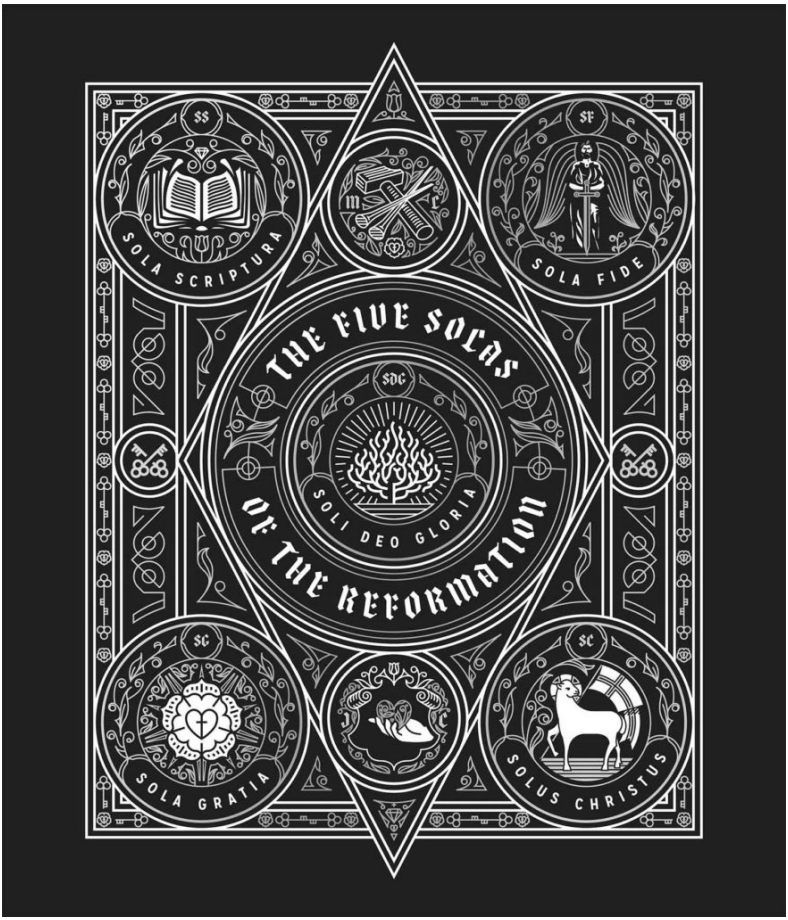


Reformation Service

2026

REFORMATION SUNDAY WORSHIP

Sunday, November 1st, 2026

✣ Indicates standing if able

WELCOME & GREETING

Pastor Jon Pickens
Broadneck Evangelical Presbyterian Church

PRAYER OF INVOCATION

Pastor John Ceselsky
Aisquith Presbyterian Church

✣ **CALL TO WORSHIP** *Isaiah 12*

And in that day you will say: "O LORD, I will praise You; Though You were angry with me, Your anger is turned away, and You comfort me. Behold, God *is* my salvation, I will trust and not be afraid; "For YAH, the LORD, *is* my strength and song; He also has become my salvation." Therefore with joy you will draw water From the wells of salvation. And in that day you will say: "Praise the LORD, call upon His name; Declare His deeds among the peoples, Make mention that His name is exalted. Sing to the LORD, For He has done excellent things; This *is* known in all the earth. Cry out and shout, O inhabitant of Zion, For great *is* the Holy One of Israel in your midst!"

✣ HYMN No 01

A Mighty Fortress Is Our God

CONFESSION OF SIN

Pastor Chris Jameson
Trinity Presbyterian Church

Pastoral Prayer of Confession

Responsive Prayer:

Leader: O God, we are ashamed and embarrassed to lift up our faces to You, for our iniquities have risen above our heads and our guilt has grown even to the heavens.

Congregation: ***Open shame belongs to us, because we have sinned against You. There is in us a bent on turning from You: our hearts are more deceitful than all else and are desperately sick.***

Leader: Lord, out of the depths we cry to You, hear our voice and our supplication! If You should mark iniquities, who could stand?

Congregation: ***But there is forgiveness with You, that You may be feared; with You there is lovingkindness; yes, with You there is abundant redemption, and You will redeem us from all our iniquities.***

ALL: O Father, Have mercy upon us and heal us. O Holy Spirit, make us more like our Lord and King, Jesus Christ. Amen.

Adapted from *Ezra 9:6; Daniel 9:8; Hosea 11:7; Jeremiah 17:9; Psalm 130*

ASSURANCE OF PARDON *Ephesians 2:4-10*

Pastor Neil Jackson
Andover Baptist Church

But God, who is rich in mercy, because of His great love with which He loved us, even when we were dead in trespasses, made us alive together with Christ (by grace you have been saved), and raised *us* up together, and made *us* sit together in the heavenly *places* in Christ Jesus, that in the ages to come He might show the exceeding riches of His grace in *His* kindness toward us in Christ Jesus. For by grace you have been saved through faith, and that not of yourselves; *it is* the gift of God, not of works, lest anyone should boast. For we are His workmanship, created in Christ Jesus for good works, which God prepared beforehand that we should walk in them.

✤ HYMN of ASSURANCE No 02

Ah, Holy Jesus, How Hast Thou Offended

CONFESSION OF FAITH

Pastor Jesse Crutchley
Severn Run Evangelical Presbyterian Church

Heidelberg Catechism Questions 60-62

60. How are thou righteous before God?

Only by a true faith in Jesus Christ; so that, though my conscience accuse me, that I have grossly transgressed all the commandments of God, and kept none of them, and am still inclined to all evil; notwithstanding, God, without any merit of mine, but only of mere grace, grants and imputes to me, the perfect satisfaction, righteousness, and holiness of Christ; even so, as if I never had had, nor committed any sin: yea, as if I had fully accomplished all that obedience which Christ has accomplished for me; inasmuch as I embrace such benefit with a believing heart.

61. Why sayest thou, that thou art righteous by faith only?

Not that I am acceptable to God, on account of the worthiness of my faith; but because only the satisfaction, righteousness, and holiness of Christ, is my righteousness before God; and that I cannot receive and apply the same to myself any other way than by faith only.

62. But why cannot our good works be the whole, or part of our righteousness before God?

Because, that the righteousness, which can be approved of before the tribunal of God, must be absolutely perfect, and in all respects conformable to the divine law; and also, that our best works in this life are all imperfect and defiled with sin.

