

THE  
WHOLE BOOKE OF  
PSALMES:

WITH  
THE HYMNES  
EVANGELICALL, AND  
*Songs* SPIRITUALL.

Composed into 4 parts by sundry Authors,  
to such several Tunes, as have been,  
*and are usually sung in England, Scotland, Wales,*  
Germany, Italy, France, and the Netherlands:  
Never as yet before in one volume  
published.

ALSO:

1. A brief Abstract of the Praise, Efficacie and Virtue of the Psalmes,
2. That all Clarkes of Churches, and the Auditory, may know what Tune each proper Psalmes may be sung unto.

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## From the actual editor

It 's been quite a while since I stumbled upon the internet version of “**The Whole Booke of Psalms**”, which I found on the site [www.pbm.com/~lindahl/ravenscroft/psalter/](http://www.pbm.com/~lindahl/ravenscroft/psalter/) of Greg Lindahl. Browsing through it, I fell upon a particular score (“The Lord’s Prayer” by G. Kirbye), marked ‘1. Dutch tune’. Being a ‘Dutchman’ myself (actually Flemish, but one must very well consider that Flanders, in those days, was much more stretched out as it is nowadays, but it was Flanders that had – in the train of the Empire of Charles V – a major cultural influence on the rest of Europe, with Bruges and Ghent as cultural metropolises), I was especially intrigued by it and took a closer look, only to find out I knew the tune indeed, although in another setting. So I went on to transcribe the whole score in 4 parts, and I liked it very much. Once the work was done, I decided to give it a try to post it on the site of Christian Mondrup (<http://icking-music-archive.org>), who had already ‘re-mastered’ some scores of *The Whole Booke of Psalmes*. If he was pleased by it, could not be made up from his reaction: a lot of remarks, corrections, reproofs and others. After several mails to and fro, suddenly ‘my’ score was on the site. The rest is (a) history (of over 2 years), and now we can present you a complete version of *The Whole Booke of Psalmes*, completely checked and revised by Christian Mondrup, Danish musicologist, transcribed into modern music notation.

Of course we owe many thanks to Christian Mondrup for his immensely patient guidance in the harmonic revision of the scores and his endeavour to explain to me the what’s and the why’s, and to Greg Lindahl for his crucial hints in times of impasses. I (try no to) pride myself that this book – meant as it is to **be sung** - would disappear into oblivion without their indispensable contribution. It is up to you to judge if the result is worth our considerable efforts.

Because every transcription implies some compromises and we want to be very clear on them, here are some prefatory remarks.

### **1. The Titles**

In the original *The Whole Booke of Psalmes*, the psalm numbers and possibly the Latin names of the scores are used as titles, which is quite logical. On the other hand, these give little or no idea of the content or the meaning of the piece. We did therefore choose to use the first line as the title, and to ‘degrade’ the original title into the subtitle. To cure the possible inconvenience of this decision, a new index, by alphabetical order, has been added, and all (new) indexes do mention both titles and subtitles. The order of succession of the original book has been maintained, except for a few psalms, where we had to keep the score- and the text page together and wanted to avoid blank pages anyway.

### **2. The Clefs**

The original keys are very meticulously repeated in the incipit of each score, although the form of the old *Ut*-clefs is not available in the computer aided music notation program we used.

In some other similar revisions, these clefs are considered as guidelines to appoint a part to a certain voice part. We would not go that far. It is quite remarkable though, that the ambitus of the different parts is not very wide, and the *Cantus* part fits very well into the voice range of our actual *Soprano*, the *Medius* in the one of our actual *Alto*, and so on. That only confirms very well the purpose of the original book, as stated on the title page, to be sung “**usually** in England,..”, i.e. meant for common practice by (our?) usual, non-professional parish choirs. That is the reason why we kept the indication of the abbreviated

voice parts S(oprano), A(lto), T(enor) and B(ass), although these are not to be considered obligatory.

### 3. The Tunes and their authors

Most of the scores also have a ‘tune-name’, mostly the name of a town, a region, or other. Such tune-names are quite common in the English church music: the English have a whole system of psalm texts ‘in metre’ (a kind of counted syllables) on the one hand, and an abundance of tunes on the other hand, which they can fit together as they like. Probably since the edition of the Psalter of Thomas Este (1592), they started to give these tunes names, to make the puzzle easier. And since – even within the reach of this book - we find the same tune, arranged by different composers, we must assume that these tunes – at least the named ones – are not written by the composer involved; only the setting is. The unnamed tunes may very well be the work of the composer as a whole.

Moreover, some settings are used for more than one psalm or score. You can find these similarities in the ‘index by tune name...’. Where two scores have the same tune name and composer, chance is great that the setting is similar, if not identical. Where two scores have the same tune name, but a different composer, then in most cases only the main tune (in the Tenor part) is the same.

### 4. Bar lines

Other transcriptions (especially the ones from the early 19<sup>th</sup> century) ‘re-organise’ very often the original scores into an actual metric or measured system (4/4, 3/4, ...). We very conscientiously did not go for that option. As a (very local) conductor myself, we are aware of the comfort such a measured system gives in conducting our choir, but it also inspires our choir to ‘sing in bars’, rather than ‘in lines’, and the latter must be the main rule in the eventual performance, for the goal of this music is the transmitting of the spiritual contents, rather than the music itself.

The use and the interpretation (validity) of the accidentals is therefore not the same as in our actual measured systems; see further about that in 6. *Accidentals*.

### 5. The Text

5a. The place of the text under the notes in the original is not always very clear. You must imagine that in those days, one had to work with little ‘note-blocs’ and ‘character-blocs’, I suppose, which were not always just as ‘thick’ as the typesetter would have wished. Also, paper and ink were rather expensive and economical to be of, and so the scores are rather ‘compressed’. We praise ourselves lucky already that the texts are fully written out in all the parts, which was not always so (but here again: ‘meant for common use’). In doubtful or unclear cases, we tried to restore the word-setting as well as possible, considering mostly the concurrence of textual and musical emphases, and the ‘singability’ as a whole.

#### 5b. The orthography

We took the liberty to ‘modernise’ the text somewhat, mostly the orthography, as far as it does not change the pronunciation of the words. However, to keep the ‘antique smell’ of the work, we maintained the original orthography in all the titles of the scores, and of the textual parts as well.

Type-setting problems: in those days the ‘s’, except at the end of a word, was written as an ‘f’, the ‘w’ with two ‘v’s, the ‘v’ with a ‘u’, and others. These differences we have modernised without questions of conscience, only to make the text more readable and understandable.

Spelling problems: some of the questions of conscience came up with words as ‘*workes*’ where we write ‘*works*’, ‘*neare*’ instead of ‘*near*’, but also ‘*exprest*’ instead of ‘*expressed*’ or ‘*tride*’ for ‘*tried*’ and so on. In such cases we took the liberty to modernise the words as far as the **pronunciation** does not change (except in the titles, where we maintained the original spelling, not the aforementioned orthography). We could also have banned unknown or out-of-use words and replaced them with their actual equivalent, but that we did not do: we respected the words as they were then, and – more importantly – to which the music is composed.

The punctuation marks: also the use of the common punctuation marks (points, comma’s, and more particularly the colon and the semicolon) is quite different from nowadays. And although the addition of a comma here and the occasional replacement of a colon by a point elsewhere, would certainly have enhanced the meaning and the comprehension of the text and the sentences, we have chosen to mainly respect the original punctuation.

For the latter two points, the spelling (and the occasional replacement with more modern words) and the actualised punctuation, we gladly refer to the ‘modernised’ version of the *Sternhold & Hopkins Psalter* on [www.cgmusic.org](http://www.cgmusic.org).

#### 5c. The completeness (uneven verses with double meters)

Not as in other publications of that time, but indeed as it was meant ‘for common use’, the texts are – as far as we can see (as by comparing with the earlier mentioned *Sternhold & Hopkins Psalter*) – are very complete; i.e. not only are all the texts fully written out in all the voice parts, but also all the verses or stanzas our printed out in full, after the music score.

This is very handy, but creates a problem occasionally. Some psalms are set in a ‘double metre’ (f.i. *twice* 6.8.6.8 syllables), while the complete psalm text consists of an odd number of verses or stanzas. We did not touch nor handle the problem in the critical notes of the concerning scores. For the eventual performance, there are some solutions: one can omit a less interesting stanza (or more, as a performance of all the eventual 19 or more stanzas is not so common anymore nowadays, I suppose), or sing the last odd numbered stanza on the repeat of the second half of the music score.

### **6. Accidentals and (harmonic) errors**

#### 6a. Interpretation of accidentals in long bars.

In the long bar notation, which we see in this original, the validity of the accidentals must not be supposed to reach to the end of the bar, but only until the next change of tone. Therefore one sees often more than one # or *b* within one ‘bar’. In other words: if a note is sharpened or flattened, the sharp counts also for the **same subsequent** notes, but not any further. This rule does not work at the end of a bar (in the transition to the next) where the validity expires, unless the whole ending chord with the other voice parts is picked up as the new starting chord. Anyhow, these questions have been conscientiously looked at and treated by Christian Mondrup, musicologist and webmaster of <http://icking-music-archive.org>, and cured with the so-called ‘editorial’ accidentals. So these certainly do not mean: ‘to apply if you like’, but ‘although not in the original, and perhaps not the final truth, yet to be taken into serious consideration’, or ‘strongly advised’.

The sign for restoring a note to natural is non existing in 1621 and the # (or its predecessor) is used instead to restore an initial (with the clef) *b* to a *natural*, and the *b* to restore a #. These accidentals have been ‘translated’ into our *natural*-sign without further notice.

Can we go any step further? Surprisingly perhaps, but: yes. Sometimes a *b* or a # is used to restore (as just explained) a note, which even is *not* sharpened or flattened previously (with

the clef). This phenomenon is very particular, and prevents the usual applications of some singing rules, which were very common at that time, but disappeared in our ‘absolute’ manner of note reading. So, for instance, it was a rule that in an ascending sequence of a 3<sup>rd</sup>, the last note was to be flattened, and so a # was inserted by the composer to indicate that this 3<sup>rd</sup> note eventually had to be sung ‘*natural*’. The case can clearly be recognised where, for instance, the *Si* (who had not name yet, in the time of ‘relative’ note reading) or the *Mi* is sharpened, but is more difficult to discern in other cases. Corrections of that kind are omitted (or ‘surpassed’, as we read those notes ‘absolutely’, i.e. unchanged, anyhow), or sometimes confirmed with a ‘cautional editorial’ (a *natural* within parentheses above the note).

#### 6b. Musical Typesetting errors.

And there are a lot of them in this book. Or as Christian Mondrup stated in the beginning of our ‘cooperation’, Ravenscroft didn’t do much proof-reading. Some errors give reason for an understanding smile (such as the reverse of a 6 into a 9, the numeric confusion of a page number, the poor numbering of the verses, and so on), presumably the result of a tired Monday morning head of the typesetter and obviously also the proof-reader. Those problems have not been corrected, and, for instance, the eventual poor numbering of the verses has been maintained (sometimes mentioned in the critical notes).

More serious are some problems which result in a complete disharmony. There also, the problem is possibly or occasionally caused by the reverse of a ‘note-bloc’, and in one piece, a whole music line (even with his own clef) of the Tenor is confused and repeated in the Medius part. As a result, some lines or notes had to be corrected (or completely restored), following the harmonic and composition rules of that time. There again Christian Mondrup was the indispensable and supervising authority. All errors of that kind are corrected within the score (not editorial), and mentioned in the critical notes.

A further kind of errors are the offences against the harmonic rules, even those of those times. Among the most frequent ones are the forbidden *parallel 5<sup>th</sup>’s and parallel 8<sup>th</sup>’s*, the *hidden 5<sup>th</sup>’s and 8<sup>th</sup>’s*, but there are others, too. These are errors which are not caused by the typesetter, but by the composer (in many cases T. Ravenscroft) himself. That kind of mistakes pops up the question if they should be rectified or not, since they are part of the work (and the will) of the composer, and the eventual (lack of) proof of the (minor?) quality of his work.

We decided to rectify that kind of mistakes anyhow, in the conviction that “if the composer should have been (made) aware of the fault, he certainly would have corrected it”, and so ‘we’ made the correction as we suppose he would have done it. Mistakes of that kind have been corrected in the score (not editorial) and mentioned in the critical notes (sometimes with the argumentation) in the appendix of this book.

This, with all the corrections described above, has very conscientiously been done to present you a very nice and exceptionally complete collection of Psalms, at least as good – and in some cases, perhaps better – as they were meant to be (sung).

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with endless thanks – once more, but never enough – to Christian Mondrup

P.S. All the scores, along with the midi files, can be found on

<http://icking-music-archive.org>

There you can find more about the composers, too (the spelling of the name can slightly differ, for we generally use the orthography from the Book of Psalms)



The Preface

TO ALL THAT HAVE  
*Skill, or Will unto Sacred Musicke,*  
I wish CONCORD among *themselves,*  
with GOD, and with their owne Conciences.

Harmonical Brethren, *I have here undertaken with no small labour, and charge, to bring the Tunes of the Psalms, Hymns Evangelical, and Songs Spiritual, (as they are usually sung throughout Great Britain) into one entire volume; which are so Composed, for the most part, that the unskilful may with little practice, be enabled to sing them in parts, after a plausible manner.*

*In my opinion, it is too Laborious a task for any Man to study the attainment of the Hebrew Musical Accents, for the Tunes used in David's Time are too far removed from our understanding. For albeit the Hebrew Musical Characters are placed sometimes above the Letter, sometimes beneath, yet the knowledge of what was signified by those Notes and Characters, was only continued by Tradition, and is now utterly lost, though many at sundry times (as appeared by their writings) have gone about to revive it: But having no better subject to work upon, than their own weak conjectures, they have but a little prevailed. I find yet that the Characters now used in the Russian Church, (who had their skill in Music from the Greek) though they differ in the placing, (because those of the Hebrews are both above and beneath the Letter, these only above) yet they partly resemble one another in the form.*

*Again, I find by sundry Manuscripts, that the Latin Church, as well as in the form of their Characters, as likewise in the placing of them, did participate of both. For first, according to the manner of the Hebrews, they placed their Notes both above and beneath the Letter. Afterwards they used one line above the Letter, and placed their Notes both above and beneath the line, and that with a Geometrical distance, as the ascent and descent of the sounds did require.*

*In process of time (as all things are brought to their perfection by degrees) they came to two lines, then to three. And Guido Aretinus, a learned man (whom Histories report to have lived in the time of Henry the 2. Emperour, in the year of our LORD, 1018) was the first that invented the uniform of the Scale, (which we term Gam-ut) and brought in the four lines, which was and only is now used in the Church for Phonaskes, distinguished by the Gregorian, Ambrosian, and Peregrine Tones, comprehended in the distance of a Diatessaron or a Diapente, resp. a fourth or a fifth, or the Harmonical proportions of sesqui tertia and sesqui altera: and by degrees it came to the distance of a Diapason, which is an eighth, and a Duple proportion; in which three proportions all Simple and Compound Harmony consisted, by the Plagal and Authentic division of the Tones and Tropes. The which Phonaskes are explained by the Tenor part being the Faburden or Plainsong of the Psalms, Anthems, and Responses usually sung in the Church in Prose, and Hymns that were Composed in Verse and Meter.*

*The five lines are used for Symphonaskes or Parts Compounded of 2.3.4.5.6. voices etc.*

*The six lines are used for Instrumental Music, as Organs, Harps, Lutes, etc.*

*But whatsoever the Tunes were in David's time, there is no question but they were concordant and Harmonious, which could not be, had they not been divided in parts. For if you look into 1 Chro. chap. 15. 16. verse, you shall see how the Prophet David at the Reduction of the Ark, as likewise Salomon his Son at the Dedication of the Temple, 2 Chro, chap. 6.31 verse, distinguished all their Music in parts, and appointed such to be Masters and Overseers of it, as were most eminent for their knowledge in that kind, as Chenaniah the chief Levite, to have the chief place, which was to be Master of the Song.*

*An office, which consisted not only in the direction of the Choir, but likewise in the training of others to sing, that there might be still a supply of able persons for that service: Asaph the next, and so Hernan his Brother, likewise Ieduthun and Ethan, all of them the most renowned chanters of those Times, and such as successively in one another's absence, were to direct the due performance of that charge, so that not only the voice of the Singers, but likewise the sound of the Instruments agreed so well together, that they seemed to be but one Sound, and one Voice.*

*Neither was this method confined only to the Old Testament, but sanctified to the Church of Christ by the prescription of the holy Apostle St. Paul, (Col. 3, verse 16): Let the word of God dwell plenteously in you, in all wisdom, teaching and admonishing your own selves, in Psalms, Hymns and Spiritual Songs, singing with a Grace to the Lord in your hearts.*

*I have therefore endeavoured for the fitting of every Heart to that Psalm, which it most affect, to place special Tunes, proper to the nature of each Psalm, (not imitating Art so much, as the natural inclination, but joining one with another,) and am bold to admonish the Singers that they observe three Rules.*

1. *That Psalms of Tribulation be sung with a low voice and long measure: Psal. 9, 32, 38, 51, 102, 130, 142, etc.*

2. *That Psalms of Thanksgiving be sung with a voice indifferent, neither too loud, nor too soft, and with a measure neither too swift nor too slow: Psal. 18, 23, 27, 30, 31, 46, 48, 66, 81, 104, 105, 111, 118, 122, 124, 126, 138, 144, 145, 146.*

3. *That Psalms of Rejoicing be sung with a loud voice, a swift and jocund measure, Psal. 33, 34, 47, 84, 95, 96, 98, 99, 108, 113, 117, 135, 136, 145, 147, 148, 150.*

*In all which, the observing of Time, Tune and Ear, will produce a perfect Harmony.*

*Accept kindly, what I have laboured earnestly, and use it to thy comfort. Thus I end, humbly wishing to all true Christian hearts, that sweet consolation, in singing praises unto God here upon Earth, as may bring us hereafter, to bear a part with the Choir of Angels in the Heavens.*

Your well according, and  
best wishing Brother,  
*Tho: Ravenscroft.*

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## Come holy Ghost

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*Veni Creator*

Thomas RAVENSCROFT (1590 - 1633)

CANTVS

MEDIVS

TENOR  
or Playnsong

BASSVS

3

S. Come ho - ly Ghost e - ter - nal God, pro - ceed - ing from a - bove:  
both from the Fa - ther and the Son, the God of peace and love.

A. Come ho - ly Ghost e - ter - nal God, pro - ceed - ing from a - bove,  
both from the Fa - ther and the Son, the God of peace and love.

T. Come ho - ly Ghost e - ter - nal God, pro - ceed - ing from a - bove:  
both from the Fa - ther and the Son, the God of peace and love.

B. Come ho - ly Ghost e - ter - nal God, pro - ceed - ing from a - bove,  
both from the Fa - ther and the Son, the God of peace and love.

5

S. Vi - sit our minds and in - to us the heav'n - ly grace in - spire:  
Vi - sit our minds and in - to us thy heav'n - ly grace in - spire:

A. Vi - sit our minds and in - to us the heav'n - ly grace in - spire:  
Vi - sit our minds and in - to us thy heav'n - ly grace in - spire:

T. Vi - sit our minds and in - to us the heav'n - ly grace in - spire:  
Vi - sit our minds and in - to us thy heav'n - ly grace in - spire:

B. Vi - sit our minds and in - to us the heav'n - ly grace in - spire:  
Vi - sit our minds and in - to us thy heav'n - ly grace in - spire:

7

S. that in all truth and god - li - ness we may have true de - sire.  
that in all truth and god - li - ness we may have true de - sire.

A. that in all truth and god - li - ness we may have true de - sire.  
that in all truth and god - li - ness we may have true de - sire.

T. that in all truth and god - li - ness we may have true de - sire.  
that in all truth and god - li - ness we may have true de - sire.

B. that in all truth and god - li - ness we may have true de - sire.  
that in all truth and god - li - ness we may have true de - sire.

Thou art the very comforter  
 in all woe and distress:  
 The heav'nly gift of God most high,  
 which no tongue can express.  
 The fountain and the lively spring  
 of joy celestial:  
 The fire so bright, and love so clear,  
 and unction spiritual.

Thou in thy gifts art manifold,  
 whereby Christ's Church doth stand,  
 In faithful hearts writing thy law,  
 the finger of Gods hand.  
 According to thy promise made  
 thou givest speech of grace:  
 That through thy help the praise of God  
 may stand in ev'ry place.

O holy Ghost into our wits  
 send down thy heav'nly light:  
 Kindle our hearts with fervent love  
 to serve God day and night.  
 Strength and stablish all our weakness,  
 so feeble and so fraile:  
 That neither flesh, the world nor devil  
 against us do prevail.

Put back our enemies far from us,  
 and graunt us to obtain  
 Peace in our hearts with God and man  
 without gudge or disdain.  
 And grant O Lord that thou being  
 our leader and our guide:  
 We may eschew the snares of sin  
 and from thee never slide.

To us such plenty of thy grace,  
 good Lord, grant we thee pray:  
 That thou may'st be our comforter  
 at the last dreadful day.  
 Of all strife and dissention  
 O Lord dissolve the bands:  
 And make the knots of peace and love  
 throughout all christian lands.

Grant us O Lord through thee to know  
 The Father most of might:  
 That of thy dear beloved Son  
 we may enjoy the sight:  
 And that with perfect faith also  
 we may acknowledge thee.  
 The spirit of them both allway  
 one God in persons three.

Laud and praise be to the Father,  
 and to the Son equal:  
 And to the holy Spirit also,  
 one God coeternal.  
 And pray we that the only Son  
 vouchsafe his spirit to send  
 To all that do professe his name  
 unto the world end.

## O Lord of whom I do depend

The Whole Booke of Psalmes  
(ed. Ravenscroft, 1621)*The humble Sute of a Sinner*

Robert PALMER (fl. 1612)

CANTVS

MEDIVS

TENOR  
or Playnsong

BASSVS

O Lord of whom I do de- pend, be- hold my care - ful heart

O Lord of whom I do de - pend, be- hold my care - ful heart

O Lord of whom I do de - pend, be- hold my care - ful heart:

O Lord of whom I do de - pend, be- hold my care - ful heart:

3

S. and when thy will and plea - sure is, re - lease me of my smart.

A. and when thy will and plea - sure is, re - lease me of my smart.

T. and when thy will and plea - sure is, re - lease me of my smart.

B. and when thy will and plea - sure is, re - lease me of my smart.

5

S. Thou seest my sor - rows what they are, my grief is known to thee,

A. Thou seest my sor - rows what they are, my grief is known to thee,

T. Thou seest my sor - rows what they are, my grief is known to thee:

B. Thou seest my sor - rows what they are, my grief is known to thee:

7

S. and there is none that can re - move, or take the same from me.

A. and there is none that can re - move, or take the same from me.

T. and there is none that can re - move, or take the same from me.

B. and there is none that can re - move, or take the same from me.

But only thou whose aide I crave,  
 whose mercy still is pressed  
 To ease all those that come to thee  
 for succour and for rest.  
 And sith thou seest my restless eyes,  
 my tears and grievous grone:  
 Attend unto my suit (O Lord)  
 mark well my plaint and moan.

For sin hath so enclosed me,  
 and compassed me about:  
 That I am now remediless  
 if mercy help not out.  
 For mortal man cannot release,  
 or mittigate this pain:  
 But even thy Christ my Lord and God,  
 which for my sin was slain.

Whose bloody wounds are yet to see,  
 though not with mortal eye:  
 Yet do thy Saints behold them all,  
 and so I trust shall I.  
 Though sin doth hinder me awhile,  
 when thou shalt see it good:  
 I shall enjoy the sight of him,  
 and see his wounds and blood.

And as thine Angels, and thy Saints,  
 do now behold the same:  
 So trust I to possess that place,  
 with them to praise thy name.  
 But whilst I live here in this vale,  
 where sinners do frequent:  
 Assist me ever with thy grace,  
 my sins still to lament.

Least that I tread in sinner's trace,  
 and give them my consent  
 To dwell with them in wickedness,  
 whereto nature is bent.  
 Only thy grace must be my stay,  
 lest that I fall down flat:  
 And being down then of myself  
 cannot recover that.

Wherefore this is yet once again,  
 my suit and my request:  
 To grant me pardon for my sin,  
 that I in thee may rest.  
 Then shall my heart my tongue and voice  
 be instruments of praise:  
 And in thy Church and house of Saints,  
 sing Psalms to thee always.

## O come and let us now rejoice

The Whole Booke of Psalmes  
(ed. Ravenscroft, 1621)*Venite exultemus - Psal. 95.*

John FARMER (ca. 1570 - ca. 1601)

CANTVS

MEDIVS

TENOR  
or *Playnsong*

BASSVS

S.

A.

T.

B.

S.

A.

T.

B.

O come and let us now re-joyce, and sing un-to the Lord:

O come and let us now re-joyce, and sing un-to the Lord:

O come and let us now re-joyce, and sing un-to the Lord:

O come and let us now re-joyce, and sing un-to the Lord:

O come and let us now re-joyce, and sing un-to the Lord:

and to our on-ly Sa-vi-our al-so with one ac-cord. O let us come be-fore his face,

and to our on-ly Sa-vi-our, al-so with one ac-cord. O let us come be-fore his face

and to our on-ly Sa-vi-our al-so with one ac-cord. O let us come be-fore his face

and to our on-ly Sa-vi-our, al-so with one ac-cord. O let us come be-fore his face

with in-ward re-ve-rence: con-fes-sing all our for-mer sins, and that with di-li-gence.

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with in-ward re-ve-rence: con-fes-sing all our for-mer sins, and that with di-li-gence.

with in-ward re-ve-rence: con-fes-sing all our for-mer sins, and that with di-li-gence.

To thank him for all benefits,  
 always distributing:  
 Wherefore to him right joyfully  
 in Psalms now let us sing.  
 And that because that God alone  
 is Lord magnificent:  
 And eke about all other Gods  
 a King omnipotent.

His people doth not he forsake  
 at any time or tide:  
 And in his hand are all the coasts  
 of all the world so wide.  
 And with his loving countenance  
 he longeth every where:  
 And doth behold the tops of all  
 the mountains far and near.

The sea and all that is therein  
 are his, for he them made:  
 and eke his hands have fashioned  
 the earth, which doth not fade.  
 O come therefore and worship him,  
 and down before him fall:  
 And let us weep before the Lord,  
 the which hath made us all.

He is our God, our Lord and King,  
 and we his people are:  
 His flock and sheep of his pasture,  
 on whom he taketh care.  
 Today if ye will hear his voice,  
 yet harden not your heart:  
 As in the bitter murmuring,  
 when ye were in desert.

He is our God, our Lord and King,  
 and we his people are:  
 His flock and sheep of his pasture,  
 on whom he taketh care.  
 Today if ye will hear his voice,  
 yet harden not your heart:  
 As in the bitter murmuring,  
 when ye were in desert.

Which thing was of their negligence  
 committed in their time  
 Of trouble in the Wilderness,  
 a great and grievous crime.  
 Whereas your fathers tempted me,  
 and tried me every way:  
 They proved me, and saw my works,  
 what I could do or say.

These forty years I have been griev'd,  
 with all this generation:  
 And evermore I sais they erred  
 in their imagination.  
 Wherewith their hearts were sore combered  
 long time and many days:  
 Wherefore I know assuredly  
 they have not known my ways.

To whom I in mine anger swore,  
 that they should not be bless'd,  
 Nor see my joy celestial,  
 not enter in my rest.

*Gloria Patri*

All laud and praise be to the Lord  
 O that of might art most:  
 To God the Father and the Son,  
 and to the holy Ghost.  
 As it in the beginning was,  
 for ever heretofore:  
 And is now at this present time,  
 and shall be evermore.

## We praise thee God

The Whole Booke of Psalmes (ed. Ravenscroft, 1621) *Te Deum.* - *St. Amb.*

Thomas RAVENSCROFT (1590 - 1633)

CANTVS

MEDIVS

TENOR  
or *Playnsong*

BASSVS

We praise thee God, we know-ledge thee the on-ly Lord to be:

We praise thee God, we know-ledge thee the on-ly Lord to be:

We praise thee God, we know-ledge thee the on-ly God to be:

We praise thee God, we know-ledge thee the on-ly God to be:

3

S. and as e - ter - nal Fa - ther all the earth doth wor - ship thee.

A. and as e - ter - nal Fa - ther all the earth doth wor - ship thee.

T. and as e - ter - nal Fa - ther all the earth doth wor - ship thee.

B. and as e - ter - nal Fa - ther all the earth doth wor - ship thee.

5

S. To thee all An - gels cry, the heav'ns and all the pow'rs there - in:

A. To thee all An - gels cry, the heav'ns and all the pow'rs there - in:

T. To thee all An - gels cry, the heav'ns and all the pow'rs there - in:

B. To thee all An - gels cry, the heav'ns and all the pow'rs there - in:

7

S. To thee Che - rub and Se - ra - phin to cry they do not lin.

A. To thee Che - rub and Se - ra - phin to cry they do not lin.

T. To thee Che - rub and Se - ra - phin to cry they do not lin.

B. To thee Che - rub and Se - ra - phin to cry they do not lin.



O holy, holy, holy Lord,  
 Of Saboth Lord the God:  
 Through heav'n and earth thy praise is spread  
 and glory all abroad.  
 The Apostles glorious company  
 yield praises unto thee:  
 The Prophets goodly fellowship  
 praise thee continually.

The noble and victorious host  
 of Martyrs sound thy praise:  
 The holy Church throughout the world  
 doth knowledge thee always:  
 Father of endless majesty  
 they do acknowledge thee:  
 Thy Christ, thine honorable, true,  
 and only son to be.

The holy Ghost the Comforter,  
 of glory thou art King  
 O Christ, and of the Father art  
 the son everlasting.  
 When sinful man's decay in hand  
 thou tookest to restore:  
 To be inclosed in Virgins wombe,  
 thou didest not abhor.

When thou hadst overcome of death  
 the sharp and cruel might,  
 Thou heaven's kingdom didst set ope  
 to each believing wight:  
 In glory of the Father thou  
 dost sit at God's right hand:  
 We trust that thou shalt come on: Judge  
 our cause to understand.

Lord help thy servants whom thou hast  
 bought with thy precious blood:  
 And in erternal glory set  
 them with thy Saints so good,  
 O Lord do thou they people save,  
 bless thine inheritance:  
 Lord govern them, and Lord do thou  
 forever them advance.

We magnify thee day by day,  
 and world without an end  
 Adore thy holy name O Lord,  
 vouchsafe us to defend  
 From sin this day. Have mercy Lord,  
 have mercy on us all:  
 And on us as we trust in thee,  
 Lord let thy mercy fall.

O Lord I have reposed all  
 my confidence in thee:  
 Put to confounding shame therefore  
 Lord let me never be.

## O All ye works of God the Lord

*The song of the 3. Children*

Thomas RAVENSCROFT (1590 - 1633)

CANTVS

MEDIVS

TENOR  
or Playnsong

BASSVS

S.

A.

T.

B.

O All ye works of God the Lord, bless ye the Lord,  
O All ye works of God the Lord, bless ye the Lord,  
O All ye works of God the Lord, bless ye the Lord,  
O All ye works of God the Lord, bless ye the Lord,  
O All ye works of God the Lord, bless ye the Lord,  
praise him and mag - ni - fy him for - e - ver.  
praise him and mag - ni - fy him for - e - ver.  
praise him and mag - ni - fy him for - e - ver.  
praise him and mag - ni - fy him for - e - ver.

2. O ye the Angels of the Lord  
bless ye the Lord, etc.

3. O ye the starry heavens high, bless ye...

4. O ye the waters and the sky, bless ye...

5. O all ye powers of the Lord bless ye...

6. O ye the shining Sun and Moon, bless ye...

7. O ye the glistening Stars of heaven, bless ye...

8. O ye the showers and dropping dew, bless ye...

9. O ye the blowing winds of God, bless ye...

10. O ye the fire and warming heat, bless ye...

11. Yea winter and the Summertide, bless ye...

12. O ye the dews and bindings frosts, bless ye...

13. O ye the frost and chilling cold, bless ye...

14. O ye congealed Ice and Snow, bless ye...

15. O all ye nights and lightsome days, bless ye...

16. O ye the darkness and the light, bless ye...

17. O ye the lightning and the clouds, bless ye...

18. O let the earth eke bless the Lord, yea, bless the...

19. O ye the mountains and the hills, bless ye...

20. O all ye green things on the earth, bless ye...

21. O ye the ever-springing Wells, bless ye...

22. O ye the seas, and ye the floods, bless ye...

23. Whales and all that in the waters move, bless ye...

24. O all ye flying Fowls of the air, bless ye...

25. O all ye beasts and cattle eke, bless ye...

26. O ye the children of mankind, bless ye...

27. Let Israel eke bless the Lord, bless ye...

28. O ye the priests of God the Lord, bless ye...

29. O ye the servants of the Lord, bless ye...

30. Ye spirits and fowls of righteous men, bless ye...

31. O ye holy and ye meek of heart, bless ye...

32. O Ananias bless the Lord,

bless thou the Lord, etc...

33. O Azarias bless the Lord

bless thou the Lord, etc...

And Misael bless thou the Lord,

bless thou the Lord, etc...

# The onely Lord of Israel

11

The Whole Booke of Psalmes (ed. Ravenscroft, 1621)

*Benedictus*

Thomas RAVENSCROFT (1590 - 1633)

CANTVS

MEDIVS

TENOR  
or Playnsong

BASSVS

The on - ly Lord of Is - ra - el be prai - sed e - ver - more:

The on - ly Lord of Is - ra - el be prai - sed e - ver - more:

The on - ly Lord of Is - ra - el be prai - sed e - ver - more:

The on - ly Lord of Is - ra - el be prai - sed e - ver - more:

3

S. For through his vi - si - ta - ti - on and mer - cy kept in store, his peo - ple now he hath re - deemed

A. For through his vi - si - ta - ti - on and mer - cy kept in store, his peo - ple now he hath re - deemed

T. For through his vi - si - ta - ti - on and mer - cy kept in store, his peo - ple now he hath re - deemed

B. For through his vi - si - ta - ti - on and mer - cy kept in store, his peo - ple now he hath re - deemed

6

S. that long hath been in thrall, and spread a - broad his sa - ving health up - on his ser - vants all.

A. that long hath been in thrall, and spread a - broad his sa - ving health up - on his ser - vants all.

T. that long hath been in thrall, and spread a - broad his sa - ving health up - on his ser - vants all.

B. that long hath been in thrall, and spread a - broad his sa - ving health up - on his ser - vants all.

In David's house his servant true  
According to his mind,  
and also his annointed King,  
As we in Scripture find.

As by his holy Prophets all  
Oft times he did declare,  
The which were since the world began  
His ways for to prepare.

That we might be delivered  
From those that make debate:  
Our enemies, and from the hands  
Of all that do us hate.

The mercy which he promised  
Our Fathers to fulfill:  
And think upon his covenant made  
According to his will.

And also to perform the oath  
Which he before had sworne  
To Abraham our father dear,  
For us that were forlorne.

That he would give himself for us,  
And us from bondage bring  
Out of the hands of all our foes  
to serve our heavenly King.

And that without all manner fear,  
And eke in righteousness:  
And also for to lead our lives  
In stedfast holiness.

And thou O child which now art born,  
And of the Lord elect  
Shalt be the Prophet of the highest  
His ways for to direct.

For thou shalt go before his face,  
For to prepare his ways:  
And also for to teach his will,  
And pleasure all thy days.

To give the knowledge how that their  
Salvation is near:  
And that remission of their sins  
Is through his mercy mere.

Whereby the Day-spring from on high  
As come us for to visit:  
And those for to illuminate,  
which do in darkness sit.

To lighten those that shadowed be  
with death, and eke oppressed:  
And also for to guide our feet  
The way to peace and rest.

## My soule doth magnifie the Lord

The Whole Booke of Psalmes (ed. Ravenscroft, 1621)

*Magnificat*

John FARMER (ca. 1570 - ca. 1601)

CANTVS

MEDIVS

TENOR  
or Playnsong

BASSVS

3

S.  
re - joy - ceth in the Lord my God, which is my Sa - vi - our.

A.  
re - joy - ceth in the Lord my God, which is my Sa - vi - our.

T.  
re - joy - ceth in the Lord my God, which is my Sa - vi - our.

B.  
re - joy - ceth in the Lord my God, which is my Sa - vi - our.

5

S.  
And why? be - cause he did re - gard, and gave re - spect un - to

A.  
And why? be cause he did re - gard, and gave re - spect un - to

T.  
And why? be - cause he did re - gard and gave re - spect un - to

B.  
And why? be - cause he did re - gard and gave re - spect un - to

7

S.  
so base es - tate of his hand - maid, and let the migh - ty go:

A.  
so base es - tate of his hand - maid: and let the migh - ty go:

T.  
so base es - tate of his hand - maid, and let the migh - ty go.

B.  
so base es - tate of his hand - maid: and let the migh - ty go:

For now behold all nations,  
 And generations all  
 From this time forth for evermore,  
 Shall me right blessed call.

Because he hath me magnified,  
 Which is the Lord of might:  
 Whose name be ever sanctified,  
 And praised day and night.

For with his mercy and his grace  
 All men he doth enflame:  
 Throughout all generations,  
 To such as fear his name,  
 He shewed strength with his great arm  
 And made the proud to start  
 With all imaginations  
 That they bear in their heart.

He hath put down the mighty ones  
 From their supernal seat:  
 And did exalt the meek in heart  
 As he thought it meet.  
 The hungry he replenished  
 With all things that were good:  
 And through his pow'r he made the rich  
 Oft times to want their food.

And calling to remembrance  
 His mercy every deal,  
 Hath hulpen up assistantly  
 His servant Israel.  
 According to his promise made  
 To Abraham before,  
 And to his seed successively,  
 To stand for evermore.

## O Lord because my harts desire

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*Nunc dimittis*

Thomas RAVENSCROFT (1590 - 1633)

CANTVS

MEDIVS

TENOR  
or *Playnsong*

BASSVS

O Lord be - cause my heart's de - sire hath wish - ed long to see,

O Lord be - cause my heart's de - sire hath wish - ed long to see,

O Lord be - cause my heart's de - sire hath wish - ed long to see,

O Lord be - cause my heart's de - sire hath wish - ed long to see,

3

S. my on - ly Lord and Sa - vi - our, thy Son be - fore I die:

A. my on - ly Lord and Sa - vi - our, thy Son be - fore I die:

T. my on - ly Lord and Sa - vi - our, thy Son be - fore I die:

B. my on - ly Lord and Sa - vi - our thy Son be - fore I die:

5

S. The joy and health of all man - kind, de - si - red long be - fore:

A. The joy and health of all man - kind, de - si - red long be - fore:

T. The joy and health of all man - kind, de - si - red long be - fore:

B. The joy and health of all man - kind, de - si - red long be - fore:

7

S. which now is come in - to the world, of mer - cy bring - ing store.

A. which now is come in - to the world, of mer - cy bring - ing store.

T. which now is come in - to the world, of mer - cy bring - ing store.

B. which now is come in - to the world, of mer - cy bring - ing store.

Thou sufferest thy servant now  
In peace for to depart,  
According to thy holy word,  
Which lighteneth my heart.  
Because mine eyes which thou hast made  
To give my body light,  
Have now beheld thy saving health  
Which is the Lord of might.

Whom thou mercifully hast set  
Of thine abundant grace:  
In open sight and visible,  
Before all people's face.  
The Gentiles to illuminate,  
And Satan overquell:  
And eke to be the glory of  
Thy people Israel.

