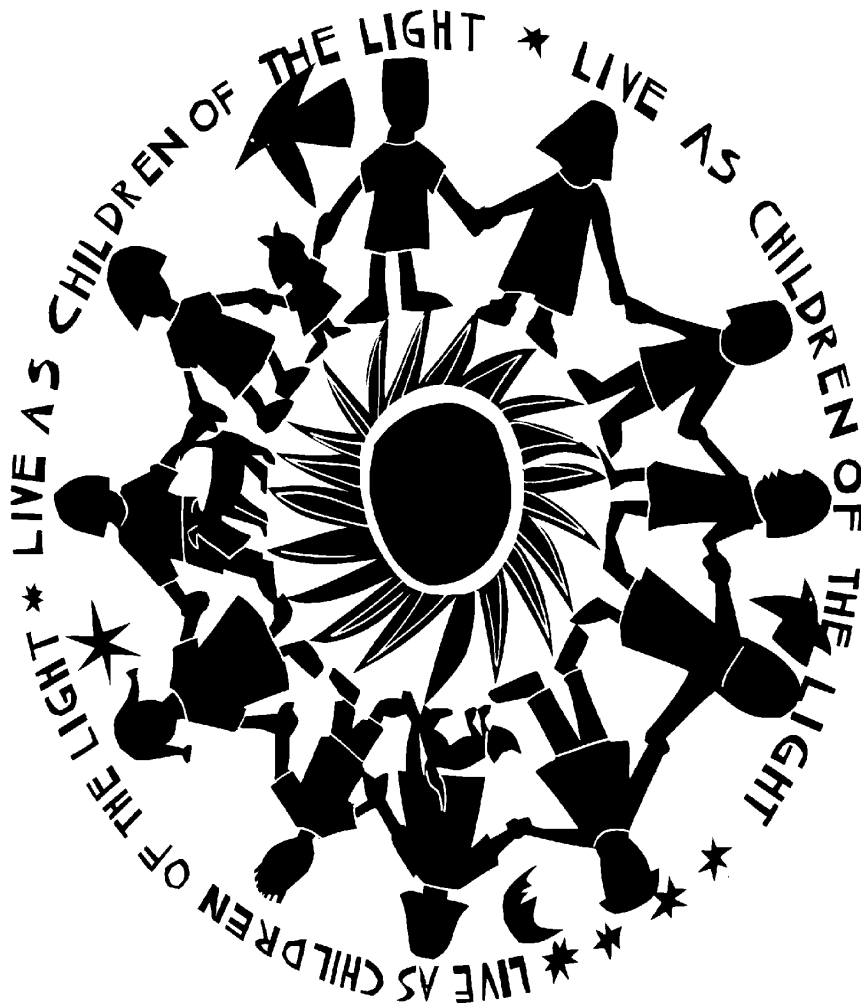
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Nicene Creed

I believe in one God, the Father almighty,
maker of heaven and earth,
of all things visible and invisible.
I believe in one Lord Jesus Christ,
the Only Begotten Son of God,
born of the Father before all ages.
God from God, Light from Light,
true God from true God,
begotten, not made,
consubstantial with the Father;
through him all things were made.
For us men and for our salvation
he came down from heaven,
and by the Holy Spirit
was incarnate of the Virgin Mary,
and became man.
For our sake
he was crucified under Pontius Pilate,
he suffered death and was buried,
and rose again on the third day
in accordance with the Scriptures.
He ascended into heaven and is seated
at the right hand of the Father.
He will come again in glory
to judge the living and the dead
and his kingdom will have no end.
I believe in the Holy Spirit,
the Lord, the giver of life,
who proceeds from the Father and the Son,
who with the Father and the Son
is adored and glorified,
who has spoken through the prophets.
I believe in one, holy, catholic and apostolic Church.
I confess one Baptism for the forgiveness of sins
and I look forward to the resurrection of the dead
and the life of the world to come. Amen.

Prayers of the Faithful



Amazing Grace!