Pastoral Prayer for Christ's Church

THE WORD OF GOD READ

Old Testament Reading

Pastor Emeritus John "Arch" Van Devender
Severn Run Evangelical Presbyterian Church

Isaiah 52:13-53:12

Behold, My Servant shall deal prudently; He shall be exalted and extolled and be very high. Just as many were astonished at you, So His visage was marred more than any man, And His form more than the sons of men; So shall He sprinkle many nations. Kings shall shut their mouths at Him; For what had not been told them they shall see, And what they had not heard they shall consider. Who has believed our report? And to whom has the arm of the LORD been revealed? For He shall grow up before Him as a tender plant, And as a root out of dry ground. He has no form or comeliness; And when we see Him, *There is* no beauty that we should desire Him. He is despised and rejected by men, A Man of sorrows and acquainted with grief. And we hid, as it were, *our* faces from Him; He was despised, and we did not esteem Him. Surely He has borne our griefs And carried our sorrows; Yet we esteemed Him stricken, Smitten by God, and afflicted. But He *was* wounded for our transgressions, *He was* bruised for our iniquities; The chastisement for our peace *was* upon Him, And by His stripes we are healed. All we like sheep have gone astray; We have turned, every one, to his own way; And the LORD has laid on Him the iniquity of us all. He was oppressed and He was afflicted, Yet He opened not His mouth; He was led as a lamb to the slaughter, And as a sheep before its shearers is silent, So He opened not His mouth. He was taken from prison and from judgment, And who will declare His generation? For He was cut off from the land of the living; For the transgressions of My people He was stricken. And they made His grave with the wicked - But with the rich at His death, Because He had done no violence, Nor *was any* deceit in His mouth. Yet it pleased the LORD to bruise Him; He has put *Him* to grief. When You make His soul an offering for sin, He shall see *His*

seed, He shall prolong *His* days, And the pleasure of the LORD shall prosper in His hand. He shall see the labor of His soul, *and* be satisfied. By His knowledge My righteous Servant shall justify many, For He shall bear their iniquities. Therefore I will divide Him a portion with the great, And He shall divide the spoil with the strong, Because He poured out His soul unto death, And He was numbered with the transgressors, And He bore the sin of many, And made intercession for the transgressors.

Congregational Response

Leader: The Word of the Living God.

Congregation: ***May it be a lamp to our feet and a light to our path.***

New Testament Reading

Pastor Joshua Sillaman
Grace Point Presbyterian Church

Luke 18:9-27

Also He spoke this parable to some who trusted in themselves that they were righteous, and despised others: "Two men went up to the temple to pray, one a Pharisee and the other a tax collector. The Pharisee stood and prayed thus with himself, "God, I thank You that I am not like other men - extortioners, unjust, adulterers, or even as this tax collector. I fast twice a week; I give tithes of all that I possess.' And the tax collector, standing afar off, would not so much as raise *his* eyes to heaven, but beat his breast, saying, "God, be merciful to me a sinner!' I tell you, this man went down to his house justified *rather* than the other; for everyone who exalts himself will be humbled, and he who humbles himself will be exalted." Then they also brought infants to Him that He might touch them; but when the disciples saw *it,* they rebuked them. But Jesus called them to *Him* and said, "Let the little children come

to Me, and do not forbid them; for of such is the kingdom of God. Assuredly, I say to you, whoever does not receive the kingdom of God as a little child will by no means enter it." Now a certain ruler asked Him, saying, "Good Teacher, what shall I do to inherit eternal life?" So Jesus said to him, "Why do you call Me good? No one *is* good but One, *that is,* God. You know the commandments: *"Do not commit adultery,' "Do not murder,' "Do not steal,' "Do not bear false witness,' 'Honor your father and your mother.' "* And he said, "All these things I have kept from my youth." So when Jesus heard these things, He said to him, "You still lack one thing. Sell all that you have and distribute to the poor, and you will have treasure in heaven; and come, follow Me." But when he heard this, he became very sorrowful, for he was very rich. And when Jesus saw that he became very sorrowful, He said, "How hard it is for those who have riches to enter the kingdom of God! For it is easier for a camel to go through the eye of a needle than for a rich man to enter the kingdom of God." And those who heard it said, "Who then can be saved?" But He said, "The things which are impossible with men are possible with God."

Congregational Response

Leader: The grass withers, the flower fades…

Congregation: ***…But the Word of our God stands forever.***

✤ HYMN of RESPONSE No 03

Blessed Jesus, at Your Word

OFFERING OF PRAISE

Pastor Tom Wenger, Sr.
Pasadena Evangelical Presbyterian Church

This collected offering will be given to Saints Haven Presbyterian Church, a new mission church of the Chesapeake Presbytery. Checks can be made out to "Grace Point Presbyterian Church" with "Saints Haven" in the memo line.

Offertory — *Reformation Service Choir*

Deck Thyself, My Soul, with Gladness

Pastoral Prayer of Thanksgiving

✣ Doxology:

Praise God from whom all blessings flow,
Praise Him all creatures here below,
Praise Him above, ye Heav'nly hosts;
Praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost. Amen.

THE WORD PREACHED

Pastor Jonathan Master
Greenville Presbyterian Theological Seminary

✣ Reading of Scripture — *Romans 3:21-26*

"Faith Alone"