## What man soever

The Whole Booke of Psalmes (ed. Ravenscroft, 1621) *Quicunque vult*

John FARMER (ca. 1570 - ca. 1601)

CANTVS

MEDIVS

TENOR  
or *Playnsong*

BASSVS

1

What man so - e - ver he be that sal - va - tion will at - tain:

What man so - e - ver he be that sal - va - tion will at tain:

What man so - e - ver he be that sal - va - tion will at - tain:

What man so - e - ver he be that sal - va - tion will at - tain:

3

S. The Ca - tho - lic be - lief he must be - fore all things re - tain.

A. The Ca - tho - lic be - lief he must be - fore all things re - tain.

T. The Ca - tho - lic be - lief he must be - fore all things re - tain.

B. The Ca - tho - lic be - lief he must be - fore all things re tain.

5

S. Which faith un - less he ho - ly keep, and un - de - fi - led - ly,

A. Which faith un - less he ho - ly keep, and un - de - fi - led - ly,

T. Which faith un - less he ho - ly keep, and un - de - fi - led - ly,

B. Which faith un - less he ho - ly keep, and un - de - fi - led - ly,

7

S. with - out all doubt e - ter - nal - ly he shall be sure to die.

A. with - out all doubt e - ter - nal - ly he shall be sure to die.

T. with - out all doubt e - ter - nal - ly he shall be sure to die.

B. with - out all doubt e - ter - nal - ly he shall be sure to die.



The Catholic belief is this,  
that God we worship one,  
In Trinity, and Trinity  
in Unity alone.  
So as we neither do confound  
the persons of the three:  
Nor yet the substance whole of one  
in sunder parted be.

One person of the Father is,  
another of the Son,  
Another person proper of  
the holy Ghost alone.  
Of Father, Son and holy Ghost,  
but one the God-head is:  
Like glory, coeternal eke  
the majestic likewise.

Such as the Father is, such is  
the Son in each degree:  
And such, also we do believe  
the holy Ghost to be.  
Uncreat'd is the Father, and  
uncreat'd is the Son:  
The holy Ghost uncreat'd, so  
uncreat'd is each one.

Incomprehensible Father is,  
incomprehensible the Son:  
And comprehensible also is  
the holy Ghost of none.  
The Father is eternal, and  
the Son eternal so:  
And in like sort eternal is  
the holy Ghost also.

And yet though we believe that each  
of these eternal be:  
Yet there but one eternal is,  
and not eternals three.  
As ne incomprehensible we,  
ne yet uncreat'd three:  
But one incomprehensible, one  
uncreat'd hold to be.

Allmighty so the Father is  
the Son allmighty so:  
And in like sort allmighty is  
the holy Ghost also.  
And albeit that every one  
of these Allmighty be:  
Yet there but one allmighty is,  
and not allmighties three.

The Father God is, God the Son,  
God holy Ghost also:  
Yet there are not three Gods at all,  
but one God and no more.

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So likewise Lord the Father is,  
and Lord also the Son:  
And Lord also the holy Ghost, yet are  
there not three Lords but one.

For as we are compelled to grant  
by Christian veritie:  
Each of the persons by himself,  
both God and man to be.  
So Catholic religion  
forbiddeh us alway,  
that either Gods be three, or that  
there Lords be three to say.

Of none the Father is, ne made  
ne creat'd, nor begot:  
The Son is of the Father, not  
creat'd, ne made, but got.  
The holy Ghost is of them both,  
the Father and the Son:  
Ne made, ne creat'd, not begot,  
but doth proceed alone.

So we one Father hold, not three,  
one Son, also not three:  
One holy Ghost alone, and not  
three holy Ghosts to be.  
None in this Trinity before  
nor after other is:  
Ne greater any then the rest,  
ne lesser be likewise.

But every one among themselves,  
of all the persons three:  
Together coeternal all,  
and all coequal be.  
So Unity in Trinity,  
as said it is before:  
And Trinity in Unity  
in all things we adore.

Therefore what man soever that  
salvation will attain:  
This faith touching the Trinity  
of force he must retain.  
And needful to eternal life  
it is that every wight  
Of the incarnation of Christ,  
our Lord believe aright.

For this the right faith is that we  
believe and eke do know,  
That Christ our Lord the Son of God  
is God and man also.  
God of his Father's substance, got  
before the world began  
And of his mothers substance born  
in world a very man.

Both perfect God and perfect man,  
in one, one Jesus Christ:  
That doth of reasonable soul  
and humane flesh subsist.  
Touching his God-head, equal with  
his Father God is he:  
Touching his manhood lower then  
his Father in degree.

Who though he be both very God,  
and very man also:  
Yet is he but one Christ alone,  
and is not persons two.  
One not by turning of God-head  
into the flesh of man:  
But by taking man-hood to God,  
this being one began.

All one, not by confounding of  
the substance into one:  
But only by the unity  
that is of one person.  
For as the reasonable soul  
and flesh but one man is:  
So in one person God and man  
is but one Christ likewise.

Who suffered for to save us all,  
to hell he did descend:  
The third day rose again from death,  
to heav'n he did ascend.  
He sits at the right hand of God,  
Th' Almighty Father there:  
From thence to judge the quick and dead  
again he shall retire.

At whose return all men shall rise  
with bodies new reborn:  
And of their own works they shall give  
account unto the Lord.  
And they into eternal life  
shall go that have done well:  
Who have done ill shall go into  
eternal fire to dwell.

This is the Catholic belief,  
who doth not faithfully  
believe the same, without all doubt  
be saved cannot be.  
To Father, Son and holy Ghost  
all glory be therefore:  
As in beginning was is now,  
and shall be evermore.

## O Lord turn not away thy face

The Whole Booke of Psalmes (ed. Ravenscroft, 1621) *The Lamentation*

William PARSONS (fl. 1545 - 1563)

CANTVS

MEDIVS

TENOR,  
or *Playnsong*

BASSVS

O Lord turn not a - way the face from him that lies pro - strate:

O Lord turn not a - way thy face from him that lies pro - strate:

O Lord turn not a - way thy face from him that lies pro - strate:

O Lord turn not a - way thy face from him that lies pro - strate:

3

S. La - men - ting for his sin - ful life be - fore thy mer - cy gate,

A. La - men - ting for his sin - ful life be - fore thy mer - cy gate,

T. La - men - ting for his sin - ful life be - fore thy mer - cy gate,

B. La - men - ting for his sin - ful life be - fore thy mer - cy gate,

5

S. which gate thou o - pen'st wide to those, that do la - ment their sin:

A. Which gate thou o - pen'st wide to those, that do la - ment their sin:

T. Which gate thou o - pen'st wide to those, that do la - ment their sin:

B. Which gate thou o - pen'st wide to those, that do la - ment their sin:

7

S. Shut not that gate a - gainst me Lord; but let me en - ter in.

A. Shut not that gate a - gainst me Lord, but let me en - ter in.

T. Shut not that gate a - gainst me Lord; but let me en - ter in.

B. Shut not that gate a - gainst me Lord, but let me en - ter in.

And call me not to mine account,  
 How I have lived here:  
 For then I know right well o Lord,  
 How vile I shall appear.

I need not to confess my life,  
 I am sure thou canst tell:  
 What I have been, and what I am,  
 I know thou knowest it well.

O Lord thou knowst what things be past  
 And eke the things that be:  
 Thou know'st also what is to come,  
 Nothing is hid from thee.

Before the heav'ns and earth were made  
 Thou knowest what things were then,  
 As all things else they have been since,  
 among the sons of men.

And can the things that I have done  
 Be hidden from thee then?  
 Nay, nay, thou knowest them all O Lord,  
 Where they were done and when.

Wherefore with tears I come to thee  
 To beg and to entreat,  
 Even as the child that hath done ill,  
 And feareth to be beat;

So come I to thy mercy gate,  
 Where mercy doth abound:  
 Requiring mercy for my sin,  
 To heal my deadly wound.

O Lord, I need not to repeat  
 What I do beg or crave:  
 Thou knowest O Lord before I ask  
 The thing that I would have.

Mercy good Lord, mercy I ask,  
 This is the total sum:  
 For mercy Lord is all my suit,  
 Lord let thy mercy come.

## Our Father which in heaven art

The Whole Booke of Psalmes (ed. Ravenscroft, 1621) The Lords Prayer

John FARMER (ca. 1570 - ca. 1601)

CANTVS

MEDIVS

TENOR  
or Playnsong

BASSVS

Our Fa-ther which in hea - ven art, Lord hal-lowed be thy name,

Our Fa-ther which in hea - ven art, Lord hal - lowed be thy name,

Our Fa-ther which in hea - ven art, Lord hal-lowed be thy name.

Our Fa - ther which in hea - ven art, Lord hal-lowed be thy name.

3

S.

A.

T.

B.

Thy king - dom come. Thy will be done in earth, ev'n as the same in hea - ven is.

Thy king - dom come. Thy will be done in earth, ev'n as the same in hea - ven is.

Thy king - dom come. Thy will be done in earth, ev'n as the same in hea - ven is.

Thy king - dom come. The will be done in earth, ev'n as the same in hea - ven is.

5

S.

A.

T.

B.

Give us (O Lord) our dai - lybread this day. As we for - give our deb - ters,

Give us (O Lord) our dai - lybread this day. As we for - give our deb - ters

Give us (O Lord) our dai - lybread this day. as we for - five our deb - ters,

Give us (O Lord) our dai - lybread this day. As we for - give our deb - ters

S.

A.

T.

B.

so for-give our debts we pray. In - to temp-ta - tion lead us not. From e - vil make us free.

so for - give our debt we pray. In - to temp - ta - tion lead us not. From e - vil make us free.

so for - give our debts we pray. In - to temp - ta - tion lead us not. From e - vil make us free.

so for - give our debts we pray. In - to temp - ta - tion lead us not. From e - vil make us free.

8

S. For king - dom, pow'r and glo - ry thine both now and e - ver be.

A. For king - dom, pow'r, and glo - ry thine both now and e - ver be.

T. For king - dom, pow'r and glo - ry thine both now and e - ver be.

B. For king - dom, pow'r and glo - ry thine both now and e - ver be.

## Harke Israel, and what I say

The Whole Booke of Psalmes  
(ed. Ravenscroft, 1621)*The X Commandements*

John FARMER (ca. 1570 - ca. 1601)

CANTVS

MEDIVS

TENOR  
or *Playnsong*

BASSVS

Hark Is - ra - el, and what I say give heed to un - der - stand:

Hark Is - ra - el, and what I say give heed to un - der - stand:

Hark Is - ra - el, and what I say, give heed to un - der - stand:

Hark Is - ra - el, and what I say give heed to un - der - stand:

3

S. I am the Lord thy God that brought thee out of E - gypt - land.

A. I am the Lord thy God that brought thee out of E - gypt - land.

T. I am the Lord thy God that brought thee out of E - gypt - land.

B. I am the Lord thy God that brought thee out of E - gypt - land.

5

S. Ev'n from the house where-in thou didst in thral - dom live a slave:

A. Ev'n from the house where-in thou didst in thral - dom live a slave:

T. Ev'n from the house where - in thou didst in thral - dom live a slave:

B. Ev'n from the house where - in thou didst in thral - dom live a slave:

7

S. None o - ther Gods at all be - fore my pre - sence shalt thou have.

A. None o - ther Gods at all be - fore my pre - sence shalt thou have.

T. None o - ther Gods at all be - fore my pre - sence shalt thou have.

B. None o - ther Gods at all be - fore my pre - sence shalt thou have.

No manner graven image shalt  
 thou make at all to thee:  
 Nor any figure like to thee  
 shall counterfeited be  
 Of any thing in heaven above,  
 nor in the earth below:  
 Nor in waters beneath the earth,  
 to them thou shalt not bow.

Nor shalt them serve, the Lord thy God  
 a jealous God am I,  
 That punish parent's faults unto  
 the third and fourth degree  
 Upon their children that me hate:  
 and mercy do display  
 To thousands of such as me love  
 and my precepts obey.

The name thou of the Lord thy God  
 in vaine shalt never use:  
 For him that takes his name in vaine,  
 the Lord will not excuse.  
 Remember that thou holy keep,  
 the sacred Sabbath day:  
 Six days thou labour shalt, and do  
 thy needful works alway.

The seventh day is set by the Lord,  
 thy God to rest upon:  
 No work then shalt thou do in it,  
 ne thou, nor yet thy son,  
 Thy daughter, servant, nor handmaid,  
 thine Ox, nor yet thine Ass:  
 Nor stranger that within thy gates  
 hath his abiding place.

For in six days God heav'n and earth,  
 and all therein did make:  
 And after those his rest he did  
 upon the seventh day take.  
 Wherefore he blessed the day that he  
 for resting did ordain:  
 And sacred to himself alone,  
 appointed to remain.

Yield honour to thy parents, that  
 prolonged thy days may be  
 Upon the land, the which the Lord,  
 thy God hath given thee.  
 Thou shalt not murder. Thou shalt not  
 commit adultery.  
 Thou shalt not steal. Nor witness false  
 against thy neighbour be.

Thou shalt not covet house that to  
 thy neighbour doth belong:  
 Ne covet shalt in having of  
 his wife to do him wrong.  
 Nor his man servant, nor his maid  
 nor Ox nor Ass of his,  
 Nor any other thing that to  
 thy neighbour proper is.

## Where righteousnesse doth say

The Whole Booke of Psalmes  
(ed. Ravenscroft, 1621)*The Complaint of a Sinner*

Thomas RAVENSCROFT (1590 - 1633)

CANTVS

MEDIVS

TENOR  
or *Playnsong*

BASSVS

Where righ-teous-ness doth say, Lord for my sin-ful part,

Where righ-teous-ness doth say, Lord for my sin-ful part,

Where righ-teous-ness doth say, Lord for my sin-ful part,

Where righ-teous-ness doth say, Lord for my sin-ful part,

3

S. In wrath thou shouldst me pay ven-geance for my de-sert.

A. In wrath thou shouldst me pay ven-geance for my de-sert.

T. In wrath thou shouldst me pay ven-geance for my de-sert.

B. In wrath thou shouldst me pay ven-geance for my de-sert.

5

S. I can it not de-ny, but needs I must con-fess

A. I can it not de-ny, but needs I must con-fess,

T. I can it not de-ny, but needs I must con-fess,

B. I can it not de-ny, but needs I must con-fess,

7

S. how that con-ti-nual-ly Thy laws I do trans-gress.

A. how that con-ti-nual-ly Thy laws I do trans-gress.

T. how that con-ti-nual-ly Thy laws I do trans-gress.

B. how that con-ti-nual-ly Thy laws I do trans-gress.



But if it be thy will  
 With sinners to contend:  
 Then all thy flock shall spill,  
 And be lost without end.  
 For who lives here so right,  
 That rightly he can say,  
 He sins not in thy sight  
 Full oft and every day?

The Scripture plain tells me,  
 the righteous man offendeth  
 Seven times a day to thee,  
 Whereon thy wrath dependeth:  
 So that the righteous man  
 Doth walk in no such path,  
 But he falls now and then  
 In danger of thy wrath.

Then sith the case so stands,  
 That even the man right wise  
 Falls oft in sinful bands,  
 Whereby thy wrath may rise.  
 Lord I that am unjust,  
 And righteousness none have,  
 Whereto then shall I trust  
 My sinful soul to save?

But truly to that post,  
 Whereto I cleave and shall,  
 Which is thy mercy most,  
 Lord let thy mercy fall.  
 And mitigate thy mood,  
 Or else we perish all:  
 the price of this thy blood,  
 Wherein mercy I call.

The Scripture doth declare,  
 No drop of blood in thee:  
 But that thoud didst not spare  
 To shed each drop for me.  
 Now let those drops most sweet,  
 So moist my heart so dry:  
 That I with sin replete,  
 May live but sin may die.

That being mortified  
 This sin of mine in me:  
 I may be sanctified  
 By grace of thine in thee.  
 So that I never fall  
 Into such mortal sin,  
 That my foes infernal  
 Rejoyce my death therein.

But vouchsafe me to keep  
 From those infernal foes:  
 And from that lake so deep,  
 Whereas no mercy grows.  
 And I shall sing the songs,  
 Corfirmed with the just:  
 That unto thee belongs,  
 Which art mine only trust.

## The man is blest

The Whole Booke of Psalmes (ed. Ravenscroft, 1621)

Psalm 1

Thomas MORLEY (1557 - 1602)

CANTVS

MEDIVS

TENOR  
or Playnsong

BASSVS

3

S.

A.

T.

B.

6

S.

A.

T.

B.

The man is blest that hath not bent, to wick - ed read his ear:  
The man is blest that hath not bent, wo wick-ed read his ear:  
The man is blest that hath not bent, to wick - ed read his ear:  
The man is blest that hath not bent, to wick - ed read his ear:  
nor led his life as sin-ners do, nor sat in scor - ner's chair: But in the law of God the Lord  
nor led his life as sin-ners do, nor sat in scor - ner's chair: But in the law of God the Lord  
nor led his life as sin-ners do, nor sat in scor - ner's chair: But in the law of God de Lord  
not led his life as sin-ners do, nor sat in scor - ners chair: But in the law of God the Lord  
doth set his whole de- light: and in that law doth ex-er-cise him-self both day and night.  
doth set his whole de - light: and in that law doth ex-er-cise him - self both day and night.  
doth set his whole de - light: and in that law doth ex-er-cise him-self both day and night.  
doth set his whole de - light: and in that law doth ex-er-cise him-self both day ad night.

2. He shall be like the tree that grows  
fast by the river's side,  
Which bringeth forth most pleasant fruit  
in her due time and tide.

3. Whose leaf shall never fade nor fall  
but flourish still and stand:  
Even so all things that prosper well,  
that this man takes in hand.

4. So shall not the ungodly men,  
they shall be nothing so:  
But as the dust which from the earth  
the winds drive to and fro.

5. Therefore shall not the wicked men  
in judgment stand up right:  
Nor yet the sinners with the just  
shall come in place or sight.

6. For why ? the way of Godly men  
unto the Lord is known,  
And eke the way of wicked men  
shall quite be overthrown.

# Why did the Gentiles

The Whole Booke of Psalmes (ed. Ravenscroft, 1621)

Psalm 2

Thomas RAVENSCROFT (1590 - 1633)

CANTVS  
MEDIVS  
TENOR  
or Playnsong  
BASSVS

Cambridge Tune

1  
Why did the Gen-tiles tu-mults raise? what rage was in their brain?

5  
Why did the Gen-tiles tu-mults raise? What rage was in their brain?

S.  
why did the Jew - ish peo - ple muse, see - ing all is but vain?

A.  
why did the Jew - ish peo - ple muse, see - ing all is but vain?

T.  
why did the Jew - ish peo - ple muse, see - ing all is but vain?

B.  
why did the Jew - ish peo - ple muse, see - ing all is but vain?

2. The Kings and Rulers of the earth  
conspire and all are bent  
Against the Lord, and Christ his Son,  
whom he among us sent.

3. Shall we be bound to them, say they ?  
let all their bonds be broke:  
And of their doctrine and their law  
let us reject the yoke.

4. But he that in the heavens dwells  
their doings will deride:  
And take them all as laughing stocks  
throughout the world so wide.

5. For in his wrath the Lord will say  
to them upon a day:

And in his fury trouble them,  
and then the Lord will say:

6. I have anointed him my King,  
upon my holy hill,  
I will therefore Lord preach thy laws  
and eke declare thy will.

7. For in this wise the Lord himself  
did say to me I wot:  
Thou art my dear and only Son,  
today I thee begot.

8. All people I will give to thee,  
as heirs at thy request:  
The ends and coasts of all the earth  
by thee shall be possessed.

9. Thou shalt them bruise, e'en with a mace  
as men under foot trod:

And as the potter's shoards shalt break  
them with an iron rod.

10. Now ye O Kings and Rulers all  
be wise therefore and learn:  
By whom the matters of the world  
be judged and discern'd.

11. See that ye serve the Lord above,  
in trembling and in fear:  
See that with reverence ye rejoice,  
to him in like manner.

12. See that ye kiss and eke embrace  
his blessed Son I say:  
Lest in his wrath ye suddenly  
perish in the midway.

13. If once his wrath never so small,  
shall kindle in his breast:  
O then all they that trust in Christ,  
shall happy be and blest.

## Lord how are my foes increast

The Whole Booke of Psalmes (ed. Ravenscroft, 1621)

Psalme 3

Thomas RAVENSCROFT (1590 - 1633)

CANTVS

MEDIVS

TENOR  
or Playnsong

BASSVS

O Lord how are my foes in-creased, which vex me more and more?

O Lord how are my foes in - creased, which vex me more and more?

O Lord how are my foes in-creased, which vex me more and more?

O Lord how are my foes in-creased, which vex me more and more?

3

S.

A.

T.

B.

they kill my heart, when as they say, God can him not re-store. But thou O Lord art my de-fense,

they kill my heart, when as they say, God can him not re-store. But thou O Lord art my de-fense,

they kill my heart, when as they say, God can him not re-store. But thou O Lord art my de-fense,

they kill my heart when as they say, God can him not re-store. But thou O Lord art my de-fense,

6

S.

A.

T.

B.

when I am hard be- stead, my wor-ship and mine hon-or both, and thou hold'st up my head.

when I am hard be- stead, my wor-ship and mine hon-or both, and thou hold'st up my head.

when I am hard be- stead; my wor-ship and mine hon-or both, and thou hold'st up my head.

when I am hard be- stead, my wor-ship and my hon-or both, and thou hold'st up my head.

4. Then with my voice unto the Lord,  
I did both call and cry:  
And he out of his holy hill,  
did hear me by and by.  
5. I laid me down and quietly  
I slept and rose again:  
For why? I know assuredly,  
the Lord will me sustain.

5. If ten thousand had hem'd me in,  
I could not be afraid:  
For thou art still my Lord my God,  
my Saviour and my aid.  
7. Rise up therefore, save me my God,  
for now to thee I call:  
For thou hast broke the cheeks and teeth  
of these wicked men all.

8. Salvation only doth belong  
to thee, O Lord, above:  
Thou dost bestow upon thy folk  
thy blessing and thy love.

# O God that art my righteousnesse

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The Whole Booke of Psalmes (ed. Ravenscroft, 1621)

Psalm 4

Thomas RAVENSCROFT (1590 - 1633)

Musical score for the hymn "O God that art my righteousnesse". The score is arranged for four voices: CANTVS (Cantus), MEDIVS (Medius), TENOR or Playnsong (Tenor), and BASSVS (Bass). The melody is identified as the "Oxford Tune". The lyrics are: "O God that art my righteousnesse, Lord hear me when I call: thou hast set me at liberty when I was bound and thrall." The score includes a three-measure rest for the Soprano (S.) part at the beginning of the second line.

2. Have mercy Lord therefore on me,  
and grant me my request:  
For unto thee uncessantly  
to cry I will not rest.

3. O mortal men how long will ye  
my glory thus despise?  
Why wander ye in vanity,  
and follow after lies?

4. Know ye that good and godly men,  
the Lord doth take and choose.  
And when to him I make my plaint,  
he doth me not refuse.

5. Sin not but stand in awe therefore,  
examine well your heart:  
And in your chamber quietly  
see you yourselves convert.

6. Offer to God the sacrifice,  
of righteousness I say,  
And look that in the living Lord  
ye put your trust alway.

7. The greater sort crave worldly goods  
and riches do embrace:  
But Lord grant us thy countenance,  
thy favor and thy grace.

8. For thou thereby shalt make my heart  
more joyful and more glad:  
Than they that of their corn and wine  
full great increase have had.

9. In peace therefore lie down will I,  
taking my rest and sleep:  
For thou only wilt me O Lord,  
alone in safety keep.

# Incline thine eares unto my words

The Whole Booke of Psalmes (ed. Ravenscroft, 1621)

Psalm 5

John MILTON (1562 - 1647)

CANTVS  
MEDIVS  
TENOR  
or Playnsong  
BASSVS

*Norwich Tune*

In-cline thine ear(s) un - to my words, O Lord my plaint con-si-der:  
In-cline thine ear(s) un-to my words, O Lord my plaint con-si-der:  
In-cline thine ear(s)un - to my words, O Lord my plaint con-si-der:  
In-cline thine ear(s)un - to my words, O Lord my plaint con-si-der:

3

S.  
A.  
T.  
B.

And hear my voice, my King my God, to thee I make my pray-er.  
And hear my voice, my King my God, to thee I make my pray-er.  
And hear my voice, my King my God, to thee I make my pray-er.  
And hear my voice, my King my God, to thee I make my pray-er.

2. Hear me betime, Lord tarry not  
for I will have respect:  
3. My prayer early in the morne  
to thee for to direct.

4. And I will trust through patience  
in thee my God alone:  
That art not pleas'd with wickedness,  
and ill with thee dwells none.

5. And in thy sight shall never stand  
those furious fools, O Lord:  
Vaine workers of iniquity,  
thou hast always abhorred.

6. The liars and the flatterers  
thou shalt destroy them then  
And thou wilt hate the bloodthirsty  
and the deceitful man.

7. Therefore will I come to thy house,  
trusting upon thy grace:  
And reverently will worship thee  
toward thine only place.

8. Lord lead me in thy righteousness,  
for to confound my foes:  
and eke the ways that I shall walk  
before my face disclose.

9. For in their mouths there is no truth  
their hearts are foul and vain:  
10. Their throat an open sepulcher,  
their tongues do (*gloss*) and (*fain*).

11. Destroy their false conspiracies,  
that they may come to naught:  
12. Subvert them in their heaps of sin  
which have rebellion wrought.

13. But those that put their trust in thee  
let them be glad always:  
And render thanks for thy defense,  
and give thy name the praise.

14. For thou with favor wilt increase  
the just and righteous still:  
And with thy grace as with a shield  
defend them from all ill.

# Lord in thy wrath reprove me not

The Whole Booke of Psalmes (ed. Ravenscroft, 1621)

Psalm 6

George Kirbye (c. 1555 - 1634)

CANTVS  
MEDIVS  
TENOR  
or Playnsong  
BASSVS

Lord in thy wrath re - prove me not, though I de - serve thine ire:

3

S.  
A.  
T.  
B.

Ne yet cor-rect me in thy rage, O Lord I thee de - sire. For I am weak, there - fore O Lord

6

S.  
A.  
T.  
B.

of mer-cy me for - bear: And heal me Lord, for why? thou know'st, my bones do quake for fear.

3. My soul is troubled very sore,  
and vexed vehemently:  
But Lord how long wilt thou delay  
to cure my misery?

4. Lord turn thee to thy wonted grace,  
my silly soul up take:  
O save me, not for my deserts,  
but for thy mercies' sake.

5. For why? no man among the dead  
rememb'reth thee one whit:  
Or who shall worship thee, O Lord  
in the infernal pit?

6. So grievous is my plaint and moan,  
that I wax wond'rous faint:  
All the night long I wash my bed  
with tears of my complaint.

7. My sight is dim and waxeth old  
with anguish of my heart:  
For fear of those that be my foes  
and would my soul subvert.

8. But now away from me all ye  
that work iniquity:  
For why? the Lord hath heard the voice  
of my complaint and cry.

9. He heard not only the request,  
and prayer of my heart:  
But it received at my hands,  
and took it in good part.

10. And now my foes that vexed me,  
the Lord will soon defame:  
And suddenly confound them all  
to their rebuke and shame.

## O Lord my God I put my trust

The Whole Booke of Psalmes (ed. Ravenscroft, 1621)

Psalm 7

William HARRISON (fl. 1621)

CANTVS  
MEDIVS  
TENOR  
or Playnsong  
BASSVS

*Lincolne Tune*

O Lord my God I put my trust, and con - fi - dence in thee:  
O Lord my God I put my trust, and con - fi - dence in thee:  
O Lord my God I put my trust, and con - fi - dence in thee:  
O Lord my God I put my trust, and con - fi - dence in thee:  
O Lord my God I put my trust, and con - fi - dence in thee:

3  
C.  
M.  
T.  
B.

Save me from them that me pur - sue, and eke de - li - ver me.  
Save me from them that me pur - sue, and eke de - li - ver me.  
Save me from them that me pur - sue, and eke de - li - ver me.  
Save me from them that me pur - sue, and eke de - li - ver me.

2. Lest like a Lion he me tear,  
and rend in pieces small:  
Whilst there is none to succor me  
and rid me out of thrall.

3. O Lord my God if I have done  
the thing that is not right:  
Or else if I be found in fault,  
or guilty in thy sight.

4. Or to my friend rewarded ill,  
or left him in distress  
Which me pursued most cruelly,  
and hated me causeless.

5. Then let my foes pursue my soul,  
and eke my life down thrust  
Unto the earth, and also lay  
mine honor in the dust.

6. Start up O Lord now in thy wrath,  
and put my foes to pain:  
Performe the kingdom promised  
to me, which wrong sustain.

7. Then shall great nations come to thee  
and know thee by this thing:  
If you declare for love of them  
thyself as Lord and King.

8. And thou that art of all men Judge  
O Lord now judge thou me:  
According to thy righteousness,  
and mine integrity.

*The Second part.*

9. Lord cease the hate of wicked men,  
and be the just man's guide:

10. By whom the secrets of all hearts  
are searched and descried.

11. I take my help to come of God  
in all my grief and smart:  
That doth preserve all those that be  
of pure and perfect heart.

12. The just man and the wicked both  
God judgeth by his pow'r:  
So that he feels his mighty hand  
e'en ev'ry day and hour.

13. Except he change his mind I die,  
for e'en as he should smite:  
He whets his sword, his bow he bends,  
aiming where he may hit.

14. And doth prepare his mortals darts  
his arrows keen and sharp:  
For them that do me persecute,  
whilst he doth mischief warp.

15. But lo though he in travel be  
of his dev'lish forecast:  
And of his mischief once conciev'd  
yet brings forth nought at last.

16. He digs a ditch and delves it deep,  
in hope to hurt his brother.  
But he shall fall into the pit  
that he digged up for other.

17. Thus wrong returneth to the hurt  
of him in whom it bred:  
And all the mischief that he wrought  
shall fall upon his head.

18. I will give thanks to God therefore,  
that judgeth righteously:  
And with my song will praise the name  
of him that is most high.



# O God our Lord how wonderfull

The Whole Booke of Psalmes (ed. Ravenscroft, 1621)

Psalm 8

Thomas RAVENSCROFT (1590 - 1633)

The musical score is arranged in five systems. The first system includes four parts: CANTVS (Cantus), MEDIVS (Medius), TENOR (Tenor, with the note 'or Paynsong' written below), and BASSVS (Bassus). The second system continues these four parts. The third system introduces a four-part vocal setting with parts labeled S. (Soprano), A. (Alto), T. (Tenor), and B. (Bass). The lyrics for the vocal parts are: 'whose fame sur-mounts in dig - ni - ty, a - bove the hea - vens clear?'. The score is written in a key signature of one flat (Bb) and a common time signature (C). The vocal parts are in treble clef, while the instrumental parts are in bass clef. The instrumental parts are labeled 'Peterborough Tune'.

2. Even by the mouths of sucking babes  
thou wilt confound thy foes:  
For in these babes thy might is seen,  
thy graces they disclose.

3. And when I see the heavens high,  
the works of thine own hands:  
The Sun, the Moon, and all the Stars  
in order as they stand.

4. What thing is man (Lord) think I then  
that thou dost him remember?  
Or what is man's posterity,  
that thou dost it consider?

5. For thou hast made him little less  
than Angels in degree:  
And thou hast crowned him also  
with glory and dignity.

6. Thou hast preferred him to be Lord  
of all thy works of wonder:  
And at his feet hast set all things  
that he should keep them under.

7. As sheep and neat, and all beasts else,  
that in the fields do feed:  
8. Fowls of the air, fish in the sea,  
and all that therein breed.

9. Therefore I must say once again,  
O God that art our Lord  
How famous and how wonderful  
are thy works through the world?

## With heart and mouth

The Whole Booke of Psalmes (ed. Ravenscroft, 1621)

Psalm 9

Thomas RAVENSCROFT (1590-1633)

CANTVS

MEDIVS

TENOR  
or Playnsong

BASSVS

*Lichfield Tune*

With heart and mouth un-to the Lord, will I sing laud and praise:

With heart and mouth un-to the Lord will I sing laud and praise:

With heart and mouth un - to the Lord will I sing laud and praise:

3

S.

A.

T.

B.

And speak of all his wond-rous works, and them de-clare all - ways.

And speak of all his wond-rous works, and them de - clare all-ways.

And speak of all his wond-rous works, and them de - clare all - ways.

And speak of all his wond-rous works, and them de - clare all - ways.

2. I will be glad and much rejoyce  
in thee O Lord most high:  
And make my songs extol thy name  
above the starry sky.

3. For that my foes are driven back  
and turned unto flight:  
They fall down flat and are destroyed,  
by thy great force and might.

4. Thou hast revenged all my wrong,  
my grief, and all my grudge:  
Thou dost with justice hear my cause  
most like a righteous Judge.

5. Thou dost rebuke the Heathen folk,  
and wicked so confound:  
That afterward the memory  
of them cannot be found.

6. My foes thou hast made good dispatch,  
and all their towns destroyed:  
Thou hast their fame with thee defeat'd  
through all the world so wide.

7. Know thou that he which is above  
for evermore shall reign:  
And in the seat of equity  
true judgment will maintain.

8. With justice he will keep and guide  
the world and every wight:  
And so will yield with equity  
to every man his right.

9. He is protector of the poor,  
what time they be oppressed:  
He is in all adversity  
their refuge, and their rest.

10. All they that know thy holy name  
therefore shall trust in thee:  
For thou forsakest not their suit,  
in their necessity.

*The Second part*

11. Sing Psalms therefore unto the Lord  
that dwells in Sion hill:  
Publish among all nations,  
his noble acts and will.

12. For he is mindful of the blood,  
of those that be oppressed:  
Forgetting not the afflicted heart,  
that seeks to him for rest.

13. Have mercy Lord on me poor wretch  
whose enemies still remain:  
which from the gates of death art wont  
to raise me up again.

14. In Sion that I might set forth  
thy praise with heart and voice:  
And that in thy salvation (Lord)  
my soul might still rejoice.

15. The Heathen stick fast in the pit  
that they themselves prepared:  
And in the net that they did set,  
their own fret fast are snared.

16. God sheweth his judgement which  
for every man to mark  
When as you see the wicked men,  
lie trapped in his own (warke).

17. The wicked and the sinful men  
go down to hell for ever  
And all the people of the world  
that will not God remember.

18. But sure the Lord will not forget  
the poor man's grief and pain:  
The patient people never look  
for help of God in vain.

19. O Lord arise lest men prevail,  
that be of worldly might:  
And let the heathen folk require  
their judgement in thy sight.

20. Lord strike such terror, fear and dread,  
into the hearts of them:  
That they may know assuredly,  
they be but mortal men.

# What is the cause

The Whole Booke of Psalmes (ed. Ravenscroft, 1621)

*Psalme 10*

John TOMKINS (1586 - 1638)

CANTVS

MEDIVS

TENOR  
or Playnsong

BASSVS

*Glocester Tune*

What is the cause that thou O Lord, art now so far from thine?

What is the cause that thou O Lord, art now so far from thine?

What is the cause that thou O Lord, art now so far from thine?

What is the cause that thou O Lord, art now so far from thine?

3

S.

A.

T.

B.

And kee - pest close thy coun - te - nance from us this trou - blous time?

And kee - pest clos thy coun - te - nance from us this trou - blous time?

And kee - pest close thy coun - te - nance from us this trou - blous time?

And kee - pest close thy coun - te - nance from us this trou - blous time?

2. The poor do perish by the proud,  
and wicked men's desire:  
Let them be taken in the craft,  
that they themselves conspire.

3. For in the lust of his own heart,  
th' ungodly doth delight:  
So that the wicked praise himself,  
and doth the Lord despite.

4. He is so proud that right and wrong  
he setteth all apart:  
Nay, nay, there is no God saith he,  
for thus he thinks in heart.

5. Because his ways do prosper well,  
he doth the laws neglect:  
And with a blast doth puff against  
such as would him correct.

6. Tush, tush (saith he) I have no dread,  
least mine estate should change:  
And why? for all adversity,  
to him is very strange.

7. His mouth is full of cursedness,  
of fraud, deceit and guile:  
Under his tongue doth mischief fit,  
and treatise all the while.

8. He lieth hid in ways and holes,  
to slay the innocent:  
Against the poor that pass him by  
his cruel eyes are bent.

9. And like a Lyon privily  
lies lurking in his den:  
If he may snare them in his net,  
to spoil poor simple men.

10. And for the nonce full craftily  
he coucheth down I say:

11. So are great heaps of poor men made  
by his strong power his pray:

## *The Second part.*

12. Tush, God forgetteth this (saith he)  
therefore I mau be bold:  
His countenance is cast aside,  
he doth it not behold:

13. Arise O Lord, O God in whom  
the poor man's hope doth rest:  
Lift up thy hand, forget not Lord,  
the poor that be oppressed.

14. What blasphemy is this to thee,  
Lord dost thou not abhorre it?  
To hear the wicked in their hearts  
say, tush, thou car'st not for it?

15. But thou seest all this wickedness,  
and well dost understand:  
16. That friendless and poor fatherless  
are left into thy hand.

17. Of wicked and malicious men  
then break the pow'r for ever:  
That they with their iniquity  
may perish altogether.

18. The Lord shall reign for evermore,  
as King and God alone:  
And he will chase the Heathen folk  
out of his land each one.

19. Thou hearest O Lord the poor men's  
complaints,  
their prayers and request:  
Their hearts thou wilt confirm until  
thine ears to hear be pressed.

20. To judge the poor and fatherless,  
and help them in their right:  
That they may be no more oppressed  
with men of worldly might.

# I trust in God

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*Psalme 11*

Thomas RAVENSCROFT (1590-1633)

CANTVS

MEDIVS

*Hereford Tune*

TENOR  
*or Playnsong*

BASSVS

S.

A.

T.

B.

I trust in God, how dare you then say thus my soul un - til;

I trust in God, how dare you then say thus my soul un - til,

I trust in God, how dare you then say thus my soul un - til,

I trust in God, how dare you then say thus my soul un - til,

3

Fly hence as fast as an - y soul, and hide you in your hill.

Fly hence as fast as an - y soul, and hide you in your hill.

Fly hence as fast as an - y soul, and hide you in your hill.

Fly hence as fast as an - y soul, and hide you in your hill.

Fly hence as fast as an - y soul, and hide you in your hill.

2. Behold the wicked bend their bows  
and make their arrows pressed  
To shoot in secret, and to hurt  
the sound and harmless brest.

3. Of worldly hope all stays were shrunk  
and clearly brought to naught:  
Alas the just and righteous man,  
what evil hath he wrought?

4. But he that in his temple is  
most holy and most high:  
And in the heavens hath his seat  
of royal majesty.

The poor and simple man's estate  
considereth in his mind:  
And searcheth out full narrowly  
the manners of mankind.

5. And with a cheerful countenance  
the righteous man will use,  
But in his heart he doth abhor  
all such as mischief muse.

6. And on the sinners casteth snares  
as thick as any rain:  
Fire and brimstone and wirlwinds thick  
appointed for their pain.

7. Ye see then how a righteous God  
doth righteousness embrace:  
And to the just and upright men  
shews forth his pleasant face.

# Help Lord for good and godly men

The Whole Booke of Psalmes (ed. Ravenscroft, 1621)

*Psalm 12*

Edward Blancks (fl. 1590 - 1620)

CANTVS

MEDIVS

TENOR  
or Playnsong

BASSVS

*Dutch Tune*

3

S.

A.

T.

B.

Help Lord for good and god - ly men do per - ish and de - cay:  
 Help Lord for good an god - ly men do per - ish and de - cay:  
 Help Lord for good and god - ly men do per - ish and de - cay:  
 Help Lord for good and god - ly men do per - ish and de - cay:  
 And faith and truth from world - ly men is par - ted clean a - way.  
 And faith and truth from world - ly men is par - ted clean a - way.  
 And faith and truth from world - ly men is par - ted clean a - way.  
 And faith and truth from world - ly men is par - ted clean a - way.

2. Whoso doth with his neighbor talk,  
 his talk is all but vaine:  
 For every man bethinketh how  
 to flatter, lie and fain.

3. But flattering and deceitful lips,  
 and tongues that be so stout,  
 To speak proud words and make great brags,  
 the Lord soon cuts them out.