1. A - maz - ing grace! how sweet the sound, That
 2. 'Twas grace that taught my heart to fear, And
 3. The Lord has prom - ised good to me, His
 4. Through man - y dan - gers, toils, and snares, I
 5. When we've been there ten thou - sand years, Bright



saved a wretch like me! I once was lost, but
 grace my fears re - lieved; How pre - cious did that
 word my hope se - cures; He will my shield and
 have al - read - y come; 'Tis grace has brought me
 shin - ing as the sun, We've no less days to



now am found; Was blind, but now I see.
 grace ap - pear The hour I first be - lieved!
 por - tion be As long as life en - dures.
 safe thus far, And grace will lead me home.
 sing God's praise Than when we'd first be - gun.

Text: Sts. 1–4, John Newton, 1725–1807; st. 5, attr. to John Rees, fl.1859

Tune: NEW BRITAIN, CM; *Virginia Harmony*, 1831; harm. by Edwin O. Excell, 1851–1921

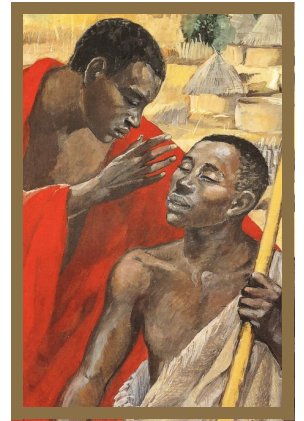


Acclamations from Belmont Mass

by Christopher Walker

SANCTUS

Ho - ly, Ho - ly, Ho - ly Lord God of hosts. Heav-en and
earth are full of your glory. Ho - san - na in the high - est.
Bless - ed is he who comes in the name of the Lord.
Ho - san - na in the high - est, ho - san - na in the high - est.



From the Jesus Mafa Project

MYSTERY OF FAITH I



We pro - claim your Death, O Lord, and pro - fess your
Res - ur - rec - tion un - til you come a - gain.

All
A - men, a - men.

GREAT AMEN

AGNUS DEI



Cantor or All (All)
Lamb of God, you take a - way the sins of the world,
1, 2 Final
have mer - cy on us. grant us peace, grant us peace.

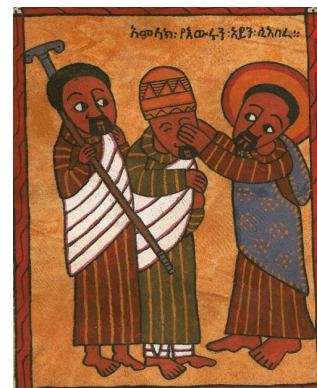
Antiphon for Lent 4A

from *Graduale Romanum* & Bartlett Simple English Propers

Lutum fecit

Jo 9: 6, 11, 38

VI
T HE Lord made some clay with his spittle, * and
he spread it over my eyes; and I went forth, I washed
myself, I began to see, and I put my faith in God.



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The King of Love My Shepherd Is



1. The King of love my shep - herd is, Whose
 2. Where streams of liv - ing wa - ter flow, My
 3. Con - fused and fool - ish oft I strayed, But
 4. In death's dark vale I fear no ill With
 5. You spread a ta - ble in my sight, Your
 6. And so, through all the length of days Your



good - ness fails me nev - er; I noth - ing lack if
 ran - somed soul he's lead - ing, And, where the ver - dant
 yet in love he sought me, And on his shoul - der
 you, dear Lord, be - side me, Your rod and staff my
 sav - ing grace be - stow - ing; And, oh, what trans - port
 good - ness fails me nev - er; Good Shep - herd, may I



I am his And he is mine for - ev - er.
 pas - tures grow, With food ce - les - tial feed - ing.
 gent - ly laid, And home, re - joic - ing, brought me.
 com - fort still, Your cross be - fore to guide me.
 of de - light From your pure chal - ice flow - ing!
 sing your praise With - in your house for - ev - er.

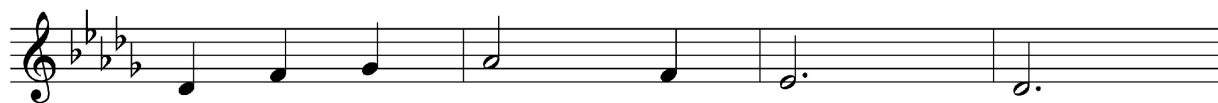
Text: Psalm 23; Henry W. Baker, 1821–1877, alt.
 Tune: ST. COLUMBA, 8 7 8 7; Irish melody



I Want to Walk as a Child of the Light



1. I want to walk as a child of the light.
 2. I want to see the bright-ness of God.
 3. I'm look - ing for the com - ing of Christ.