THE SACRAMENT OF THE LORD'S SUPPER

Pastor Brian March
Broadneck Evangelical Presbyterian Church

COMMUNION WITH CHRIST IN THE SUPPER

The Bread — No 04
Psalm 51 - O Thou That Hears When Sinners Cry

The Cup — No 05
I Greet Thee, Who My Sure Redeemer Art

✣ CLOSING HYMN — No 06
All Hail the Power of Jesus' Name

✣ **BENEDICTION**

Pastor Jared Dean
Liberty Presbyterian Church
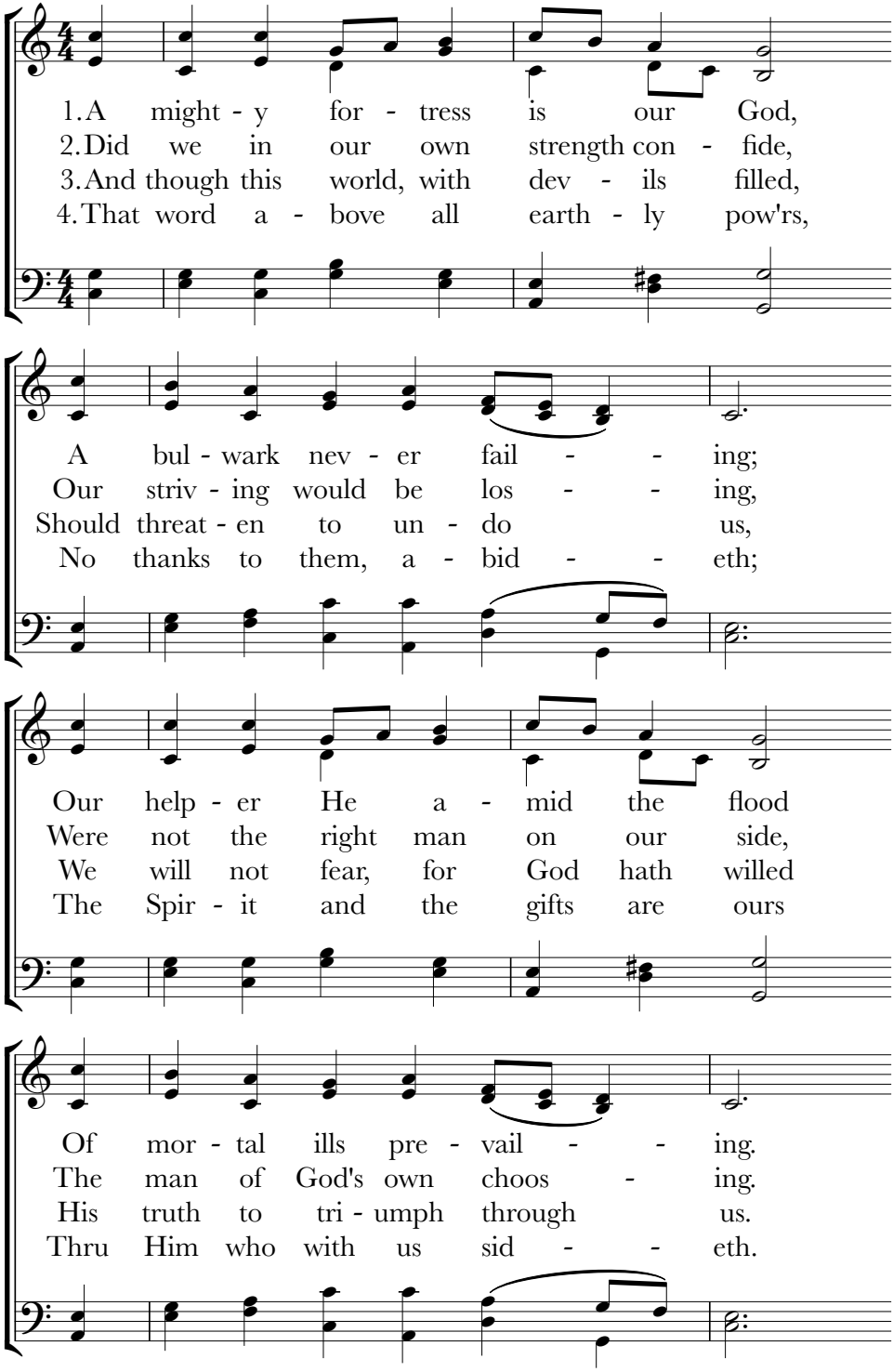
SERMON NOTES

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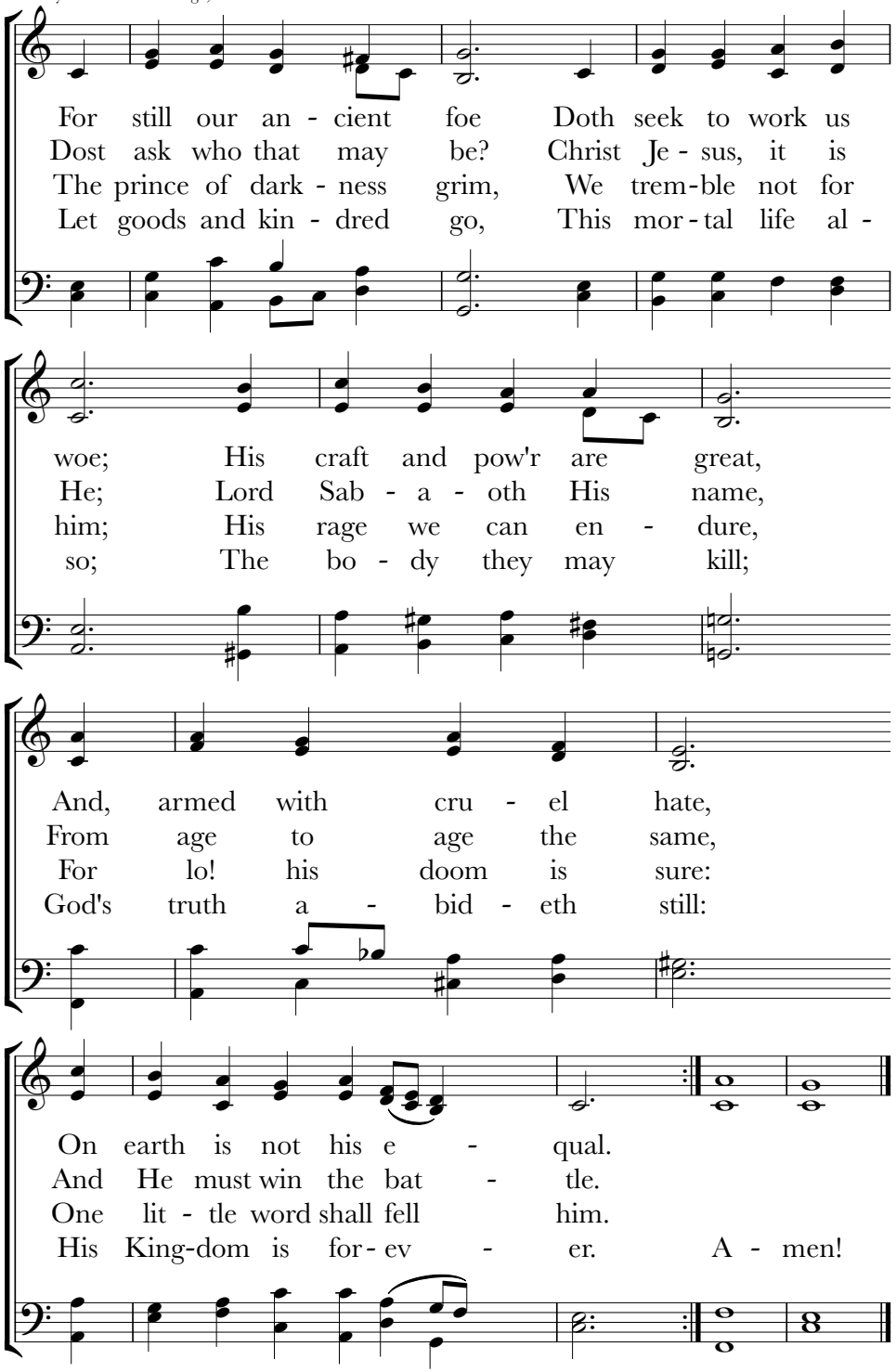
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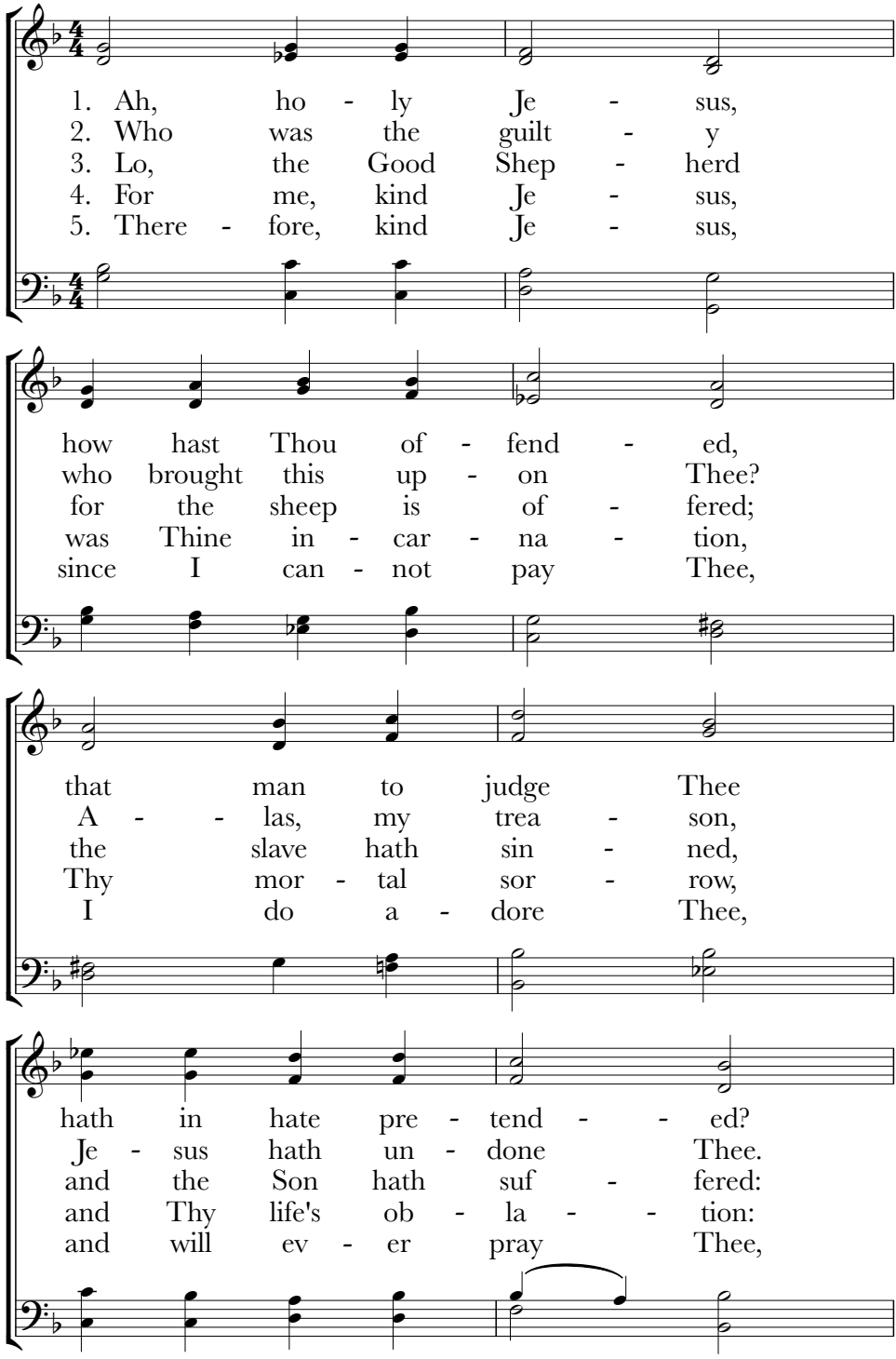