4. For they say still we will prevail,  
 our tongues shall us extol:  
 Our tongues be ours we ought to speak  
 what Lord shall us control ?

5. But for the great complaint and cry  
 of poor and men oppressed:  
 Arise will I now saith the Lord,  
 and them restore to rest.

6. God's word is like to silver pure,  
 that from the earth is tried:  
 And hath no less then seven times  
 in fire been purified.

7. Now since thy promise is to help,  
 Lord keep thy promise then:  
 And save us now and evermore  
 from this ill kind of men.

4. For now this wicked world is full  
 of mischiefs manifold:  
 When vanity with wordly men  
 si highly is extolled.

# How long wilt thou forget me Lord

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The Whole Booke of Psalmes (ed. Ravenscroft, 1621)

Psalm 13

Thomas TOMKINS (1572 - 1656)

CANTVS  
MEDIVS  
TENOR  
or Playnsong  
BASSVS

1

How long wilt thou for-get me Lord, shall I ne-ver be re-mem-ber'd?

Worcester Tune

How long wilt thou for-get me Lord, shall I ne-ver be re-mem-ber'd?

How long wilt thou for-get me Lord, shall I ne'er be re - mem-ber'd?

5

S.  
A.  
T.  
B.

How long wilt thou thy vi - sage hide, as though thou wer'd of - fen - ded?

How long wilt thou thy vi - sage hide, as though thou wer'd of - fen - ded?

How long wilt thou thy vi - sage hide, as though thou wer'd of - fen - ded?

How long wilt thou thhy vi - sage hide, as though thou wer'd of - fen - ded?

2. In heart and mind how long will I  
with care tormented be?  
How long eke shall my deadly foes  
thus triumph over me?

3. Behold me now (my Lord my God)  
and hear me sore oppressed:  
Lighten mine eyes lest that I sleep  
as one by death possessed.

4. Lest that mine enemy say to me  
behold I do prevail:  
Least they also which hate my soul  
rejoice to see my quail.

5. But for thy mercies and goodness,  
my hope shall never start:  
In thy relief and saving health  
right glad shall be my heart.

6. I will give thanks unto the Lord,  
and praises to him sing,  
Because he hath heard my request,  
and granted my wishing.

## There is no God as foolish men

The Whole Booke of Psalmes (ed. Ravenscroft, 1621)

Psalm 14

Thomas MORLEY (1557 - 1602)

CANTVS

MEDIVS

TENOR  
or Playnsong

BASSVS

3

S.

A.

T.

B.

6

S.

A.

T.

B.

There is no God as fool - ish men af - firm in their mad mood:

There is no God as fool - ish men af - firm in their mad mood:

There is no God as fool - ish men af - firm in their bad mood:

There is no God as fool - ish men af - firm in their bad mood:

Their drifts are all cor-rupt and vain, not one of them doth good. The Lord be-held from hea-ven high

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the whole race of man-kind: and saw not one that sought in-deed the li-ving God to find.

the whole race of man-kind: and saw not one that sought in-deed thee li-ving God to find.

the whole race of man-kind: and saw not one that sought in-deed the li-ving God to find.

the whole race of man-kind: and saw not one that sought in-deed the li-ving God to find.

3. They went all wide and were corrupt  
and truely there was none,  
That in the world did any good,  
I say there was not one.

4. Is all their judgements so far lost,  
that all work mischief still?  
Eating my people even as bread,  
not one to seek Gods will ?

5. When they thus rage then suddenly  
great fear on them shall fall:  
For God doth love the righteous men,  
and will maintain them all.

6. Ye mock the doings of the poor,  
to their reproach and shame:  
Beuase they put their trust in God,  
and call upon his name.

7. But who shall give thy people health,  
and when wilt thou fulfill  
thy promise made to Israel  
from out of Sion hill ?

8. Even when thou shalt restore again  
such as were captive lad:  
Then Jacob shall therein rejoyce  
and Israel shall be glad.



# O Lord within thy tabernacle

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The Whole Booke of Psalmes (ed. Ravenscroft, 1621)

Psalme 15

Thomas RAVENSCROFT (1590 - 1633)

CANTVS

MEDIVS

TENOR  
or Playnsong

BASSVS

*Excester Tune*

O Lord with - in thy ta - ber - na - cle, who shall in - ha - bit still?

O Lord with - in thy ta - ber - na - cle, who shall in - ha - bit still?

O Lord with - in thy ta - ber - na - cle, who shall in - ha - bit still?

O Lord with - in thy ta - ber - na - cle, who shall in - ha - bit still?

3

S.  
Or whom wilt thou re - ceive to dwell in thy most ho - ly hill?

A.  
Or whom wilt thou re - ceive to dwell in thy most ho - ly hill?

T.  
Or whom wilt thou re - ceive to dwell in thy most ho - ly hill?

B.  
Or whom wilt thou re - ceive to dwell in thy most ho - ly hill?

2. The man whose life is uncorrupt,  
whose works are just and straight:  
Whose heart doth think the very truth  
whose tongue speaks no deceit.

3. Nor to his neighbor doth none ill,  
in body, goods or name:  
Nor willingly doth move false tales,  
which might impair the same.

4. That in his heart regardeth not  
malicious wicked men:  
But those that love and fear the Lord  
he maketh much of them.

5. His oath and all his promises  
that keepeth faithfully:  
Although he he make his covenant so  
that he doth lose thereby.

6. That putteth not to usury  
his money and his coin:  
Ne for to hurt the innocent  
doth bribe or else purloin.

7. Whoso doth all things as you see  
that here is to be done:  
Shall never perish in the world,  
nor in the world to come.

## Lord keep me, for I trust in thee

The Whole Booke of Psalmes (ed. Ravenscroft, 1621)

Psalm 16

Thomas RAVENSCROFT (1590 - 1633)

CANTVS

MEDIVS

TENOR  
or Playnsong

BASSVS

*Bristol Tune*

Lord keep me, for I trust in thee, and do con - fess in - deed:

Lord keep me, for I trust in thee, and do con fess in - deed:

Lord keep me, for I trust in thee, and do con - fess in - deed:

Lord keep me, for I trust in thee, and do con - fess in - deed:

3

S.  
Thou art my God, and of my good, O Lord thou hast no need.

A.  
Thou art my God, and of my good, O Lord thou hast no need.

T.  
Thou art my God, and of my good, O Lord thou hast no need.

B.  
Thou art my God, and of my good, O Lord thou hast no need.

2. I give my goods unto the Saints,  
that in the world do dwell:  
And namely to the faithful flock,  
in virtue that excel.

3. They shall heap sorrows on their heads  
which run as they were mad:  
To offer to the Idol Gods,  
alas it is too bad.

4. As for the bloody sacrifice,  
and offerings of that sort,  
I will not touch, nor yet thereof  
my lips shall make report.

5. For why? the Lord the portion is  
of mine inheritance:  
And thou art he that dost maintain  
my rent, my lot, my chance.

6. The place wherein the lot did fall,  
in beauty did excel:  
Mine heritage assigned to me  
doth please me very well.

7. I thank the Lord that caused me  
to understand the right:  
For by his means my secret thoughts  
do teach me every night.

8. I set the Lord still in my sight,  
and trust him over all:  
For he doth stand on my right hand,  
therefore I shall not fall.

9. Wherefore my heart, my tongue also  
do both rejoice together:  
My flesh and body rest in hope,  
when I this thing consider.

10. Thou wilt not leave my soul in grave  
for Lord thou lovest me:  
Nor yet wilt give thine holy one  
corruption for to see.

11. But wilt teach me the way of life,  
for all treasure and store  
Of perfect joy are in thy face  
and power for evermore.

# O Lord give ear to my just cause

The Whole Booke of Psalmes (ed. Ravenscroft, 1621)

Psalme 17

Thomas RAVENSCROFT (1590 - 1633)

CANTVS  
MEDIVS  
TENOR  
or Playnsong  
BASSVS

Salisbury Tune

O Lord give ear to my just cause, at - tend when I com - plain:  
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O Lord give ear to my just cause, at - tend when I com - plain:  
O Lord give ear to my just cause, at - tend when I com - plain:

3  
S. And hear the prayer that I put forth, with lips that do not fain.  
A. And hear the prayer that I put forth, with lips that do not fain.  
T. And hear the prayer that I put forth with lips that do not fain.  
B. And hear the prayer that I put forth with lips that do not fain.

2. And let the judgement of my cause proceed always from thee:  
And let thine eyes behold and clear this my simplicity.

3. Thou hast well tried me in the night, and yet could'st nothing find:  
That I have spoken with my tongue, that was not in my mind,

4. And from the works of wicked men, and paths pervers and ill,  
For love of thy most holy word, I have refrained still.

5. Then in thy paths that be most pure, stay me (Lord) and preserve:  
That from the way wherein I walk my steps may never swerve.

6. For I do call to thee O Lord, surely thou wilt me aid:  
Then hear my prayer, and weigh right well the words that I have said.

7. O Thou the Saviour of all them, that put their trust in thee:  
Declare thy strength on them that spurn against thy majesty.

8. O Keep me Lord as thou would'st keep the apple of thine eye:  
And under cover of thy wings defend me secretly.

### The Second part.

9. From wicked men that trouble me, and daily me annoy:  
And from my foes that go about my soul for to destroy.

10. Which wallow in their worldly wealth so full and eke so fat:  
That in their pride they do not spare to speak they care not what.

11. They lie in wait where I should pass with craft me to confound:  
And musing mischief in their minds to cast me to the ground.

12. Much like a Lion greedily that would his prey embrace:  
Or lurking like a Lion's whelp within some secret place.

13. Up Lord, with haste prevent my foes, and cast them at thy feet:  
Save thou my soul from the evil man, and with thy sword him smite.

14. Deliver me Lord by thy power out of these tyrants' hands:  
Which now so long time reigned have and kept us in their bands.

15. I mean from worldly men to whom all worldly goods are rife:  
That have no hope or part of joy, but in this present life.

16. Thou of thy store their bellies fill'st with pleasure to their mind:  
Their children have enough, and leave to theirs the rest behind.

17. But I shall with pure conscience behold thy gracious face:  
So when I wake I shall be full with thy image and grace.

## O God my strength and fortitude

The Whole Booke of Psalmes (ed. Ravenscroft, 1621)

Psalm 18

William COBBOLD (1560 - 1639)

CANTVS  
MEDIVS  
TENOR  
or Playnsong  
BASSVS

O God my strength and for - ti - tude, of force I must love thee:  
O God my strength and for - ti - tude, of force I must love thee:  
O God my strenght and for - ti - tude, of force I must love thee:  
O God my strength and for - ti - tude, of force I must love thee:

3  
S. Thou art my cast-le and de-fence, in my ne-ces - si - ty. My God, my rock in whom I trust,  
A. Thou art my cast-le and de-fence in my ne-ces - si - ty. My God, my rock in whom I trust,  
T. Thou art my cast-le and de-fence, in my ne-ces - si - ty. My God, my rock in whom I trust,  
B. Thou art my cast-le and de-fence, in my ne-ces - si - ty. My God, my rock in whom I trust,

6  
S. the wor-ker of my wealth: My re-fuge, buck-ler and my shield, the horn of all my health.  
A. the wor-ker of my wealth: My re-fuge, buck-ler and my shield, the horn of all my health.  
T. the wor-ker of my wealth: My re-fuge, buck-ler and my shield, the horn of all my health.  
B. the wor-ker of my wealth: My re-fuge, buck-ler and my shield, the horn of all my health. 57"

3. When I sing laud unto the Lord,  
most worthy to be served:  
Then from my foes I am right sure  
that I shall be preserved.

4. The pangs of death did compass me,  
and bound me every where:  
The flowing waves of wickedness  
did put me in great fear.

5. The sly and subtle snares of hell  
were round about me set:  
And for my death there was prepared  
a deadly trapping net.

6. I thus beset with pain and grief  
did pray for God for grace:  
And he forthwith did hear my plaint  
out of his holy place.

7. Such is his power that in his wrath,  
he made the earth to quake:

Yea, the foundation of the mount  
of Balan for to shake

8. And from his nostrils came a smoke,  
when kindled was his ire:

And from his mouth came kindled coals  
of hot consuming fire.

9. The Lord descended from above,  
and bowed the heavens high:

And underneath his feet he cast  
the darkness of the sky.

10. On Cherubs and on Cherubims  
full royally he rode:

And on the wings of all the winds,  
came flying all abroad.

### *The Second part.*

11. And like a den most dark he made  
his hid and secret place:  
With waters black and airy clouds  
environed he was.

12. But when the presence of his face  
in brightness shall appear:  
The clouds consume, and in their stead  
came hail and coals of fire.

13. These fiery darts and thunderbolts  
disperse them here and there:  
And with his often lightnings  
he puts them in great fear.

14. Lord at thy wrath and threatnings,  
and at thy chiding cheer:  
The springs and the foundations  
of all the world appear.

15. And from above the Lord sent down  
to fetch me from below:  
And plucked me out of waters great  
that would me overflow.

16. And me delivered from my foes,  
that would have made me thrall.  
Yea, from such foes as were too strong  
for me to deal withall.

17. They did prevent me to oppress  
in time of my great grief:  
But yet the Lord was my defense,  
my succor and relief.

18. He brought me forth in open place,  
whereas I might be free,  
And kept me safe because he had  
a favor unto me.

19. And as I was an innocent  
so did he me regard:  
And to the cleanness of my hands  
he gave me my reward.

20. For that, I walked in his ways,  
and in his paths have trod:  
And have not wavered wickedly  
against my Lord and God.

### *The Third part.*

21. But evermore I have respect  
to his law and decree:  
His statutes and commandements  
I cast not out from me.

22. But pure, and clean, and uncorrupt,  
appeared before his face:  
And did refrain from wickedness,  
and sin in any case.

23. The Lord therefore will me reward  
as I have done aright:  
And to the cleanness of my hands  
appearing in his sight.->

24. For Lord with him that holy is  
wilt thou be holy too:  
And with the good and virtuous men  
right virtuously wilt do.

25. And to the loving and elect  
thy love thou wilt reserve:  
And thou wilt use the wicked men,  
as wicked men deserve.

26. For thou dost save the simple fool,  
in trouble when they lie:  
And dost bring down the countenance  
of them that look full high.

27. The Lord will light my candle so,  
that it shall shine full bright:  
The Lord my God will make also  
my darkness to be light.

28. For by thy help and host of men  
discomfit Lord I shall:  
By thee I scale and overleap  
the strength of any wall.

29. Unspotted are the ways of God:  
his word is purely tried:  
He is a sure defense to such,  
as in his faith abide.

30. For who is God except the Lord?  
for other there is none:  
Or else who is omnipotent,  
saving our God alone?

### *The Fourth part.*

31. The God that girdeth me with strength  
is he that I do mean:  
That all the ways wherein I walk  
did evermore keep clean.

32. That made my feet like to the Harts'  
in swiftness of my pace:  
And for my surety brought me forth  
into an open place.

33. He did in order put my hands,  
to battle and to fight:  
To break in sunder bars of brass  
he gave mine arms the might.

34. Thou teachest me thy saving health,  
thy right hand is my tower:  
Thy love and familiarity  
doth still increase my power.

35. And under me thou makest plain  
the way where I should walk:  
So that my feet shall never slip,  
nor stumble at a balk:

36. And fiercely I pursue and take  
my foes that me annoyed:  
And from the field do not return  
till they be clean destroyed.

37. So I suppress and wound my foes,  
that they can rise no more:  
Far at my feet they fall down flat,  
I strike them all so sore.

38. For thou dost gird me with my strength,  
to ware in such a wise:  
that they be all scattered abroad  
that up against me rise.

39. Lord thou hast put into my hands  
my mortal enemies yoke:  
And all my foes thou dost divide,  
in sunder with thy stroke.

40. They called for help but none gave ear  
nor holpe them with relief:  
Yea, to the Lord they called for help,  
yet heard he not their grief.

### *The fifth part.*

41. And still like dust before the wind,  
I drive them under feet:  
And sweep them out like filthy clay,  
that stincketh in the street.

42. Thou keep'st me from seditious folk,  
that still in strife be led:  
And thou dost of the Heathen folk  
appoint me to be head.

43. A people strange to me unknown,  
and yet they shall me serve:  
And at the first obey my word,  
whereas mine own will swerve.

44. I shall be irksome to mine own,  
they shall not see my light:  
But wander wide out of their ways  
and hide them out of sight.

45. But blessed be the living Lord,  
most worthy of all praise:  
That is my rock and saving health,  
praised be he always.

46. For God it is that gave me power  
revenged for to be:  
And with his holy word subdued  
the people unto me.

47. And from my foes me delivered,  
and set me higher then those,  
That cruel and ungodly were,  
and up against me rose.

48. And for this cause O Lord my God,  
to thee give thanks I shall:  
And sing out praises to thy name,  
among the Gentiles all.

49. That gavest great prosperity  
unto the king I say:  
To David thine anointed king,  
and to his seed for ay.

## The heavens and the firmament

The Whole Booke of Psalmes (ed. Ravenscroft, 1621)

Psalm 19

Thomas RAVENSCROFT(1590-1633)

CANTVS

MEDIVS

TENOR  
or Playnsong

BASSVS

Wels or  
Glisenbury Tune

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S.

A.

T.

B.

The hea-vens and the fir - ma-ment do wond - rous - ly de - clare

The hea-vens and the fir - ma-ment do wond-rous - ly de-clare

The hea-vens and the fir - ma-ment do wond-rous - ly de - clare

The hea-vens and the fir - ma-ment do wond-rous - ly de - clare

The glo - ry of God om - ni - po - tent, his works and what they are.

The glo - ry of God om - ni - po - tent, his works and what they are.

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The glo - ry of God om - ni - po - tent, his works and what they are.

2. The wondrous works of God appear  
by every day's success:  
The nights which likewise their race run  
the selfsame things express.

3. There is no language, tongue or speech  
where their sound is not heard:  
In all the earth and coasts thereof,  
thier knowledhe is conferred.

4. In them the Lord made for the Sun  
a place of great renown:  
Who like a bridegroom ready trimed,  
doth from his chamber come.

5. And as a valiant champion,  
who for to get a price:  
With joy doth haste to take in hand,  
some noble enterprise.

6. And all the Sky from end to end,  
he compasseth about:  
Nothing can hide it from his heat  
but he will find it out.

7. How perfect is the Law of God  
how is his covenant sure?  
Converting souls and making wise  
the simple and obscure,

8. Just are the Lords Commandements,  
and glad both heart and mind:  
His precepts pure, and giveth light,  
to eyes that be full blind.

9. The fear of God is excellent,  
and doth endure forever:  
The judgements of the Lord are true,  
and righteous altogether.

10. And more to be embrac'd always,  
then fined gold I say:  
The honey and the honey-comb,  
are not as sweet as they.

11. By them the servant is forewarned  
to have God in regard:  
And in performance of the same,  
there shall be great reward.

12. But Lord what earthly man doth know  
the errors of his life?  
Then cleanse my soul from secret sins,  
which are in me most rife.

13. And keep me that presumptuous sins  
prevail not over me:  
And so shall I be innocent,  
and great offences fly (flee).

14. Accept my mouth and eke my heart,  
my words and thoughts each one:  
For my Redeemer and my strength  
O Lord thou art alone.

# In trouble and adversity

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The Whole Booke of Psalmes (ed. Ravenscroft, 1621)

Psalme 20

William CRANFORD (late XVI<sup>o</sup> - ca. 1645)

CANTVS

MEDIVS

TENOR  
or Playnsong

BASSVS

*Ely Tune*

In trou - ble and ad - ver - si - ty the Lord God hear thee still:

In trou - ble and ad - ver - si - ty the Lord God hear thee still:

In trou - ble and ad - ver - si - ty the Lord God hear thee still:

In trou - ble and ad - ver - si - ty the Lord God hear thee still:

3

S. The ma - jes - ty of Ja - cob's God de - fend thee from all ill.

A. The ma - jes - ty of Ja - cob's God, de - fend thee from all ill.

T. The ma - jes - ty of Ja - cob's God de - fend thee from all ill.

B. The ma - jes - ty of Ja - cob's God de - fend thee from all ill.

2. And send thee from his holy place  
his help at every need:  
And so in Sion 'stablish thee,  
and make thee strong indeed.

3. Remembering well the sacrifice  
that now to him is done:  
And so receive right thankfully,  
thy burnt offrings each one.

4. According to thy heart's desire  
the Lord grant unto thee:  
And all the counsel and devise  
full well performe may he.

5. We shall rejoyce when thou us savest  
and our banners display:  
Unto the Lord which they requests,  
fulfilled hath alway.

6. The Lord will his anointed save  
I know well by his grace:  
And send him health by his right hand  
out of his holy place.

7. In chariots some put confidence,  
and some in horses trust:  
But we remember God our Lord,  
that keepeth promise just.

8. They fall down flat, but we do rise  
and stand up steadfastly:  
Now save and help us Lord and King,  
on thee when we do cry.

## O Lord how joyful is the king

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Psalm 21

John BENNET (c. 1570 - 1614)

CANTVS

MEDIVS

TENOR  
or Playnsong

BASSVS

O Lord how joy - ful is the king in thy strength and thy power?

O Lord how joy - ful is the king in thy strength and thy power?

O Lord how joy - ful is the king in thy strength and thy power?

O Lord how joy - ful is the king in thy strength and thy power:

3

S.

A.

T.

B.

How vehe - ment - ly doth he re - joice in thee his Sa - vi - our? For thou hast gi - ven un - to him

How vehe - ment - ly doth he re - joice in thee his Sa - vi - our? For thou hast gi - ven un - to him

How vehe - ment - ly doth he re - joice in thee his Sa - vi - our? For thou hast gi - ven un - to him

How vehe - ment - ly doth he re - joice in thee his Sa - vi - our? For thou hast gi - ven un - to him

6

S.

A.

T.

B.

his god - ly heart's de - sire to him no - thing hast thou de - nied, of that he did re - quire.

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his god - ly heart's de - sire to him no - thing hast thou de - nied, of that he did re - quire.

his god - ly heart's de - sire: to him no - thing hast thou de - nied, of that he did re - quire.

3. Thou didst prevent him with thy gifts  
and blessings manifold:

And thou hast set upon his head  
a crown of perfect gold.

4. And when he asked life of thee,  
thereof thou madest him sure,  
To have long life, yea such a life,  
as ever should endure.

5. Great is his glory by thy help  
thy benefits and aid:

Great worship and great honor both  
thou hast upon him laid.

6. Thou wilt give him felicity  
that never shall decay:  
And with thy cheerful countenance  
wilt comfort him alway.



7. For why? the King doth strongly trust  
in God for to prevail:  
Therefore his goodness and his grace,  
will not that he shall quail.

8. But let thine enemies feel thy force,  
and those that thee withstand:  
Find out thy foes and let them feel  
the power of thy right hand.

9. And like an Oven burn them Lord,  
in fiery flame and fume:  
Thine anger shall destroy them all,  
and fire shall them consume.

10. And thou wilt root out of the earth  
their fruit that should increase:  
And from the number of the flock  
their seed shall end and cease.

11. For why? much mischief did they muse  
against thy holy name:  
Yet did they fail and had no power  
for to perform the same.

12. But as a mark thou shalt them set  
in a more open place:  
And charge thy bow-strings readily  
against thine enemies face.

13. Be thou exalted Lord therefore,  
in thy strength every hour:  
So shall we sing right solemnly  
praising thy might and power.

## O God my God, wherefore dost thou forsake me

The Whole Booke of Psalmes (ed. Ravenscroft, 1621)

Psalm 22

Thomas RAVENSCROFT (1590 - 1633)

CANTVS

MEDIVS

TENOR  
or Playnsong

BASSVS

*Chichester Tune*

O God my God, where -fore dost thou for - sake me ut - ter - ly?

O God my God, where -fore dost thou for - sake me ut - ter - ly?

O God my God where -fore dost thou for - sake me ut - ter - ly?

O God my God, where -fore dost thou for - sake me ut - ter - ly?

3

S.

A.

T.

B.

And help - est not when I do make my great com - plaint and cry?

And help - est not when I do make my great com - plaint and cry?

And help - est not when I do make my great com - plaint and cry?

And help - est not when I do make my great com - plaint and cry?

2. To thee my God even all day long,  
I do both cry and call:  
I cease not all the night and yet,  
thou hearest not at all.

3. Even thou that in thy Sanctuary,  
and holy place dost dwell:  
Thou art the comfort and the joy  
and glory of Israel.

4. And he in whom our fathers old,  
had all their hope for ever:  
And when they put their trust in thee  
so dost thou them deliver.

5. They were delivered ever when  
they called on thy name:  
And for the faith they had in thee,  
they were not put to shame.

6. But I am now become a worm,  
more like then any man:  
An outcast whom the people scorn,  
with all the spite they can.

7. And me despise as they behold  
me walking on the way:  
They grin, they mow, they nod their heads  
and in this wise they say:

8. This man did glory in the Lord,  
his favor and his love:  
Let him redeem and help him now,  
his power if he will prove.

9. But Lord out of my mothers wombe,  
I came by thy request:  
Thou didst preserve him still in hope,  
while I did suck her breast.

10. I was committed from my birth  
with thee to have abode:  
Since I was in my mothers wombe,  
thou hast been even my God.

***The Second part.***

11. Then Lord depart not now from me  
in this my present grief:

Since I have none to be my help,  
my succour and relief.

12. So many Bulls do compass me,  
that be full strong of head:

Yea, Bulls so fat as though they had  
in Basan field been fed.

13. They gape upon me greedily,  
as though they would me slay:

Much like a Lion roaring out,  
and ramping for his prey.

14. But I drop down like watershed  
my joints in sunder break:

My heart doth in my body melt,  
like wax against the heat.

15. And like a potsherd dryth my strength  
my tongue it cleaveth fast:

Unto my jaws, and I am brought  
to dust of death at last.

16. And many dogs do compass me,  
and wicked council eke

conspire against me cursedly,  
they pierce my hands and feet.

17. I was tormented so that I,  
might all my bones have told:

Yet still upon me they do look:  
and still they me behold.

18. My garments they divided eke  
in parts among them all:

And for my coat they did cast lots,  
to whom it might befall.

19. Therefore I pray thee be not far  
from me at my great need:

But rather sith thou art my strength,  
to help me Lord make speed.

20. And from the sword Lord save my soul  
by thy might and thy power:

And keep my soul thy darling dear  
from dogs that would devour.

21. And from the Lion's mouth that would  
me in all sunder shiver:

And from the horns of Unicorns  
Lord safely me deliver.

22. And I shall to my brethren all  
thy majesty record:

And in thy Church shall praise the name  
of thee the living Lord.

***The Third part.***

23. All ye that fear him praise the Lord  
thou Jacob honour him:

And all ye seed of Israel  
with reverence worship him.

24. For he despiseth not the poor,  
he turneth not away

His countenance when they do call,  
but granteth to their cry.

25. Among the folk that fear the Lord  
I will therefore proclaim

Thy praise, and keep my promise made  
for setting forth thy name.

26. The poor shall eat and be sufficed,  
and those that do their dever

To know the Lord shall praise his name,  
their hearts shall live for ever.

27. All coasts of earth shall praise the Lord  
and turn to him for grace:

The heathen folk shall worship him  
before his blessed face.

28. The kingdom of the heathen folk  
the Lord shall have therefore:

And he shall be their governor,  
and king for evermore.

29. The rich man of his goodly gifts,  
shall feed and taste also:

And in his presence worship him,  
and bow their knees full low.

30. And all that shall go down to dust  
of life by him must taste:

My seed shall live and praise the Lord  
while any world shall last.

31. My seed shall plainly shew to them  
that shall be born hereafter:

His justice and his righteousness,  
and all his works of wonder.

## The Lord is only my support

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Psalm 23

Thomas RAVENSCROFT (1590 - 1633)

CANTVS

MEDIVS

TENOR  
or Playnsong

BASSVS

Winchester Tune

The Lord is on - ly my sup - port, and he that doth me feed:

The Lord is on - ly my sup - port, and he that doth me feed:

The Lord is on - ly my sup - port, and he that doth me feed:

The Lord is on - ly my sup - port, and he that doth me feed:

3  
S. How can I then lack a - ny - thing, where - of I stand in need.

A. How can I then lack a - ny - thing, where - of I stand i need.

T. How can I then lack a - ny - thing, where - of I stand in need.

B. How can I then lack a - ny - thing, where - of I stand in need.

2. He doth me fold in coats most safe,  
the tender grass fast by:  
And after drives me to the streams,  
which run most pleasantly.

3. And when I feel myself near lost,  
then doth he me home take:  
Conducting me in his right paths  
even for his own name's sake.

4. And though I were even at death's door  
yet would I fear none ill:  
For with thy rod and shepherd's crook  
I am comforted still.

5. Thou hast my table richly decked,  
in despite of my foe:  
Thou hast my head with balm refreshed,  
my cup doth overflow.

6. And finally while breath doth last,  
thy grace shall me defend:  
And in the house of God will I  
my life for ever spend.

# My shepherd is the living Lord

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Psalm 23

Thomas RAVENSCROFT (1590 - 1633)

(Another of the same)

CANTVS

MEDIVS

Winchester Tune

TENOR  
or Playnsong

BASSVS

1. My Shep-herd is the li-ving Lord, no - thing there -fore I need:  
 2. He did con-vert and glad my soul, and brought my mind in frame:  
 3. Yea, though I walk in vale of death, yet would I fear none ill:  
 4. And in the pre-sence of my foes, my ta - ble thou shalt spread:  
 5. Through all my life thy fa-vour is so frank - ly shewed to me:

1. My Shep-herd is the li-ving Lord, no - thing there -fore I need:  
 2. He did con-vert and glad my soul, and brought my mind in frame:  
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 4. And in the pre-sence of my foes, my ta - ble thou shalt spread:  
 5. Through all my life thy fa-vour is so frank - ly shewed to me:

3

S.

A.

T.

B.

1. In pas - tures fair with wa - ters calm, he set me for to feed.  
 2. To walk in paths of right - eous - ness, for his most ho - ly name.  
 3. Thy rod, thy staff doth com - fort me and thou art with me still.  
 4. Thou shalt (O Lord) fill full my cup, and eke a - noint my head.  
 5. That in thy house for e - ver - more my dwel - ling place shall be.

## The earth is all the Lords

The Whole Booke of Psalmes (ed. Ravenscroft, 1621)

Psalm 24

Richard ALLISON (ca. 1560 - ca. 1610)

CANTVS

MEDIVS

TENOR  
or Playnsong

BASSVS

*Rochester Tune*

The earth is all the Lord's, with all her store and fur - ni - ture:

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The earth is all the Lord's, with all her store and fur - ni - ture:

The earth is all the Lord's, with all her tore and fur - ni - ture:

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S.

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T.

B.

Yea, his is all the world, and all that there - in doth en - dure.

Yea, his is all the world, and all that there - in doth en - dure.

Yea, his is all the world, and all that there - in doth en - dure.

Yea, his is all the world, and all that there - in doth en - dure.

2. For he hath fastly founded it  
above the sea to stand:  
And laid alow the liquid floods  
to flow beneath the land.

3. For who is he (O Lord) that shall  
ascend unto thy hill?  
Or pass into thy holy place  
there to continue still?

4. Whose hands are harmless and whose heart  
no spot there doth defile:  
His soul not set on vanity,  
who hath not sworn to guile.

5. Him that is such a one the Lord  
shall place in blissful plight:  
And God his God and Saviour  
shall yield to him his right.

6. This is the brood of travellers  
in seeking of his grace:  
As Jacob did the Israelites  
in that time of his race.

7. Ye Princes open your gates, stand open  
the everlasting gate:  
For there shall enter in thereby  
the Prince of glorious state.

8. What is the king of glorious state?  
the strong and mighty Lord:  
The mighty Lord in battles flour,  
and trial of the sword:

9. Ye Princes open your gates stand, open  
the everlasting gate:  
For there shall enter in thereby,  
the King of glorious state.

10. What is the King of glorious state?  
the Lord of hosts it is  
The kingdom and the royalty,  
of glorious state is his.

# I lift my heart to thee

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*Psalm 25*

John WARD (1571 - 1621)

CANTVS

MEDIVS

TENOR  
or Playnsong

BASSVS

*Canterbury Tune*

I lift my heart to thee, my God and guide most just:

I lift my heart to thee, my God and guide most just:

I lift my heart to thee, my God and guide most just:

I lift my heart to thee, my God and guide most just:

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S.

A.

T.

B.

Now suf - fer me to take no shame, for in thee I do trust.

Now suf - fer me to take no shame, for in thee I do trust.

Now suf - fer me to take no shame, for in thee I do trust.

Now suf - fer me to take no shame, for in thee I do trust.

2. Let not my foes rejoice,  
nor make a scorn of me:  
And let them not be overthrown,  
that put their trust in thee.

3. But shame shall them befall,  
wich harm them wrongfully:  
Therefore thy paths and thy right ways  
unto me Lord descry.

4. Direct me in thy truth,  
and teach me I thee pray:  
Thou art my God and Saviour,  
on thee I wait alway.

5. Thy mercies manifold,  
I pray thee Lord remember:  
And eke thy pity plentiful,  
for they have been forever.

6. Remember not the faults,  
and frailty of my mouth:  
remember not how ignorant  
I have been of thy truth.

Nor after my deserts,  
let me thy mercy find:  
But of thine own benignity  
Lord have me in thy mind.

7. His mercy is full sweet,  
his truth a perfect guide:  
Therefore the Lord will sinners teach,  
and such as go aside.

8. The humble he will teach,  
his precepts for to keep:  
He will direct in all his ways  
the lowly and the meek,

9. For all the ways of God,  
are truth and mercy both:  
To them that keep his testament  
the witness of his troth.

## *The Second part.*

10. Now for thy holy name,  
O Lord I thee entreat  
To grant me pardon for my sin,  
for it is wondrous great.

11. Whoso doth fear thee Lord,  
the Lord will him direct:  
To lead his life in such a way,  
as he doth best accept.

12. His soul shall evermore,  
in goodness dwell and stand:  
His seed and his posterity  
inherit shall the Land.

13. All those that fear the Lord,  
know his secret intent:  
And unto them he doth declare  
his will and testament.

14. Mine eyes and eke my heart,  
to him I will advance,  
That plucked my feet out of the snare  
of sin and ignorance.

15. With mercy me behold,  
to thee I make my moan:  
For I am poor and desolate,  
and comfortless alone.

16. The troubles of my heart  
are multiplied indeed:  
Bring me out of this misery,  
necessity and need.

17. Behold my poverty,  
my anguish, and my pain:  
Remit my sin and mine offence,  
and make me clean again.

18. O Lord behold my foes,  
how they do still increase:  
Pursuing me with deadly hate,  
that fain would live in peace.

19. Preserve and keep my soul  
and eke deliver me:  
And let me not be overthrown  
because I trust in thee.

20. Let my simple pureness  
me from mine enemies shewed:  
Because I look as one of thine  
that thou shouldst me defend.

21. Deliver Lord thy folk,  
and send them some relief:  
I mean thy chosen Israel,  
from all their pain and grief.

## Lord be my Iudge

The Whole Booke of Psalmes (ed. Ravenscroft, 1621)

Psalm 26

Thomas RAVENSCROFT (1590 - 1633)

CANTVS

MEDIVS  
*Wolverhampton*

TENOR  
or *Playnsong*

BASSVS

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A.

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B.

Lord be my Iudge, and thou shalt see my paths are right and plain:  
 Lord be my Iudge, and thou shalt see my paths are right and plain:  
 Lord be my Iudge, and thou shalt see my paths are right and plain:  
 Lord be my Iudge, and thou shalt see my paths are right and plain:  
 Lord be my Iudge, and thou shalt see my paths are right and plain:  
 I trust in God, and hope that he will strength me to re - main.  
 I trust in God, and hope that he will strength me to re - main.  
 I trust in God, and hope that he will strength me to re - main.  
 I trust in God, and hope that he will strength me to re - main.

2. Prove me my God I thee desire,  
 my ways to search and try:  
 As men do prove their gold with fire,  
 my reins and heart espy.

3. Thy goodness laid before my face,  
 I durst behold always:  
 For of thy truth I tread the trace,  
 and will do all my days.

4. I do not lust to haunt or use  
 with men whose deeds are vain:  
 To come in house I do refuse  
 with the deceitful train!

5. I much abhor the wicked sort,  
 their deeds I do despise:  
 O do not once to them resort  
 that hurtful things devise.

6. My hands I wash, and do proceed  
 in works to walk upright:  
 then to thine altar I make speed  
 to offer there in sight.

7. That I may speak and preach the praise  
 that doth belong to thee:  
 And so declare how wond'rous ways,  
 thou hast been good to me.

8. O Lord thy house I love most dear,  
 to me it doth excel:  
 I have delight and would draw near  
 whereas thy grace doth dwell.

9. O shut not up my soul with them  
 in sin that take theri fill:  
 Nor yet my soul among those men  
 that seek much blood to spill.

10. Whose hands are heaped with craft and guile  
 their life thereof is full:  
 And their right hand with wretch and wile  
 for bribes doth pluck and pull.

11. But I in righteousness intend,  
 my time and days to serve,  
 Have mercy Lord and me defend,  
 so that I do not swerve.

12. My foot is stayed for all assays  
 it standeth well and right:  
 Wherefore to God will I give praise  
 in all the people's sight.



# The Lord is both my health and light

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*Psalme 27*

John MILTON (1562 - 1647)

CANTVS  
MEDIVS  
TENOR  
or Playnsong  
BASSVS

*Yorke Tune*

The Lord is both my health and light, shall man make me dis- mayed?  
The Lord is both my health and light, shall man make me dis mayed?  
The Lord is both my health and light, shall man make me dis - mayed?  
The Lord is both my strength and light, shall man make me dis - mayed?

S.  
A.  
T.  
B.

Sith God doth give me strength and might, why should I be a - fraid?  
Sith God doth give me strength and might, why should I be a- fraid?  
Sith God doth give me strength and might, why should I be a- fraid?  
Sith God doth give me strength and might, why should I be a - fraid?

2. While that my foes with all their strength begin with me to brawl:  
And think to eat me up at length, themselves have caught the fall.

3. Though they in camp against me lie, my heart is not afraid:  
In battle plight, if they will try, I trust in God for aid.

4. One thing of God I do require, that he will not deny:  
For which I pray and will desire, till he to me apply.

5. That I within his holy place my life throughout may dwell:  
To see the beauty of his face and view his temple well.

6. In time of dread he shall me hide within his place most pure:  
And keep me secret by his side, as on a rock most sure.

7. At length I know the Lord's good grace shall make me strong and stout:  
My foes to spoil and cean deface, that compass me about.

8. Therefore within his house will I give sacrifice of praise:  
With Psalms and songs I will apply to laud the Lord always.

## *The Second part.*

9. Lord hear the voice of (my) request for which to thee I call:  
Have mercy Lord on me oppressed, and send me help withall.

10. My heart doth knowledge unto thee I sue to have thy grace:  
Then seek my face (say'st thou to me) Lord I will seek thy face.

11. In wrath turn not thy self away, nor suffer me to slide:  
Thou art my help still to this day, be still my God and guide.

12. My parents both their son forsook and cast me off at large:  
And then the Lord himself yet took of me the care and charge.

13. Teach me o God the way to thee and lead me on forth right:  
For fear of such as watch for me, to trap me if they might.

14. Do not betake me to the will of them that be my foes:  
For they surmise against me still, false witness to depose.

15. My heart would faint, but that in me this hope is fixed fast:  
The Lord Gods good grace shall I see, in life that aye shall last.

16. Trust still in God whose whole thou art his will abide thou must:  
And he shall ease and strength thy heart, if thou in him do trust.

# Thou art O Lord my strength

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*Psalme 28*

Thomas RAVENSCROFT (1590 - 1633)

CANTVS

MEDIVS

TENOR  
or Playnsong

BASSVS

*Durham Tune*

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S.

A.

T.

B.