I want to fol - low Je - sus.
 I want to look at Je - sus.
 I want to be with Je - sus.



God set the stars to give light to the world. The
 Clear sun of right-eous-ness shine on my path And
 When we have run with pa-tience the race, We



star of my life is Je - sus.
 show me the way to the Fa - ther.
 shall know the joy of Je - sus.



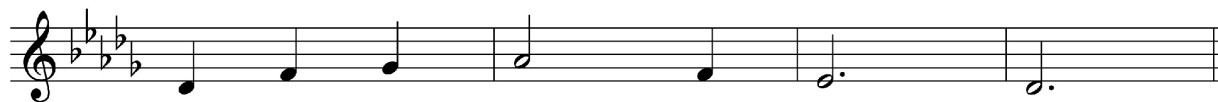
In him there is no dark - ness at all. The



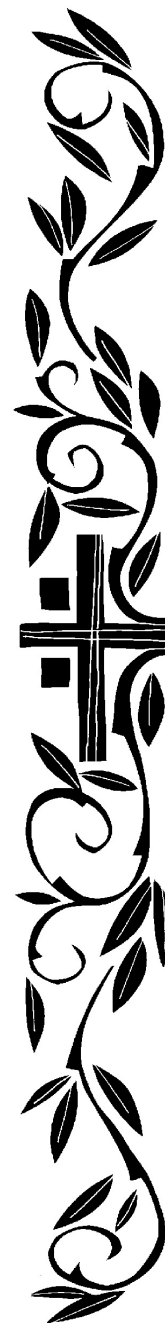
night and the day are both a - like. The



Lamb is the light of the cit - y of God.



Shine in my heart, Lord Je - sus.



Post-Communion Meditation

Soul of Christ

Refrain



Soul of Christ, sanc - ti - fy me. Bod - y of Christ,



save me. Blood of Christ, flood my sens - es.



Wa - ter from Thy side, strength - en me.

Verses



1. O gra - cious Je - sus, hear me call - ing;
2. O gen - tle Je - sus, nev - er leave me;
3. O lov - ing Je - sus, call me to You,



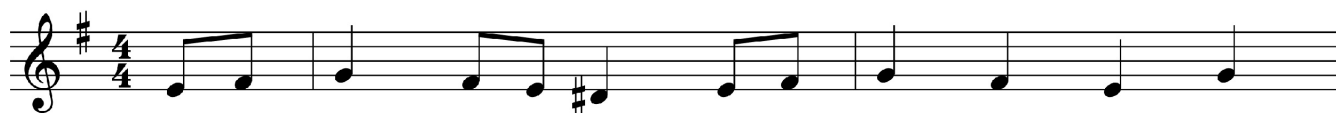
to Refrain

with - in Thy wounds hide me.
pro - tect me from all e - vil.
where I may praise You al - ways.

Text: *Anima Christi*, Pope John XXII; Beverly McDevitt, b.1963, David Mann, b.1963
Tune: ANIMA CHRISTI, 7678 546; Beverly McDevitt, b.1963, David Mann, b.1963
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O Christ, the Healer



1. O Christ, the heal - er, we have come To
 2. From ev - 'ry ail - ment flesh en - dures Our
 3. How strong, O Lord, are our de - sires, How
 4. In con - flicts that de - stroy our health We
 5. Grant that we all, made one in faith, In



pray for health, to plead for friends. How can we fail to
 bod - ies clam - or to be freed; Yet in our hearts we
 weak our knowl - edge of our - selves! Re - lease in us those
 rec - og - nize the world's dis - ease; Our com - mon life de -
 your com - mun - i - ty may find The whole - ness that, en -



be re - stored, When reached by love that nev - er ends?
 would con - fess That whole - ness is our deep - est need.
 heal - ing truths Un - con - scious pride re - sists or shelves.
 clares our ills: Is there no cure, O Christ, for these?
 rich - ing us, Shall reach the whole of hu - man - kind.

Text: Fred Pratt Green, 1903–2000, © 1969, Hope Publishing Company

Tune: ERHALT UNS HERR, LM; Klug's *Geistliche Lieder*, 1543; harm. by J. S. Bach, 1685–1750



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