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Based on Psalm 46
transl. by Frederick H. Hedge, 1853

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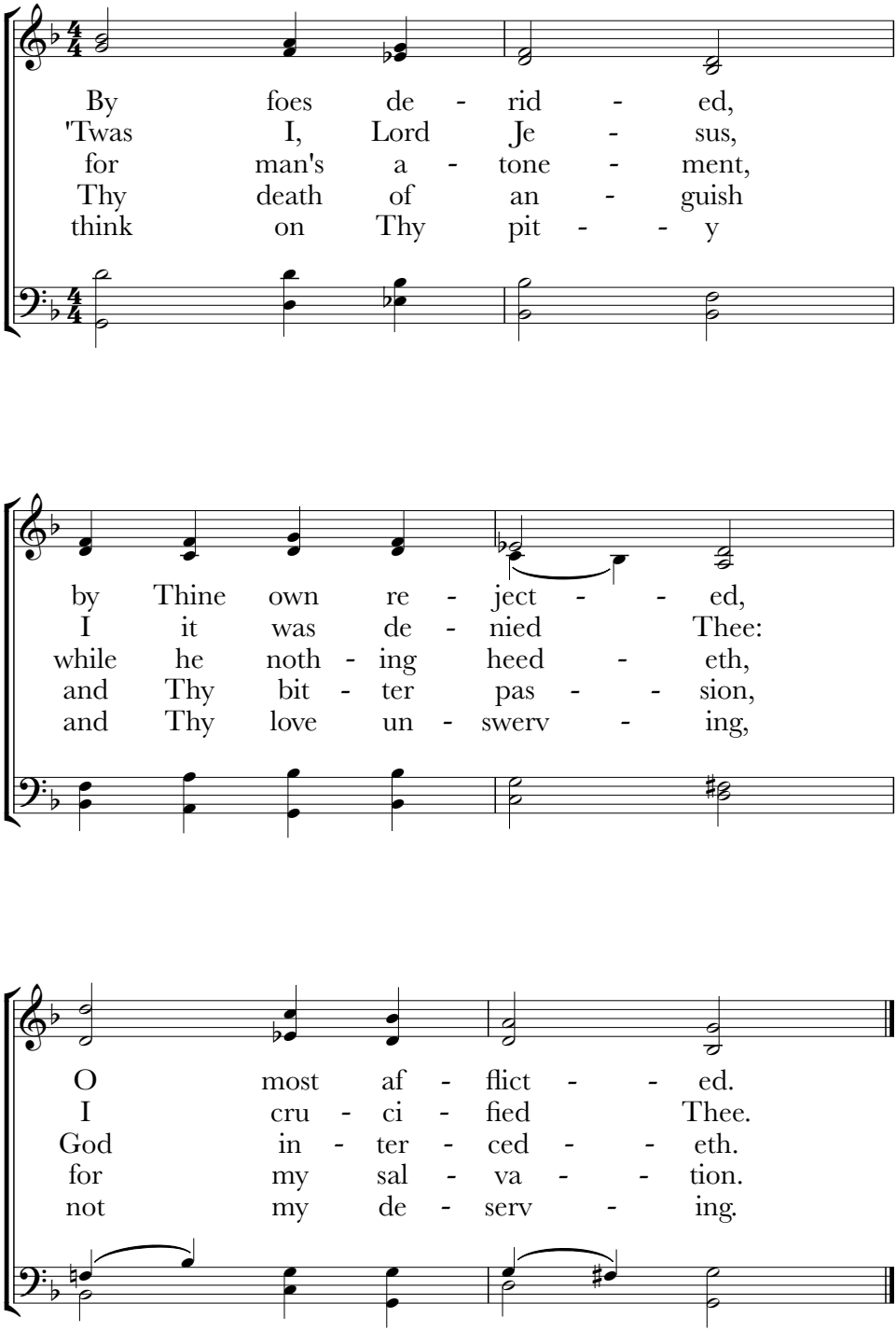