Thou art O Lord, my strength and stay, the suc - cor which I crave:

Thou art O Lord, my strength and stay, the suc - cor which I crave:

Thou art O Lord, my strength and stay, the suc - cor which I crave:

Thou art O Lord, my strength and stay, the suc - cor which I crave:

Ne - glect me not, lest I be like to them that go to grave.

Ne - glect me not, lest I be like to them that go to grave.

Ne - glect me not, lest I be like to them that go to grave.

Ne - glect me not, lest I be like to them that go to grave.

2. The voice of thy suppliant hear  
that unto thee doth cry:  
When I lift up my hands unto  
thy holy Ark most high.

3. Repute men of among the fort  
of wicked and pervert:  
That speak right fair unto their friends  
and think full ill in heart.

4. According to their handy work,  
as they deserve indeed:  
And after their inventions  
let them receive their meed.

5. For they regard nothing Gods word,  
his law ne yet his lore:  
Therefore will he them and their seed  
destroy for evermore.

6. To render thanks unto the Lord  
how great a cause have I?  
My voice, my prayer and my complaint  
that heard so willingly.

7. He is my shield and fortitude,  
my buckler in distress:  
My hope, my help, my heart's relief,  
my song shall him confess.

8. He is our strength and our defense  
our enemies to resist:  
The health and the salvation  
of his elect by Christ.

9. Thy people and thy heritage  
Lord, bless, guide, and preserve:  
Increase them Lord, and rule their heart,  
that they do never swerve.

# Give to the Lord ye potentates

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*Psalme 29*

Thomas RAVENSCROFT (1590 - 1633)

CANTVS

MEDIVS

TENOR  
or Playnsong

BASSVS

*Carleyl Tune*

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S.

A.

T.

B.

Give to the Lord ye po - ten - tates, ye Ru - lers of the world:

Give ye all praise, ho - nor and strength un - to the li - ving Lord.

2. Give glory to his holy name,  
and honor him alone:  
Worship him in his majesty,  
within his holy throne.

3. His voice doth rule the waters all,  
even as himself doth please;  
He doth prepare the thunder-claps,  
and governs all the Seas.

4. The voice of God is of great force  
and wond'rous excellent:  
It is most mighty in effect,  
and most magnificent.

5. The voice of God doth rend and break  
the Cedar trees so long  
The Cedar trees of Libanus,  
which are most high and strong.

6. And makes them leap like as a calf  
or else an Unicorn:  
Not only trees, but mountains great  
whereon the trees are borne.

7. His voice divides the flames of fire,  
and shakes the wilderness:  
8. It makes the desert quake for fear,  
that called is Cades.

9. It makes the Hinds for fear to calve,  
and makes the covert plain:  
Then in his Temple every man,  
his glory doth proclaim.

10. The Lord was set above the floods  
ruling the raging sea:  
So shall he reign as Lord and King,  
for ever and for aye.

11. The Lord will give his people power  
in virtue to increase:  
The Lord will bless his chosen folk  
with everlasting peace.

## All laud and praise with heart and voice

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Psalm 30

Thomas RAVENSCROFT (1590 - 1633)

CANTVS  
MEDIVS  
TENOR  
or *Playnsong*  
BASSVS

All laud and praise with heart and voice, O Lord I give to thee:  
All laud and praise with heart and voice, O Lord I give to thee:  
All laud and praise with heart and voice, O Lord I give to thee:  
All laud and praise with heart and voice, O Lord I give to thee:

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S. which didst not make my foes re-joice, but hast ex-al - ted me. O Lord my God to thee I cried  
A. which didst not make my foes re-joice, but hast ex - al - ted me. O Lord my God to thee I cried  
T. which didst not make my foes re-joice, but hast ex - al - ted me. O Lord my God to thee I cried  
B. which didst not make my foes re-joice, but hast ex - al - ted me. O Lord my God to thee I cried

6  
S. in all my pain and grief, thou gavest an ear and didst pro- vide, to ease me with re- lief.  
A. in all my pain and grief, thou gavest an ear and didst pro- vide, to ease me with re - lief.  
T. in all my pain and grief, thou gavest an ear and didst pro- vide, to ease me with re - lief.  
B. in all my pain and grief, thou gavest an ear and didst pro- vide, to ease me with re - lief.

3. Of thy good will thou hast called back  
my soul from hell to save:  
Thou didst revive when strength did lack  
and keepest me from the grave.  
4. Sing praise ye Saints that prove and see  
the goodness of the Lord:  
In memory of his majesty,  
rejoice with one accord.

5. For why? his anger but a space  
doth last and flake again:  
But in his favor and his grace  
always doth life remain.  
Though gripes of grief and pangs full sore  
shall lodge with us all night:  
The Lord to joy shall us restore,  
before the day be light.

6. When I enjoyed the world at will,  
 thus would I boast and say:  
 Tush I am sure to feel none ill,  
 this wealth shall not decay:

7. For thou O God of thy good grace  
 hast sent me strength and aid,  
 But when thou turnedst away thy face  
 my mind was sore dismayed.

8. Wherefore again yet did I cry  
 to thee O Lord of might:  
 My God with plaints I did apply,  
 and praise both day and night.

9. What gain is in my blood said I,  
 if death destroy my days?  
 Doth dost declare thy majesty,  
 or yet thy truth doth prise?

10. Wherefore my God some pity take,  
 O Lord I thee desire:  
 Do not this simple soul forsake,  
 of help I thee require.

11. Then didst thou turn my grief and woe  
 unto a cheerful voice:  
 The mourning weed thou tookest me fro  
 and mad'st me to rejoice.

22. Wherefore my soul uncessantly  
 shall sing unto thy praise:  
 My Lord, my God, to thee will I  
 give laud and thanks always.

## O Lord I put my trust in thee

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Psalm 31

John BENNET (ca. 1570 - 1614)

CANTVS

MEDIVS

TENOR  
or Playnsong

BASSVS

*Cheshire Tune*

O Lord I put my trust in thee, let no-thing work me shame:

O Lord I put my trust in thee, let no-thing work me shame:

O Lord I put my trust in thee, let no-thing work me shame:

O Lord I put my trust in thee, let no-thing work me shame:

O Lord I put my trust in thee, let no-thing work me shame:

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S.  
As thou art just de - li - ver me, and set me quit from blame.

A.  
As thou art just de - li - ver me, and set me quit from blame.

T.  
As thou art just de - li - ver me, and set me quit from blame.

B.  
As thou art just de - li - ver me, and set me quit from blame.

2. Hear me O Lord, and that anon  
to help me make good speed:  
Be thou my rock and house of stone,  
my fence in time of need.

3. For why? as stones by strength is tried  
thou art my fort and tower:  
For thy name's sake be thou my guide,  
and lead me in thy power.

4. Pluck forth my feet out of the snare  
which they for me have laid:  
Thou art my strength, and all my care  
is for thy might and aid.

5. Into thy hands Lord I commit  
my spirit which is thy due:  
For why? thou hast redeemed it,  
O Lord my God most true.

6. I hate such folk as will not part  
from things to be abhorred:  
When they on trifles set their heart,  
my trust is in the Lord.

7. For I will in thy mercy joy,  
I see it doth excell:  
Thou seest when ought would me annoy  
and knowest my soul full well.

8. Thou hast not left me in their hand,  
that would me overcharge:  
But thou hast set me out of band  
to walk abroad at large.

*The Second part.*

9. Great grief O Lord doth me assail,  
some pity on me take:  
Mine eyes wax dim, my sight doth fail,  
my whombe for woe doth ache.
10. My life is worn with grief and pain  
my years in woe are past:  
My strength is gone, and through disdain  
my bones corrupt and waste.
11. Among my foes I am a scorn,  
my friends are all dismayed:  
My neighbors and my kinsmen born  
to see me are afraid.
12. As men once dead are out of mind,  
so am I now forgot:  
As small effect in me they find,  
as in a broken pot.
13. I heard the brags of all the rout  
their threats my mind did fray:  
How they conspired and went about  
to take my life away.
14. But Lord I trust in thee for aid,  
not to be overtrod:  
For I confess and still have said,  
thou art my Lord and God.
15. The length of all my life and age,  
O Lord is in thy hand.  
Defend me from the wrath and rage  
of them that thee withstand.
16. To me thy servant Lord express,  
and shew thy joyful face:  
And save me Lord for thy goodness,  
thy mercy and thy grace.

*The Third part.*

17. Lord let me not be put to blame,  
for that on thee I call:  
But let the wicked bear the shame  
and in the grave to fall.
18. O how great good hast thou in store  
laid up full safe for them:  
That fear and trust in thee therefore  
before the sons of men?
19. Thy presence shall them fence and guide  
from all proud brags and wrongs:  
Within thy place thou shalt them hide  
from all the strife and tongues.
20. Thanks to the Lord that hath declar'd  
on me his grace so far:  
Me to defend with watch and ward,  
as in a town of war.
21. Thus did I say both day and night,  
when I was sore oppressed:  
Lo I was clean cast out of sight,  
yet heardst thou my request.
22. Ye Saints love ye the Lord I say,  
the faithful he doth guide:  
And to the proud he will repay,  
according to their pride.
23. Be strong and God shall stay your hart,  
be bold and have a lust:  
For sure the Lord will take your part  
sith ye on him do trust.

## The man is blest whose wickednesse

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Psalm 32

Thomas RAVENSROFT (1590 - 1633)

CANTVS

MEDIVS

TENOR  
or Playnsong

BASSVS

*The Kings Tune*

The man is blest whose wick-ed - ness the Lord hath clean re-mit-ted:  
The man is blest whose wick-ed - ness the Lord hath clean re-mit-ted:  
The man is blest whose wick-ed - ness the Lord hath clean re - mit-ted:  
The man is blest whose wick - ed-ness the Lord hath clean re - mit-ted:

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S.  
A.  
T.  
B.

And he whose sin and wretch-ed - ness is hid and al - so covered.  
And he whose sin and wretch-ed - nes is hid and al - so covered.  
And he whose sin and wretch-ed - ness is hid and al - so covered.  
And he whose sin and wretch-ed - ness is hid and al - so covered.

2. And blest is he to whom the Lord  
imputeth not his sin:  
Which in his heart hath hid no guile,  
nor fraud is found therein.

3. For whilst that I kept close my sin,  
in silence and constraint:  
My bones did wear and waste away  
with daily moan and plaint.

4. For night and day thy hand on me  
so grievous was and smart:  
That all my blood and humors moist  
to dryness did convert.

5. I did therefore confess my fault,  
and all my sins discover:  
Then thou O Lord didst me forgive,  
and all my sins pass over.

6. The humble man shall pray therefore,  
and seek thee in due time:  
So that the floods of water great  
shall have no power on him.

7. When trouble an adversity,  
do compass me about:  
Thou art my refuge and my joy,  
and thou dost rid me out.

8. Come hither, and I shall thee teach,  
how thou shalt walk upright:  
And will thee guide, as I myself  
have learned by proof and sight.

9. Be not so rude and ignorant,  
as is the Horse and Mule,  
Whose mouth without a rein or bit  
from harm thou canst not rule.

10. The wicked man shall manifold  
sorrows and grief sustain:  
But unto him that trusts in God,  
his goodness shall remain.

11. Be merry therefore in the Lord,  
ye just lift up your voice:  
And ye of pure and perfect heart,  
be glad and eke rejoice.



# Yee righteous in the Lord reioyce

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Psalm 33

Thomas RAVENSCROFT (1590 - 1633)

CANTVS  
MEDIVS  
TENOR or Playnsong  
BASSVS

*Dukes Tune*

Ye right-eous in the Lord re- joice: it is a seem - ly sight,  
Ye right-eous in the Lord re- joice: it is a seem - ly sight,  
Ye right-eous in the Lord re- joice: it is a seem - ly sight,  
Ye right-eous in the Lord re- joice: it is a seem - ly sight,

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S.  
A.  
T.  
B.

that up - right men with thank - ful voice should praise the God of might.  
that up - right men with thank - ful voice should praise the God of might.  
that up - right men with thank - ful voice should praise the God of might.  
that up - right men with thank - ful voice should praise the God of might.

2. Praise ye the Lord with Harp and song  
in Psalms and pleasant things:  
With Lute and Instruments among,  
that soundeth with ten strings.

3. Sing to the Lord a song most new,  
with courage give him praise:  
4. For why, his word is ever true,  
his works and all his ways.  
5. To judgement, equity, and right  
he hath a great good will:  
And with his gifts he doth delight  
the earth throughout to fill.

6. For by the word of God alone  
the heavens all were wrought:  
Their hosts and powers every one  
his breath to pass hath brought.  
7. The waters great gathered hath he  
on heaps within the shore:  
And hid them in the depth to be  
as in a house of stone.

8. All men on earth both least and most  
fear God and keep his law:  
Ye that inhabite in each coast,  
dread him and stand in awe.  
9. What he commanded wrought it was  
at once with present speed:  
What he doth will is brought to pass  
with full effect indeed.

10. The counsels of the nationes rude  
the Lord doth bring to naught:  
He doth defeat the multitude  
of their device and thought.

11. But his decrees continue still,  
they never slack or 'swage:  
The motions of his mind and will,  
take place in every age.

### The Second part.

12. And blest are they to whom the Lord  
as God and guide is known:  
Whom he doth choose of mere accord  
to take them as his own.  
13. The Lord from heaven cast his sight  
on men mortal by birth:  
Considering from his seat of might  
the dwellers on the earth.

14. The Lord (I say) whose hand hath wrought  
man's heart and doth it frame  
15. For he alone doth know the thought,  
and working of the same.  
16. A King that trusteth in his host  
shall naught prevail at length:  
The man that of his might doth boast  
shall fall for all his strength.

17. The troops of horsemen eke shall fail  
their sturdy Steeds shall sterve:  
The strength of horse shall not prevail  
the rider to preserve.

18. But lo the eyes of God intend,  
and watch to aid the just:  
With such as fear him to offend,  
and on his goodness trust.

19. That he of death and all distress  
may set their souls from dread:  
And if that death their land oppress,  
in hunger them to feed.  
Wherefore our souls do still depend  
on God our strength and stay:  
He is the shield us to defend,  
and drive all darts away.

21. Our soul in God hath joy and game,  
rejoicing in his might:  
For why? in his most holy name  
we hope and have delight.  
22. Therefore let thy goodness O Lord,  
still present with us be:  
As we always with one accord,  
do only trust in thee.

## I will give laud and honour

The Whole Booke of Psalmes (ed. Ravenscroft, 1621)

Psalm 34

Thomas RAVENSCROFT (1590 - 1630)

CANTVS

MEDIVS

TENOR  
or Playnsong

BASSVS

*Abby Tune*

I will give laud and ho - nor both un - to the Lord al - ways:

I will give laud and ho - nor both un - to the Lord al - ways:

I will give laud and ho - nor both un - to the Lord al - ways:

I will give laud and ho - nor both un - to the Lord al - ways:

S. 3  
And eke my mouth for e - ver - more shall speak un - to his praise.

A.  
And eke my mouth for e - ver - more shall speak un - to his praise.

T.  
And eke my mouth for e - ver - more shall speak un - to his praise.

B.  
And eke my mouth for e - ver - more shall speak un - to his praise.

2. I do delight to laud the Lord  
in soul and eke in voice:  
That humble men and mortified  
may hear and so rejoice.

3. Therefore see that ye magnify  
with me the living Lord:  
And let us now exalt his name,  
together with one accord.

4. For I myself besought the Lord,  
he answered me again:  
And me delivered incontinent  
from all my fear and pain.

5. Whoso they be that him behold,  
shall see his light most clear:  
Their countenance shall not be dashed,  
they need it not to fear.

6. This silly soul for some relief,  
unto the Lord did call:  
Who did him hear without delay,  
and rid him out of thrall.

7. The Angel of the Lord doth pitch  
his tents in every place:  
To save all such as fear the Lord,  
that nothing them deface.

8. Taste and consider well therefore,  
that God is good and just:  
O happy man that maketh him,  
his only stay and trust.

9. Fear ye the Lord ye holy ones,  
above all earthly thing:  
For they that fear the living Lord,  
are sure to lack nothing.

10. The Lions shall be hunger-bit,  
and pined with famine much:  
But as for them that fear the Lord,  
no lacks shall be to such.

*The Second part.*

11. Come near therefore my children dear  
and to my words give ear:  
I shall you teach the perfect way,  
how you the Lord shall fear.

12. Who is the man that would live long  
and lead a blessed life?

13. See thou refrain thy tongue and lips  
from all deceit and strife.

14. Turn back thy face from doing ill,  
and do the godly deed:  
Inquire for peace and quietness,  
and follow it with speed.

15. For why? the eyes of God above,  
upon the just are bent:  
His ears likewise doth hear the plaint  
of the poor innocent.

16. But he doth frown and bend his brows  
upon the wicked train:  
And cuts away the memory,  
that should of them remain.

17. But when the just do call and cry,  
the Lord doth hear them so:  
That out of pain and misery,  
forthwith he lets them go.

18. The Lord is kind and merciful,  
to such as be contrite:  
He saves also the sorrowful  
the meek, and poor in spite.

19. Full many be the miseries,  
that righteous men do suffer:  
But out of all adversities,  
the Lord will them deliver.

20. The Lord doth so preserve and keep  
his very bones alway:  
That not so much as one of them,  
doth perish or decay.

21. The sin shall slay the wicked man,  
which he himself hath wrought:  
And such as hate the righteous man  
shall soon be brought to nought.

22. But they that serve the living Lord,  
the Lord doth save them sound:  
And who that put their trust in him,  
nothing shall them confound.

# Lord plead my cause against my foes

The Whole Booke of Psalmes (ed. Ravenscroft, 1621)

Psalm 35

Thomas TOMKINS (1572 - 1656)

CANTVS

MEDIVS

TENOR  
or Playnsong

BASSVS

*Dumfermeling  
Tune*

Lord plead my cause a-against my foes, con-found their force and might:

Lord plead my cause a-against my foes; con-found their force and might:

Lord plead my cause a-against my foes, con-found their force and might:

Lord plead my cause a-against my foes, con-found their force and might:

3

S.

A.

T.

B.

Fight on my part a - gainst all those, that seek with me to fight.

Fight on my part a-gainst all those, that seek with me to fight.

Fight on my part a - gainst all those, that seek with me to fight.

Fight on my part a - gainst all those, that seek with me to fight.

2. Lay hand upon thy spear and shield,  
thyself in armour dress:  
Stand up for me and sight the field,  
to help me from distress.

3. Gird on thy sword and stop the way,  
mine enemies to withstand:  
That thou unto my soul may'st say,  
lo I thy help at hand.  
Confound them with rebuke and blame  
that seek my soul to spill?  
Let them turn back and flee with shame  
that think to work me ill.

5. Let them disperse and fly abroad,  
as wind doth drive to dust:  
And that the Angel of our God  
their might away may thrust.

6. Let all their ways be void of light,  
and slippery like to fall:  
And send thine Angel with thy might  
to persecute them all.

7. For why? without my fault they have  
in secret set their grin:

And for no cause have digged a cave,  
to take my soul therein.

8. When they think least, and have no care  
O Lord destroy them all:  
Let them be trapped in their own snare,  
and in their mischief fall.

9. And let my soul, my heart and voice,  
in God have joy and wealth:  
That in the Lord I may rejoice,  
and in his saving health.

10. And then my bones shall speak and say,  
my parts shall all agree:  
O Lord, though they do seem full gay,  
what man is like to thee?

11. Thou dost defend the weak from them,  
that are both stout and strong:  
And rid the poor from wicked men,  
that spoil and do them wrong.  
12. My cruel foes against me rife,  
to witness things untrue:  
And to accuse me they devise,  
of that I never knew.

13. Where I to them do owe goodwill  
they quit me with disdain:  
That they should pay my good with ill,  
my soul doth sore complain.  
14. When they were sick, I mourned therefore,  
and clad myself in sack:  
With fasting I did faint full sore,  
to pray I was not slack.

15. As they had been my brethren dear  
I did myself behave:  
As one that maketh woful cheer  
about his mother's grave.  
16. But they at my disease did joy,  
and gather on a rout:  
Yea, abject slaves at me did toy  
with mocks and checks full stout.

17. The belly-gods and flattering train,  
that all good things deride:  
At me do grin with great disdain,  
and pluck their mouth aside.  
18. Lord, when wilt thou amend this gear?  
why dost thou stay and pause?  
Oh rid my soul, mine only dear,  
out of these Lion's claws.

19. And then will I give thanks to thee  
before the Church always:  
And whereas most of people be,  
there will I shew thy praise.  
20. Let not my foes prevail on me,  
which hate me for no fault:  
Nor yet to wink or turn their eye  
that causeless me assault.

### *The Second part.*

21. Of peace no word they think or say  
their talk is all untrue:  
They still consult and would betray,  
all those that peace ensue.  
22. With open mouth they run at me,  
they gape, they laugh, they (flyer):  
Well, well, say they, our eye doth see,  
the thing that we desire.

23. But Lord thou seest what ways they take  
cease not this gear to mend:  
Be not far of, nor me forsake,  
as men that fail their friend.  
24. Awake, arise, and stir abroad,  
defend me in my right:  
Revenge my cause, my Lord, my God,  
and aid me with thy might.

25. According to thy righteousness,  
my Lord God set me free:  
And let not them their pride express,  
nor triumph over me.  
26. Let not their hearts rejoice and cry,  
there there this gear goeth trim,  
Nor give them cause to say, on high,  
we have our will on him.

27. Confound them with rebuke and shame  
that joy when I do mourn:  
And pay them home with spite and blame,  
that brag at me with scorn.  
28. Let them be glad and eke rejoice,  
which love mine upright way:  
And they all times with heart and voice  
shall praise the Lord and say,

29. Great is the Lord and doth excel  
for why? he doth delight  
To see his servants prosper well,  
that is his pleasant sight.  
30. Wherefore my tongue I will apply  
thy righteousness to praise:  
Unto thee Lord my God will I,  
sing laud and thanks always.

## The wicked with his works vniust

The Whole Booke of Psalmes (ed. Ravenscroft, 1621)

Psalme 36

Thomas RAVENSCROFT (1590 - 1630)

CANTVS

MEDIVS

TENOR  
or Playnsong

BASSVS

*Dundy Tune*

The wick-ed with his works un-just doth thus per-suade his heart:

The wick-ed with his works un-just doth thus per-suade his heart:

The wick-ed with his works un-just doth thus per-suade his heart:

The wick-ed with his works un-just doth thus per-suade his heart:

3

S. That of the Lord he hath no trust, his fear is set a - part.

A. That of the Lord he hath no trust, his fears is set a - part.

T. That of the Lord he hath no trust, his fear is set a - part.

B. That of the Lord he hath no trust, his fear is set a - part.

2. Yet doth he joy in his estate,  
to walk as he began:  
So long till he deserve the hate  
of God, and eke of man.

3. His works are wicked, vile and naught,  
his tongue no truth doth tell:  
Yet at no hand will he be taught,  
which way he may do well.

4. When he should sleep then doth he muse  
his mischiefs to fulfill:  
No wicked ways doth he refuse,  
nor nothing that is ill.

5. But Lord thy goodness doth ascend,  
above the heavens high:  
So doth thy truth itself extend,  
unto the cloudy sky.

6. Much more then hills so high and steep,  
thy justice is expressed:  
Thy judgements like to seas most deep,  
thou savest both man and beast.

7. Thy mercy is above all things,  
O God it doth excel:  
In trust whereof as in thy wings,  
the sons of men shall dwell.

8. Within thy house they shall be fed,  
with plenty at their will:  
Of all delights they shall be sped,  
and take thereof their fill.

9. For why? the well of life so pure,  
doth overflow from thee:  
And in thy light we are full sure,  
the lasting light to see.

10. From such as thee desire to know,  
let not thy grace depart:  
Thy righteousness declare, and shew  
to men of upright heart.

11. Let not the proud on me prevail,  
O Lord of thy good grace:  
Nor let the wicked me assail,  
to throw me out of place.

12. But they in their device shall fall,  
that wicked works maintain,  
They shall be overthrown withall,  
and never rise again.

# Grudge not to see the wicked men

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The Whole Booke of Psalmes  
(ed. Ravenscroft, 1621)

*Psalm 37 (the First part)*

Thomas RAVENSCROFT (1590 - 1633)

CANTVS

MEDIVS

TENOR  
or Playnsong

BASSVS

*Glasgow Tune*

Grudge not to see the wick-ed men, in wealth to flour-ish still:

Grudge not to see the wick-ed men, in wealth to flour-ish still:

Grudge not to see the wick-ed men, in wealth to flour-ish still:

Grudge not to see the wick-ed men, in wealth to flour-ish still:

3

S. Nor yet en - vy such as to ill, have bent and set their will.

A. Nor yet en - vy such as to ill, have bent and set their will.

T. nor yet en - vy such as to ill, have bent and set their will.

B. Nor yet en - vy such as to ill, have bent and set their will.

2. For as green grass and flourishing herbs  
are cut and wither away:  
So shall their great prosperities,  
soon pass, fade and decay.

3. Trust thou therefor in God alone,  
to do well give thy mind:  
So shalt thou have the land as thine,  
and there sure food shalt find.

4. In God set all thy heart's delight,  
and look what thou wouldst have:  
Or else canst wish in all the world,  
thou need'st it not to crave.

5. Cast both thyself and thine affairs,  
on God with perfect trust:  
And thou shalt see with patience,  
the effect both sure and just.

6. Thy perfect life and godly name,  
he will clear as the light:  
So that the Sun even at noon days,  
shall not shine half so bright.

7. Be still therefore, and steadfastly,  
on God see thou wait then:  
Nor shrinking for the prosperous state,  
of lewd and wicked men.

8. Shake off despite, envy and hate,  
at least in any wise:  
Their wicked steps avoid and sly,  
and follow not their guise.

9. For every wiked man will God,  
destroy both more and less:  
But such as trust in him are sure,  
the land for to possess.

10. Watch but a while and thou shalt see  
no more the wicked train:  
No not so much as house or place,  
where once he did remain.

## Grudge not to see the wicked men

The Whole Booke of Psalmes  
(ed. Ravenscroft, 1621)

*Psalm 37 (the Second & other parts)*

Thomas RAVENSCROFT (1590 - 1633)

CANTVS

MEDIVS

TENOR  
or *Playnsong*

BASSVS

*Glasgow Tune*

3

S.

A.

T.

B.

But mer - ci - ful and hum - ble men, en - joy shall sea and land:  
 In rest and peace, they shall re - joice, for nought shall them with - stand.

12. The lewd men and malicious,  
against the just conspire:  
They gnash their teeth at him, as men  
which do his bane desire.

13. But while that lewd men thus do think  
the Lord laughs them to scorn:  
For why he seeth their term approach,  
when they shall sigh and mourn.

14. The wicked have their sword out drawn,  
their bow eke have they bent:  
To overthrow and kill the poor,  
as they the right way went.

15. But the same sword shall pierce their hearts  
which was to kill the just:  
Likewise the bow shall break to shivers  
wherein they put their trust.

16. Doubtless the just man's poor estate  
is better a great deal more:  
Then all these lewd, and worldly men's  
rich pomp and heaped store.

17. For be their power never so strong,  
God will it overthrow:  
Where contrary he doth preserve,  
the humble men and low.

18. He seeth by his great providence,  
the good men's trade and way:  
And will give them inheritance  
which never shall decay.

19. They shall no be discouraged,  
when some are hard bestead:  
When other shall be hunger-bit,  
they shall be clad and fed.

20. For whosoever wicked is,  
and enemy to the Lord:  
Shall quail, yea melt even as lambs grease  
or smoke that flyeth abroad.



*The Third part.*

21. Behold the wicked borroweth much  
and never payeth again:  
Whereas the just by liberal gifts,  
makes many glad and fain.
22. For they whom God doth bless shall have,  
the land for heritage:  
And they whom he doth curse likewise  
shall perish in his rage.
23. The Lord the just man's ways doth guide  
and gives him good success:  
To every thing he takes in hand,  
he sendeth good address.
24. Though that he fall yet is he sure,  
not utterly to quail,  
Because the Lord stretcheth out his hand,  
at need and doth not fail.
25. I have been young and now am old,  
yet did I never see:  
The just man left, nor yet his seed,  
to beg for misery.
26. But gives always most liberally,  
and lendeth where as is need:  
His Children and posterity,  
receive of God their meed.
27. Fly vice therefore and wickedness,  
and virtue do embrace:  
So God shall grant thee long to have,  
on earth a dwelling place.
28. For God so loveth equity,  
and sheweth to his such grace:  
That he preserves them evermore,  
destroying the wicked race.
29. Whereas the good and godly men,  
inherit shall the land:  
Having as Lords all things therein,  
in their own power and hand.
30. The just man's mouth doth ever speak  
of matters wise and high:  
His tongue doth talk to edify,  
with truth and equity.
31. For in his heart the law of God  
the Lord doth still abide:  
So that where ever he go or walk,  
his foot can never slide.
32. The wicked like a ravening wolf  
the just man doth beset:  
By all means seeking him to kill,  
if he fall in his net.

*The Fourth part.*

33. Though he should fall into his hands,  
yet God would succor send:  
Though men against him sentence give,  
God would him yet defend.
34. Wait thou on God and keep his way,  
he shall preserve thee then:  
The earth to rule and thou shalt see,  
destroyed these wicked men.
35. The wicked have I seen most strong,  
and placed in high degree:  
Flourishing in all wealth and store,  
as doth the Laurel-tree.
36. But suddenly he passeth away,  
and lo he was quite gone:  
Then I him sought but could scarce find,  
the place where dwelt such one.
37. Mark and behold the perfect man,  
how God doth him increase:  
For the just man shall have at length,  
great joy with rest and peace.
38. As for transgressors woe to them,  
destroyed they shall all be:  
God will cut off their budding race,  
and rich posterity.
39. But the salvation of the just,  
doth come from God above:  
Who in their trouble sends them aid,  
of his mere grace and love.
40. God doth them help, save and deliver,  
from lewd men and unjust:  
And still will save them whilst that they,  
in him do put their trust.

## Put me not to rebuke O Lord

The Whole Booke of Psalmes (ed. Ravenscroft, 1621)

Psalm 38

Thomas MORLEY (ca. 1557 - 1602)

CANTVS

MEDIVS

TENOR  
or Playnsong

BASSVS

Put me not to re - buke O Lord, in thy pro - vo - ked ire:

Put me not to re - buke O Lord in thy pro - vo - ked ire:

Put me not to re - buke O Lord, in thy pro - vo - ked ire:

Put me not to re - buke O Lord, in thy pro - vo - ked ire:

3

S.

A.

T.

B.

Ne in thy hea - vy wrath O Lord, cor - rect me I de - sire.

Ne in thy hea - vy wrath O Lord, cor - rect me I de - sire.

Ne in thy hea - vy wrath O Lord, cor - rect me I de - sire.

Ne in thy hea - vy wrath O Lord, cor - rect me I de - sire.

5

S.

A.

T.

B.

Thine ar - rows do stick fast in me, thy hand doth press me sore:

Thine ar - rows do stick fast in me, thy hand doth press me sore:

Thine ar - rows do stick fast in me, thy hand doth press me sore:

Thine ar - rows do stick fast in me, thy hand doth press me sore:

7

S.

A.

T.

B.

And in my flesh no health at all ap - pea - reth a - ny more.

And in my flesh no health at all ap - pea - reth a - ny more.

And in my flesh no health at all ap - pea - reth a - ny more.

And in my flesh no health at all ap - pea - reth a - ny more.

3. And all this is by reason of  
thy wrath that I am in:  
Not any rest is in my bones,  
by reason of my sin.

4. For lo my wicked doings Lord,  
above my head are gone:  
A greater load then I an bear,  
they lie me sore upon.

5. My wounds stink and are festered so,  
and loathsome are to see:  
Which all through mine own foolishness:  
betideth unto me.

6. And I in careful wise, am brought,  
in trouble and distress:  
That I go wailing all the day,  
in doleful heaviness.

7. My loins are filled with sore disease,  
my flesh hath no whole part:

8. I feeble am and broken sore,  
I roar for grief of heart.

9. Thou knowest Lord my desire, my groans  
are open in thy sight:

10. My heart doth pant, my strength hath failed  
mine eyes hath lost their light.

11. My lovers and my wonted friends,  
stand looking on my woe:  
And eke my kinsmen far away,  
are me departed fro.

12. They that did seek my life laid snares  
and they that sought the way  
to do me hurt, speak lies and thought  
on treason all the day.

### *The Second part.*

13. But as a deaf man I became,  
that cannot hear at all:

14. And as one dumb that opens not  
his mouth to speak at all.

15; For all my confidence (O Lord)  
is wholly set on thee:

16. O Lord, thou Lord, that art my God,  
thou shalt give ear to me.

17. This did I crave that they my foes,  
triumph not over me:  
For when my foot did slip then they,  
did joy my fall to see.  
And truly I poor wretch am set,  
in plague a woeful wight:  
And eke my grievous heaviness,  
is ever in my sight.

18. For while that I my wickedness,  
in humble wise confess:  
And while I for my sinful deeds,  
my sorrows do express.

19. My foes do still remain alive,  
and mighty are also:  
And they that hate me wrongfully,  
in number hugely grow.

20. They stand against me that my good  
with evil did repay:  
Because that good and honest things  
I do ensue alway.

21. Forsake me not (O Lord my God)  
be thou not far away:

22. Haste thee to help (my Lord my God)  
my safety and my stay.

## I Said I will looke to my wayes

The Whole Booke of Psalmes (ed. Ravenscroft, 1621)

Psalm 39

Simon STUBBS (fl. 1616 - 1621)

CANTVS

MEDIVS

TENOR  
or Playnsong

BASSVS

*Martyrs Tune*

1

I said I will look to my wayes, for fear I should go wrong:

I said I will look to my wayes, for fear I should go wrong:

I said I will look to my wayes, for fear I should go wrong:

I said I will look to my wayes, for fear I should go wrong:

5

S. I will take heed all times that I of - fend not in my tongue.

A. I will take heed all times that I of - fend not in my tongue.

T. I will take heed all times that I of - fend not in my tongue.

B. I will take heed all times that I of - fend not in my tongue.

**The Second part.**

2. As with a bit I will keep fast,  
my mouth with force and might:  
Not once to whisper all the while,  
the wicked are in sight.

3. I held my tongue and spake no word,  
but kept me close and still:  
Yea, from good talk I did refrain,  
but sore against my will.

4. My heart waxed hot within my breast,  
with musing thought and doubt:  
Which did increase and stir the fire,  
at last these words brassed out.

5. Lord number out my life and days,  
which yet I have not past:  
So that I may be certified,  
how long my life shall last.

6. Lord thou hast pointed out my life  
in length much like a span:  
Mine age is nothing unto thee,  
so vain is every man.

7. Man walketh like a shade, and doth  
in vain himself annoy,  
In getting goods, and cannot tell  
who shall the same enjoy.

8. Now Lord sith things this wise do frame,  
what help do I desire?  
Of truth my help doth hang on thee,  
I nothing else require.

9. From all the sins that I have done,  
Lord quit me out of hand:  
And make me not a scorn to fools,  
that nothing understand.  
10. I was as dumb, and to complain  
no trouble might me move:  
Because I know it was thy work,  
my patience for to prove.

11. Lord take from me thy scourge and plague,  
I can them not withstand:  
I faint and pine away for fear,  
of thy most heavy hand.

12. When thou for sin dost man rebuke  
he waxeth woe and wan:  
As doth a cloth that Moths have fret,  
so vain a thing is man.

13. Lord hear my suit and give good heed,  
regard my tears that fall:  
I sojourn like a stranger here,  
as did my fathers all.

14. O spare a little, give me space,  
my strength for to restore:  
Before I go away from hence,  
and shall be seen no more.

# I Waited long and sought the Lord

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The Whole Booke of Psalmes (ed. Ravenscroft, 1621)

Psalme 40

Thomas RAVENSCROFT (1590 - 1633)

CANTVS  
MEDIVS  
TENOR  
or Playnsong  
BASSVS

*Landaffe Tune*

I wait - ed long and sought the Lord, and pa - tient - ly did # bear:  
I wait - ed long and sought the Lord, and pa - tient - ly did\_ bear:  
I wait - ed long and sought the Lord, and pa - tient - ly did bear:  
I wait - ed long and sought the Lord, and pa - tient - ly did bear:

3  
S. At length to me he did ac - cord, my voice and cry to hear.  
A. At length to me he did ac - cord, my voice and cry to hear.  
T. At length to me he did ac - cord, my voice and cry to hear.  
B. At length to me he did ac - cord, my voice and cry to hear.

2. He plucked me from the lake so deep,  
out of the mire and clay:  
And on a rock he set my feet,  
and he did guide my way.

3. To me he taught a Psalm of praise,  
which I must shew abroad:  
And sing new songs of thanks always,  
unto the Lord our God.

4. When all the folk these things shall see  
as people much afraid:  
Then they unto the Lord will flee,  
and trust upon his aid.

5. O blest is he whose hope and heart  
doth in the Lord remain:  
That with the proud doth take no part,  
nor such as lie and fain.

6. For Lord, my God, thy wond'rous deeds,  
in greatness far do pass:  
Thy favour towards us exceeds,  
all things that ever was.

7. When I entend and do devise,  
thy works abroad to shew:  
To such a reck'ning they do rise,  
thereof no end I know.

8. But off'rings thou delight'st not in,  
I know thy whole desire:  
With sacrifice to purge his sin,  
thou dost no man require.

9. Meat offerings and sacrifice  
thou would'st not have at all:  
But thou O Lord hast open made,  
mine ears to hear withal.

10. But then said I behold and look,  
I come a mean to be:  
For in the volume of thy Book,  
thus it is said of me,

11. That I O God should do thy mind,  
which thing doth like me well:  
For in my heart thy Law I find,  
fast placed there to dwell.

12. Thy justice and thy righteousness,  
in great resort I tell:  
Behold my tongue no time doth cease,  
O Lord thou knowest full well.

## The Second part.

13. I have not hid within my breast  
thy goodness as by stealth:  
But I declare and have expressed  
thy truth and saving health.

14. I kept not close thy loving mind,  
that no man should it know:  
The trust that in thy truth I find  
to all the world I show.

For I with mischiefs many one  
am sore beset about:  
My sins increase and so come on,  
I cannot spy them out

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15. For why? in number they exceed,  
the hairs upon my head:  
My heart doth faint for very dread,  
that I am almost dead.

16. With speed send help and set me free,  
O Lord I thee require:  
Make haste with aid to succour me,  
O Lord I thee desire.

17. Let them sustain rebuke and shame,  
that seek my soul to spill:  
Drive back my foes and them defame,  
that wish and would me ill.

18. For their ill feats do them descry,  
that would deface thy name  
Always on me they rail and cry,  
fie on him, fie for shame.

19. Let them in thee have joy and wealth,  
that seek to thee always:  
That those that love thy saving health,  
may say, to God be praise.

20. But as for me I am but poor,  
oppressed and brought full low:  
Yet thou O Lord wilt me restore  
to health full well I know.

21. For why? thou art my hope and trust,  
my refuge, help and stay:  
Wherefore my God as thou art just,  
with me no time delay.

## The man is blest, that carefull is

The Whole Booke of Psalmes (ed. Ravenscroft, 1621)

Psalme 41

Edward BLANCKS (1586 - 1638)

CANTVS

MEDIVS

TENOR  
or *Playnsong*

BASSVS

S.

A.

T.

B.

S.

A.

T.

B.

The man is blest that care-ful is the need - y to con - si - der:

The man is blest that care-ful is the need - y to con - si - der:

The man is blest that care-ful is the need - y to con - si - der:

The man is blest that care-ful is the need - y to con - si - der:

3

For in the sea-son per-il-ous the Lord will him de-li-ver. The Lord will make him safe and sound:

For in the sea-son per-il-ous the Lord will him de-li-ver. The Lord will make him safe and sound,

For in the sea-son per-il-ous the Lord will him de-li-ver. The Lord will make him safe and sound,

For in the sea-son per-il-ous the Lord will him de-li-ver. The Lord will make him safe and sound,

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and hap-py in the Land, and he will not de-li-ver him in-to the ene-mies hand.

and hap-py in the Land, and he will no de-li-ver him in-to his ene-mies hand.

and hap-py in the Land, and he will not de-li-ver him in-to the ene-mies hand.

and hap-py in the Land, and he will not de-li-ver him in-to the ene-mies hand.

