

Isaiah 61:1-3

¹“The Spirit of the Lord GOD is upon Me, because the LORD has anointed Me to preach good tidings to the poor; He has sent Me to heal the brokenhearted, to proclaim liberty to the captives, and the opening of the prison to those who are bound; ² To proclaim the acceptable year of the LORD, and the day of vengeance of our God; To comfort all who mourn, ³ to console those who mourn in Zion, to give them beauty for ashes, the oil of joy for mourning, the garment of praise for the spirit of heaviness; That they may be called trees of righteousness, the planting of the LORD, that He may be glorified.”

Romans 12:1-5

¹ I beseech you therefore, brethren, by the mercies of God, that you present your bodies a living sacrifice, holy, acceptable to God, which is your reasonable service. ² And do not be conformed to this world, but be transformed by the renewing of your mind, that you may prove what is that good and acceptable and perfect will of God. ³ For I say, through the grace given to me, to everyone who is among you, not to think of himself more highly than he ought to think, but to think soberly, as God has dealt to each one a measure of faith. ⁴ For as we have many members in one body, but all the members do not have the same function, ⁵ so we, being many, are one body in Christ, and individually members of one another.

St. Luke 2:41-52

⁴¹ His parents went to Jerusalem every year at the Feast of the Passover. ⁴² And when He was twelve years old, they went up to Jerusalem according to the custom of the feast. ⁴³ When they had finished the days, as they returned, the Boy Jesus lingered behind in Jerusalem. And Joseph and His mother did not know it; ⁴⁴ but supposing Him to have been in the company, they went a day’s journey, and sought Him among their relatives and acquaintances. ⁴⁵ So when they did not find Him, they returned to Jerusalem, seeking Him. ⁴⁶ Now so it was that after three days they found Him in the temple, sitting in the midst of the teachers, both listening to them and asking them questions. ⁴⁷ And all who heard Him were astonished at His understanding and answers. ⁴⁸ So when they saw Him, they were amazed; and His mother said to Him, “Son, why have You done this to us? Look, Your father and I have sought You anxiously.” ⁴⁹ And He said to them, “Why did you seek Me? Did you not know that I must be about My Father’s business?” ⁵⁰ But they did not understand the statement which He spoke to them. ⁵¹ Then He went down with them and came to Nazareth, and was subject to them, but His mother kept all these things in her heart. ⁵² And Jesus increased in wisdom and stature, and in favor with God and men.



Introit.

Ant. I SAW || also the Lord, sitting | up- | on | a | throne:
high and | lift- | ed | up.

|| And I heard the voice of a great multitude, saying, | Al- | le- | lu- | ia:
for the Lord God Omnipotent | reign- | eth.

Psalm. || Make a joyful noise unto the | LORD, | all | ye | lands:
serve the LORD | with | glad- | ness.

GLO- RY || 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. (*Ant. repeated.*)

Collect.

O Lord, we beseech Thee mercifully to receive the prayers of Thy people who call upon Thee; and grant that they may both perceive and know what things they ought to do, and also may have grace and power faithfully to fulfill the same; through Jesus Christ, Thy Son, our Lord, Who liveth and reigneth with Thee and the Holy Ghost, ever One God, world without end. *Amen.*

Epistle. Romans 12:1–5

Gospel. Luke 2:41–52

Additional reading: Isaiah 61:1–3

Gradual.

|| Blessed be the Lord God, the God of Israel, Who only do- | eth | wond- | rous
| things:

and blessed be His glorious | Name | for- | ever.

|| The mountains shall bring peace | to | Thy | peo- | ple:
and the hills | righ- | teous- | ness.

|| Hallelujah. Hallelujah. Make a joyful noise unto the | LORD, | all | ye | lands:
serve the LORD with gladness. Hal- | le- | lu- | jah.