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Ah, Holy Jesus, How Hast Thou Offended



Johann Heermann, 1630
Tr. in Robert Bridges, *Yattendon Hymnal*, 1899

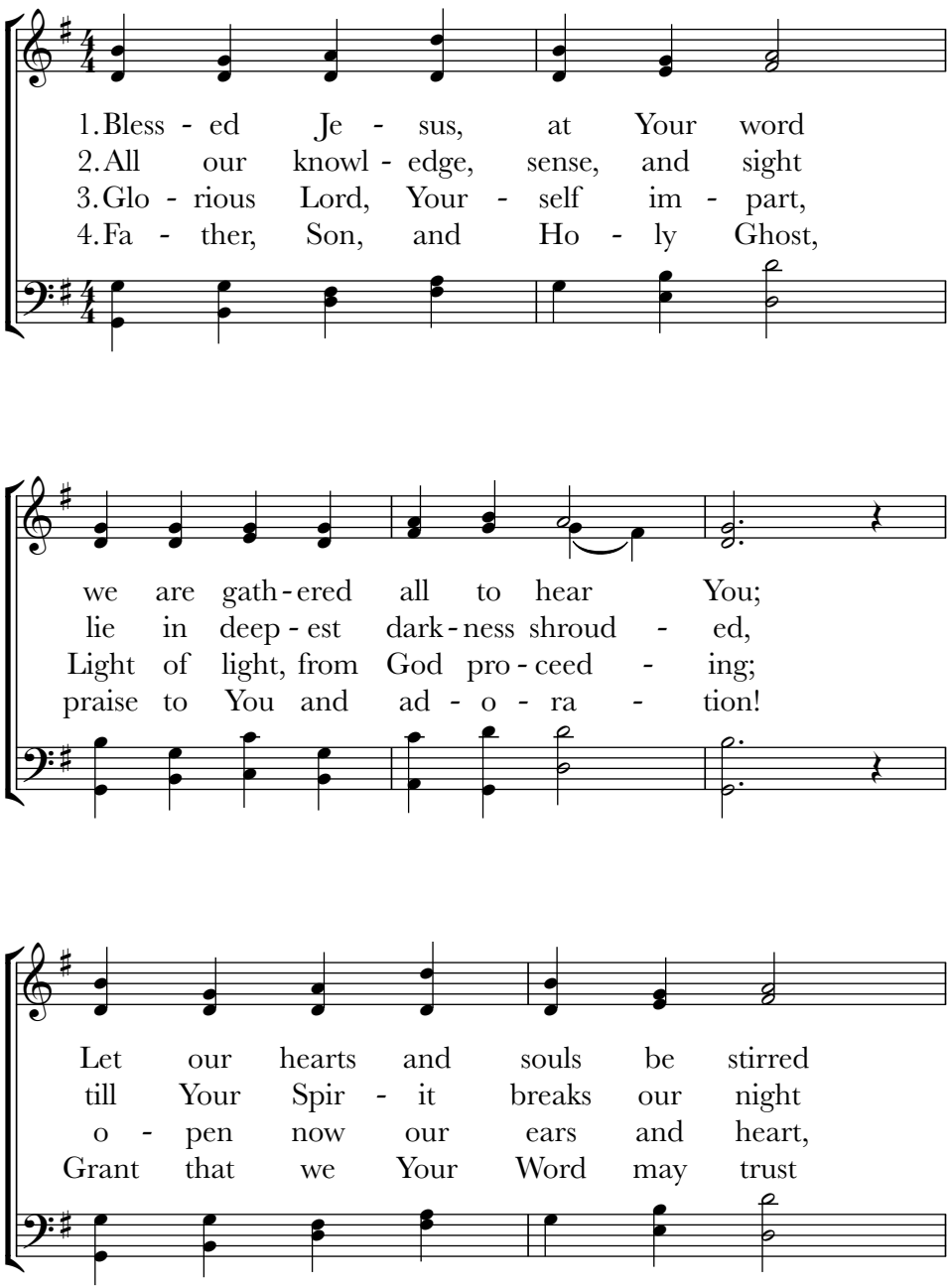
HERZLIEBSTER JESU
Johann Crüger, 1640



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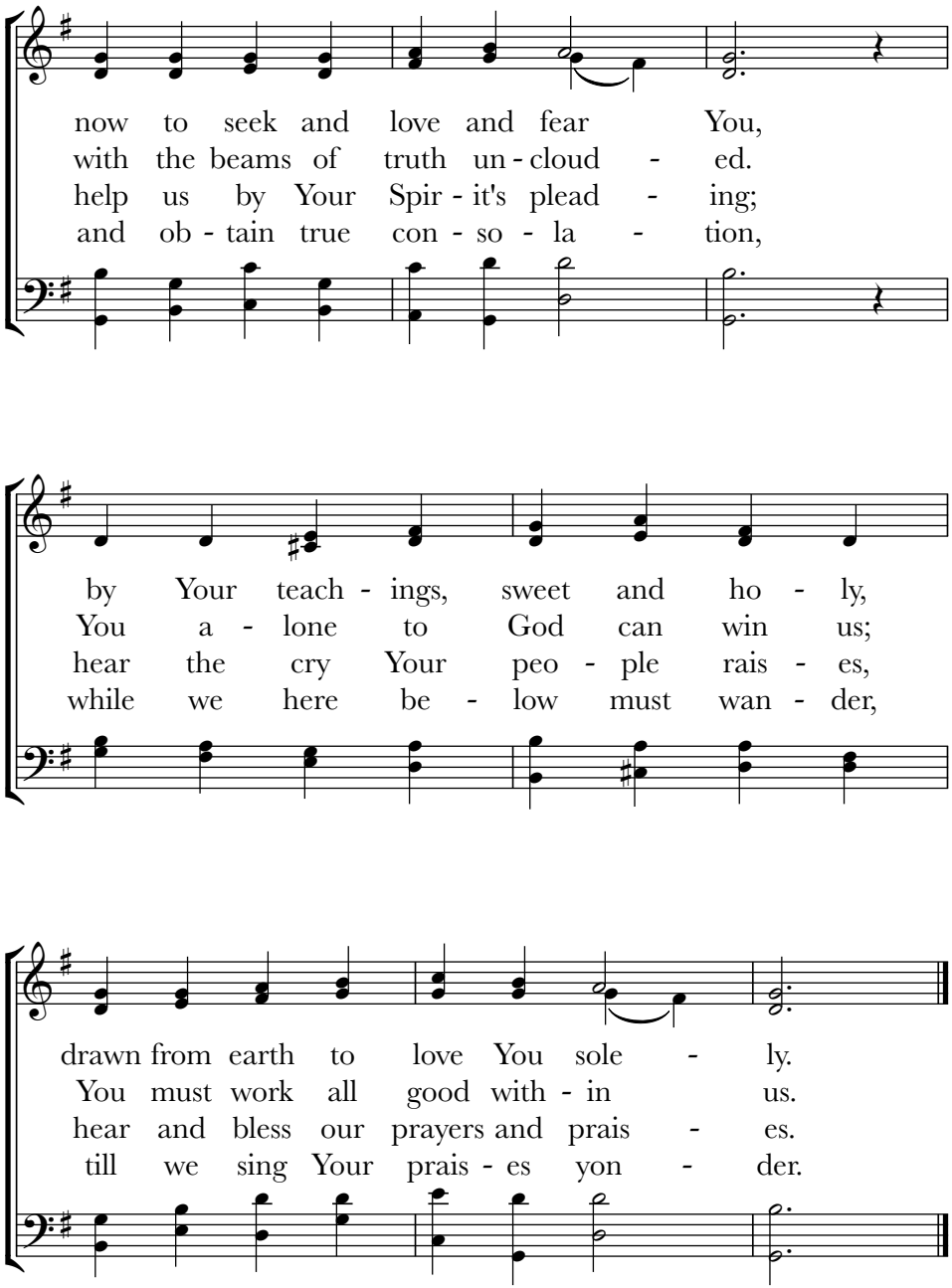
Blessed Jesus, at Your Word

Lord, to Whom shall we go? You have the words of eternal life. John 6:68



St. 1-3, Tobias CLausnitzer, 1663,
St. 4, anon., 1707
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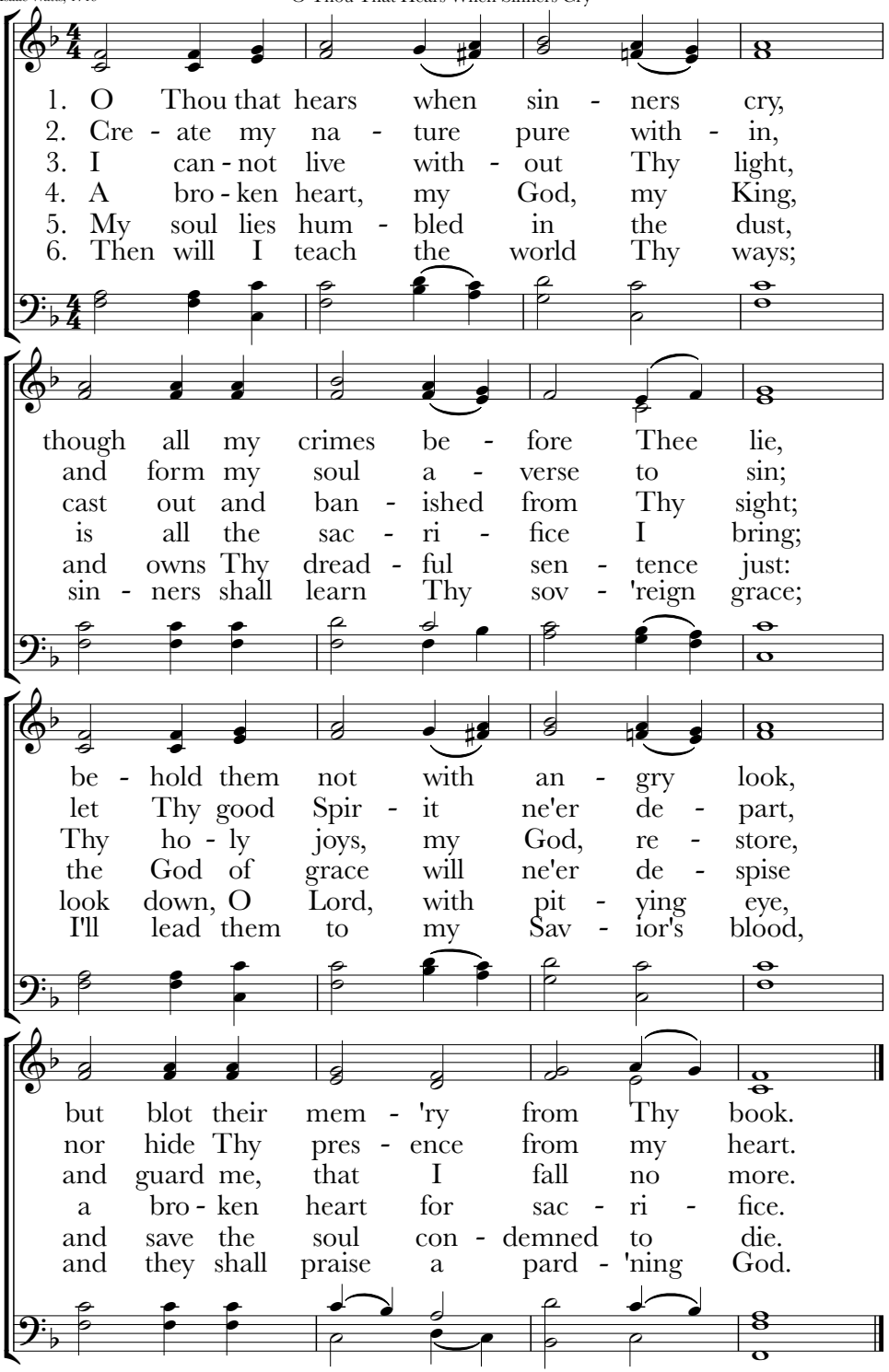


No 04
From Psalm 51
Isaac Watts, 1719

Psalm 51

"O Thou That Hears When Sinners Cry"