3. And in his bed when he lieth sick,  
the Lord will him restore:

And thou O Lord wilt turn to health  
his sickness and his sore.

4. Then in my sickness thus say I,  
have mercy Lord on me:

And heal my soul, which is full woe  
that I offended thee.

5. Mine enemies wish me ill in heart,  
and thus of me do say:

When shall he die, that all his name  
may vanish quit away.

6. And when they come to visit me,  
they ask if I do well:

But in their hearts they mischief hatch,  
and to their mates it tell.

7. They bite their lips and whisper so,  
as though they would me charme:  
And cast their fetches how to trap  
me with some mortal harm.
8. Some grievous sin hath brought him to  
this sickness say they plain:  
He is so low that without doubt  
rise can he not again.
9. The man also that I did trust,  
with me did use deceit:  
Who at my table eat my bread,  
the same for me laid wait:
10. Have mercy Lord on me therefore  
and let me be preserved:  
That I may render unto them  
the things they have deserved.
11. By this I know assuredly,  
to be beloved of thee:  
When that mine enemies have no cause  
to triumph over me.
12. But in my right thou hast me kept,  
and mantained alway:  
And in thy presence place assigned,  
where I shall dwell for aye.
13. The Lord, the God of Israel  
be praised evermore:  
Even so be it Lord will I say,  
even so be it therefore:

## Like as the Hart doth breath and bray

The Whole Booke of Psalmes (ed. Ravenscroft, 1621)

Psalm 42

Thomas RAVENSCROFT (1590 - 1633)

CANTVS  
MEDIVS  
TENOR  
or Playnsong  
BASSVS

*Bangor Tune*

Like as the Hart doth breath and bray, the well-spring to ob - tain,  
Like as the Hart doth breath and bray, the well-spring to ob - tain,  
Like as the Hart doth breath and bray, the well-spring to ob - tain,  
Like as the Hart doth breath and bray, the well-spring to ob - tain,

3  
S.  
A.  
T.  
B.

so doth my soul de - sire al - way with the Lord to re - main.  
so doth my soul de - sire al - way with the Lord to re - main.  
so doth my soul de - sire al - way with the Lord to re - main.  
so doth my soul de - sire al - way with the Lord to re - main.

2. My soul doth thirst and would draw near,  
the living Lord of might:  
Oh, when shall I come and appear  
in presence of his sight?

3. The tears all times are my repast,  
which from mine eyes do slide:  
When wicked men cry out so fast,  
where now is God my guide?

4. Alas what grief is this to think,  
what freedom once I had?  
Therefore my soul as at pit's brink,  
is most heavy and sad.

When I did march in good array,  
furnished with my train:  
Unto the Temple was our way,  
with songs and hearts most sain.

5. My soul why art thou sad always,  
and freezed thus in my breast?  
Trust still in God, for him to praise,  
I hold it ever best.

By him I have succour at need,  
against all pain and grief:  
He is my God which with all speed,  
will haste to send relief.

6. And thus my soul within me (Lord)  
doth faint to think upon:  
The Land of Jordan, and record  
the little hill Hennon.

*The Second part.*

7. One grief another in doth call,  
as clouds burst out their voice:  
The floods of evil that do fall,  
run over me with noise.

8. Yet I by day felt thy goodness  
and help at all assays:  
Likewise by night I do not cease  
the living Lord to praise.

9. I am persuaded thus to say,  
to him with pure pretence:  
O Lord thou art my guide and stay,  
my rock and my defence.  
Why do I then in pensiveness,  
hanging the head thus walk:  
While that mine enemies me oppress,  
and vex me with their talk?

10. For why? they pierce the inward parts  
with pangs to be abhorred:  
When they cry out with stubborn hearts  
where is thy God thy Lord?

11. So soon why dost thou faint and quail  
my soul with pains oppressed:  
With thoughts why dost thyself assail  
so sore within my breast?

12. Trust in the Lord thy God always,  
and thou the time shalt see:  
To give him thanks with laud and praise,  
for health restored to thee.



# Judge and reuenge my cause O Lord

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*Psalme 43*

Thomas RAVENSCROFT (1590 - 1633)

CANTVS

MEDIVS

TENOR  
or Playnsong

BASSVS

*St. Davids Tune*

Judge and re-venge my cause O Lord, from them that e - vil be:

Judge and re-venge my cause O Lord, from them that e - vil be:

Judge and re-venge my cause O Lord, from them that e - vil be:

Judge and re-venge my cause O Lord, from them that e - vil be:

3

S.

A.

T.

B.

From wi - cked and de - ceit - ful men O Lord de - li - ver me.

From wi - cked and de - ceit - ful men O Lord de - li - ver me.

From wi - cked and de - ceit - ful men O Lord de - li - ver me.

From wi - cked and de - ceit - ful man O Lord de - li - ver me.

2. For of my strength thou art the God,  
why putst thou me thee fro:  
And why walk I so heavily,  
oppressed with my foe?

3. Send out thy light and eke thy truth,  
and lead me with thy grace,  
Which may conduct me to thy hill,  
and to thy dwelling place.

4. Then shall I to the altar go  
of God my joy and cheer:  
And on my harp give thanks to thee  
O God, my God most dear.

5. Why art thou then so sad my soul,  
and frett'st thus in my breast?  
Still trust in God, for him to praise,  
I hold it always best.

6. By him I have deliverance,  
against all pain and grief:  
He is my God which doth always  
at need send me relief.

## Our eares haue heard our fathers tell

The Whole Booke of Psalmes (ed. Ravenscroft, 1621)

Psalm 44

Edward BLANCKS (1586 - 1638)

CANTVS

MEDIVS

TENOR  
or *Playnsong*

BASSVS

3

S.

A.

T.

B.

6

S.

A.

T.

B.

Our eares haue heard our fa - thers tell, and re - verent - ly re - cord  
 the wond - rous works that thou hast done in al - der time O Lord. How thou didst cast the Gen - tiles out,  
 the wond - rous works that thou hast done in al - der time O Lord. How thou didst cast the Gen - tiles out,  
 the wond - rous works that thou hast done in al - der time O Lord. How thou didst cast the Gen - tiles out,  
 the wond - rous works that thou hast done in al - der time O Lord. How thou didst cast the Gen - tiles out,  
 and stroyedst them with strong hand, plan - ting our Fa - thers in their place, and gav'st to them their Land.  
 and stroyedst them with strong hand, plan - ting our Fa - thers in their place, and gav'st to them their Land.  
 and stroyedst them with strong hand, plan - ting our Fa - thers in their place, and gav'st to them their Land.  
 and stroyedst them with strong hand, plan - ting our Fa - thers in their place, and gav'st to them their Land.

3. They conquered not by sword nor strength  
the Land of thy behest:

But by thy hand, thine arm and grace,  
because thou loved them best.

4. Thou art my King, O God that help  
Jacob in sundry wise:

5. Led with thy power we threw down such,  
as did against us rise.

6. I trusted not in bow ne sword,  
they could not save me sound:

7. Thou kept us from our enemies rags  
thou didst our foes confound.

8. And still we boast of thee our God,  
and praise thy holy Name:

9. Yet now thou goest not with our host  
but leavest us to shame.

10. Thou mad'st us fly before our foes,  
and so were over-trod:

Our enemies spoiled and robbed our goods,  
when we were spersed abroad.

11. Thou hast us given to our foes,  
as sheep for to be slain:

Among te Heathen every where  
scattered we do remain.

12. Thy people thou hast sold like slaves,  
and as a thing of naught:

For profit non thou hast thereby,  
no gain at all was sought.

13. And to our neighbours thou hast made,  
of us a laughing-stock:

And those that do about us dwell,  
at us do grin and mock.

*The Second part.*

14. Thus we serve for none other use,  
but for a common talk:  
They mock, they scorn, they nod their heads  
where ever they go or walk.

15. I am asham'd continually,  
to hear these wicked men:  
Yea, so I blush that all my face  
with red is covered then.

16. For why? we heard such slanderous words,  
such false reports and lies:  
That death it is to see their wrongs,  
their threat'nings and their cries.

17. For all this we forgot not thee,  
nor yet thy covenant break:

18. We turn not back our heart from thee  
nor yet thy paths forsake.

19. Yet thou hast trod us down to dust,  
where dens of Dragons be:  
And covered us with shade of death,  
and great adversity.

20. If that we had our God forgot:  
and help of Idols sought:

21. Would not God have tried this out?  
for he doth know our thought.

22. Nay, nay, for thy names sake O Lord  
always are we slain thus:  
As sheep unto the shambles sent,  
right so they deal with us:

23. Up Lord, why sleepest thou? awake,  
and leave us not for all.

24. Why hidest thou thy countenance,  
and dost forget our thrall?

25. For down to dust our soul is brought  
and we now at last cast:

Our belly like as it were glued,  
unto the ground cleaves fast.

26. Rise up therefore for our defence,  
and help us Lord at need:

We thee beseech of thy goodness,  
to rescue us with speed.

## My heart doth take in hand

The Whole Booke of Psalmes (ed. Ravenscroft, 1621)

Psalm 45

Thomas RAVENSCROFT (1590 - 1633)

CANTVS  
MEDIVS  
TENOR  
or Playnsong  
BASSVS

*Ludlow Tune*

My heart doth take in hand, some god - ly song to sing:  
My heart doth take in hand, some god - ly song to sing:  
My heart doth take in hand, some god - ly song to sing:  
My heart doth take in hand, some god - ly song to sing:

3  
S.  
A.  
T.  
B.

The praise that I shall shew there - in per - tain - eth to the King.  
The praise that I shall shew there - in per - tain - eth to the King.  
The praise that I shall shew there - in per - tain - eth to the King.  
The praise that I shall shew there - in per - tain - eth to the King.

2. My tongue shall be as quick  
his honor to indite:  
As is the pen of any Scribe,  
that useth fast to write.

3. O fairest of all men,  
thy speech is perfect pure:  
For God hath blessed thee with gifts,  
for ever to endure.

4. About thee gird thy sword,  
O Prince of might elect:  
With honor, glory and renown,  
thy person pure is decked.

5. Go forth with goodly speed,  
in meekness, truth and right:  
And thy right hand shall thee instruct,  
in works of dreadfull might.  
Thine arrows sharp and keen,  
their hearts so sore shall sting:  
That folk shall fall and kneel to thee,  
yea, all thy foes O King.

7. Thy royal seat O Lord,  
for ever shall remain:  
Because the Sceptre of thy realm,  
doth righteousness maintain.

8. Because thou lovest the right,  
and dost the ill detest,  
God, even thy God hath 'noited thee  
with joy above the rest.

9. With myrrh and favors sweet,  
thy clothes are all bespread:  
When thou dost from thy palace pass,  
therein to make thee glad.

10. Kings' daughters do attend,  
in fine and rich array,  
At thy right hand the Queen doth stand,  
in gold and garments gay.

*The Second part.*

11. O daughter take good heed,  
 incline and give good ear:  
 Thou must forget thy kindred all,  
 and father's house most dear.

12. Then shall the king desire  
 thy beauty fair and trim:  
 For why? he is the Lord thy God,  
 and thou must worship him.

13. The daughters then of Tyre,  
 with gifts full rich to see:  
 And all the wealthy of the Land,  
 shall make their suit to thee.

14. The daughter of the King,  
 is glorious to behold:  
 Within her closet she doth sit,  
 all decked in beaten gold.

15. In robes well wrought with needle,  
 and many a pleasant thing:  
 With Virgins fair on her to wait,  
 she cometh to the King.

16. Thus are they brought with joy,  
 and mirth on every side,  
 Into the palace of the King,  
 and there they do abide.

17. In stead of Parents left,  
 O Queen the chance so stands:  
 Thou shalt have sons whom thou mayest set  
 as Princes in all Lands.

18. Wherefores thy holy name,  
 all ages shall record:  
 Thy people shall give thanks to thee,  
 for evermore O Lord.

## The Lord is our defence and aid

The Whole Booke of Psalmes (ed. Ravenscroft, 1621)

Psalm 46

Thomas MORLEY (1557 - 1602)

CANTVS

MEDIVS

TENOR  
or *Playnsong*

BASSVS

The Lord is our de-fence and aid, the strength where-by we stand:

The Lord is our de-fence and aid, the strength where - by we stand:

The Lord is our de-fence and aid, the strength where - by we stand:

The Lord is our de-fence and aid, the strength where - by we stand:

3

S. When we with woe are much dis - mayed he is our help at hand.

A. When we with woe are much dis - mayed he is our help at hand.

T. When we with woe are much dis - mayed he is our help at hand.

B. When we with woe are much dis - mayed he is our help at hand.

5

S. Though earth re - move we will not fear, though hills so high and steep,

A. Though earth re - move we will not fear, though hills so high and steep,

T. Though earth re - move we will not fear, though hills so high and steep,

B. Though earth re - move we will not fear, though hills so high and steep,

7

S. be thrust and hur - led here and there with - in the Sea so deep.

A. be thrust and hur - led here and there with - in the Sea so deep.

T. be thrust and hur - led here and there with - in the Sea so deep.

B. be thrust and hur - led here and there with - in the Sea so deep.

3. No though the waves do rage so sore,  
that all the banks it spills:  
And though it overflow the shore,  
and beat down mighty hills.

4. For one fair flood doth send abroad,  
his pleasant streams apace:  
To fresh the City of our God,  
and wash his holy place.

5. In midst of her the Lord doth dwell,  
she can no whit decay:  
All things against it that rebel,  
the Lord will truly slay.

6. The heathen folk, the kingdoms fear  
the people make a noise.  
The earth doth melt and not appear,  
when God puts forth his voice.

7. The Lord of hosts doth take our part,  
to us he hath an eye:  
Our hope of health with all our heart  
on Jacob's God doth lie.

8. Come here, and see with mind and thought  
the working of our God:  
What wonders he himself hath wrought  
throughout the earth abroad.

9. By him all wars are hushed and gone,  
which countries did conspire:  
Their bows he brake and spears each one,  
their Chariots burnt with fire.

10. Leave off therefore said he and know,  
I am a God most stout:  
Among the Heathen high and low,  
and all the earth throughout.

11. The Lord of hosts doth us defend,  
he is our strength and tower:  
On Jacob's God we do depend,  
and on his mighty power.

## Ye people all with one accord

The Whole Booke of Psalmes (ed. Ravenscroft, 1621)

Psalme 47

Thomas TOMKINS (1572 - 1656)

CANTVS

MEDIVS

TENOR  
or Playnsong

BASSVS

Worcester Tune

1

Ye peo - ple all with on ac - cord clap hands and eke re - joice:

Ye peo - ple all with one ac - cord clap hands and eke re - joice:

Ye peo - ple all with one ac - cord clap hands and eke re - joice:

Ye peo - ple all with one ac - cord clap hands and eke re - joice:

5

S.

A.

T.

B.

Be glad and sing un - to the Lord with sweet and plea - sant voice.

Be glad and sing un - to the Lord with sweet and plea - sant voice.

Be glad and sing un - to the Lord with sweet and plea - sant voice.

Be glad and sing un - to the Lord with sweet and plea - sant voice.

2. For high the Lord and dreadful is,  
with wonders manifold:  
A mighty King he is truely,  
in all the earth extolled.

3. The people shall he make to be,  
unto our bondage thrall  
And underneath our feet he shall,  
the nations make to fall.

4. For us the heritage he chose,  
which we possess alone:  
The flouring worship op Jacob,  
his well beloved one.

5. Our God ascendeth upon high,  
with joy and pleasant noise:  
The Lord goeth up above the sky,  
with trumpet's royal voice.

6. Sing praise unto our God, sing praise,  
sing praises to our King:  
For God is King of all the earth,  
all skilful praises sing.

7. God on the heathen reigns and sits,  
upon his holy throne:

8. The Princes of the people have,  
them joined every one,  
To Abraham's people: for our God,  
which is exalted nye.  
As with a buckler doth defend  
the earth continually.



# Great is the Lord

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The Whole Booke of Psalmes (ed. Ravenscroft, 1621)

*Psalm 48*

John TOMKINS (1586 - 1638)

CANTVS  
MEDIVS  
TENOR  
or Playnsong  
BASVSS

*Glocester Tune*

Great is the Lord and with great praise to be ad - van - ced still:  
Great is the Lord and with great praise to be ad - van - ced still:  
Great is the Lord and with great praise to be ad - van - ced still:  
Great is the Lord and with great praise to be ad - van - ced still:  
Great is the Lord and with great praise to be ad - van - ced still:

3  
S.  
A.  
T.  
B.

With - in the Ci - ty of our Lord, up - on his ho - ly hill.  
With - in the Ci - ty of our Lord, up - on his ho - ly hill.  
With - in the Ci - ty of our Lord up - on his ho - ly hill.  
With - in the Ci - ty of our Lord up - on his ho - ly hill.

2. Mount Sion is a pleasant place,  
it gladdeth all the Land:  
The City of the mighty King,  
on her North-side doth stand.

3. Within the palaces thereof,  
God is a refuge known:  
For lo the kings were gathered, and  
together eke were gone.

4. But when they did behold it so,  
they wondered, and they were  
Astonished much, and suddenly,  
were driven back with fear.

5. Great terror there on them did fall,  
for very woe they cry:  
As doth a woman when she shall,  
go travail by and by.

6. As thou with Eastern wind the ships  
upon the Sea doth break:  
So were they stayed, and even as  
we heard our fathers speak,

7. So in the City of our God,  
we saw it was so told:  
Yea, in the City which our God,  
for ever will uphold.

8. O Lord we wait and do attend (*depend*),  
on thy good help and grace:  
For which I do all times attend,  
within thy holy place.

9. O Lord according to thy name,  
for ever is thy praise:  
And thy right hand O Lord is full,  
of righteousness always.

10. Let for thy judgements Sion mount,  
fulfilled be with joys:  
And eke of Juda grant (O Lord)  
the daughter to rejoice.

11. Go walk about all Sions hill,  
yea, round about her go:  
And tell the tow'rs that thereupon  
are builded on a row.

12. And mark you well her bulwarks all,  
behold her towers there:  
That ye may tell thereof to them,  
that after shall be here.

13. For this God is our God, our God  
for evermore is he:  
Yea, and unto the death also,  
our guider shall he be.

## All people hearken and give ear

The Whole Booke of Psalmes (ed. Ravenscroft, 1621)

Psalm 49

Thomas RAVENSCROFT (1590 - 1633)

CANTVS

MEDIVS

TENOR  
or Playnsong

BASSVS

Hereford Tune

All peo - ple har - ken and give ear to that that I shall tell:

All peo - ple har - ken and give ear to that that I shall tell:

All peo - ple har - ken and give ear to that that I shall tell:

3  
S. Both high and low, both rich and poor, that in the world do dwell.

A. Both high and low, both rich and poor, that in the world do dwell.

T. Both high and low, both rich and poor that in the world do dwell.

B. Both high and low, both rich and poor that in the world do dwell.

3. For why? my mouth shall make discourse  
of many things right wise:  
In understanding shall my heart  
his study exercise.

4. I will incline mine ears to know,  
thy parables so dark:  
And open all my doubtful speech,  
in metre on my Harp.

5. Why should I fear afflictions,  
or any careful toil:  
Or else my foes which at my heels,  
are pressed my life to spoil.

6. For as for such as riches have,  
wherein their trust is most:  
And they which of their treasures great  
themselves do brag and boast.

7. There is no one of them that can,  
his brother's death redeem:  
Or that can give a price to God,  
sufficient for him.

8. It is to great a price to pay,  
none can thereto attain:

9. Or that he might his life prolong,  
or not in grave remain:

10. They see wise men as well as fools,  
subject unto death's bands:  
And being dead, strangers possess  
their goods, their rents, their lands.

11. Their care is to build houses fair,  
and to determine sure:  
To make their name right great on earth  
for ever to endure.

12. Yet shall no man alway enjoy,  
his honor, wealth and rest:  
But shall at length taste of death's cup,  
as well as the brute beast.

*The Second part.*

13. And though they try their foolish thoughts  
to be most lewd and vain:

Their children eke approve their talk,  
and in like sin remain.

14. As sheep unto to the fold are brought,  
so shall they into grave:

Death shall them eat, and in that day,  
the just shall Lordship have.

15. Their image and their royal port,  
shall fade and quite decay:

When as from house to pit they pass,  
with woe and weal away.

16. But surely God will preserve me,  
from death and endless pain:

Because he will of his good grace  
my soul receive again.

17. If any man wax wondrous rich,  
fear not I say therefore:

Although the glory of his house  
increaseth more and more.

18. For when he dyeth, of all these things,  
nothing shall he receive:

His glory will not follow him,  
his pomp will take her leave.

19. Yet in this life he takes himself,  
the happiest under Sun:

And others likewise flatter him,  
saying all is well done.

20. And presuppose he live as long,  
as did his fathers old

Yet must he needs at length give place,  
and be brought to death's fold.

21. Thus man to honor God hath called,  
yet doth he not consider:

But like brute beasts so doth he live,  
which turn to dust and powder.

## The mighty God th' Eternall hath thus spoke

The Whole Booke of Psalmes (ed. Ravenscroft, 1621)

Psalme 50

Edward BLANCKS (1586 - 1638)

CANTVS

MEDIVS

TENOR  
or Faburden

BASSVS

*1. French Tune*

The migh-ty God th' E-ter-nal hath thus spoke, and all the world

The migh-ty God th' E - ter-nal hath thus spoke, and all the world

The migh-ty God th' E - ter-nal hath thus spoke, and all the world

The migh-ty God th' E - ter-nal hath thus spoke, and all the world

S.

A.

T.

B.

he will call and pro - voke, even from the East, and so forth to the West:

he will call and pro - voke, even from the East, and so forth to the West:

he will call and pro - voke, even from the East, and so forth to the West:

he will call and pro - voke, even from the East, and so forth to the West:

4

S.

A.

T.

B.

From to - ward Sion, which place him li - keth best: God will ap - pear

From to - ward Sion which place him li - keth best: God will ap - pear

From to - ward Sion which place him li - keth best: God will ap - pear

From to - ward Sion which place him li - keth best: God will ap - pear

S.

A.

T.

B.

in beauty most ex - cel - lent, Our God will come be - fore that long time be spent.

in beau - ty most ex - cel - lent. Our God will come be - fore that long time be spent.

in beau - ty most ex - cel - lent, Our God will come be - fore that long time be spent.

in beau - ty most ex - cel - lent. Our God will come be - fore that long time be spent.

3. Devouring fire shall go before his face,  
 A great tempest shall round about him trace.  
 4. Then shall he call the earth and heavens bright,  
 To judge his folk with equity and right.  
 5. Saying go to and now my Saints assemble,  
 My hefts they keep, their gifts do not dissemble,

6. The heavens shall declare his righteousness:  
 For God is Judge of all things more and less:  
 7. Hear my people, for I will now reveal:  
 List Israel, I will thee nought conceal.  
 8. Thy God, thy God am I, and will not blame thee,  
 For giving not all manner offerings to me.

9. I have no need to take of thee at all,  
 Goats of thy fold, or calfe out of thy stall:  
 10. For all the beasts are mine within the woods,  
 On thousand hills cattle are mine own goods,  
 11. I know for mine all birds that are on mountains:  
 all beasts are mine, which haunt the fields and fountains.

12. Hungry if were, I would not thee it tell:  
 For all is mine that in the world do dwell.  
 13. Eat I the flesh of great Bulls or Bullocks?  
 Or drink the blood of Goates, or of the flocks?  
 14. Offer to God praise and hearty thanksgiving:  
 And pay thy vows unto God ever living.

15. Call upon me, when troubled thou shalt be,  
 Then will I help, and thou shalt honor me.  
 16. To the wicked thus said th' eternal God:  
 Why dost thou preach my laws and hests abroad,  
 Seeing thou hast them with thy mouth abused,  
 17. And hat'st to be by discipline reformed (*reduced*)?

My words I say, thou dost reject and hate:  
 18. If that thou see a thief as with thy mate,  
 Thou runn'st with him and so your prey do seek:  
 And art all one with bawds and ruffians eke.  
 19. Thou givest thy self to backbite and to slander,  
 And how thy tongue deceiveth it 's a wonder.

20. Thou sittest musing thy brother how to blame:  
 And how to put thy mother's son to shame:  
 21. These things thou didst and whilst I held my tongue,  
 Thou didst me judge (because I stayed to long)  
 Like to thyself, yet though I keep long silence,  
 Once shalt thou feel, of thy wrongs just recompence.

22. Consider this ye that forget the Lord:  
 And fear not when he threat'neth with his word:  
 Left without help I spoil you as a prey.  
 23. But he that thanks offreth, praiseth me aye,  
 Saith the Lord God, and he that walketh his trace  
 I will him teach God's saving health to embrace.

# The God of Gods, the Lord

The Whole Booke of Psalmes  
(ed. Ravenscroft, 1621)

*Psalm 50, Another of the same*

Martin PEIRSON (ca. 1571 - ca.1651)

CANTVS

MEDIVS

TENOR  
or Playnsong

BASSVS

*Southwell Tune*

3

S.

A.

T.

B.

The God of Gods, the Lord hath called the earth by name:

The God of Gods, the Lord hath called the earth by name:

The God of Gods, the Lord, hat called the earth by name:

The God of Gods, the Lord hath called the earth by name:

From where the Sun doth rise un - to the set - ting of the same:

From where the Sun doth rise un - to the set - ting of the same:

From where the Sun doth rise un - to the set - ting of the same:

From where the Sun doth rise un - to the set - ting of the same:

2. From Sion his fair place,  
his glory bright and clear:  
The perfect beauty of his grace,  
from thence it did appear.

3. Our God shall come in haste,  
to speak he shall not doubt:  
Before him shall the fire waste,  
and tempest round about.

4. The heavens from on high,  
the earth below likewise:  
He will call forth to judge and try,  
his folk he doth devise.

5. Bring forth my Saints saith he,  
my faithful flock so dear:  
Which are in bond and league with me,  
my law to love and fear.

6. And when these things are tried,  
the heavens shall record:  
That God is just and all must 'bide,  
the judgements of the Lord.

7. My people O give heed,  
Israel to thee I cry:  
I am thy God, thy help at need,  
thou canst it not deny.

8. I do not say to thee,  
thy sacrifice is slack:  
thou offerest daily unto me,  
much more than I do lack.

9. Thinkest thou that I do need,  
thy cattle young or old?  
Or else so much desire to feed,  
on Goats out of thy fold?

10. Nay all the beasts are mine,  
in woods that eat their fills:  
And thousands more of neat and kine,  
that run wild on the hills.

*The Second part.*

11. The birds that build on high,  
in hills and out of sight:  
And beasts that in the fields do lie,  
are subject to my might.
12. Then though I hunger sore,  
what need I ought of thine:  
Sith that the earth with her great store,  
and all therein is mine?
13. To bulls' flesh have I mind,  
to eat: it dost thou think?  
Or such a sweetness do I find,  
the blood of Goats to drink?
14. Give to the Lord his praise,  
with thanks to him apply:  
and see thou pay thy vows always  
unto the Lord most high.
15. Then seek and call to me,  
when ought would work thee blame:  
And I will sure deliver thee,  
that thou mayest praise my name.
16. But to the wicked train,  
which talk of God each day:  
And yet their works are foul and vain,  
to them the Lord will say,
17. With what a face dar'st thou,  
my word once speak or name:  
Why doth thy talk my Law allow,  
thy deeds deny the same?
18. Whereas for to amend  
thy life thou art to slack:  
My word, the which thou dost pretend,  
is cast behind thy back.

*The Third part.*

19. When thou a thief dost see,  
by theft to live in wealth  
With him thou runst and dost agree  
likewise to thrive by stealth.
20. When thou dost them behold,  
that wives and maids defile:  
Thou likest it well, and waxest bold,  
to use that life most vile.
21. Thy lips thou dost apply,  
to slander and defame:  
Thy tongue is taught to craft and lie,  
and still doth use the same.
22. Thou studiest to revile  
thy friends to thee so near:  
With slander thou wouldst needs defile,  
thy mother's son most dear.
23. Hereat while I do wink,  
as though I did not see  
Thou goest on still, and so dost think,  
that I am like to thee.
24. But sure I will not let,  
to strike when I begin  
Thy faults in order I will set,  
and open all thy sin.
25. Mark this I you require,  
that have not God in mind:  
Least when I plague you in my ire,  
your help be far to find.
26. He that doth give to me,  
the sacrifice of praise:  
Doth please me well, and he shall see,  
to walk in godly ways.

## O Lord consider my distresse

The Whole Booke of Psalmes (ed. Ravenscroft, 1621)

Psalm 51

Thomas RAVENSCROFT (1590 - 1633)

CANTVS  
MEDIVS  
TENOR  
or Playnsong  
BASSVS

1  
O Lord con - si - der my dis - tress, and now with speed some pi - ty take:  
O Lord con - si - der my dis - tress, and now with speed some pi - ty take:  
O Lord con - si - der my dis - tress, and now with speed som pi - ty take:  
O Lord con - si - der my dis - tress, and now with speed some pi - ty take:

3  
S. My sins de - face, my faults re - dress, good Lord for thy great mer - cy's sake.  
A. My sins de - face, my faults re - dress, good Lord for thy great mer - cy's sake.  
T. My sins de - face, my faults re - dress, good Lord for thy great mer - cy's sake.  
B. My sins de - face, my faults re - dress, good Lord for thy great mer - cy's sake.

5  
S. Wash me O Lord, and make me clean from this un - just and sin - ful act:  
A. Wash me O Lord, and make me clean from this un - just and sin - ful act:  
T. Wash me O Lord, and make me clean from this un - just and sin - ful act:  
B. Wash me O Lord, and make me clean from this un - just and sin - ful act:

7  
S. and pu - ri - fy yet once a - gain my hai - nous crime and blood - y fact.  
A. and pu - ri - fy yet once a - gain, my hai - nous crime and blood - dy fact.  
T. and pu - ri - fy yet once a - gain my hai - nous crime and blood - y fact.  
B. and pu - ri - fy yet once a - gain, my hai - nous crime and blood - y fact.



3. Remorse and sorrow do constrain  
 Me to acknowledge mine excess:  
 My sins alas do still remain  
 Before my face without release.  
 4. For thee alone I have offended,  
 Committing evil in thy sight:  
 And if I were therefore codemned,  
 Yet were thy judgements just and right.

5. It is too manifest alas,  
 That first I was conceived in sin,  
 Yea, of my mother so born was,  
 And yet vile wretch remain therein.

6. Also behold Lord thou dost love  
 The inward truth of a pure heart:  
 Therefore thy wisdom from above,  
 Thou hast reveal'd me to convert.

7. If thou with Hyssop purge this blot,  
 I shall be cleaner than the glass:  
 And if thou wash away my spot,  
 The snow in whiteness shall I pass.  
 8. Therefore O Lord such joy me send,  
 That inwardly I may find grace:  
 And that my strength may now amend,  
 Which thou hast swagg'd for my trespass.

9. Turn back thy face and frowning ire,  
 For I have felt enough thy hand:  
 And purge my sins I thee desire,  
 Which do in number pass the sand.  
 10. Make new my heart within my breast,  
 And frame it to thy holy will:  
 Thy constant spirit in me let rest,  
 Which may these raging enemies kill.

### *The Second part.*

11. Cast me not Lord out from thy face,  
 But speedily my torments end:  
 Take not from me thy spirit and grace,  
 Which may from danger me defend.  
 12. Restore me to those joys again,  
 Which I was wont in thee to find:  
 And let me free spirit retain,  
 Which unto thee may stirr my mind.

13. Thus when I shall thy mercies know  
 I shall instruct others therein:  
 And men likewise that are brought low  
 By mine example shall fly (*flee*) sin.

14. O God that of my health art Lord,  
 Forgive me this my bloody vice:  
 My heart and tongue shall then accord,  
 To sing thy mercies and justice.

15. Touch thou my lips, my tongue untie  
 O Lord which only art the key:  
 And then my mouth shall testify  
 Thy wondrous works and praise allway.  
 16. And as for outward sacrifice,  
 I would have offered many a one:  
 But thou esteemed them of no price,  
 And therein pleasure takest none.

17. The heavy heart, the mind oppressed,  
 O Lord thou never dost reject:  
 And to speak truth it is the best,  
 And of all sacrifice the effect.  
 18. Lord unto Sion turn thy face,  
 Pour out thy mercies on thy hill,  
 And on Jerusalem thy grace,  
 Build up the walls and love it still.

19. Thou shalt accept then our offerings  
 Of peace and righteousness I say:  
 Yea, Calves and many other things  
 Upon thine Altar will we lay.

# Have mercy on me God

The Whole Booke of Psalmes  
(ed. Ravenscroft, 1621)

*Psalm 51, Another of the same*

William CRANFORD (late XVI - ca. 1645)

CANTVS

MEDIVS

TENOR  
or *Playnsong*

BASSVS

*Ely Tune*

1

Have mer - cy on me God af - ter thy great a - bun - dant grace:

Have mer - cy on me God af - ter thy great a - bun - dant grace:

Have mer - cy on me God af - ter thy great a - bun - dant grace:

Have mer - cy on me God af - ter thy great a - bun - dant grace:

3

S.

A.

T.

B.

Af - ter thy mer - cies mul - ti - tude do thou my sins de - face.

Af - ter thy mer - cies mul - ti - tude do thou my sins de - face.

Af - ter thy mer - cies mul - ti - tude do thou my sins de - face.

Af - ter thy mer - cies mul - ti - tude do thou my sins de - face.

2. Yea, wash me more from mine offence  
and cleanse me from sy sin:  
For I do know my faults, and still  
my sins are in mine (eyne).

3. Against thee, thee alone I have  
offended in this case:  
And evil have I done before:  
the presence of thy face.

4. That in the things that thou dost say,  
upright thou mayest be tried:  
And eke in judging that the doom  
may pass upon thy side.

5. Behold, in wickedness my kind,  
and shape I did receive:  
And lo my sinful mother eke,  
in sin did me conceive.

6. But lo the truth of inward parts,  
is pleasant unto thee:  
And secrets of thy wisdom thou,  
revealed hast to me.

7. With Hyssop Lord besprinkle me  
I shall be cleansed so:  
Yea, wash thou me, and so I shall  
be whiter than the snow.

8. Of joy and gladness make thou me  
to hear the pleasant voice:  
That so the bruised bones which thou  
hast broken, may rejoice.

9. From the beholding of my sins,  
Lord turn away thy face:  
And all my deeds of wickedness,  
do utterly deface.

10. O God create in me a heart  
unspotted in thy sight.  
And eke within my bowels Lord,  
renew a stabled spirit.

11. Ne cast me from thy sight, nor take,  
thy holy spirit away:  
The comfort of thy saving grace,  
give me again I pray.

12. With thy free spirit establish me,  
and I will teach therefore:  
Sinners thy ways and wicked shall,  
be turned to thy lore.

*The Second part.*

13. O God that art my God of health,  
from blood deliver me:  
That praises of thy righteousness,  
my tongue may sing to thee.

14. My lips that yet fast closed be  
do thou O Lord unloose:  
The praises of thy majesty  
my mouth shall so disclose.

15. I would have offered sacrifice,  
if that had pleased thee:  
but pleased with burnt offerings,  
I know thou wilt not be.

16. A troubled spirit is sacrifice,  
delightful in Gods eyes:  
A broken and a humble heart,  
God thou wilt not despise.

17. In thy good will deal gently Lord,  
to Sion and withal:  
Grant that of thy Jerusalem,  
upreared may be the wall.

18. Burnt offerings, gifts, and sacrifice,  
of justice in that day:  
Thou shalt accept, and Calves they shall  
upon thine Altar lay.

## Why dost thou tyrant boast abroad

The Whole Booke of Psalmes (ed. Ravenscroft, 1621)

Psalm 52

Thomas RAVENSCROFT (1590 - 1633)

CANTVS

MEDIVS

TENOR  
or *Playnsong*

BASSVS

1

Why dost thou ty-rant boast a - broad, thy wick - ed works to praise?

Why dost thou ty-rant boast a - broad, thy wick-ed works to praise?

Why dost thou ty-rant boast a - broad, thy wick - ed works to praise?

Why dost thou ty-rant boast a - broad, thy wick - ed works to praise?

3

S. dost thou not know there is a God whose mer - cies last all - ways?

A. dost thou not know there is a God whose mer - cies last all - ways?

T. dost thou not know there is a God whose mer - cies last all - ways?

B. dost thou not know there is a God whose mer - cies last all - ways?

5

S. Why doth thy mind yet still de-vise such wick - ed wiles to warp?

A. Why doth thy mind yet still de - vise such wick - ed wiles to warp?

T. Why doth thy mind yet still de - vise such wick - ed wiles to warp?

B. Why doth thy mind yet still de - vise such wick - ed wiles to warp?

7

S. Thy tongue un - true in forg - ing lies, is like a ra - zor sharp:

A. Thy tongue un - true in forg - ing lies, is like a ra - zor sharp.

T. Thy tongue un - true in forg - ing lies, is like a ra - zor sharp.

B. Thy tongue un - true in forg - ing lies, is like a ra - zor sharp.

3. On mischief why setst thou thy mind,  
and wilt not walk upright?

Thou hast more lust false tales to find,  
than bring the truth to light.

4. Thou dost delight in fraud and guile,  
in mischief, blood and wrong:

Thy lips have learned the flattering style,  
O thou deceitful tongue.

5. Therefore God shall forever confound,  
and pluck thee from thy place:

Thy seed root out from off the ground,  
and so shall thee deface:

6. The just when they behold thy fall,  
with fear shall praise the Lord:

And in reproach of thee withal,  
cry out with one accord.

7. Behold the man which would not take  
the Lord for his defence:

But of his goods his God did make,  
and trust his corrupt sense.

8. But I an Olive fresh and green,  
will spring and spread abroad:

For why? my trust all times hath been  
upon the living God.

9. For this therefore will I give praise,  
to thee with heart and voice:

I will set forth thy name always  
wherein thy Saints rejoice.

## The foolish man

The Whole Booke of Psalmes (ed. Ravenscroft, 1621)

Psalm 53

Thomas RAVENSCROFT (1590 - 1633)

CANTVS

ALTO

TENOR  
or Playnsong

BASS

*Chichester Tune*

The fool-ish man in that which he with - in his heart had said:

The fool-ish man in that which he with - in his heart had said:

The fool-ish man in that which he with - in his heart had said:

The fool-ish man in that which he with - in his heart had said:

3

S.

A.

T.

B.

That there is a - ny God at all hath ut - ter - ly de - naid.

That there is a - ny God at all hath ut - ter - ly de - naid.

That there is a - ny God at all hath ut - ter - ly de - naid.

That there is a - ny God at all hath ut - ter - ly de - naid.

2. They are corrupt and they also  
a heinous work have wrought:  
Among them all there is not one,  
of good that worketh ought.

3. The Lord looked down on sons of men  
from heaven all abroad:  
To see if any were that would  
be wise, and seek for God.

4. They are all gone out of the way,  
they are corrupted all:  
There is no one doth any good,  
there is not one at all.

5. Do not all wicked workers know  
that they do feed upon  
My people as they feed on bread?  
the Lord they call not on.

6. Even there they were afraid and stood  
with trembling all dismayed:  
Whereas there was no cause at all  
why they should be afraid.

7. For God his bones that thee besieged  
hath scattered all abroad:  
Thou hast confounded them, for they  
rejected are of God.

8. O Lord give thou thy people health,  
and thou O Lord fulfill  
Thy promise made to Israel,  
from out of Sion hill.

9. When God his people shall restore,  
that earst was captive led:  
Then Jacob shall therein rejoice,  
and Israel shall be glad.