1st Sunday after Epiphany

10. Praise God the Lord, Ye Sons of Men

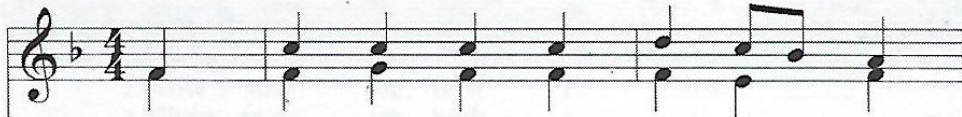
Nik. Hermann, 1560

Lobt Gott, ihr Christen allzugleich

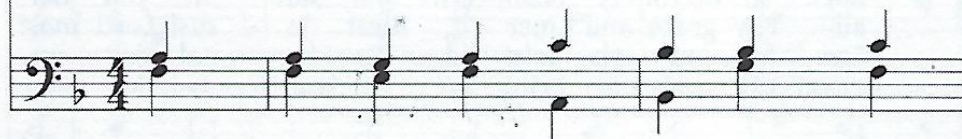
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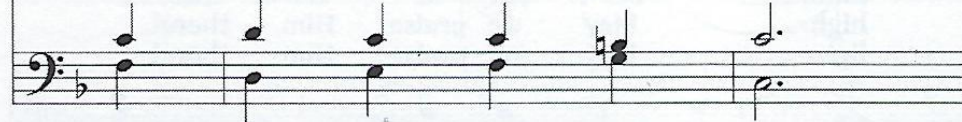
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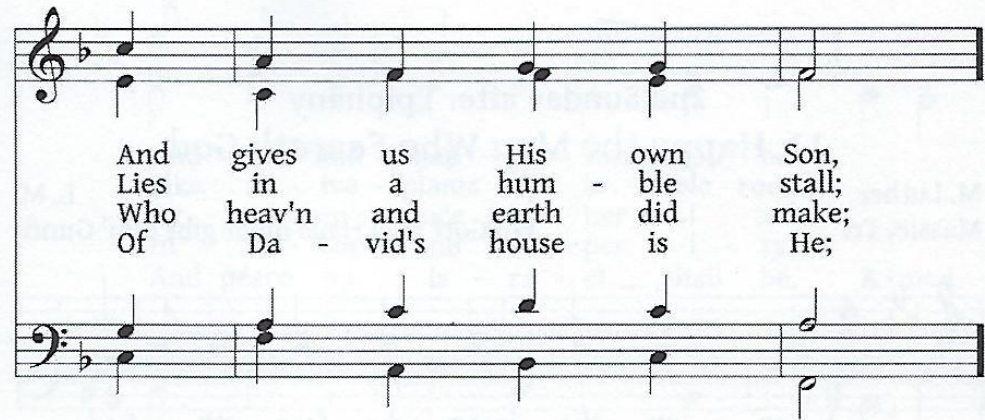
1. Praise God the Lord, ye sons of men,
 2. He leaves His heav'n - ly Fa - ther's throne,
 3. He lays a - side His pow'r di - vine,
 4. He nes - tles at His moth - er's breast,



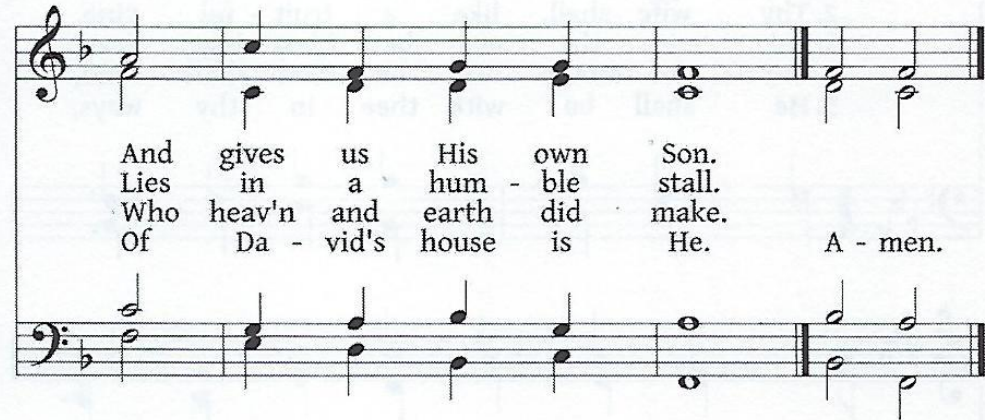
Be - fore His high - est throne,
 Is born an in - fant small,
 A ser - vant's form doth take,
 Her milk His food must be,



To - day He o - pens heav'n a - gain,
 And in a man - ger poor and lone
 In want and low - ness He doth pine
 Whom saints and an - gels call the Blest,



And gives us His own Son,
 Lies in a hum - ble stall;
 Who heav'n and earth did make;
 Of Da - vid's house is He;



And gives us His own Son.
 Lies in a hum - ble stall.
 Who heav'n and earth did make.
 Of Da - vid's house is He. A - men.

5. 'Tis He who in these latter days
 From Judah's tribe should come,
 By whom the Lord again would raise
 His Church, His Christendom.

6. A wondrous change which He doth make
 He takes our flesh and blood,
 And lays aside for sinners' sake,
 His majesty of God.

7. He serves, that I a lord may be;
 A great exchange, indeed!
 Could Jesus' love do more for me,
 To help me in my need?

8. He opens us again the door
 Of Paradise today;
 The cherub guards the gate no more.
 To God our thanks we pay.