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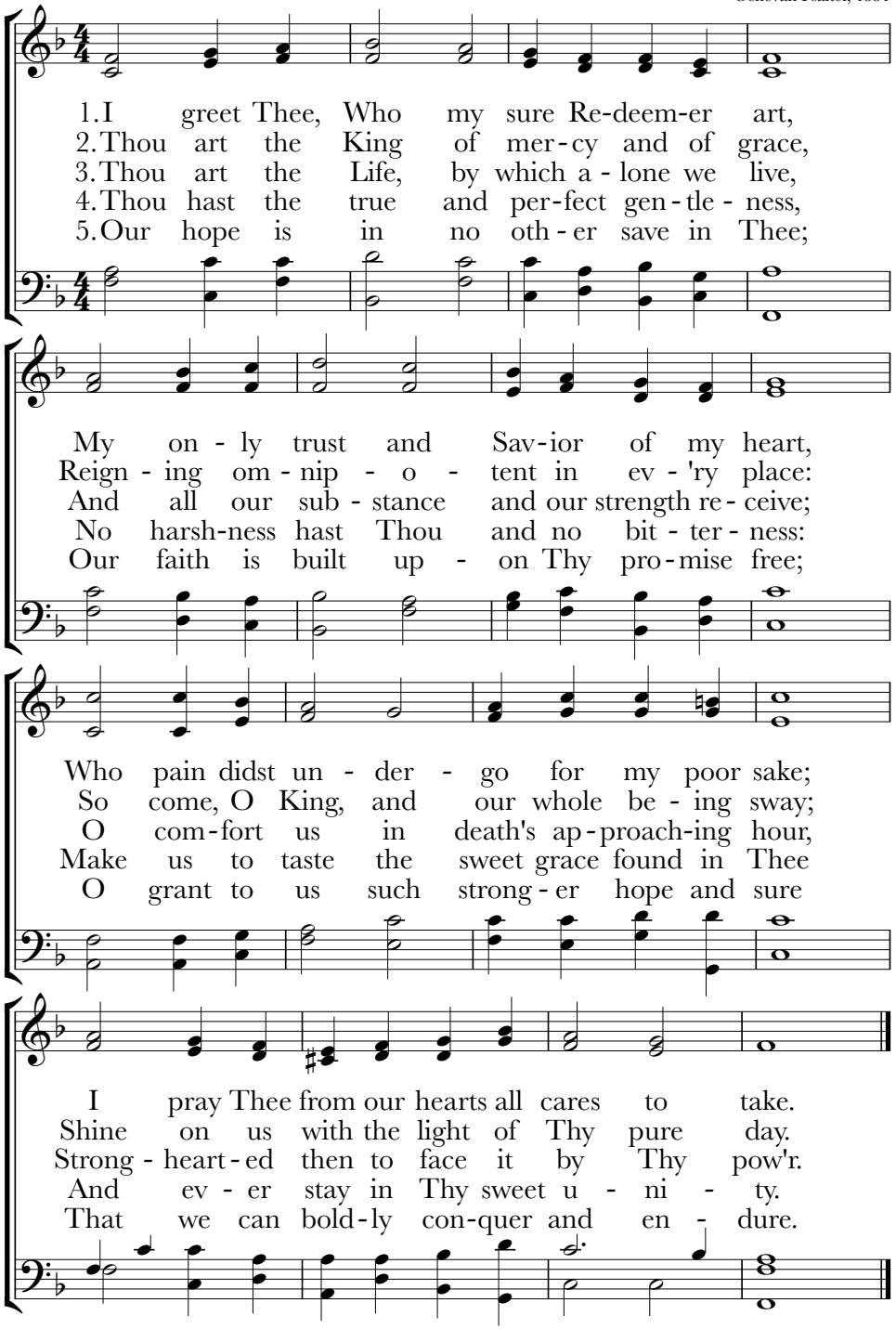


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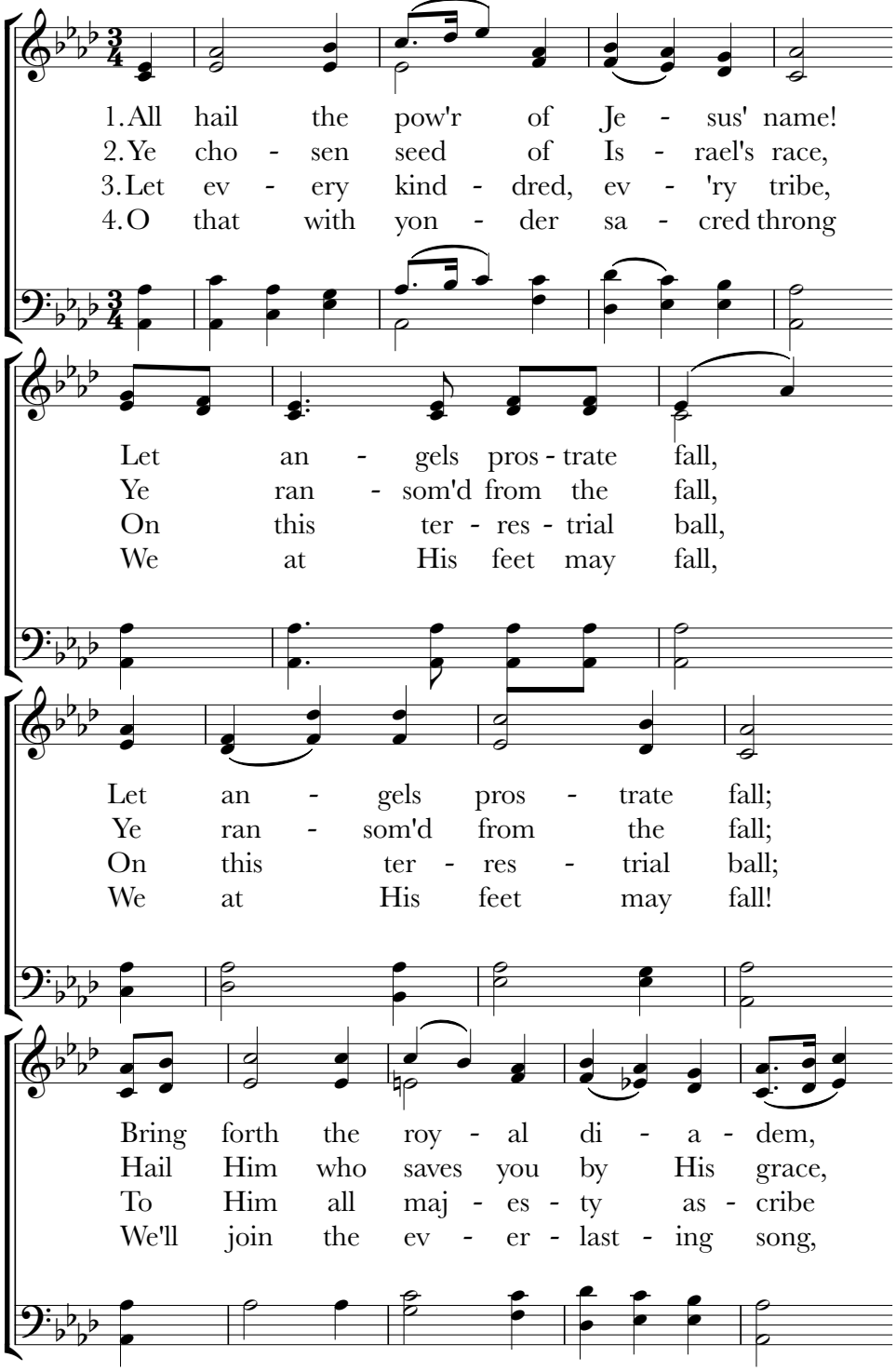
Strasbourg Psalter, 1545