# God save mee for thy holy name

The Whole Booke of Psalmes (ed. Ravenscroft, 1621)

Psalme 54

Thomas RAVENSCROFT (1590 - 1633)

CANTVS

MEDIVS

TENOR  
op Playnsong

BASSVS

*Salisbury Tune*

God save me for thy ho - ly name, and for thy good - ness sake:

God save me for thy ho - ly name, and for thy good - ness sake:

God save me for thy ho - ly name, and for thy good - ness sake:

God save me for thy ho - ly name, and for thy good - ness sake:

3

S.

A.

T.

B.

Un - to the strenght (Lord) of the same I do my cause be - take.

Un - to the strenght (Lord) of the same I do my cause be - take.

Un - to the strenght (Lord) of the same I do my cause be - take.

Un - to the strenght (Lord) of the same I do my cause be - take.

2. Regard O Lord an give an ear,  
to me when I do pray:  
Bow down thyself to me and hear,  
the words that I do say.

3. For strangers up against me rise,  
and tyrants vex me still,  
Which have not God before their eyes,  
they seek my soul to spill.

4. But lo my God doth give me aid,  
the Lord is straight at hand:  
With them by whom my soul is stayed,  
the Lord doth ever stand.

5. With plagues repay again all those,  
for me that lie in wait:  
And in thy truth destroy my foes  
with their own snare and bait.

6. An offering of free heart and will  
then I to thee shall make:  
And praise thy name, for therein still  
great comfort do I take.

7. O Lord at length do set me free  
from them that craft conspire  
And now mine eyes with joy doth see  
of them my heart's desire.

## O God give eare

The Whole Booke of Psalmes (ed. Ravenscroft, 1621)

Psalm 55

John MILTON (1562 - 1647)

CANTVS  
MEDIVS  
TENOR  
or Playnsong  
BASSVS

*Norwitch Tune*

O God give ear, and do ap-ply to hear me when I pray:  
O God give ear and do ap - ply to hear me when I pray:  
O God give ear and do ap - ply to hear me when I pray:  
O God give ear and do ap - ply to hear when I do pray:

3  
S. And when to thee I call and cry, hide not thy face <sup>a</sup> way.  
A. And when to thee I call and cry hide not thy face a-way.  
T. And when to thee I call and cry, hide not thy face a - way.  
B. And when to thee I call and cry hide not thy face a - way.

2. Take heed to me, grant my request,  
and answer me again:  
With plaints I pray full sore oppressed,  
great grief doth me constrain.

3. Because my foes with threats and cries,  
oppress me through despite:  
And to the wicked sort likewise,  
to vex me have delight.

4. For they in council do conspire,  
to charge me with some ill:  
So in their hasty wrath and ire,  
they do pursue me still.

5. My heart doth faint for want of breath  
it panteth in my breast:  
The terrors and the dread of death,  
do work me much unrest:

6. Such dreadful fear on me doth fall,  
that I therewith do quake:  
such horror whelmeth me withal,  
that I no shift can make.

7. But I do say who will give me  
the swift and pleasant wings  
Of some fair Dove, that I may fly,  
and rest me from these things?

8. Lo then I would go far away  
to fly I would not cease:  
And I would hide myself, and stay  
in some great wilderness.

9. I would be gone in all the haste,  
and not abide behind:  
That I were quite and overpassed  
these blasts of boist'rous wind.

10. Divide them Lord, and from them pull  
their devillish double tongue:  
For I have spied their City full  
of rapine, strife, and wrong.

11. Which things both night and day throughout,  
do close her as a wall:  
In midst of her is mischief stout,  
and sorrow eke withal.

12. Her privy parts are wicked plain,  
her deeds are much to vile:  
And in her streets there doth remain  
all crafty fraud, and guile.



*The Second part.*

13. If that my foes did seek my shame,  
I might it well abide:

From open enemy's check and blame,  
somewhere I could me hide.

14. But thou it was my fellow dear,  
which friendship didst pretend:

And didst my secret counsel hear,  
as my familiar friend.

15. With whom I had desire to talk  
in secret and abroad:

And we together oft did walk,  
within the house of God.

16. Let death in haste upon them fall,  
and send them quick to hell:

For mischief reigneth in their hall  
and parlour where they dwell.

17. But I unto my God do cry  
to him for help I flye (*flee*):

The Lord doth hear me by and by,  
and he doth succor me.

18. At morning, noon and evening tide  
unto the Lord I pray:

When I so instantly have cried,  
He doth not say me nay.

19. To peace he shall restore me yet,  
though war be now at hand:

Although the number be full great,  
that would against me stand.

20. The Lord that first and last doth reign  
both now and evermore,

Will hear when I to him complain,  
and punish them full sore.

21. For sure there is no hope that they,  
to turn will once accord:

For why? they will not once obey,  
nor do not fear the Lord.

22. Upon their friends they lay their hands  
which were in covenant knit:

Of friendship to neglect the bands  
they pass or care no whit.

23. While they have war within their hearts  
as butter are their words:

Although their words were smooth as oil,  
they cut as as sharp as swords.

24. Cast thou thy care upon the Lord,  
and he shall nourish thee:

For in no wise he will accord  
the just in thrall to see.

25. But God shall cast them deep in pit  
that thirst for blood always:

He will no guileful man permit  
to live out half his days.

26. Though such be quite destroyed and gone  
in thee O Lord I trust:

I shall depend thy grace upon  
with all my heart and lust.

## Have mercy Lord on mee

The Whole Booke of Psalmes (ed. Ravenscroft, 1621)

Psalme 56

William HARRISON (fl. 1621)

CANTVS

MEDIVS

TENOR  
or Playnsong

BASSVS

*Lincolne Tune*

3

S.

A.

T.

B.

Have mer - cy Lord on me I pray, for man would me de - vour:  
 Have mer - cy Lord on me I pray, for man would me de - vour:  
 Have mer - cy Lord on me I pray, for man would me de - vour:  
 Have mer - cy Lord on me I pray, for man would me de - vour:  
 He fight - eth with me night and day, and troub - leth me each hour.  
 He fight - eth with me night and day, and troub - leth me each hour.  
 He fight - eth with me night and day, and troub - leth me each hour.  
 He fight - eth with me night and day, and troub - leth me each hour.

2. Mine enemies daily enterprise,  
 to swallow me outright:  
 To fight against me many rise,  
 O thou most high of might.

3. When they would make me most afraid  
 with boasts and brags of pride:  
 I trust in thee alone for aid,  
 by thee I will abide.  
 4. God's promise I do mind and praise,  
 O Lord I trust in thee:  
 I do not care at all essays,  
 what flesh can do to me.

5. What things I either did or spake,  
 they wrest them at their will:  
 And all their counsels that they take,  
 is how to work me ill.  
 6. They all consent themselves to hide,  
 close watch for me to lay  
 To spy my paths, and snares have laid,  
 to take my life away.

7. Shall they thus scape on mischiefs set?  
 thou God on them wilt frown:  
 For in his wrath he doth not let  
 to throw whole kingdoms down.

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8. Thou seest how oft they make me flee,  
 and on my tears doth look  
 Reserve them in a glass by thee,  
 and write them in thy book.

9. When I do call upon thy name,  
 my foes away do start:  
 I well perceive it by the same,  
 that God doth take my part.  
 10. I glory in the word of God,  
 to praise it I accord:  
 With joy I shall declare abroad,  
 the promise of the Lord.

11. I trust in God and yet I say  
 as I before began:  
 The Lord he is my help and stay,  
 I do not care for men.  
 12. I will perform with heart so free  
 to God my vows always:  
 And I O Lord all times to thee  
 will offer thanks and praise.

13. My soul from death thou dost defend  
 and keep my feet upright  
 That I before thee may ascend,  
 with such as live in light.

# Take pittie for thy promise sake

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*Psalme 57*

Thomas RAVENSCROFT (1590 - 1633)

CANTVS

MEDIVS

*Peterborough Tune*

TENOR  
or Playnsong

BASSVS

Take pi - ty for thy pro - mise sake, have mer - cy Lord on me:

Take pi - ty for thy pro - mise sake, have mer - cy Lord on me

Take pi - ty for thy pro - mise sake, have mer - cy Lord on me:

Take pi - ty for thy pro - mise sake, have mer - cy Lord on me:

3

S.

A.

T.

B.

For why? my soul doth her be - take un - to the help of thee.

For why? my soul doth her be - take un - to the help of thee.

For why? my soul doth her be - take un - to the help of thee.

For why? my soul doth her be - take un - to the help of thee.

2. Within the shadow of thy wings,  
I set myself full fast,  
Till mischief, malice, and like things  
be gone and overpast.

3. I call upon the God most high,  
to whom I stick and stand:  
I mean the God that will stand by  
the cause I have in hand.

4. From heaven he hath sent his aid,  
to save me from their spite:  
That to devour me have essayed  
his mercy, truth and might.

5. I lead my life with Lions fell  
all set on wrath and ire:  
And with such wicked men I dwell,  
that fret like flames of fire.

6. Their teeth are spears and arrows long,  
as sharp as I have seen:  
They wound and cut with their quick tongue  
like swords and weapons keen.

7. Set up and shew thyself O God,  
above the heavens bright:  
Exalt thy praise on earth abroad,  
thy majesty and might.

8. They lay their nets and do prepare  
a privy cave and pit:  
Wherein they think my soul to snare  
but they are fallen in it.

9. My heart is set to laud the Lord,  
in him I joy always:  
My heart I say doth well accord  
to sing his laud and grace.

10. Awake my joy, awake I say,  
my Lute, my Harp and string:  
For I myself before the day,  
will rise, rejoyce, and sing.

11. Among the people I will tell,  
the goodness of my God:  
And shew his praise that doth excel,  
in heathen Lands abroad.

12. His mercy doth extend as far,  
as heavens all are high:  
His truth as high as any Star,  
that standeth in the sky.

13. Set forth and shew thyself O God,  
above the heavens bright:  
Extol thy praise on earth abroad,  
thy majesty and might.



# Ye Rulers which are put in trust

The Whole Booke of Psalmes (ed. Ravenscroft, 1621)

Psalm 58

Thomas RAVENSCROFT (1590 - 1633)

The musical score is arranged in four systems. The first system includes four parts: CANTVS (Cantus), MEDIVS (Medius), TENOR or Playnsong (Tenor), and BASSVS (Bassus). The second system includes vocal parts S. (Soprano), A. (Alto), T. (Tenor), and B. (Bass). The lyrics are: 'Ye Ru-lers which are put in trust to judge of wrong and right: Be all your judge-ments true and just, not know - ing meed or might?' The score is in G minor, 3/4 time, and features a 'Lichfield Tune'.

2. Nay in your hearts you mark and muse  
in mischief to consent:  
And where you should true justice use,  
your hands to bribes are bent.

3. The wicked sort from their birth-day,  
have erred on this wise:  
And from their mother's womb always  
have used craft and lies.

4. In them the poison and the breath  
of Serpents did appear:  
Yea, like the Adder that is deaf,  
and fast doth stop his ear.

5. Because he will not hear the voice  
of one that charmeth well:  
No though he were the chief of choice  
and did therein excel.

6. O God break thou their teeth at once  
within their mouths throughout:  
The tusks that in their great jawbones  
like Lions welps hang out.

7. Let them consume away and waste,  
as water run'th throughout:  
The shafts that they do shoot in haste,  
let them be broke in flight.

8. As Snails do waste within the shell  
and unto slime do run:  
As one before his time that fell,  
and never saw the Sun.

9. Before the thorns that now are young  
to bushes big shall grow:  
The storms of anger waxing strong,  
shall take them ere they know.

10. The just shall joy, it doth them good,  
that God doth vengeance take:  
And they shall wash their feet in blood  
of them that him forsake.

11. Then shall the earth shew forth and tell  
that good men have reward:  
And that a God on earth doth dwell,  
that justice doth regard.

## Send ayde and save me

The Whole Booke of Psalmes (ed. Ravenscroft, 1621)

Psalm 59

John FARMER (ca. 1570 - 1605)

CANTVS  
MEDIVS  
TENOR  
or *Playnsong*  
BASSVS

Send aid and save me from my foes, O Lord I pray to thee:  
Send aid and save me from my foes, O Lord I pray to thee:  
Send aid and save me from my foes, O Lord I pray to thee:  
Send aid and save me from my foes, O Lord I pray to thee:

3  
S. De - fend and keep me from all those that rise and strive with me.  
A. De - fend and keep me from all those that rise and strive with me.  
T. De - fend and keep me from all those that rise and strive with me.  
B. De - fend and keep me from all those that rise and strive with me.

5  
S. O Lord pre - serve me from those men, whose do - ings are not good:  
A. O Lord pre - serve me from those men, whose do - ings are not good  
T. O Lord pre - serve me from those men, whose do - ings are not good:  
B. O Lord pre - serve me from those men, whose do - ings are not good:

7  
S. and set me sure and safe from them that still thirst af - ter blood.  
A. and set me sure and safe from them, that still thirst af - ter blood.  
T. and set me sure and safe from them, that still thirst af - ter blood.  
B. and set me sure and safe from them, that still thirst af - ter blood.

*(The Second part.)*

3. For lo they wait my soul to take,  
they rage against me still:  
Yea, for no fault that I did make,  
I never did them ill.

4. They run and do themselves prepare,  
when I no whit offend:  
Arise and save me from their snare,  
and see what they intend.

5. O Lord of hosts of Israel,  
rise up and strike all lands:  
And pity none that do rebel,  
and in their mischiefs stands.

6. At night they stir and seek about,  
as hounds they howl and grin:  
And all the City clean throughout  
from place to place they ren.

7. They spake of me with mouth alway  
but in their lips were swords:  
They greed my death, and then would say  
what none can hear our words.

8. But Lord thou hast their ways espied  
and laught thereat apace:  
The heathen folk thou shalt deride,  
and mock them to their face.

9. The strength that doth my foes withstand,  
O Lord doth come of thee:  
My God he is my help at hand,  
a fort of fence to me.

10. The Lord to me doth shew his grace  
in great abundance still:  
That I may see my foes in case,  
such as my heart doth will.

11. Destroy them not at once O God,  
lest it from mind do fall  
But wirh thy strength drive them abroad  
and so consume them all.

12. For their ill words and truthless tongue  
confound them in their pride:  
Their wicked oaths with lies and wrong  
let all the world deride.

13. Consume them in thy wrath O Lord,  
that nought of them remain:  
That men may know throughout the world  
that Jacobs God doth reign.

14. At evening they return apace,  
as dogs they grin and cry:  
Throughout the streets in every place,  
they run about and spy.

15. They seek about for meat I say,  
but let them not be fed:  
Nor find a house wherein they may  
be bold to put their head.

16. But I will shew thy strength abroad  
thy goodness I will praise:  
For thou art my defence and aid  
at need in all assays.

17. Thou art my strength, thou hast me stayed  
O Lord I sing to thee:  
Thou art my fort, my strength and aid,  
a loving God to me.

## O Lord thou didst us cleane forsake

The Whole Booke of Psalmes (ed. Ravenscroft, 1621)

Psalm 60

Edward BLANCKS (1586 - 1638)

CANTVS

MEDIVS

TENOR  
or Playnsong

BASSVS

*Dutch Tune*

O Lord thou didst us clean for - sake, and scat - terdst us a - broad:

O Lord thou didst us clean for - sake, and scat - terdst us a - broad:

O Lord thou didst us clean for - sake, and scat - terdst us a - broad:

O Lord thou didst us clean for - sake, and scat - terdst us a - broad:

3

S.  
Such great dis - plea - sure thou didst take, re - turn to us O God.

A.  
Such great dis - plea - sure thou didst take, re - turn to us O God.

T.  
Such great dis - plea - sure thou didst take, re - turn to us O God.

B.  
Such great dis - plea - sure thou didst take, re - turn to us O God.

2. Thy might did move the land so sore,  
that it in sunder brake:  
The hurt thereof O Lord restore,  
for it doth bow and quake.

3. With heavy chance thou plaguest thus  
the people that are thine:  
And thou hast given unto us  
a drink of deadly wine.

4. But yet to such as fear thy name  
a token shall ensue:  
That they may triumph in the same,  
because thy word is true.

5. So that thy might may keep and save  
thy flocks that favor thee:  
That they thy help at hand may have,  
O Lord grant this to me.

6. The Lord did speak from his own place,  
this was his joyful tale:  
I will divide Sichem by space  
and mete out Succoth's vale.

7. Gilead is given to my hand,  
Manasseh's mine beside:  
Ephraim the strength of all my Land,  
my Law doth Juda guide.

8. In Moab will I wash my feet,  
over Edom throw my shoe:  
And thou Palestine ought to seek  
for favor me unto.

9. But who will bring me at this tide  
unto the City strong?  
Or who to Edom will me guide  
so that I go not wrong?

10. Wilt thou O God which didst forsake  
thy folk, their lands and coasts?  
Our wars in hand thou would'st not take  
nor walk amongst our hosts.

11. Give aid O Lord, and us relieve  
from them that us disdain:  
The help that hosts of men can give,  
it is but all in vain.

12. But through our God we shall have might  
to take great things in hand:  
He will tread down and put to flight,  
all those that thee withstand.



# Regard (O Lord) for I complaine

The Whole Booke of Psalmes (ed. Ravenscroft, 1621)

*Psalme 61*

Richard ALLISON (ca. 1560 - ca. 1610)

CANTVS  
MEDIVS  
TENOR  
or Playnsong  
BASSVS

Re - gard (O Lord) for I com-plain, and make my suit to thee:

3

S.  
A.  
T.  
B.

Let not my words re-turn in vain, but give an ear to me. From off the coasts and ut-most parts

6

S.  
A.  
T.  
B.

of all the earth a-broad: in grief and an-guish of my heart, I cry to thee O God.

3. Upon the rock of thy great power  
my woeful mind repose:  
Thou art my hope, my fort, and tower,  
my fence against my foes.  
4. Within thy tent I lust to dwell,  
for ever to endure.  
Under thy wings I know right well  
I shall be safe and sure.

5. The Lord doth my desire regard,  
and dot fulfill the same:  
With godly gifts doth he reward  
all them that fear his name.  
6. *The King shall he in health maintain\**  
and so prolong his days:  
That he from age to age shall reign,  
for evermore always.

7. That he may have a dwelling place,  
before the Lord for aye:  
O let thy mercy, truth and grace  
defend him from decay.  
8. Then shall I sing for ever still;  
with praise unto thy name  
That all thy vows I may fulfill,  
and daily pay the same.

## My soule to God shall give good heed

The Whole Booke of Psalmes (ed. Ravenscroft, 1621)

Psalme 62

Thomas RAVENSCROFT (1590 - 1633)

CANTVS

MEDIVS

TENOR  
op *Playnsong*

BASSVS

Windsor or  
Eaton Tune

3

S.

A.

T.

B.

My soul to God shall give good heed, and him a-lone in-tend:  
 My soul to God shall give good heed, and him a-lone in-tend:  
 My soul to God shall give good heed, and him a-lone in-tend:  
 My soul to God shall give good heed, and him a-lone in-tend:  
 For why? my health, and hope to speed, doth whole on him de-pend.  
 For why? my health, and hope to speed, doth whole on him de-pend.  
 For why? my health, and hope to speed, doth whole on him de-pend.  
 For why? mu health, and hope to speed, doth whole on him de-pend.

2. For he alone is my defence,  
 my rock of health, my aid:  
 He is my stay that no pretence  
 shall make me much dismayed.

3. O wicked folk how long will ye  
 use crafts? sure you must fall,  
 For as a rotten hedge ye be,  
 and like a tottering wall.

4. Whom God doth love ye seek always  
 to put him to the worse:  
 Ye love to lie, with mouth ye praise,  
 and yet your heart doth curse.

5. Yet still my soul doth whole depend  
 on God my chief desire:  
 From all false feats me to defend,  
 none but him I require.

6. He is my rock, my strength, my tower,  
 my health is of his grace:  
 He doth support me that no power  
 can move me out of place.

7. God is my glory and my health,  
 my souls desire and lust:  
 My fort, my strength, my stay, my wealth,  
 God is my only trust.

8. O have your hope in him alway,  
 ye folk with one accord:  
 Pour out your hearts to him and say,  
 our trust is in the Lord.

9. The sons of men deceitful are,  
 on balance but a sleight:  
 With things most vain do them compare  
 for they can keep no weight.

10. Trust not in wrong, robbery or stealth,  
 let vain delights be gone:  
 Though goods well got flow in with wealth  
 set not your hearts thereon.

11. The Lord long sith one thing did tell,  
 which here to mind I call:  
 He spake it oft, I heard it well,  
 that God alone doth all.

12. And thou O Lord art good and kind,  
 thy mercy doth exceed:  
 So that all sorts with thee shall find  
 according to their need.

# O God my God I watch betime

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Psalm 63

Thomas RAVENSCROFT (1590 - 1633)

CANTVS  
MEDIVS  
TENOR  
or Playnsong  
BASSVS

Wels or  
Glasesbury Tune

O God my God I watch be-time, to come to thee in haste:  
O God my God I watch be-time, to come to thee in haste:  
O God my God I watch be-time, to come to thee in haste:  
O God my God I watch be-time, to come to thee in haste:  
O God my God I watch be-time, to come to thee in haste:

3  
S.  
A.  
T.  
B.

For why? my soul and bo - dy both, do thirst of thee to taste.  
For why? my soul and bo - dy both, do thirst of thee to taste.  
For why? my soul and bo - dy both, do thirst of thee to taste.  
For why? my soul and bo - dy both, do thirst of thee to taste.

2. And in this barren wilderness,  
where waters there are none:  
My flesh is parched for thought of thee,  
for thee I wish alone.  
That I might see yet once again  
thy glory, strength and might:  
As I was wont it to behold,  
within thy Temple bright.

3. For why? thy mercies far surmount  
this life and wretched days:  
My lips therefore shall give to thee  
due honour, laud and praise.  
4. And whilst I live I will not fail  
to worship thee alway.  
And in thy name I shall lift up,  
my hands when I do pray.

5. My soul is filled as with marrow,  
which is both fat and sweet:  
My mouth therefore shall sing such songs  
as are for thee most meet.

6. When as in bed I think on thee,  
and eke all the night tide:  
7. For under covert of thy wings  
thou art my joyful guide.  
8. My soul doth surely stick to thee,  
thy right hand is my power.  
9. And those that seek my soul to stroy  
them death shall soon devour.

10. The sword shall them devour each one,  
their carcasses shall feed  
The hungry Foxes which do run,  
their pray to seek at need.  
11. The King and all men shall rejoice,  
that do profess God's word:  
For liars' mouths shall then be stopped,  
which have the truth disturb'd.

## O Lord unto my voyce give eare

The Whole Booke of Psalmes (ed. Ravenscroft, 1621)

Psalm 54

Thomas RAVENSCROFT (1590 - 1633)

CANTVS  
MEDIVS  
TENOR  
or Playnsong  
BASSVS

*Bristol Tune*

O Lord un-to my voice give ear, with plaints when I do pray:  
O Lord un-to my voice give ear, with plaints when I do pray:  
O Lord un-to my voice give ear, with plaints when I do pray:  
O Lord un-to my voice give ear, with plaints when I do pray:

3  
S. And rid my life and soul from fear of foes that threat to slay.  
A. And rid my life and soul from fear of foes that threat to slay.  
T. And rid my life and soul from fear of foes that threat to slay.  
B. And rif my lief and soul from fear of foes that threat to slay.

2. Defend me from that sort of men,  
which in deceits do lurk:  
And from the frowning face of them  
that all ill feats do work.

3. Who whet their tongues as we have seen  
men whet and sharp their swords,  
They shoot abroad their arrows keen  
I mean most bitter words.

4. With privy (stights) shoot they their shaft  
the upright man to hit:  
The just unwares to strike by craft,  
they care of fear no whit.

5. A wicked work they have decreed,  
in council thus they cry:  
To use deceit let us not dread,  
what, who can it espy?

. What ways to hurt they talk and muse  
all times within their heart:  
They all consult what feats to us,  
each doth invent his part.

7. But yet all this shall not avail  
when they think least upon:  
God with his darts shall sure assail,  
and wound them every one.

8. Their crafts and their ill tongues withal  
shall work themselves such blame:  
That they which then behold their fall,  
shall wonder at the same.

9. Then all that see shall know right well  
that God this thing hath wrought:  
And praise his witty works and tell  
what he to pass hath brought.

10. Yet shall the just in God rejoice,  
still trusting in his might:  
So shall they joy with mind and voice,  
whose heart is pure and right.

# Thy praise alone (O Lord) doth raigne

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Psalme 65

Thomas RAVENSCROFT (1590 - 1633)

CANTVS

MEDIVS

TENOR  
or Playnsong

BASSVS

*Excester Tune*

3

S.

A.

T.

B.

Thy praise a - lone (O Lord) doth reign In Si - on thine own hill:  
 Thy praise a - lone (O Lord) doth reign In Si - on thine own hill:  
 Thy praise a - lone (O Lord) doth reign In Si - on thine own hill:  
 Thy praise a - lone (O Lord) doth reign In Si - on thine own hill:  
 Their vows to thee they do main - tain, and their be - hests ful - fill.  
 Their vows to thee they do main - tain, and thy be - hests ful - fill  
 Their vows to thee they do main - tain, and their be - hests ful - fill.  
 Their vovd to thee they do main - tain, and thy be - hests ful - fill.

2. For that thou dost their prayer hear,  
and doest thereto agree:  
Thy people all both far and near,  
with trust shall come to thee.

3. Our wicked life so far exceeds,  
that we should fall therein:  
But Lord forgive our great misdeeds,  
and purge us from our sin.

4. The man is blest whom thou dost choose,  
within thy courts to dwell:  
Thy house and Temple they do use,  
with pleasures that excel.

5. Of thy great justice hear us God,  
our health of thee doth rise:  
The hope of all the earth abroad,  
and the sea-coasts likewise.

6. With strength thou art beset about,  
and compassed with thy power:  
Thou makest the mountains strong and stout  
to stand in every shower.

7. The swelling seas thou dost assuage  
and make their streams full still:  
Thou dost restrain the people's rage,  
and rule them at thy will.

8. The folk that dwell full far on earth,  
shall dread the same to see:  
Which morne and evening in great mirth  
do pass with praise to thee.

9. When that the earth is chapped and dry,  
and thirsteth more and more:  
Then with thy drops thou dost apply,  
and much increase her store.

10. The flood of God doth overflow,  
and so doth cause to spring:  
The seed and corn which men do sow,  
for he doth guide the thing.

11. With wet thou dost her furrows fill  
whereby her clods do fall:  
Thy drops to her thou dost distil,  
and bless her fruit withal.

12. Thou decks't the earth of thy good grace  
with fair and pleasant crop:  
Thy clouds distil their dew apace  
great plenty they do drop.

13. Whereby the desert shall begin  
full great increase to bring:  
The little hills do joy therein,  
much fruit in them shall spring.

14. In places plain the flocks shall feed  
and cover all the earth:  
The valleys with corn shall so exceed,  
that men shall sing for mirth.

## Yee men on earth in God reioyce

The Whole Booke of Psalmes (ed. Ravenscroft, 1621)

Psalm 66

John MILTON (1562 - 1647)

CANTVS

MEDIVS

TENOR  
or Playnsong

BASSVS

Yorke Tune

3

S.

A.

T.

B.

Ye men on earth in God re-joice, with praise set forth his name:  
Ye men on earth in God re - joice, with praise set forth his name:  
Ye men on earth in God re - joice, with praise set forth his name:  
Ye men on earth in God re - joice, with praise set forth his name:  
Ex - tol his might with heart and voice, give glo-ry to the same.  
Ex - tol his might with heart and voice, give glo - ry to the same.  
Ex - tol his might with heart and voice, give glo - ry to the same.  
Ex - tol his might with heart and voice, give glo - ry to the same.

2. How wonderful O Lord, say ye,  
in all thy works thou art?  
Thy foes for fear do seek to thee,  
full sore against their heart.

3. All men that dwell the earth throughout  
do praise the name of God:  
The laud thereof the world about,  
is shewed and set abroad.

4. All folk come forth, behold and see,  
what things the Lord hath wrought:  
Mark well the wondrous works that he  
for man to pass hath brought.

5. He laid the sea like heaps on high,  
therein a way they had:

On foot to pass both fair and dry,  
whereof their hearts were glad.

6. His might doth rule the world away,  
his eyes all things behold:  
All such as would him disobey,  
by him shall be controlled.

7. Ye people give unto your God  
due laud and thanks always:  
With joyful voice declare abroad,  
and sing unto his praise.

8. Which doth endue our souls with life  
and it preserves withal:  
He stayeth our feet so that no strife,  
can make us slip and fall.

9. The Lord doth prove our deeds with fire,  
if that they will abide:  
As workmen do when they desire  
to have their metals tried.

10. Although thou suffer us so long,  
in prison to be cast:  
And there with chains and fetters strong  
to lie in bondage fast.

### The Second part.

11. Although I say thou sufferst men,  
on us to ride and reign:  
Though we through fire and water run  
of very grief and pain.

12. Yet sure thou dost of thy good grace  
dispose it to the best:  
And bringst us out into a place,  
to live in wealth and rest.

13. Unto thy house resort will I,  
to offer and to pray:  
And there I will myself apply  
my vows to thee to pay.

14. The vows that with my mouth I spake  
in all my grief and smart:  
The vows I say which I did make,  
in dolor of my heart.

15. Burnt offerings I will give to thee  
of Oxen fat and Rams  
None other sacrifice shall be,  
of Bullocks, Goats and Lambs.

16. Come forth and harken here full soon  
all ye that fear the Lord:  
What he for his poor flock hath done,  
to you I will record.

17. Full oft I call upon his grace,  
this mouth to him doth cry  
And thou my tongue make speed apace  
to praise him by and by.

18. But if I feel my heart within  
in wicked works rejoice:  
Or if I have delight in sin,  
God will not hear my voice.

19. But surely God my voice hath heard  
and what I do require:  
My prayer he doth well regard  
and granteth my desire.

20. All praise to him that hath not put  
nor cast me out of mind:  
Nor yet his mercy from me shut,  
which I did ever find.

# Have mercy on us Lord

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The Whole Booke of Psalmes (ed. Ravenscroft, 1621)

Psalm 67

Thomas RAVENSCROFT (1590 - 1633)

CANTVS  
MEDIVS  
TENOR  
or Playnsong  
BASSVS

London Tune

Have mer - cy on us Lord, and grant to us thy grace:

Have mer - cy on us Lord, and grant to us thy grace:

Have mer - cy on us Lord, and grant to us thy grace:

Have mer - cy on us Lord, and grant to us thy grace:

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S.  
A.  
T.  
B.

To shew to us do thou ac - cord, the bright-ness of thy face.

To shew to us do thou ac - cord, the bright-ness of thy face.

To shew to us do thou ac - cord, the bright-ness of thy face.

To shew to us do thou ac - cord, the bright-ness of thy face.

2. That all the earth may know  
the way to godly wealth:  
And all the nations on a row,  
may see thy saving health.

3. Let all the world O God,  
give praise unto thy name:  
O let the people all abroad,  
extol and laud the same.

4. Throughout the world so wide,  
let all rejoice with mirth:  
For thou with truth and right dost guide  
the nations of the earth.

5. Let all the world O God  
give praise unto thy name:  
O let the people all abroad  
extol and laud the same.

6. Then shall the earth increase,  
great store of fruit shall fall:  
And then our God, the God of peace,  
shall bless us eke withall.

7. God shall us bless I say,  
and then both far and near,  
The folk throughout the world alway  
of him shall stand in fear.

## Let God arise

The Whole Booke of Psalmes (ed. Ravenscroft, 1621)

Psalme 68

Richard ALLISON (ca. 1560 - ca. 1610)

CANTVS

MEDIVS

TENOR  
or Playnsong

BASSVS

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Let God a-rise and then his foes will turn them-selves to flight:

Let God a-rise, and then his foes will turn them-selves to flight:

Let God a-rise and then his foes will turn them-selves to flight:

Let God a-rise and then his foes will turn them-selves to flight:

his ene-mies then will run a-broad, and scat-ter out of sight. And as the fire doth melt the wax,

his ene-mies then will run a-broad, and scat-ter out of sight. And as the fire doth melt the wax,

his ene-mies then will run a-broad, and scat-ter out of sight. And as the fire doth melt the wax,

his ene-mies then will run a-broad, and scat-ter out of sight. And as the fire doth melt the wax,

and wind blow smoke a-way: So in the pre-sence of the Lord the wick-ed shall de-cay.

and wind blow smoke a-way: So in the pre-sence of the Lord the wick-ed shall de-cay.

and wind blow smoke a-way: So in the pre-sence of the Lord the wick-ed shall de-cay.

and wind blow smoke a-way: So in the pre-sence of the Lord the wick-ed shall de-cay.

3. But righteous men before the Lord shall heartily rejoice:  
They shall be glad and merry all, and cheerful in their voice.  
4. Sing praise, sing praise unto the Lord, who rideth on the sky:  
Extol the name of Jah our God, and him do magnify.

5. The same is he that is above within his holy place:  
That father is of fatherless, and judge of widows' case.  
6. Houses he gives and issue both unto the comfortless:  
He bringeth bond-men out of thrall, and rebels to distress.

7. When thou didst march before thy folk the Egyptians from among:  
And broughtest them through the wilderness down, which was both wide and long.  
8. The earth did quake the rain poured heard were great claps of thunder:  
The mount Sinai shook in such sort, as it would cleave asunder.

9. Thine heritage with drops of rain abundantly was washed:  
And if so be it barren waxed, by thee it was refreshed.  
10. Thy chosen flock doth there remain thou hast prepared that place:  
And for the poor thou dost provide of thine especial grace.



***The Second part.***

11. God will give women causes just  
to magnify his name:  
When as the people triumph make,  
and purchase brute and fame.  
12. For puissant kings for all their power  
shall fly (*flee*) and take the foil;  
And women which remain at home,  
shall help to part the spoil.

13. And though ye were as black as pots  
your hue shall pass the Dove:  
Whose wings and feathers seem to have  
silver and gold above.  
14. When in this land God shall triumph  
ov'r Kings both high and low:  
Then shall it be like Salmon hill,  
as white as any snow.

15. Though Basan be a fruitful hill,  
and in height other pass:  
Yet Zion God's most holy hill,  
doth far excel in grace.  
16. Why brag ye thus ye hills most high,  
and leap for pride together?  
This hill of Zion God doth love,  
and there will dwell for ever.

17. God's army is to millions  
of warriors good and strong:  
The Lord also in Sinai  
is present them among  
18. Thou didst O Lord ascend on high  
and captive ledst them all:  
Which in times past thy chosen flock,  
in prison kept and thrall.

19. Thou madest them tribute for to pay  
and such as did repine  
Thou didst subdue that they might dwell  
in thy Temple divine  
20. Now praised be the Lord for that  
he pours on us such grace:  
From day to day he is the God  
of our health and solace.

***The Third part.***

21. He is the God from whom alone  
salvation cometh plain:  
He is the God by whom we 'scape  
all dangers, death, and pain.  
22. Thus God will wound his enemies head,  
and break the hairy scalpe,  
Of those that in their wickedness  
continually do walk.

23. From Basan I will bring saith he,  
my people and my sheep:  
And all mine own as I have done  
from danger of the deep.  
24. And make them dip their feet in blood  
of those that hate my name:  
And dogs shall have their tongues imbrued  
with licking of the same.

25. All men may see how thou O God,  
they enemies dost deface:  
And how thou goest as God and King  
into thy holy place.  
26. The singers go before with joy,  
the Minstrels follow after:  
And in the midst the Damsels play,  
with Timbrel and with Taber.

27. Now in the congregation  
O Israel praise the Lord:  
And Jacob's whole posterity,  
give thanks with one accord.  
28. Their chief was little Benjamin,  
but Juda made their host:  
With Zabulon and Nephtalim,  
wich dwell about their coast.

29. As God hath given power to thee  
so Lord make firm and sure:  
The thing that thou hast wrought in us,  
for ever to endure.  
30. And in thy temple gifts will we  
give unto thee (O Lord)  
For thine unto Jerusalem  
sure promise made by word.

***The Fourth part.***

Yea, and strange Kings to us subdued  
shall do like in those days:  
I mean to thee they shall present  
their gifts of laud and praise.  
31. He shall destroy the spearmen's ranks  
their Calves and Bulls of might:  
And cause them tribute pay, and daunt  
all such as love to fight.

32. Then shall the Lord of Egypt come,  
and presents to him bring:  
The Moors most black shall stretch their hands  
unto their Lord and king.  
33. Therefore the kingdoms of the earth  
give praise unto the Lord:  
Sings Psalms to God with one consent,  
thereto let all accord.

34. Who though he ride, and ever hath,  
above the heavens bright:  
Yet by his fearful thunderclaps  
men may well know his might.  
35. Therefore the strength of Israel  
ascribe to God on high,  
Whose might and power doth far extend  
above the cloudy sky.

36. O Lord thy holiness and power  
is dread for evermore:  
The God of Israel gives us strength,  
praised be God therefore.

## Save me O God

The Whole Booke of Psalmes (ed. Ravenscroft, 1621)

Psalm 69

Richard ALLISON (ca 1560 - ca. 1610)

CANTVS  
MEDIVS  
TENOR  
or *Playnsong*  
BASSVS

Save me O God and that with speed the wa - ters flow full fast:  
Save me O God and that with speed the wa - ters flow full fast:  
Save me O God and that with speed, the wa - ters flow full fast:  
Save me O God and that with speed, the wa - ters flow full fast:

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S. So nigh my soul do they pro-ceed, that I am sore a-gassed. I stick full deep in filth and clay,  
A. So nigh my soul do they pro-ceed, that I am sore a-gassed. I stick full deep in filth and clay,  
T. So nigh my soul do they pro-ceed, that I am sore a-gassed. I stick full deep in filth and clay,  
B. So nigh my soul do they pro-ceed, that I am sore a-gassed. I stick full deep in filth and clay,

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S. where-as I feel no ground: I fall in - to such floods I say, that I am like be drow'ned.  
A. where-as I feel no ground: I fall in - to such floods I say, that I am like be drow'ned.  
T. where-as I feel no ground: I fall in - to such floods i say, that I am like be drow'ned.  
B. where-as I feel no ground: I fall in - to such floods I say, that I am like be drow'ned.

3. With crying oft I faint and quail,  
my throat is hoarse and dry:  
With looking up my sight doth fail,  
for help of God on high.

4. My foes that that guiltless do oppress  
my soul, with hate are led:  
In number sure they are no less  
then hairs are on my head.

5. Though for no cause they vex me sore,  
they prosper and are glad:  
They do compel me to restore  
the things I never had.

6. What I have done for want of wit,  
thou Lord all times canst tell:  
And all the faults that I commit,  
to thee are known full well.

7. O God of hosts defend and stay  
all those that trust in thee:  
Let no man doubt or shrink away  
for ought that chanceth me.

8. It is for thee, and for thy sake  
that I do bear this blame:  
In spite of thee they would me make,  
to hide my face for shame.

9. My mother's sons my brethren all  
forsake me on a row:  
And as a stranger they me call,  
my face they will not know.

10. Unto thy house such zeal I bear,  
that it doth pine me much:  
Their checks and taunts at thee to hear  
my very heart doth grutch.

***The Second part.***

11. Though I do fast my flesh to chaste,  
yea if I weep and moan:  
Yet in my teeth this gear is cast,  
they pass not thereupon.  
12. If I for grief and pain of heart,  
in sackcloth use to walk:  
Then they anone will it pervert,  
thereof they jest and talk.

13. Both high and low, and all the throng,  
that sit within the gate:  
They have me ever in their tongue,  
of me they talk and prate.  
14. The drunkards which in wine delight  
it is their chief pastime:  
To seek which way to work me spite,  
of me they sing and time.

14. But thee the while O Lord I pray,  
that when it pleaseth thee:  
For thy great truth thou wilt alway,  
send down thine aid to me.  
16. Pluck thou my feet out of the mire,  
from drowning do me keep:  
From such as owe me wrath and ire,  
and from the waters deep.

