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	ta	Quarter Note
	ti-ti	2 Eighth Notes
	---	Quarter Note Rest
	tika-tika	4 Sixteenth Notes
	ta-oh / too	Half Note
	ti-tika	Eighth Note 2 Sixteenth Notes
	tika-ti	2 Sixteenth Notes Eighth Note
	tam-ti	Dotted Quarter Note Eighth Note
	ti-ta-ti / syn-co-pa	Eighth Note, Quarter Note, Eighth Note
	tim-ka	Dotted Eighth Note Sixteenth Note

Singing the Psalms

The psalms are pointed for singing. Each psalm verse is divided into two parts, with an asterisk (*) indicating the point of division. Most of the text of each half verse is sung to a reciting tone (á). At the point of the vertical line (|) the final two or three syllables are sung to the notes provided. Ordinarily there is one syllable of text for each note. When there are only two syllables, the first syllable is sung to two notes.

Any psalm can be sung to any tone. It is best, however, that the tone, which can range from cheerful and bright to somber and austere, be appropriate to the text.

Traditionally, the Gloria Patri has been used as the closing for the recitation and praying of the Psalms as a way to give a Christian interpretation to these ancient hymns. It has become a familiar part of the way a Christian prays the Psalms. While the prayers that follow each psalm included here clearly and beautifully point to Jesus Christ, we do not intend to discourage the use of the Gloria Patri. It is printed here for your ease of reference:

**Glory be to the Father and | to the Son*
and to the Holy | Spirit;**

**as it was in the the be- | ginning,*
is now, and will be forever. | Amen.**

PSALM 19

The 19th psalm is a prophecy. It speaks of how the Gospel would spread to the entire world, as far as the heavens extend. Day and night it would be spread, not only in Hebrew but in all languages. Just as the sun shines and gives warmth everywhere, so also will the new law of the Gospel enlighten and teach all kinds of people, comforting and purifying them. In this way the old Law is removed, which was not so pure, bright, lovely, or imperishable. This psalm belongs in the Third Commandment, for it proclaims the true Sabbath in which God's Word is taught and believed.

19

- ¹ The heavens declare the glo- | ry of God,*
and the sky above proclaims his | handiwork.
- ² Day to day | pours out speech,*
and night to night reveals | knowledge.
- ³ There is no speech, nor | are there words,*
whose voice | is not heard.
- ⁴ Their measuring line goes out through all the earth,
and their words to the end | of the world.*
In them he has set a tent | for the sun,
- ⁵ which comes out like a bridegroom
leaving his | chamber,*
and, like a strong man, runs its | course with joy.
- ⁶ Its rising is from the end of the heavens,
and its circuit to the | end of them,*
and there is nothing hidden | from its heat.
- ⁷ The law of the LORD is perfect, reviv- | ing the soul;*
the testimony of the LORD is sure,
making wise the | simple:

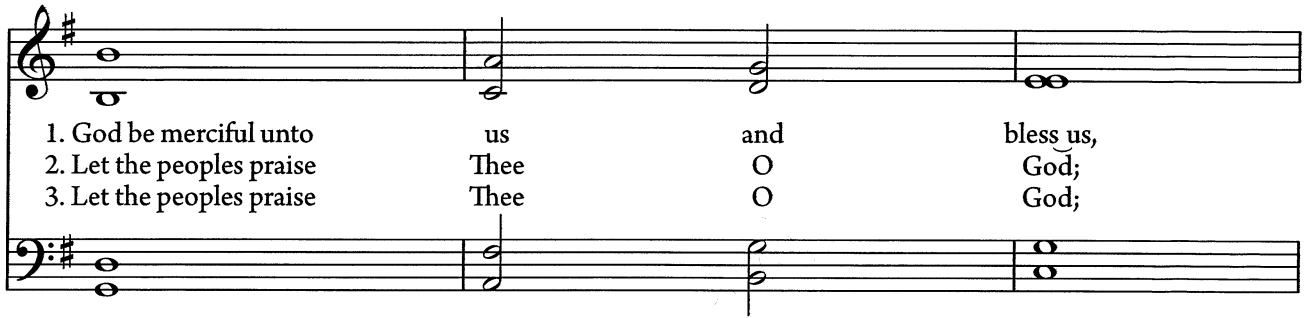


- ⁸ the precepts of the LORD are right,
rejoicing | the heart;*
the commandment of the LORD is pure,
enlightening | the eyes;
- ⁹ the fear of the LORD is clean, enduring for- | ever;*
the just decrees of the LORD are true,
and righteous alto- | gether.
- ¹⁰ More to be desired are they than gold,
even | much fine gold;*
sweeter also than honey and drippings
of the | honeycomb.
- ¹¹ Moreover, by them is your | servant warned;*
in keeping them there is | great reward.
- ¹² Who can dis- | cern his errors?*
- Declare me innocent from | hidden faults.
- ¹³ Keep back your servant also from presumptuous sins;
let them not have dominion | over me!*
- Then I shall be blameless, and innocent
of great trans- | gression.
- ¹⁴ Let the words of my mouth and the meditation of my
heart be acceptable | in your sight,*
O LORD, my rock and my re- | deemer.

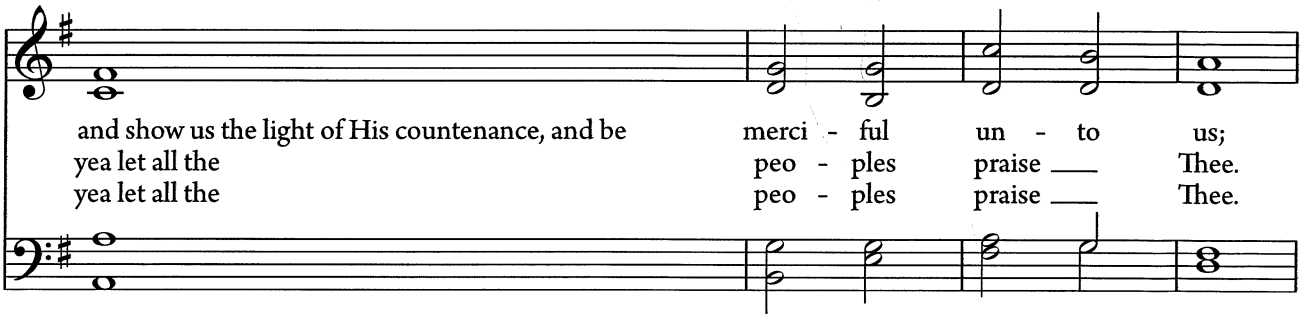
PRAYER

Lord Jesus, You are the Sun of righteousness with healing in His wings. Enlighten our darkened understanding by Your Holy Word. Enkindle our hearts and mold our will to walk in faith, love, and hope according to Your gracious will. Let the light of Your Gospel shine on the nations that sit in darkness, and preserve Your Church to the day of Your coming. Amen.