TOULON
Genevan Psalter, 1551



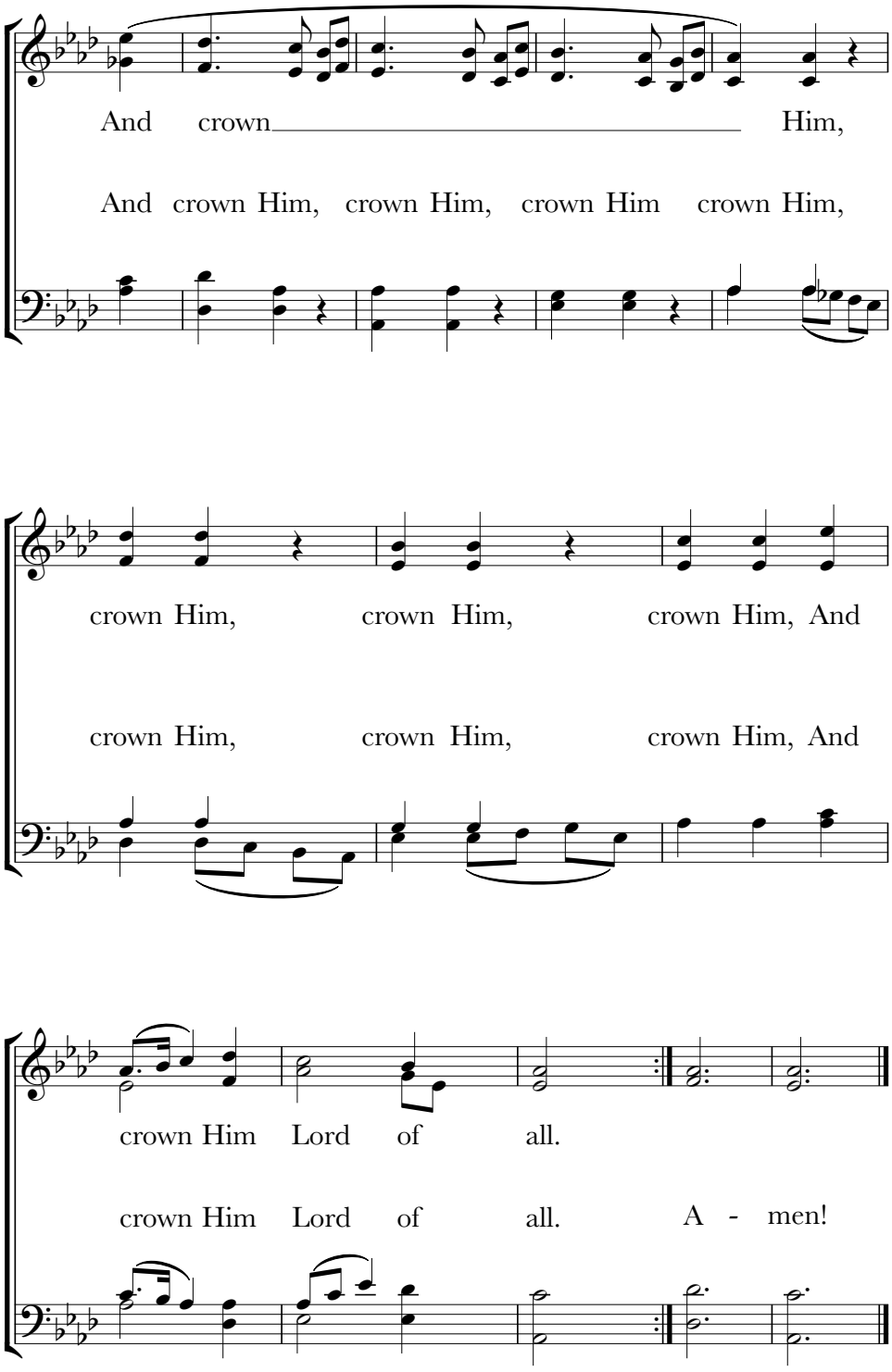
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All Hail the Power of Jesus' Name



Text by Edward Perronet, 1779; St.1-3
John Rippon, 1787; St. 4

DIADEM
James Ellor, 1838



Lyrics of the Offertory Hymn

Deck Thyself, My Soul, With Gladness
Text by Johann Franck, 1649
Music by Johann Crüger, 1649

Deck thyself, my soul, with gladness, Leave the gloomy haunts of sadness;
Come into the daylight's splendor, There with joy thy praises render
Unto Christ whose grace unbounded
Hath this wondrous banquet founded.
Higher o'er all heav'ns He reigneth, Yet to Dwell with thee He deigneth.

Hasten as a bride to meet Him And with loving reverence greet Him;
For with words of life immortal Now He knocketh at thy portal.
Haste to ope the gates before Him,
Saying, while thou dost adore Him,
"Come, and leave Thy loved one never; Dwell within my heart forever."

In my heart I find ascending Holy awe, with rapture blending,
As this mystery I ponder, Filling all my soul with wonder,
Bearing witness at this hour
Of the greatness of God's power;
Far beyond all human telling Is the pow'r within Him dwelling.

Now in faith I humbly ponder Over this surpassing wonder
That the bread of life is boundless Though the souls it feeds are countless;
With the choicest wine of heaven
Christ's own blood to us is given.
Oh, most glorious consolation, Pledge and seal of my salvation.

Jesus, source of lasting pleasure, Truest friend and dearest treasure,
Peace beyond all understanding, Joy into all life expanding:
Humbly now, I bow before Thee,
Love incarnate, I adore Thee;
Worthily let me receive Thee, And, so favored, never leave Thee.