17. Lest with the waves I should be drown'd,  
and depth my soul devour:  
And that the pit should me confound,  
and shut me in her power.  
18. O Lord of hosts to me give ear,  
as thou art good and kind:  
And as thy mercy is most dear,  
Lord have me in thy mind.

19. And do not frown thy servant hide  
nor turn thy face away:  
I am oppressed on every side,  
with hast give ear I say.  
20. O Lord unto my soul draw nigh,  
the same with aid repose:  
Because of their great tyranny,  
acquitt me from my foes.

***The Third part.***

21. That I abide rebuke and shame,  
thou knowest and thou canst tell:  
For those that seek and work the same,  
thou seest them all full well.  
22. When they with brags do break my heart,  
I seek for help anone:  
But find no friends to ease my smart,  
to comfort me not one.

23. But in my meat they gave me gall,  
too cruel for to think:  
and gave me in my thirst withal  
strong vinegar to drink.  
24. Lord turn their table to a snare,  
to take themselves therein:  
And when they think full-well to fare,  
then trap them in the grin.

25. And let their eyes be dark and blind,  
that they may nothing see:  
Bow down their back and do them bend  
in thralldom for to be.  
26. Pour out thy wrath as hot as fire,  
that it on them may fall:  
Let thy displeasure in thine ire,  
take hold upon them all.

27. As desert dry their house disgrace,  
their offspring eke expel:  
That none thereof possess their place,  
nor in their tents do dwell.  
28. If thou dost strike the man to tame,  
on him they lay full sore:  
And if that thou do wound the same,  
they seek to hurt him more.

29. Then let them heap up mischief still  
sith they are all pervert:  
That of thy favour and good will,  
they never have no part.  
30. And dash them clean out of the book,  
of life, of hope, of trust  
That for their names they never look  
in numbers of the just.

***The Fourth part.***

31. Though I O Lord, with woe and grief  
have been full sore oppressed:  
Thy help shall give me such relief,  
that all shall be redressed.  
32. That I may give thy name the praise,  
and shew it with a song:  
I will extol the same alway,  
with hearty thanks among.

33. Which is more pleasant unto thee,  
such mind thy grace hath borne,  
Then either Ox or Calf can be,  
that hath both hoof and horn.  
34. When simple folk do this behold,  
it shall rejoice them sure:  
All ye that seek the Lord behold,  
your life for aye shall dure.

35. For why? the Lord of hosts doth hear  
the poor when they complain:  
His prisoners are to him full dear,  
he doth them not disdain.  
36. Whereforr the sky and earth below  
the sea with flood and stream:  
His praise they shall declare and shew,  
with all that live in them.

37. For sure our God will Sion save,  
and Juda's City build:  
Much folk possessions there shall have,  
her streets shall all be filled.  
38. Her servants' seed shall keep the same  
all ages out of mind:  
39. And there all they that love his name  
a dwelling place shall find.

## O God to me take heed

The Whole Booke of Psalmes (ed. Ravenscroft, 1621)

Psalm 70

Martin PEIRSON (ca. 1571 - ca. 1651)

CANTVS  
MEDIVS  
TENOR  
or Playnsong  
BASSVS

*Southwell Tune*

O God to me take heed, of help I thee re - quire:  
O God to me take heed, of help I thee re - quire:  
O God to me take heed, of help I thee re - quire:  
O God to me take heed, of help I thee re - quire:

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B.

O Lord of hosts with haste make speed, help, help, I thee de - sire.  
O Lord of hosts with haste and speed, help, help, I thee de - sire.  
O Lord of hosts with haste and speed, help, help, I thee de - sire.  
O Lord of hosts with haste and speed, help, help, I thee de - sire.

2. With shame confound them all  
that seek my soul to spill:  
Rebuke them back with blame to fall,  
that think and wish me ill.

3. Confound them that apply,  
and seek to work me shame:  
And at my harm do laugh and cry,  
so, so, there goeth the game.

4. But let them joyfull be,  
in thee with joy and wealth:  
Which only trust and seek to thee,  
and to thy saving health.

5. That they may say always,  
in mirth and one accord.  
All glory, honour, laud and praise,  
be given to thee O Lord.

6. But I am weak and poor,  
come Lord, thine aid I lack:  
Thou art my stay and help, therefore  
make speed and be not slack.



## My Lord my God in all distresse

The Whole Booke of Psalmes (ed. Ravenscroft, 1621)

Psalm 71

Thomas RAVENSCROFT (1590 - 1633)

CANTVS

MEDIVS

TENOR  
or Playnsong

BASSVS

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T.

B.

My Lord my God in all dis-stress, my hope is whole in thee:

My Lord my God in all dis-tress, my hope is whole in thee:

My Lord my God in all dis-stress, my hope is whole in thee:

My Lord my God in all dis-stress, my hope is whole in thee:

Then let no shame my soul op-press, nor once take hold on me. As thou art just de-fend me Lord,

Then let no shame my soul op-press, nor once take hold on me. As thou art just de-fend me Lord,

Then let no shame my soul op-press, nor once take hold on me. As thou art just de-fend me Lord,

Then let no shame my soul op-press, nor once take hold on me. As thou art just de-fend me Lord,

and rid me out of dread: Give ear and to my suit ac-cord, and send me help at need.

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and rid me out of dread: Give ear and to my suit ac-cord, and send me help at need.

and rid me out of dread: Give ear and to my suit ac-cord, and send me help at need.

3. Be thou my rock, to whom I may  
for aid all times resort:  
Thy promise is to help alway,  
thou art my fence and fort.  
4. Save me my God from wicked men,  
and from their strength and power:  
From folk unjust, and eke from them  
that cruelly devour.

5. Thou art my stay wherein I trust,  
thou Lord of hosts art he:  
Yea, from my youth I had a lust,  
still to depend on thee.

6. Thou hast me kept even from my birth  
and I through thee was born:  
Wherefore I will thee praise with mirth  
both evening and at morn.

7. As to a monster seldom seen,  
much folk about me throng:  
But thou art now and still hast been  
my fence and aid most strong.  
8. Wherefore my mouth no time shall lack  
thy glory and thy praise:  
And eke my tongue shall not be slak,  
to honour thee always.

Rebuke me not O Lord I say,  
when age my limbs doth take:  
And when my strength doth waste away  
do not my soul forsake.

10. Among themselves my foes inquire  
to take me through deceit:  
And they against me do conspire  
that for my soul layed wait.

*The Second part.*

11. Lay hand, and take him now they said  
for God from him is gone:

Dispatch him quite for to his aid  
(iwis) there cometh none.

12. Do not absent thyself away,  
(O Lord) when need shall be:  
But that in time of grief thou mayest  
with haste give help to me.

13. With shame confound and overthrow  
all those that seek my life:

Oppress them with rebuke also,  
that fain would work me strife.

14. But I will patiently abide  
thy help at all essays:  
Still more and more each time and tide  
I will set forth thy praise.

15. My mouth thy justice shall record,  
thy daily help doth send:

But of thy benefits, O Lord,  
I know no count or end.

16. Yet will I go and seek forth one,  
with thy good help, O God,  
The saving health of thee alone  
to shew and set abroad.

17. For of my mouth thou took'st the care,  
and dost instruct me still:

Therefore thy wonders to declare  
I have great mind and will.

18. And as in youth from wanton rage  
thou didst me keep and stay:  
Forsake me not unto mine age,  
and till my head be gray.

*The Third part.*

19. That I thy strength and might may shew  
to them that now be here:

And that our seed thy power may know  
here after many a year.

20. O Lord thy justice doth exceed,  
thy doings all shall see:  
Thy works are wonderful indeed,  
oh, who is like to thee?

21. Thou mad'st me feel affliction sore,  
and yet thou didst me save:

Yea, thou dost make all strife to cease,  
and took'st me from the grave.

22. And thou mine honour dost increase,  
my dignity maintain:  
Yea, thou dost make all strife to cease,  
and comfortst me again.

23. Therefore thy faithfulness to praise  
I will with Viol sing:

My Harp shall sound thy laud always,  
O Israel's holy King.

24. My mouth will joy with pleasent voice  
when I shall sing to thee:  
And eke my soul will much rejoice,  
for thou hast made me free.

25. My tongue thy uprightness shall sound  
ans speak it daily still:

For grief and shame do them confound,  
that sought to work me ill.

## Lord give thy judgements to the King

The Whole Booke of Psalmes (ed. Ravenscroft, 1621)

Psalm 72

Thomas RAVENSCROFT (1590 - 1633)

CANTVS

MEDIVS

TENOR

BASS

*Christ Hospital Tune*

Lord give thy judg - ments to the King, there-in in-struct him well:

Lord give thy judg - ments to the King, there-in in-struct him well:

Lord give thy judg - ments to the King, there-in in-struct him well:

Lord give thy judg - ments to the King, there-in in-struct him well:

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S.

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B.

And with his son that Prince - ly thing, Lord let thy jus - tice dwell.

And with his son that Prince - ly thing, Lord let thy jus - tice dwell.

And with his son that Prince - ly thing, Lord let thy jus - tice dwell.

And with his son that Prince - ly thing, Lord let thy jus - tice dwell.

3. That he may govern uprightly,  
and rule thy folk aright:  
And so defend through equity,  
the poor that have no might.

4. And let the mountains that are high,  
unto their folk give peace:  
And eke let little hills apply,  
in justice to increase.

4. That he may help and ease the poor  
with aid, and make them strong:  
And eke destroy for evermore  
all those that do them wrong.

5. And then from age to age shall they  
regard and fear thy might  
So long as Sun doth shine by day,  
or else the Moon at night.

6. Lord make the King unto the just,  
like rains to fields new mown:  
And like to drops that lay the dust,  
and fresh the Land new sown.

7. The just shall flourish in his time,  
and all shall be at peace:  
Until the Moon shall cease to prime,  
waste, change, and to increase.

8. He shall be Lord of sea and land,  
from shore to shore throughout:  
And from the floods within the land,  
through all the earth about.

9. The people that in deserts dwell,  
shall kneel to him full thick:  
And all his enemies that rebel,  
the earth and dust shall lick.

10. The Lords of all the Isles thereby,  
great gifts to him shall bring:  
The King of Saby, and Araby,  
give many a costly thing.



*The Second part.*

11. All Kings shall seek with one accord  
in his good grace to stand:  
And all the people of the world,  
shall serve him at his hand.

12. For he the needy sort doth save,  
that unto him do call  
And eke the simple folk that have  
no help of man at all.

13. He taketh pity on the poor,  
that are with need oppressed:  
He doth preserve them evermore,  
and bring their souls to rest.

14. He shall redeem their life from dread  
from fraud, from wrong, from might:  
And eke the blood that they shall bleed  
is precious in his sight.

15. But he shall live, and they shall bring  
to him of Saba's gold:  
He shall be honored as a King,  
and daily be extoled.

16. The mighty mountains of his land  
of corn shall bear such throng  
That it like Cedar-trees shall stand  
in Libanus full strong.

17. Their cities eke full well shall speed,  
the fruits thereof shall pass:  
In plenty it shall far exceed,  
and spring as green as grass.

18. For ever they shall praise his name,  
while that the Sun is light:  
And think them happy through the same,  
all folk shall bless his might.

19. Praise ye the Lord of hosts, and sing  
to Israel's God each one:  
For he doth every wondrous thing,  
yea, he himself alone.

20. And blessed be his holy name  
all time eternally:  
That all the earth may praise the same  
Amen, Amen, say I.

## How ever it be

The Whole Booke of Psalmes (ed. Ravenscroft, 1621)

Psalme 73

Thomas RAVENSCROFT (1590 - 1633)

CANTVS

MEDIVS

TENOR  
or Playnsong

BASSVS

Cambridge Tune

1

How ever it be, yet God is good, and kind to Is - ra - el:

How ever it be, yet God is good, and kind to Is - ra - el:

How ever it be, yet God is good, and kind to Is - ra - el:

How ever it be, yet God is good, and kind to Is - ra - el:

5

S.

A.

T.

B.

And to all such as safe - ly keep their con - science pure and well.

And to all such as safe - ly keep their con - science pure and well.

And to all such as safe - ly keep their con - science pure and well.

And to all such as safe - ly keep their con - science pure and well.

2. Yet like a fool I almost slipped,  
my feet began to slide:  
And eke I (wift) even at a pinch  
my steps began to glide.

3. For when I saw such foolish men  
I grudg'd and did disdain:  
That wicked men all things should have  
without turmoil or pain.

4. They never suffer plagues nor grief  
as if death should them smite:  
Their bodies are both stout and strong,  
and ever in good plight.

5. And free from all adversity,  
when other men be (shent):  
And with the rest they take no part  
of plague or punishment.

6. Therefore presumption doth embrace  
their necks as doth a chain:  
And are even wrapped as in a robe  
with rapine and disdain.

7. They are so fed, that even for fat  
their eyes oft times out start:  
And as for worldly goods they have  
more then can wish their heart.

8. Their life is most licentious,  
boasting much of the wrong  
which they have done so simple men,  
and ever pride among.

9. The heavens and the living Lord  
they spare not to blaspheme:  
And prate they do of worldly things,  
no wight they do esteem.

10. The people of God oft times turn back  
to see their prosperous state:  
And almost drink the self fain cup  
and follow the same state.

*The Second part.*

11. How can it be that God, say they,  
should know and understand  
These worldly things, since wicked men  
be Lords of sea and land?  
12. For we may see how wicked men  
in riches still increase:  
Rewarded well with worldly goods  
and live in rest and peace.
13. Then why do I from wickedness  
my fantasy refrain ?  
And wash my hands with innocents,  
and cleanse my heart in vain?  
14. And suffer scourges every day,  
as subject to all blame?  
And every morning from my youth  
sustain rebuke and shame?
15. And I had almost said as they  
misliking mine estate:  
But that I sould thy children judge  
as folk unfortunate.  
16. Then I bethought me how I might  
this matter understand  
But yet the matter was to great,  
for me to take in hand.
17. Until the time I went unto  
thy holy place, and then  
I understood right perfectly  
the end of all these men.  
18. And namely, how thou settest them  
upon a slippery place:  
And at thy pleasure and thy will  
thou dost them all deface.
19. Then shall men muse at this strange sight,  
to see how suddenly  
They are destroyed, dispatched, consumed,  
and dead so horribly.  
20. Much like a dream when one awakes  
so shall their wealth decay:  
Their famous names in all men's sight  
shall ebb and pass away.

*The Third part.*

21. Yet thus my heart was grieved then,  
my mind was much oppressed  
22. So fond was I and ignorant,  
and in this point a beast.  
23. Yet nevertheless by my right hand  
thou hold'st me always fast:  
24. And with thy counsel dost me guide,  
to glory at the last.
25. What thing is there that I can wish  
but thee in heaven above:  
And in the earth there is nothing  
like thee that I can love.  
26. My flesh and eke my heart doth fail,  
but God doth fail me never:  
For of my heart God is the strength,  
my portion eke for ever.
27. And lo all such as thee forsake  
thou shalt destroy each one:  
And those that trust in anything  
saving in thee alone.  
28. Therefore I will draw near to God,  
and ever with him dwell:  
In God alone I put my trust  
thy wonders will I tell.

## Why art thou Lord so long from us

The Whole Booke of Psalmes (ed. Ravenscroft, 1621)

Psalm 74

Thomas RAVENSCROFT (1590 - 1633)

CANTVS

MEDIVS

*Oxford Tune*

TENOR  
or Playnsong

BASSVS

S.

A.

T.

B.

Why art thou Lord so long from us in all this dan - ger deep:

Why art thou Lord so long from us in all this dan - ger deep:

Why art thou Lord so long from us in all this dan - ger deep:

Why art thou Lord so long from us in all this dan - ger deep:

Why art thou Lord so long from us in all this dan - ger deep:

why doth thine an - ger kind - le thus at thine own pas - ture sheep?

Why doth thine an - ger kind - le thus at thine own pas - ture sheep?

Why doth thine an - ger kind - le thus at thine own pas - ture sheep?

Why doth thine an - ger kind - le thus at thine own pas - ture sheep?

2. Lord call the people to thy thought,  
which have been thine so long:  
The which thou hast redeemed and brought  
from bondage sore and strong.

3. Have mind I say and think upon,  
remember it full well:  
The pleasent place, thy mount Sion,  
where thou wast wont to dwell.

4. Lift up thy foot and come in haste,  
and all thy foes deface:  
Which now at pleasure rob and waste,  
within thy holy place.

5. Amid the congregations all  
thine enemies roare O God:  
They set as signs on every wall  
their banners 'splayed abroad.

6. As men with axes hew the trees,  
that on the hills do grow:  
So shine the bills and swords of these  
within thy Temple now.

7. The cieling sawed, the carned boards,  
the goodly graven stones  
With axes, hammers, bills and swords,  
they beat them down at once.

8. Thy places they consume with flame,  
and eke in all this toil  
The house appointed for thy name,  
they rax down to the soil.

9. And thus they say within their heart,  
dispatch them out of hand:  
Then burn they up in every place,  
Gods houses through the land.

10. Yea, thou no sign of help dost send,  
our Prophets all are gone:  
To tell when this our plague shall end,  
among us there is none.

11. When wilt thou Lord once end this shame  
and cease thine enemies strong ?  
Shall they alway blasphem thy name,  
and rail on thee so long ?

12. Why dost withdraw thy hand aback,  
and hide it in the lap?  
O pluck it out and be not slack  
to give thy foes a rap.

*The Second part.*

13. O God that art my King and Lord,  
and evermore hast been:  
Yea, thy good grace throughout the world  
for our good help hath seen.

14. The seas that are so deep and dead,  
thy might did make them dry:  
And thou didst break the Serpent's head  
and he therein did die.

15. Yea, thou didst break the heads so great  
of Whales that are so fell:  
And gav'st them to the folk to eat,  
that in the desert dwell.

16. Thou mad'st a spring of streams to rise  
from rocks both hard and high:  
And eke thy hand hath made likewise  
deep rivers to be dry.

17. Both day and eke the night are thine,  
by thee they were begun:  
Thou sets to serve us with their shine,  
the light and eke the Sun.

18. Thou dost appoint the ends and coasts  
of all the earth about:  
Both Summer heats, and Winters frosts,  
thy hand hath found them out.

19. Think on O Lord, no time forget,  
thy foes that thee defame:  
And how the foolish folk are set  
to rail upon thy name.

20. O let not cruel beasts devour  
thy Turtle that is true:  
Forget not always in thy power,  
the poor that much do rue.

21. Regard thy covenant and behold,  
thy foes possess the Land:  
All sad and dark for worn and old,  
our realm as now doth stand.

21. Let not the simple go away  
with disappointed shame:  
But let the poor and needy aye  
give praise unto thy name.

23. Rise Lord, let be by thee maintained  
the cause that is thine own:  
Remember how that thou blasphemed  
art by the foolish one.

24. The voice forget not of thy foes,  
for the presuming high  
Is more and more increased of those  
that hate thee spitefully.

# Unto thee God will we give thanks

The Whole Booke of Psalmes (ed. Ravenscroft, 1621)

*Psalm 75*

Simon STUBBS (fl. 1616 - 1621)

CANTVS  
MEDIVS  
TENOR  
or Playnsong  
BASSVS

*Martyrs Tune*

1  
Un - to thee God will we give thanks, we will give thanks to thee:  
Un - to thee God will we give thanks, we will give thanks to thee:  
Un - to thee God will we give thanks, we will give thanks to thee:  
Un - to thee God will we give thanks, we will give thanks to thee:

5  
S. Sith thy name is so near, de - clare thy wond - rous works will we.  
A. Sith thy name is so near, de - clare thy wond - rous works will we.  
T. Sith thy name is so near, de - clare thy wond - rous works will we.  
B. Sith thy name is so near, de - clare thy wond - rous works will we.

2. I will uprightly judge, when get  
convenient time I may:  
The earth is weak and all therein,  
but I her pillars stay.

3. I did to the mad people say,  
deal not so furiously:  
and unto the ungodly ones,  
set not your horns on high.

4. I said unto them set not up  
your tallied horns on high:  
And see that you do with stiff neck  
not speak presumptuously.

5. For neither from the Eastern part,  
nor from the Western side:  
Nor from forsaken wilderness  
protection doth proceed:

6. For why? the Lord our God he is  
the righteous Judge alone.  
Het putteth down the one, and sets  
another in the throne.

7. For why a cup of mighty wine  
is in the hand of God:  
And all the mighty wine therein,  
himself doth pour abroad.

8. As for the leaks and filthy dregs  
that do remain of it:  
The wicked of the earth shall drink  
and suck them every whit.

9. But I will talk of God I say,  
of Jacob's God therefore:  
And will not cease to celebrate  
his praise for evermore.

10. In sunder break the horn of all  
ungodly men will I:  
But then the horns of righteous men,  
shall be exalted high.

## *Gloria Patri*

To Father, Son and holy Ghost  
all glory be therefore:  
As in beginning was, is now,  
and shall be evermore.

# To all that now in lury dwell

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The Whole Booke of Psalmes (ed. Ravenscroft, 1621)

Psalme 76

Thomas RAVENSCROFT (1590 - 1633)

CANTVS

MEDIVS

TENOR  
or Playnsong

BASSVS

*Durham Tune*

To all that now in lu - ry dwell the Lord is clear - ly known:

To all that now in lu - ry dwell the Lord is clear - ly known:

To all that now in lu - ry dwell the Lord is clear - ly known:

To all that now in lu - ru dwell the Lord is clear - ly known:

3

S.  
His name is great in Is - ra el, a peo - ple of his own.

A.  
His name is great in Is - ra - el, a peo - ple of his own.

T.  
His name is great in Is - ra - el, a peo - ple of his own.

B.  
His name is great in Is - ra - el, a peo - ple of his own.

2. At Salem he his tents hath pight (*pitched*),  
to tarry there a space:  
In Sion eke he doth delight,  
to make his dwelling place.

3. And there he brake both shaft and bow,  
the sword, the spear, the shield:  
And brake the ray to overthrow,  
in battle on the field.

4. Thou art more worthy honour (Lord)  
more might in thee doth lie:  
Then in the strongest in the world,  
that rob on mountains high.

5. But now the proud are spoiled through thee,  
and they are fallen on sleep:  
Through men of war no help can be,  
themselves they could not keep.

6. At thy rebuke O Jacob's God,  
when thou didst them reprove:  
As half asleep their chariots stood,  
no horsemen onde did move.

7. For thou art fearful, Lord indeed,  
what man the courage hath  
To 'bide thy sight, and doth not dread  
when thou art in thy wrath ?

8. When thou dost make thy judgements heard  
from heaven through the ground:  
Then all the earth full sore afraid,  
in silence shall be found.

9. And that when thou O God dost stand  
in judgment for to speak  
To save th' afflicted of the Land,  
on earth that are full weak.

10. The fury that in them doth reign,  
shall turn unto thy praise:  
Hereafter Lord do thou restrain  
their wrath and threats always.

11. Make vows and pay them to your God  
ye folk that nigh him be:  
Bring gifts all ye that dwell abroad,  
for dreadful sure is he.

12. For he doth take both life and might,  
from Princes great of birth:  
And full of terror is his sight  
to all the Kings on earth.

## I With my voyce to God doe cry

The Whole Booke of Psalmes (ed. Ravenscroft, 1621)

Psalme 77

Richard ALLISON (ca. 1560 - ca. 1610)

CANTVS

MEDIVS

TENOR  
or Playnsong

BASS

I with my voice to God do cry, with heart and hear - ty cheer:

I with my voice to God do cry, with heart and hear - ty cheer:

I with my voice to God do cry, with heart and hear - ty cheer:

I with my voice to God do cry, with heart and hear - ty cheer:

2

S.

A.

T.

B.

My voice to God I lift on high, and he my suit doth hear.

My voice to God I lift on high, and he my suit doth hear.

My voice to God I lift on high, and he my suit doth hear.

My voice to God I lift on high, and he my suit doth hear.

3

S.

A.

T.

B.

In time of grief I sought to God, by night no rest I took:

In time of grief I sought to God, by night no rest I took:

In time of grief I sought to God, by night no rest I took:

In time of grief I sought to God, by night no rest I took:

4

S.

A.

T.

B.

but stretched my hands to him a - broad, my soul com - fort for - sook.

but stretched my hands to him a - broad, my soul com - fort for - sook.

but stretched my hands to him a - broad, my soul com - fort for - sook.

but stretched my hands to him a - broad, my soul com - fort for - sook.



3. When I to think on God intend,  
 my trouble then is more:  
 I spake but could not make an end,  
 my breath was stopped so sore.  
 4. Thou holdst mine eyes always from rest  
 that I always awake:  
 With fear I am so sore oppressed,  
 my speech doth me forsake.

5. The days of old in mind I cast,  
 and oft did think upon  
 The times and ages that are past,  
 full many years agone.

6. By night my songs I call to mind,  
 once made thy praise to shew:  
 And with my heart much talk I find,  
 my spirits do search to know.

7. Will God (said I) at once for all,  
 call off his people thus ?  
 So that henceforth no time he shall  
 be friendly unto us ?

8. What is his goodness clean decayed  
 for ever and a day ?  
 Or is his promise now delayed ?  
 or doth his truth decay ?

9. And will the Lord our God forget,  
 his mercies manifold ?  
 Or shall his wrath increase so hot,  
 his mercy to with-hold ?

10. At last I said my weakness is  
 the cause of my distrust:  
 Gods mighty hand can help all this,  
 and change it when he lust.

### *The Second part.*

11. I will regard and think upon  
 the working of the Lord:  
 Of all his wonders past and gone,  
 I gladly will record.

12. Yea, all his works I will declare,  
 and what he did devise:  
 To tell his facts I will not spare,  
 and eke his counsel wise.

13. Thy works O Lord are all upright,  
 and holy all abroad:  
 What one hath strength to match the might  
 of thee O Lord our God ?

14. Thou art a God that oft dost shew  
 thy wonders every hour:  
 And so dost make thy people know  
 thy vertue and thy power.

15. And thine own folk thou dost defend  
 with strength and stretched arm:  
 The sons of Jacob that descend,  
 and Joseph's seed from harm.

16. The waters Lord perceived thee,  
 the waters saw thee well:  
 And they for fear aside did flee,  
 the depths on trembling fell.

17. The clouds that were both thick and black  
 did rain full plenteously:  
 The thunder in the air did crack,  
 thy shafts abroad did fly.

18. Thy thunder in the earth was heard,  
 thy lightning from above:  
 With flashes great made men afraid,  
 the earth did quake and move.

19. Thy way's within the sea doth lie,  
 thy paths in waters deep:  
 Yet none can there thy steps espy,  
 not know thy paths to keep.

20. Thou led'st thy folk upon the land,  
 as sheep on every side:  
 Through Moses and through Aaron's hand  
 thou didst them safely guide.

## Attend my people to my Law

The Whole Booke of Psalmes (ed. Ravenscroft, 1621)

Psalm 78

Michael CAVENDISH (ca. 1565 - 1628)

CANTVS

MEDIVS

TENOR  
or *Playnsong*

BASSVS

At - tend my peop - le to my Law, and to my words in - cline:

At - tend my peop - le to my Law, and to my words in - cline:

At - tend my peop - le to my Law, and to my words in - cline:

At - tend my peop - le to my Law, and to my words in - cline:

3

S. My mouth shall speak strange pa - ra - bles, and sen - ten - ces di - vine,

A. My mouth shall speak strange pa - ra - bles, and sen - ten - ces di - vine,

T. My mouth shall speak strange pa - ra - bles, and sen - ten - ces di - vine,

B. My mouth shall speak strange pa - ra - bles, and sen - ten - ces di - vine,

5

S. which we our - selves have heard and learnt, even of our fa - thers old,

A. which we our - selves have heard and learnt, even of our fa - thers old,

T. which we our - selves have heard and learnt, even of our fa - thers old,

B. which we our - selves have heard and learnt, even of our fa - thers old,

7

S. and which for our in - struc - ti - on our fa - thers have us told.

A. and which for our in - struc - ti - on, our fa - thers have us told.

T. and which for our in - struc - ti - on, our fa - thers have us told.

B. and which for our in - struc - ti - on, our fa - thers have us told.

4. Because we should not keep it close  
from them that should come after.  
Who should God's power to their race praise  
and all his works of wonder.  
5. To Jacob he commandment gave  
how Israel should live:  
Willing our fathers should the same  
unto their children give.

6. That they and their posterity  
that were not sprung up tho  
Should have the knowledge of the law,  
and teach their seed also.  
7. That they may have the better hope  
in God that is above:  
And not forget to keep his laws  
and his precepts in love.

8. Not being as their fathers were,  
rebellling in God's sight:  
And would not frame their wicked hearts  
to know their God aright.  
9. How went the people of Ephraim,  
their neighbours for to spoil:  
Shooting their darts the day of war,  
and yet they took the foil ?

10. For why ? they did not keep with God  
the covenant that was made:  
Nor yet would walk or lead their lives  
according to his trade.  
11. But put into oblivion  
his counsel and his will:  
And all his works most magnifique,  
which he declared still.

*The Second part.*

12. What wonder to our forefathers  
did he himself disclose:  
In Egypt land within the field  
that call'd is Thaneos ?  
13. He did divide and cut the sea,  
that they might pass at once:  
And made the waters stand as still  
as doth an heap of stones.

14. He led them secret in a cloud  
by day when it was bright:  
And in the night when dark it was  
with fire he gave them light.  
15. He brake the rocks in wilderness,  
and gave the people drink:  
As plentyful as when the drops  
do flow up to the brink.

16. He drew out rivers out of rocks,  
that were both dry and hard:  
Of such abundance that no floods  
to them might be compar'd.  
17. Yet for all this against the Lord  
their sin they did increase:  
And stirred him that is most high  
to wrath in wilderness.

18. They tempted him within their hearts  
like people of mistrust:  
Requiring such a kind of meat  
as served to their lust.  
19. Saying with murmuration,  
in their unfaithfulness:  
What ? can this God prepare for us  
a feast in wilderness ?

20. Behold he strake the stony rock,  
and floods forthwith did flow:  
But can he now give to his folk  
both bread and flesh also ?  
21. When God heard this he waxed wroth  
with Jacob and his seed:  
So did his indignation  
on Israel proceed.

*The Third part.*

22. Because they did not faithfully  
believe and hope that he  
Could always help and succour them  
in their necessity.  
23. Wherefore he did command the clouds  
forthwith they brake in sunder.  
24. And rained down Manna for them to eat,  
a food of mickle wonder.

25. When earthly men with Angels food  
were fed at their request:  
26. He had the East winds blow away,  
and brought in the South-west.  
27. And rained down flesh as thick as dust,  
and Fowl as thick as sand:  
28. Which he did cast amid the place  
where all their tents did stand.

29. Then did they eat exceedingly,  
and all men had their fills:  
Yet more and more did they desire,  
to serve their lusts and wills.  
30. But as the meat was in their mouths,  
his wrath upon them fell:  
31. And slew the flower of all their youth  
and choice of Israel.

32. Yet fell they to their wonted sin,  
and still they did him grieve:  
For all the wonders the he wrought,  
they would not him believe.  
33. Their days therefore be shortened,  
and made their honour vain:  
Their years did waste and pass away,  
with terror and with pain.

34. But ever when he plagued them  
they sought him by and by:  
Rememb'ring that he was their strength,  
their help and God most high.  
35. Though in their mouths they did but gloss  
and flatter with the Lord:  
And with their tongues and in their hearts  
dissembled every word.

36. For why ? their hearts were nothing bent  
to him, nor to his trade:  
Nor yet to keep or to perform  
the covenant that was made.  
37. Yet was he still so merciful,  
when they deserved to die:  
That he forgave them their misdeeds,  
and would not them destroy.

38. Yea many a time he turned his wrath  
and did himself advise:  
And would not suffer all his whole  
displeasure to arise.  
39. Considering that they were but flesh,  
and even as a wind  
That passed away, and cannot well  
return by his own kind.

40. How often times in wilderness  
did they the Lord provoke ?  
How did they stir and move the Lord  
to plague them with his stroke ?  
41. Yet did they turn again to sin,  
and tempted God (estsoon),  
Prescribing to the holy Lord  
what things they would have done.

41. Not thinking of his hand and power,  
not of the day when he  
Delivered them out of the hands  
of the fierce enemy.  
43. Nor how he wrought his miracles  
as they themselves beheld  
In Egypt, and the wonders that  
he did in Zoan field.

44. Not how he turned by his power  
their waters into blood:  
That no man might receive his drink  
at river or at flood.  
45. Nor how he sent them swarms of Flies  
which did them sore annoy:  
And filled their country full of Frogs  
which did their land destroy.

140 *The Fifth part.*

46. Nor how he did commit their fruits  
unto the Caterpillar:

And all the labour of their hands  
he gave to the Grashopper.

47. With hailstones he destroyed their vines  
so that they were all lost:

And not so much as wild Fig-trees  
but he consumed with frost.

48. And yet with hailstones once again  
the Lord their cattle smote:

And all their flocks and herds likewise  
with thunderbolts full hot.

49. He cast upon them in his ire  
and in his fury strong

Displeasure, wrath and evil spirits  
to trouble them among.

50. Then to his wrath he made a way,  
and saved not the least:

But gave unto the pestilence  
the man and eke the beast.

51. He strake also the firstborn all  
that up in Egypt came:

And all the chief of men and beasts  
within the tents of Ham.

52. But as for all his own dear folk  
he did preserve and keep,

And carried them through wilderness  
even like a flock of sheep.

53. Without all fear both safe and sound  
he brought them out of thrall:

Whereas their sons with rage of sea  
were overwhelmed all.

54. And brought them out into the coasts  
of his own holy land:

Even to the mount which he had got  
by his strong arm and hand.

55. And there cast out the heathen folk,  
and did their land divide:

And in their tents he set the tribes  
of Israel to abide.

56. Yet for all this their God most high  
they stirred and tempted still:

And would not keep his testament,  
nor yet obey his will.

57. But as their fathers turned back,  
even so they went astray

Much like a bow that would not bend,  
but slip and start away.

*The Sixth part.*

58. And griev'd him with their hill altars  
with offerings and with fire:

And with their Idols vehemently  
provoked him to ire.

59. Therewith his wrath began again  
to kindle in his breast:

The naughtiness of Israel  
he did so much detest.

60. Then he forsook the Tabernacle  
of Silo, where he was

Right conversant with earthly men  
even as his dwelling place.

61. Then suffered he his might and power  
in bondage for to stand:

And gave the honour of his Ark  
into his enemies hand.

62. And did commit them to the sword,  
wroth with his heritage:

63. The young men were devoured with fire  
Maids had no marriage.

64. And with the sword the priests also  
did perish every one:

And not a widow left alive  
their death for te bemoan.

65. And then the Lord began to wake  
like one that slept a time:

And as a valiant man of war  
refreshed after wine.

66. With Emrods in their hinder parts  
he strake his enemies all:

And put them then unto a shame  
that was perpetuall.

67. Then he the tent and tabernacle  
of Joseph did refuse:

As for the tribe of Ephraim  
he would in no wise choose.

68. But chose the tribe of Iehuda,  
whereas he meant to dwell:

Even the noble Mount Sion,  
which he did love so well.

69. Whereas he did his Temple build  
both sumptuously and sure:

Like as the earth which he hath made  
for ever to endure.

70. Then chose he David him to serve  
his people for to keep:

Which he took up and brought away,  
even from the folds of sheep.

71. As he did follow the Ewes with young,  
the Lord did him advance:

To feed his people Israel  
and his inheritance.

702. Thus David with a faithful heart,  
his flock and charge did feed:

And prudently with all his power  
did govern them indeed.

# O Lord the Gentiles doe inuade

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The Whole Booke of Psalmes (ed. Ravenscroft, 1621)

Psalm 79

Thomas RAVENSCROFT (1590 - 1633)

CANTVS  
MEDIVS  
TENOR  
or Playnsong  
BASSVS

*Carleyl Tune*

O Lord the Gen-tiles do in-vade thine he-ri-tage to\_\_\_ spoil:  
O Lord the Gen-tiles do in-vade thine he - ri - tage to spoil:  
O Lord the Gen-tiles do in-vade thine he - ri - tage to spoil:  
O Lord the Gen-tiles do in-vade thine he - ri - tage to spoil:

3  
S.  
A.  
T.  
B.

Je - ru - sa - lem an heap is made thy tem-ple they de - file.  
Je - ru - sa - lem an heap is made thy tem - ple\_ they de-file.  
Je - ru - sa - lem an heap is made thy tem - ple they de - file.  
Je - ru - sa - lam an heap is made thy tem - ple they de - file.

## The Second part.

2. The bodies of thy Saints so dear  
abroad to birds they cast:  
The flesh of them that do thee fear  
the beasts devour and waste.

3. Their blood throughout Jerusalem  
as water spilt they have:  
So that there is not one of them  
to lay their dead in grave.

4. Thus are we made a laughing-stock  
almost the world throughout:  
The enemies at us jest and mock  
which dwell our coasts about

5. Wilt thou O Lord thus in thine ire  
against us ever fume ?  
And shew thy wrath as hot as fire,  
thy folk for to consume ?

6. Upon those people pour the same  
which did thee never know:  
All realms which call not on thy name  
consume and overthrow.

7. For they have got the upper hand,  
and Jacob's seed destroyed:  
His habitation and his land  
they have left waste and void.

8. Bear not in mind our former faults,  
with speed some pity show:  
And aid us Lord in all assaults,  
for we are weak and low.

9. O God that givest all health and grace  
on us declare the same:

Weigh not our works, our sins deface  
for honour of thy name.

10. Why shall the wicked still alway  
to us as people dumb:

In thy reproach rejoice and say,  
where is their God become ?

11. Require O Lord as thou seest good  
before our eyes and sight

Of all these folk thy servant's blood  
which they spilt in despite.

12. Receive into thy sight in haste  
the clamour, grief and wrong

Of such as are in prison cast,  
sustaining irons strong.

Thy force and strength to celebrate  
Lord set them out of band,

Which unto death are destinate,  
and in their enemies' hand.

13. The nations which have been so bold  
as to blaspheme thy name:

Into their laps with seavenfold  
repay aigain the same.

14. So we thy folk and pasture sheep,  
will praise thee evermore:

And teach all ages for to keep  
for thee like praise in store.

## Thou heard that Israel dost keepe

The Whole Booke of Psalmes (ed. Ravenscroft, 1621)

Psalm 80

John BENNET (ca. 1570 - 1614)

CANTVS

MEDIVS

TENOR  
or Playnsong

BASSVS

*Cheshire Tune*

3

S.

A.

T.

B.

Thou herd that Is - ra - el dost keep, give ear and take good heed:  
 Thou herd that Is - ra - el dost keep, give ear and take good heed:  
 Thou herd that Is - ra - el dost keep, give ear and take good heed:  
 Thou herd that Is - ra - el dost keep, give ear and take good heed:  
 Thou herd that Is - ra - el dost keep, give ear and take good heed:  
 which lead - est Jo - seph like a sheep, and dost him watch and feed.  
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2. Thou Lord I say whose seat is set  
 on Cherubins most bright,  
 Shew forth thy self and do not let  
 send down thy beams of light.

3. Before Ephraim and Benjamin,  
 Manasses eke likewise  
 To shew thy power do thou begin,  
 come help us Lord, arise.

4. Direct our hearts unto thy grace,  
 convert us Lord to thee:  
 Shew us the brightness of thy face,  
 and then full safe are we.

5. Lord God of hosts of Israel  
 how long wilt thou (I say)  
 Against thy folk in anger dwell,  
 and wilt not hear them pray.

6. Thou dost them feed with sorrows deep,  
 their bread with tears they eat:  
 And drink the tears that they do weep  
 in measure full and great.

7. Thou hast us made a very strife  
 to those that dwell about:  
 And that our foes do love of life,  
 they laugh and jest it out.

8. O take us Lord unto thy grace,  
 convert our mind to thee:  
 Shew forth to us thy joyful face,  
 and we full safe shall be.

9. From Egypt where it grew not well  
 thou broughtest a Vine full dear:  
 The heathen folk thou didst expel,  
 and then didst plant it there.