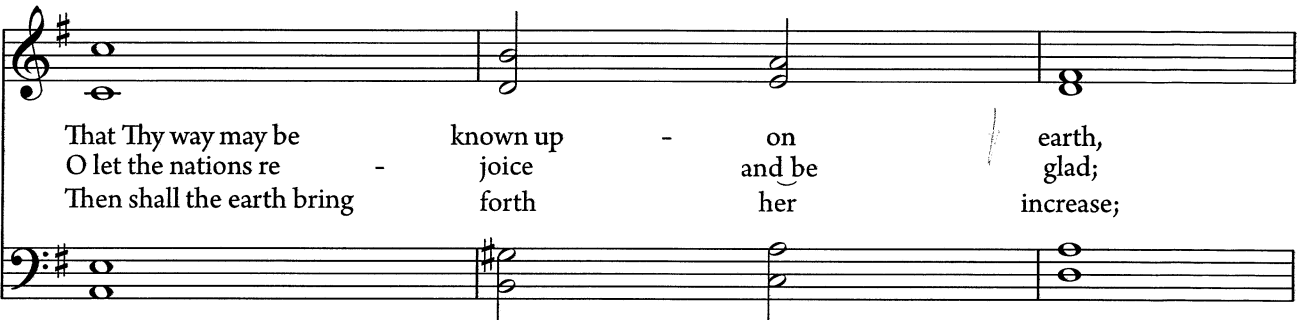
GOD BE MERCIFUL UNTO US



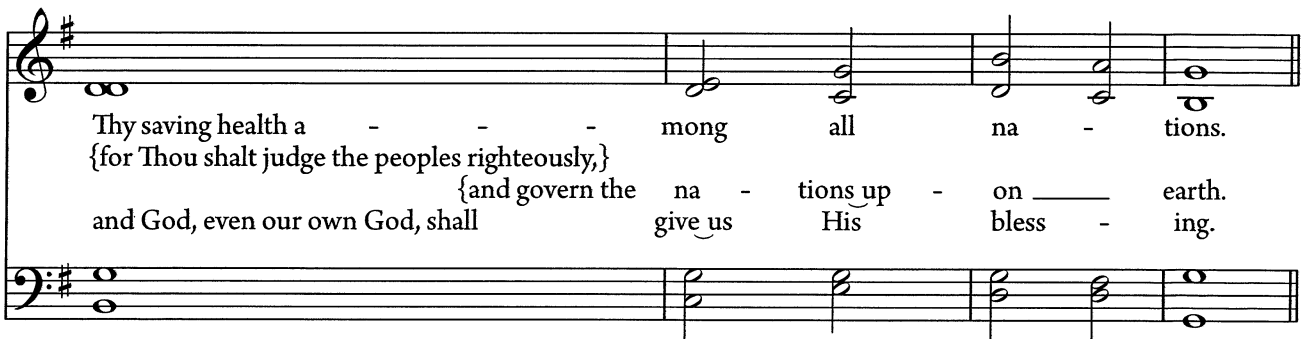
1. God be merciful unto us and bless us,
 2. Let the peoples praise Thee O God;
 3. Let the peoples praise Thee O God;



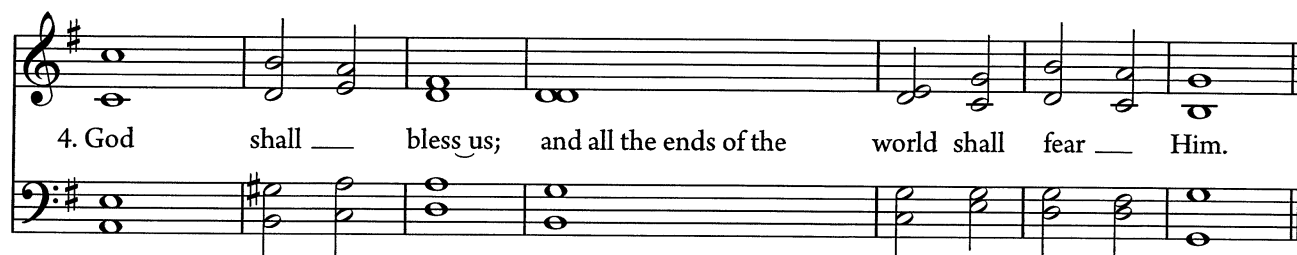
and show us the light of His countenance, and be merci - ful un - to us;
 yea let all the peo - ples praise Thee.
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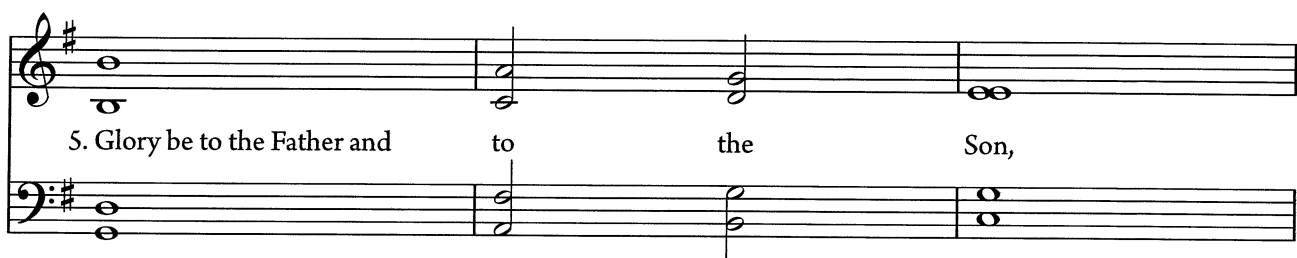
That Thy way may be known up - on earth,
 O let the nations re - joice and be glad;
 Then shall the earth bring forth her increase;



Thy saving health a - - - mong all na - tions.
 {for Thou shalt judge the peoples righteously,
 {and govern the na - tions up - on earth.
 and God, even our own God, shall give us His bless - ing.



4. God shall ___ bless us; and all the ends of the world shall fear ___ Him.



5. Glory be to the Father and to the Son,



and to the Ho - ly Ghost;



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



world without end. _____ A - - men.