10. Thou didst prepare for it a place  
 and set her roots full fast,  
 That it did grow and spring apace,  
 and filled the land at last.

*The Second part.*

11. The hills were covered round about  
with shade that from it came:  
And eke the Cedars high and stout  
with branches of the same.

12. Why then didst thou her wall destroy ?  
her hedge plucked up thou hast:  
That all the folk that pass thereby  
thy Vine may spoil and waste.

13. The Boar out of the wood so wild  
doth dig and root it out:  
The furious beasts out of the fields  
devour it all about.

14. O Lord of hosts return again  
from heaven look betime:  
Behold, and with thy help sustain  
this poor vineyard of thine.

15. Thy plaint I say, thine Israel,  
whom thy right hand hat set:  
The same which thou didst love so well  
O Lord do not forget.

16. They lop and cut it down apace,  
they burn it eke with fire  
And through the frowning of thy face,  
we perish in thine ire.

17. Let thy right hand be with them now  
whom thou hast kept so long:  
And with the son of man, whom thou  
to thee hast made so strong.

18. And so when thou hast set us free,  
and saved us from shame:  
Then will we never fail from thee,  
but call upon thy name.

19. O Lord of hosts of thy good grace,  
convert us unto thee:  
Behold us with a pleasant face  
and then full safe are we.

## Be light and glad in God reioyce

The Whole Booke of Psalmes (ed. Ravenscroft, 1621)

Psalm 81

Richard ALLISON (ca. 1560 - ca. 1610)

CANTVS

MEDIVS

TENOR  
or *Playnsong*

BASS

Be light and glad in God re-joyce, which is our strength and stay:

Be light and glad in God re-joyce, which is our strength and stay:

Be light and glad in God re-joyce, which is our strength and stay:

Be light and glad in God re-joyce, which is our strength and stay:

2

S.

A.

T.

B.

Be joy-ful and lift up your voice to Ja-cobs God I say.

Be joy-ful and lift up your voice to Ja-cobs God I say.

Be joy-ful and lift up your voice to Ja-cobs God I say.

Be joy-ful and lift up your voice to Ja-cobs God I say.

3

S.

A.

T.

B.

Pre-pare your in-stru-ments most meet, some joy-ful Psalm to sing.

Pre-pare your in-stru-ments most meet, some joy-ful Psalm to sing.

Pre-pare your in-stru-ments most meet, some joy-ful Psalm to sing.

Pre-pare your in-stru-ments most meet, some joy-ful Psalm to sing.

4

S.

A.

T.

B.

Strike up with Harp and Lute so sweet, on eve-ry plea-sant string.

Strike up with Harp and Lute so sweet, on eve-ry plea-sant string.

Strike up with Harp and Lute so sweet, on eve-ry plea-sant string.

Strike up with Harp and Lute so sweet, on eve-ry plea-sant string.



*The Second part.*

3. Blow as it were in the new Moon  
with Trumpets of the best:  
As it is used to be done  
at any solemn feast.

4. For this is unto Israel  
a statute and a trade:  
A law that must be kept full well,  
which Jacob's God hath made.

5. This law with Joseph was decreed  
when he from Egypt came:  
That as a witness all his seed  
should still observe the same.

6. When God I say had thus prepar'd  
to bring him from the land:  
Whereas the speech which he had heard  
he did not understand.

7. I from his shoulders took, said he,  
the burden clean away:  
And from the furnace set him free  
from burning brick of clay.

8. When thou in grief didst cry and call  
I help thee by and by:  
And I did answer thee withal  
in thunder secretly.

9. Yea, at the waters of discord  
I did thee tempt and prove:  
Whereas the goodness of the Lord  
with muttering thou didst move.

10. Hear O my folk, O Israel  
and I assure it thee:  
Regard and mark my words full well,  
if thou wilt cleave to me.

11. Thou shalt no God in thee reserve,  
of any land abroad:  
Nor in no wise to bow or serve  
a strange or foreign God.

12. I am the Lord thy God, and I  
from Egypt set thee free:  
Then ask of me abundantly,  
and I shall give it thee.

13. And yet my people would not hear  
my voice when that I spake:  
Nor Israel would not obey,  
but did me quite forsake.

14. Then did I leave them to their will,  
in hardness of their heart:  
To walk in their own counsel still  
themselves they might pervert.

15. O that my people would have heard  
the words that I did say:  
And eke that Israel would regard  
to walk within my way.

16. How soon would I confound their foes,  
and bring them down full low:  
And turn my hand upon all those  
that would them overthrow ?

17. And they that at the Lord do rage,  
as slaves should seek them till:  
But of his folk the time and age  
should flourish ever still.

18. I would have fed them with the crop  
and finest of the wheat:  
And made the rock with honey drop,  
that they their fills should eat.

## Amid the prease with men of might

The Whole Booke of Psalmes (ed. Ravenscroft, 1621)

Psalm 82

Richard ALLISON (ca. 1560 - ca. 1610)

CANTVS

MEDIVS

TENOR  
or Playnsong

BASSVS

*Rochester Tune*

A - mid the prease with men of might the Lord him - self did stand:

A - mid the prease with men of might the Lord him - self did stand:

A - mid the prease with men of might the Lord him - self did stand:

A - mid the prease with men of might the Lord him - self did stand:

3

S.

A.

T.

B.

To plead the cause of truth and right with Jud - ges of the land.

To plead the cause of truth and right with Jud - ges of the land.

To plead the cause of truth and right with Jud - ges of the land.

To plead the cause of truth and right with Jud - ges of the land.

2. How long (saith he) will ye proceed  
false judgement to award ?  
And have respect for love of mead  
the wicked to regard ?

3. Whereas if due you should defend  
the fatherless and weak:  
And when the poor man doth contend  
in judgment justly speak ?

4. If ye be wise defend the cause  
of poor men in their right:  
And rid the needy from the claws  
of tyrants' force and might.

5. But nothing will they know or learn,  
in vain to them I talk:  
They will not see or ought discern,  
but sill in darkness walk.

For lo, even now the time is come  
that all things fall to nought:  
And likewise laws both all and some  
for gain are sold and bought.

6. I had decreed it in my sight,  
as Gods to take you all:  
And children of the most of might  
for love I did you call.

7. But notwithstanding ye shall die  
as men, and so decay:  
O Tyrants I shall you destroy,  
and pluck you quite away.

8. Up Lord and let thy strength be known,  
and judge the world with might:  
For why ? all nations are thine own  
to take them as thy right.

# Doe not O God refraine thy tongue

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The Whole Booke of Psalmes (ed. Ravenscroft, 1621)

Psalme 83

Thomas RAVENSCROFT (1590 - 1633)

CANTVS

MEDIVS  
*Wolverhampton*

TENOR  
or *Playnsong*

BASSVS

Do not O God re - frain thy tongue, in si - lence do not stay:

Do not O God re - frain thy tongue, in si - lence do not stay:

Do not O God re - frain thy tongue, in si - lence do not stay:

Do not O God re - frain thy tongue, in si - lence do not stay:

3

S.  
With - hold not Lord thy - self so long, nor make no more de - lay.

A.  
With - hold not Lord thy - self so long, nor make no more de - lay.

T.  
With - hold not Lord thy - self so long, nor make no more de - lay.

B.  
With - hold not Lord thy - self so long, nor make no more de - lay.

2. For why, behold thy foes and see,  
how they do rage and cry:  
And those that bear an hate to thee  
hold up their heads on high.

3. Against thy folk they use deceit,  
and craftily thy enquire:  
For thine elect to lie in wait  
their councils doth conspire.

4. Come on say they, let us expel,  
and pluck these folk away:  
So that the name of Israel  
may utterly decay.

5. They all conspire within their hearts,  
how they may thee withstand:  
Against the Lord to take a part  
they are in league and band.

6. The tents of all the Edomites  
the Israelites also:  
The Hagarens and Moabites,  
with divers other moe.

7. Gebal with Ammon, and likewise,  
doth Amaleck conspire:  
The Philistines against thee rise,  
with them that dwell at Tyre.

8. And Assur eke is well apaid  
with them in league to be:  
and doth become a fence and aid  
to Lot's posterity.

9. As thou didst to the Midianites,  
so serve them Lord each one:  
And to Cicer and to Jabin  
beside the brook Kison.

10. Whom thou in Endor didst destroy,  
and waste them through thy might:  
That they like dung on earth did lie  
and that in open sight.

### *The Second part.*

11. Make them now and their Lords appear  
like Zeb and Oreb then:  
As Zeba and Zalmana were  
the Kings of Madian:

12. Which said, let us throughout the land  
in all the coasts abroad  
Possess, and take into our hand  
the fair houses of God.

13. Turn them O God with storms as fast  
as wheels that have no stay:  
Or like as chaff which men do cast  
with winds to fly away.

14. Like as fire with rage and fume,  
the mighty forests spills:  
And as the flame doth quite consume  
the mountains and the hills.

15. So let the tempest of thy wrath  
upon their necks be laid  
And of the stormy wind and shower,  
Lord make them all afraid.

16. Lord bring them all I thee desire  
to such rebuke and shame:  
That it may cause them to enquire,  
and learn to seek thy name.

17. And let them evermore daily  
to shame and slander fall:  
And in rebuke and obloquy  
to perish eke withal.

18. That they may know and feel full well  
that thou art called Lord:  
And that alone thou didst excel  
and reign throughout the world.

## How pleasant is thy dwelling place

The Whole Booke of Psalmes (ed. Ravenscroft, 1621)

Psalm 84

Thomas RAVENSCROFT (1590 - 1633)

CANTVS

MEDIVS

TENOR  
or Playnsong

BASSVS

Winchester Tune

How plea - sant is thy dwel - ling place O Lord of hosts to me?

How plea - sant is thy dwel - ling place O Lord of hosts to me?

How plea - sant is thy dwel - ling place O Lord of hosts to me?

How plea - sant is thy dwel - ling place O Lord of hosts to me?

3

S.

A.

T.

B.

The ta - ber - nac - les of thy grace, how plea - sant Lord they be?

The ta - ber - nac - les of thy grace, how plea - sant Lord they be?

The ta - ber - nac - les of thy grace, how plea - sant Lord they be?

The ta - ber - nac - les of thy grace, how plea - sant Lord they be?

2. My soul doth long full sore to go  
into thy courts abroad:  
My heart doth lust, my flesh also  
in thee the living God.

3. The Sparrows find a room to rest  
ans save themselves from wrong:  
And eke the Swallow hath a nest  
wherein to keep her young.

4. These bird full nigh thine altar may  
have place to sit and sing:  
O Lord of hosts thou art (I say)  
my God and eke my king.

5. Oh they be blessed that may dwell  
within thy house always:  
For they all times thy facts do tell,  
and give thy name the praise.

6. Yea happy sure likewise are they,  
whose stay and strength thou art:  
Which to thy house do mind the way,  
and seek it in their heart.

7. As they go through the vale of tears,  
they dig up fountains still,  
That as a spring it all appears,  
and thou their pits do fill.

8. From strength to strength they walk full fast,  
no faintness there shall be:  
And so the God of Gods at last  
in Sion they do see.

9. O Lord of hosts to me give heed,  
and hear when I do pray:  
And let it through thine ears proceed,  
O Jacob's God I say.

10. O Lord our shield, of thy good grace  
regard and so draw near:  
Regard I say, behold the face  
of thine anointed dear.

11. For why? within thy courts one day  
is better to abide,  
Then other where to keep or stay  
a thousand days beside.

12. Much rather would I keep a door  
within the house of God  
Then in the tents of wickedness  
to settle mine abode.

13. For God the Lord, light and defence,  
will grace and worship give:  
And no good thing will be with-hold  
from them that purely live.

14. O Lord of hosts that man is blest,  
and happy sure is he:  
That is peruated in his breast  
to trust all times in thee.

# Thou hast been mercifull indeed

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The Whole Booke of Psalmes (ed. Ravenscroft, 1621)

Psalme 85

Thomas RAVENSCROFT (1590 - 1633)

CANTVS

MEDIVS

TENOR  
op *Playnsong*

BASSVS

Windsor or  
Eaton Tune

3

S.

A.

T.

B.

Thou hast been mer - ci - ful in - deed, O Lord un - to thy land:  
 Thou hast been mer - ci - ful in - deed, O Lord un - to thy land:  
 Thou hast been mer - ci - ful in - deed, O Lord un - to thy land:  
 Thou hast been mer - ci - ful in - deed, O Lord un - to thy land:  
 For thou re - sto - redst Ja - cob's seed from thral - dom out of band.  
 For thou re - sto - redst Ja - cob's seed from thral - dom out of band.  
 For thou re - sto - redst Ja - cob's seed from thral - dom out of band.  
 For thou re - sto - redst Ja - cob's seed from thral - dom out of band.

2. The wicked ways that they were in  
 thou didst them clean remit:  
 And thou didst hide thy people's sin,  
 full close thou cover'dst it.

3. Thine anger eke thou didst assuage,  
 that all thy wrath was gone:  
 And so didst turn thee from thy rage,  
 with them to be at one.

4. O God our health, do now convert  
 thy people unto thee:  
 Put all thy wrath from us apart,  
 and angry cease to be.

5. Why shall thine anger never end,  
 but still proceed on us ?  
 And shall thy wrath itself extend  
 upon all ages thus ?

6. Wilt thou not rather turn therefore  
 and quicken us, that we  
 And all thy folk may evermore  
 be glad and joy in thee.

7. O Lord on us do thou declare  
 thy goodness to our wealth:  
 Shew forth to us and do not spare,  
 thine aid and saving health.

8. I will hark what God saith, for he  
 speaks to his people peace:  
 And to his Saints that never they  
 return to foolishness.

9. For why? his help is still at hand  
 to such as do him fear:

Whereby great glory in the land  
 shall dwell and flourish there.

10. For truth and mercy there shall meet  
 in one to take their place:  
 And peace shall justice with kiss greet,  
 and there they shall embrace.

11. As truth from earth shall spring apace  
 and flourish pleasantly:  
 So righteousness shall shew her face,  
 and look from heaven high.

12. Yea, God himself shall take in hand  
 to give us each good thing:  
 And through the coasts of all our land  
 the earth her fruit shall bring.

13. Before his face shall justice go  
 much like a guide or stay:  
 He shall direct his steps also,  
 and keep them in the way.

## Lord bow thine eare

The Whole Booke of Psalmes (ed. Ravenscroft, 1621)

Psalm 86

Thomas RAVENSCROFT (1590 - 1633)

CANTVS

MEDIVS

TENOR  
or Playnsong

BASSVS

*The Kings Tune*

Lord bow thine ear to my re - quest, and hear me by and by:

Lord bow thine ear to my re - quest and hear me by and by:

Lord bow thine ear to my re - quest, and hear me by and by:

Lord bow thine ear to my re - quest, and hear me by and by:

3

S.  
with grie - vous pain and grief op - pressed full poor and weak am I.

A.  
with grie - vous pain and grief op - pressed full poor and weak am I.

T.  
with grie - vous pain and grief op - pressed full poor and weak am I.

B.  
with grie - vous pain and grief op - pressed full poor and weak am I.

2. Preserve my soul because my ways  
and doings holy be:  
And save thy servant O my Lord,  
that puts his trust in thee.

3. The mercy Lord on me express,  
defend me eke withal:  
For through the day I do not cease  
on thee to cry and call.

4. Comfort O Lord thy servant's soul,  
that now with pain is pined:  
For unto thee Lord I extol  
and lift my soul and mind.

5. For thou art good and bountiful,  
thy gifts of grace are free:  
And eke thy mercy plentiful  
to all that call on thee.

6. O Lord likewise when I do pray  
regard and give an ear:  
Mark well the words that I do say,  
and all my prayers hear.

7. In time when trouble doth me move  
to thee I do complain:  
For why? I know and well do prove,  
thou answerest me again.

8. Among the Gods, Lord there is none  
with thee to be compared:  
And none can do as thee alone,  
the like hath not been heard.

*The Second part.*

9. The Gentiles and the people all,  
 which thou didst make and frame:  
 Before thy face on knees shall fall,  
 and glorify thy name.  
 10. For why? thou art so much of might,  
 all power is thine own:  
 Thou workest wonders still in sight,  
 for thou art God alone.

10. O teach me Lord thy way, and I  
 shall in thy truth proceed:  
 O join my heart to thee so nigh,  
 that it thy name may dread.  
 11. To thee my God will I give praise,  
 with all my heart (O Lord)  
 And glorify thy name always,  
 for ever through the world.

13. For why? thy mercy shewed to me  
 is great and doth excel:  
 Thou sett'st my soul at liberty  
 out from the lower hell.  
 14. O Lord the proud against me rise;  
 and heaps of men of might:  
 They seek my soul and in no wise  
 will have thee in their sight.

15. Thou Lord art merciful and meek  
 full slack and slow to wrath:  
 Thy goodness is full great, and else  
 thy truth no measure hath.  
 16. O turn to me and mercy grant,  
 thy strength to me apply:  
 O help and save thine own servant,  
 thine handmaid's son am I.

17. On me some sign of favor shew,  
 that all my foes may see,  
 And be ashamed because Lord thou  
 dost help and comfort me.

## That Citie shall full well endure

The Whole Booke of Psalmes (ed. Ravenscroft, 1621)

Psalm 87

Thomas RAVENSCROFT (1590 - 1633)

CANTVS

MEDIVS

TENOR  
or Playnsong

BASSVS

*Dukes Tune*

3

S.

A.

T.

B.

That Ci - ty shall full well en - dure, her ground-work still doth stay:  
 That Ci - ty shall full well en - dure, her ground-work still doth stay:  
 That Ci - ty shall full well en - dure, her ground-work still doth stay:  
 That Ci - ty shall full well en - dure, her ground-work still doth stay:  
 Up - on thy ho - ly hill full sure it can no time de - cay.  
 Up - on thy ho - ly hill full sure, it can no time de - cay.  
 Up - on thy ho - ly hill full sure it can no tim de - cay.  
 Up - on thy ho - ly hill full sure, it can no time de - cay.

2. God loves the gates of Sion best,  
 his grace doth there abide:  
 He loves them more then all the rest  
 of Jacob's tents beside.

3. For glorious things reported be  
 in Sion and abroad:  
 Great things I say are said of thee,  
 thou City of our God.

4. On Rahab will I cast an eye,  
 and bear in mind the same:  
 And Babylon shall eke apply  
 and learn to know thy name.

5. Lo Palestine and Tyre also  
 with Ethiope likewise,  
 a people old full long ago  
 were born and there did rise.

6. Of Sion they shall say abroad  
 that divers men of fame  
 Have there sprung up and the high God  
 hath founded fast the same.

7. In their records to them it shall  
 through God's devise appear,  
 Of Sion that the chief of all  
 had his beginning there.

8. The Trumpeters with such as sing  
 therein great plenty be:  
 My fountain and my pleasant springs  
 are compass'd all in thee.



# Lord God of health

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The Whole Booke of Psalmes (ed. Ravenscroft, 1621)

Psalme 88

Thomas RAVENSCROFT (1590 - 1630)

CANTVS

MEDIVS

TENOR  
or Playnsong

BASSVS

Abby Tune

Lord God of health the hope and stay thou art a - lone to me:

Lord God of health the hope and stay thou art a - lone to me:

Lord God of health the hope and stay thou art a - lone to me:

Lord God of health the hope and stay thou art a - lone to me:

3

S. I call and cry through-out the day, and all the night to thee.

A. I call and cry through-out the day, and all the night to thee.

T. I call and cry through-out the day, and all the night to thee.

B. I call and cry through-out the day, and all the night to thee.

2. O let my prayers soon ascend  
unto thy sight on high:  
Incline thine ear, O Lord, intend  
and hearken to my cry.

3. For why? my soul with woe is filled,  
and doth in trouble dwell:  
My life and breath almost doth yield  
and draweth nigh to hell.

4. I am esteem'd as one of them  
that in the pit do fall:  
And made as one among those men  
that have no strength at all.

5. As one among the dead, and free  
from things that here remain:  
It were more ease to me to be  
with them the which are slain.

6. As those that lie in grave I say,  
whom thou hast clean forgot:  
The which thine hand hath cut away  
and thou regard'st them not.

7. Yea, like the one shut up full sure  
within the lower pit:  
In places dark and all obscure,  
and in the depth of it.

8. Thine anger and thy wrath likewise  
full sore on me doth lie:  
And all thy storms against me rise  
my soul to vex and try.

9. Thou puts my friends far off from me,  
and mak'st them hate me sore:  
I am shut up in prison fast,  
and can come forth no more.

10. My sight doth fail through grief and woe  
I call to thee O God:  
Throughout the day, my hands also  
to thee I stretch abroad.

## *The Second part.*

11. Dost thou unto the dead declare  
thy wondrous works of fame?  
Shall dead to life again restore  
and praise thee for the same?

12. Or shall thy loving kindness, Lord,  
be preached in the grave?  
Or shall with them that are destroyed  
thy truth her honour have?

13. Shall they that lie in dark full low  
of all thy wonders wot?  
Or there shall they thy justice know  
where all things are forgot?

14. But I O Lor to thee alway  
do cry and call apace:  
My prayer eke ere it be day  
shall come before thy face.

15. Why dost then Lord abhor my soul  
in grief that seeketh thee:  
And now O Lord why dost thou hide  
thy face away from me?

16. I am afflict'd as dying still  
from youth this many a year:  
The terrors which do vex me still  
with troubled mind I bear.

17. The furies of thy wrathful rage,  
full sore upon me fall:  
Thy terrors eke do not assuage,  
but me oppress withal.

18. All day they compass me about,  
as water at the tide:  
And all at once with streams full stout  
beset me on each side.

19. Thou settest far from me my friends  
and lovers every one:  
Yea, and mine old acquaintance all  
out of my sight are gone.

## To sing the mercies of the Lord

The Whole Booke of Psalmes (ed. Ravenscroft, 1621)

Psalm 89

Thomas TOMKINS (1572 - 1656)

CANTVS

MEDIVS

TENOR  
or Playnsong

BASSVS

*Dumfermeling Tune*

To sing the mer-cies of the Lord my tongue shall ne - ver spare:

To sing the mer-cies of the Lord my tongue shall ne - ver spare:

To sing the mer-cies of the Lord my tongue shall ne - ver spare:

To sing the mer-cies of the Lord my tongue shall ne - ver spare:

To sing the mer-cies of the Lord my tongue shall ne - ver spare:

S.

A.

T.

B.

And with my mouth from age to age thy truth I will de - clare.

And with my mouth from age to age thy truth I will de - clare.

And with my mouth from age to age thy truth I will de - clare.

And with my mouth from age to age thy truth I will de - clare.

2. For I have said that mercy shall  
for evermore remain:  
In that thou dost the heavens stay  
thy truth appeareth plain.

3. To mine elect (saith God) I made  
a covenant and behest:  
My servant David to persuade,  
I swore and did protest.

4. Thy seed for ever I will stay,  
and stablish it full fast:  
And still uphold thy throne alway,  
from age to age to last.

5. The heavens shew with joy and mirth  
thy wondrous works O Lord:  
Thy Saints within thy Church on earth  
thy faith and truth record.

6. Who with the Lord is equal then  
in all the clouds abroad ?  
Among the sons of all the Gods  
what one is like our God ?

7. God in assembly of his Saints  
is greatly to be dread:  
And over all that dwell about,  
in terror to be had.

8. Lord God of hosts, in all the world  
what one is like to thee ?  
On every side most mighty Lord,  
thy truth is seen to be.

9. The raging sea by thine advice,  
thou rulest at thy will:  
And when the waves thereof arise  
thou mak'st them calm and still.

10. And Egypt Lord thou hast subdued,  
and thou hast it destroyed:  
Yea, thou thy foes with mighty arm  
hast scattered all abroad.

### *The Second part.*

11. The heav'ns are thine and still have been,  
likewise the earth and land:  
The world and all that is therein  
thou foundedst with thy hand.

12. Both North and South, with East and West  
thy self did'st make and frame:  
Both Tabor Mount and eke Hermon  
rejoice and praise thy name.

13. Thine arm is strong and full of power,  
all might therein doth lie:  
The strength of thy right hand each hour  
thou liftest up on high.

14. In righteousness and equity  
thou hast thy seat and place:  
Mercy and truth is still with thee,  
and go before thy face.

15. That folk is blest that know'th aright  
thy perfect power O God,  
For in the favour of thy sight  
they walk full safe abroad.

16. For in thy name throughout the day  
they joy and much rejoice:  
And through thy righteousness have they  
a pleasant fame and noise.

17. For why ? their glory, strength and aid  
in thee alone doth lie ?  
Thy goodness eke that hath us staid  
shall lift our horns on high.

18. Our strength that doth defend us well,  
the Lord to us doth bring:  
The holy one of Israel,  
he is our strength and King.

19. Sometime thy will unto thy Saints,  
in vision thou dost show  
And thus then didst thou say to them,  
thy mind to make them know.

20. A man of might I have erect  
yout King and guide to be:  
And set up him whom I elect  
among the folk to me.

### *The Third part.*

21. My servant David I appoint,  
whom I have searched out:  
And with my holy oil anoint  
him king of all the rout.

22. For why ? my hand is ready still  
with him for to remain:  
And with mine arm also I will  
him strengthen and sustain.

23. The enemies shall not him oppress,  
they shall him not devour:  
Ne yet the sons of wickedness  
on him shall have no power.

24. His foes likewise I will destroy  
before his face in sight:  
And those that hate him I will plague,  
and strike them with my might.

25. My truth and mercy eke withal  
shall still upon him lie:  
And in my name his horn eke shall  
be lifted up on high.

26. His kingdom I will set to be  
upon the sea and land:  
And eke the running floods shall he  
embrace with his right hand.

27. He shall depend with all his heart  
on me, and thus shall say:  
My father and my God thou art,  
my rock of health and stay.

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28. As one first born I will him take  
of all on earth that springs:  
His might and honour I shall make  
above all worldly Kings.

29. My mercy shall be with him still,  
as I myself have told:  
My faithful covenant to fulfil,  
my mercy I will hold.

30. And eke his seed I will sustain  
for ever strong and sure:  
So that his seat shall still remain  
while heav'n and earth endure.

### *The Fourth part.*

31. If that his sons forsake my law,  
and so begin to swerve,

And of my judgments have no awe,  
nor will not them observe:

32. Or if they do not use aright  
my statutes to them made:  
And set all my commandments light,  
and will not keep my trade.

33. Then with the rod I will begin  
their doings to amend:  
And so with scourging for their sin  
when that they do offend.

34. My mercy yet and my goodness  
I will not take him fro:  
Nor handle him with craftiness,  
and so my truth forgo.

35. But sure my covenant I will hold  
with all that I have spoke  
No word the which my lips have told  
shall alter or be broke.

36. Once sware I by my holiness,  
and that perform will I,  
With David I will keep promise  
to him I will not lie.

37. His seed for evermore shall reign  
and eke his throne of might  
As doth the Sun it shall remain  
for ever in my sight.

38. And as the Moon within the sky  
for ever standeth fast:  
A faithful witness from on high,  
so shall his kingdom last.

39. But now O Lord thou dost reject,  
and now thou changest cheer:  
Yea, thou art wroth with thine elect,  
thine own anointed dear.

40. The covenant with thy servant made  
Lord thou hast quite undone:  
And down upon the ground also  
hast cast his royal crown.

### *The Fifth part.*

41. Thou placest his hedges up with might,  
his walls thou dost confound,  
Thou beatest eke his bulwarks down,  
and break'st them to the ground.

42. That he is sore destroyed and torn  
of commers-by throughout:  
And so is made amock and scron  
to all that dwell about.

43. Thou their right hand hast lifted up  
that him so sore annoy:  
And all his foes that him devour,  
lo, thou hast made to joy.

44. His sword-edge thou didst take away  
that should his foes withstand:  
To him in war no victory  
thou giv'st nor upper-hand.

45. His glory thou dost also waste,  
his throne, his joy and mirth  
By thee is overthrown and cast  
full low upon the earth.

46. Thou hast cut off, and made full short  
his youth and lusty days:  
And rais'd of him an ill report,  
with shame and great dispraise.

47. How long away from me O Lord,  
forever wilt thou turn?  
And shall thine anger still always  
as fire consume and burn?

48. O call to mind, remember then  
my time consumeth fast:  
Why hast thou made the sons of men  
as things in vain to waste ?

49. What man is he that liveth here  
and death shall never see ?  
Or from the hand of hell his soul  
shall he deliver free ?

50. Where is O Lord thine old goodness  
so oft declar'd befor  
Which by thy truth and uprightness  
to David thou hast sworn ?

51. The great rebukes to mind I call  
that on thy servants lie:  
The railing of thy people all  
borne in my breast have I.

52. Wherewith O Lord thine enemies  
blasphemed have thy name:  
The steps of thine anointed one  
they cease not to defame.

53. All praise to thee O Lord of hosts  
both now and eke for aye:  
Through sky and earth and all the coasts,  
Amen, Amen, I say.

## Thou Lord hast beene our sure defence

The Whole Booke of Psalmes (ed. Ravenscroft, 1621)

Psalm 90

Thomas RAVENSCROFT (1590 - 1630)

CANTVS

MEDIVS

TENOR  
or Playnsong

BASSVS

*Dundy Tune*

3

S.

A.

T.

B.

Thou Lord has been our sure de- fense, our place of ease and rest:

Thou Lord has been our sure de- fense, our place of ease and rest:

Thou Lord has been our sure de- fense, our place of ease and rest:

Thou Lord has been our sure de- fense, our place of ease and rest:

In all times past, yea, so long since as can - not be ex - pressed.

In all times past, yea, so long since as can - not be ex - pressed.

In all times past, yea, so long since as can - not be ex - pressed.

In all times past, yea, so long since as can - not be ex - pressed.

2. Ere there was made mountain or hill,  
the earth and all abroad:  
From age to age and always still  
for ever thou art God.

3. Thou grindest man through grief and pain  
to dust or clay, and then,  
And then thou sayest again, return  
again ye sons of men.

4. The lasting of a thousand year,  
what is it in thy sight?  
As yesterday it doth appear,  
or as a watch by night.

5. So soon as thou dost scatter them,  
then is their life and trade  
All as a sleep, and like the grass,  
whose beauty soon doth fade.

6. Which in the morning shines full bright  
but fadeth by and by:  
And is cut down ere it be night,  
all withered, dead and dry.

7. For through thine anger we consume  
our might is much decayed:  
And of thy fervent wrath and fume  
we are full sore afraid.

8. The wicked works that we have wrought  
thou sett'st before thine eye:  
Our privy faaults, yea, eke our thoughts  
thy countenance doth spy.

9. For through thy wrath our days do waste,  
thereof doth nought remain:  
Our years consume as words or blasts  
and are not call'd again.

10. Our time is threescore years and ten  
that we do live on mould:  
If one see fourscore, surely then  
we count him wondrous old.

*The Second part.*

11. Yet of this time the strength and age  
the which we count upon:  
Is nothing else but painful grief,  
and we as blasts are gone.

12. Who once doth knew what strength is there,  
what might thine anger hath ?  
Or in his heart who doth thee fear  
according to thy wrath?

13. Instruct us Lord to know and try  
how long our days remain:  
That then we may our hearts apply  
true wisdom to attain.

14. Return O Lord, how long wilt thou  
forth on in wrath proceed ?  
Shew favour to thy servants now,  
and help them at their need.

15. Refresh us with thy mercy soon,  
and then our joy shall be:  
All times so long as life doth last  
in heart rejoice shall we.

16. As thou hast plagued us before,  
now also make us glad:  
And for the years wherein full sore  
afflictioon we have had.

17. O let thy work and pow'r appear  
and on thy servants light:  
And shew unto thy children dear  
thy glory and thy might.

18. Lord let thy grace and glory stand  
on us thy servantss thus:  
Confirm the works we take in hand  
Lord prosper them to us.

## Hee that within the secret place

The Whole Booke of Psalmes (ed. Ravenscroft, 1621)

Psalm 91

Thomas RAVENSCROFT (1590 - 1633)

CANTVS

MEDIVS

TENOR  
or Playnsong

BASSVS

*Glasgow Tune*

He that with - in the se - cret place of God most high doth dwell:

He that with - in the se - cret place of God most high doth dwell:

He that with - in the se - cret place of God most high doth dwell:

He that with - in the se - cret place of God most high doth dwell:

3

S.

A.

T.

B.

In sha - dow of the migh - tiest grace, at rest will keep him well.

In sha - dow of the migh - tiest grace, at rest will keep him well.

In sha - dow oh the migh - tiest grace, at rest will keep him well.

In sha - dow of the migh - tiest grace, at rest will keep him well.

2. Thou art my hope and my strong hold.  
I to the Lord will say:  
My God he is, in him will I  
my whole affiance stay.

3. He shall defend thee from the snare,  
the which the hunter laid:  
And from the deadly plague and care,  
whereof thou art afraid.

4. And with his wings shall cover thee,  
and keep thee safely there:  
His faith and truth thy fence shall be,  
as sure as shield and spear.

5. So that thou shalt not need I say  
to fear or be affright:  
Of all the shafts that fly by day,  
nor terrors of the night.

6. Nor of the plague that privily  
doth walk in dark so fast:  
Nor yet of that which doth destroy  
and at noon-days doth waste.

7. Yea, at thy side as thou dost stand,  
a thousand dead shall be:  
Ten thousand eke at thy right hand,  
and yet thou shalt be free.

8. But thou shalt see it for thy part,  
thine eyes shall well regard:  
That even like to their desert,  
the wicked have reward.

9. For why? O Lord I only lust,  
 to stay my hope on thee:  
 And in the high'st I put my trust,  
 my sure defense is he.  
 10. Thou shalt not need none ill to fear,  
 with thee it shall not mell:  
 Nor yet the plague shall once come near  
 the house where thou dost dwell.

11. For why ? unto his Angels all,  
 with charge commanded he,  
 That still in all thy ways they shall  
 preserve and prosper thee.  
 12. And in their hands shall thee bear up,  
 still waiting thee upon:  
 So that thy foot shalll never chance  
 to spurn at any stone.

13. Upon the Lion thou shalt go,  
 the Adder fell and long:  
 And tread upon the Lion's young,  
 with Dragons stout and strong.  
 14. For he that trusteth unto thee,  
 I will dispatch him quite:  
 And him defend, because that he  
 doth know my name aright.

15. When he for health on me doth cry,  
 an answer I will give:  
 And from his grief take him will I,  
 in glory for to live.  
 16. With length of years, and days of wealth  
 I will fulfill his time:  
 The goodness of my saving health  
 I will declare to him.

## It is a thing both good and meet

The Whole Booke of Psalmes (ed. Ravenscroft, 1621)

Psalm 92

Simon STUBBS (fl. 1616 - 1621)

CANTVS  
MEDIVS  
TENOR  
or *Playnsong*  
BASSVS

*Martyrs Tune*

1  
It is a thing both good and meet to praise the high - est Lord:  
It is a thing both good and meet to praise the high - est Lord:  
It is a thing both good and meet to praise the high - est Lord:  
It is a thing both good and meet to praise the high - est Lord:

5  
S. And to thy name, O thou most high to sing with one ac - cord.  
A. And to thy name, O thou most high to sing with one ac - cord.  
T. And to thy name, O thou most high to sing with one ac - cord.  
B. And to thy name, O thou most high to sing with one ac - cord.

2. To shew the kindness of the Lord  
betime, ere day be light:  
And eke declare his truth abroad  
when it doth draw to night.

3. Upon ten stringed instruments,  
on Lute and harp so sweet:  
With all the mirth you can invent  
on onstruments most meet.

4. For thou hast made me to rejoice  
in things so wrought by thee:  
And I have joy in heart and voice  
thy handy work to see.

5. O Lord how glorious and how great  
are all thy works so stout:  
Se deeply are thy counsels set  
that none can try them out.

6. The man unwise hath not the wit  
this gear to pass to bring:  
And all such fools are nothing fit  
to understand this thing.

7. When so the wicked at their will  
as grass do spring full fast:  
They, when they flourish in their ill,  
for ever shall be waste.

8. But thou art mighty Lord most high  
yea, thou dost reign therefore:  
In ev'ry time eternally,  
both now and evermore.

9. For why? O Lord behold and see,  
behold my foes I say:  
How all that work iniquity  
shall perish and decay

10. But thou like as an Unicorn  
shalt lift mine horn on high:  
With fresh and new-prepared oil  
thine ointed king am I.

11. And of my foes before mine eyes  
shall see the fall and shame:  
Of all that up against me rise  
mine ears shall hear the same.

12. The just shall flourish up on high,  
as Date trees bud and blow:  
And as the Cedars multiply  
in Libanus that grow.

13. For they are planted in the place  
and dwelling of our God:  
Within his courts they spring apace  
and flourish all abroad.

14. And in their age much fruits shall bring,  
both fat and well beseen  
And pleasantly both bud and spring  
with boughs and branches green.

15. To shew that God is good and just,  
and upright in his will:  
He is my rock, my hope and trust,  
in him there is no ill.



# The Lord as king aloft doth raigne

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The Whole Booke of Psalmes (ed. Ravenscroft, 1621)

*Psalm 93*

Thomas RAVENSCROFT (1590 - 1633)

CANTVS

MEDIVS

TENOR  
or Playnsong

BASSVS

*Landaffe Tune*

The Lord as king a - loft doth reign in glo - ry good - ly dight:

The Lord as king a - loft doth reign in glo - ry good - ly dight:

The Lord as king a - loft doth reign in glo - ry good - ly dight:

The Lord as king a - loft doth reign in glo - ry good - ly dight:

3

S.  
And he to shew his strength and main hath gird'd him - self with might.

A.  
And he to shew his strength and main hat gird'd him self with might.

T.  
And he to shew his strength and main hath gird'd him - self with might.

B.  
And he to shew his strength and main hath gird'd him - self with might.

2. The Lord likewise the earth hath made  
and shaped it full sure:  
No might can make it move or fade,  
at stay it doth endure.

3. Ere that the world was made or wrought,  
thy seat was set before:  
Beyond all time that can be thought,  
thou hast been evermore.

4. The floods O Lord, the floods do rise,  
they roar and make a noise:  
The floods I say did enterprise,  
and lifted up their voice.

5. Yea, though the storms arise in sight  
though sea do rage and swell:  
The Lord is strong and more of might,  
for he on high doth dwell.

6. And look what promise he doth make  
his household to defend:  
For ... and true they shall it take  
all times without an end.

## O Lord thou dost reuenge all wrong

The Whole Booke of Psalmes (ed. Ravenscroft, 1621)

Psalm 94

Thomas RAVENSCROFT (1590 - 1633)

CANTVS

MEDIVS

TENOR  
or Playnsong

BASSVS

*Bangor Tune*

O Lord thou dost re-venge all wrong, that of- fice longs to thee:

O Lord thou dost re-venge all wrong, that of- fice longs to thee:

O Lord thou dost re-venge all wrong, that of- fice longs to thee:

O Lord thou dost re-venge all wrong, that of- fice longs to thee:

3

S.

A.

T.

B.

Sith ven-geance doth be - long to thee de - clare that all may be.

Sith ven-geance doth be - long to thee de - clare that all may be.

Sith ven-geance doth be - long to thee de - clare that all may be.

Sith ven-geance doth be - long to thee de - clare that all may be.

2. Set forth thy self, for thou of right  
the earth dost judge and guide:  
Reward the proud and men of might,  
according to their pride.

3. How long shall wicked men bear sway  
with lifting up their voice ?  
How long shall wicked men I say,  
thus triumph and rejoice?

4. How long shall they with brags burst out  
and proudly prate their fill ?  
Shall they rejoice that be so stout,  
whose works are ever ill ?

5. Thy flock O Lord, thine heritage  
they spoil and vex full sore:  
Against thy people they do rage  
still daily more and more.

6. The widows whiche are comfortless  
and strangers they destroy:  
They slay the children fatherless,  
and none do put them by.

7. And when they take these things in hand  
this talk they have of thee:  
Can Jacob's God this understand ?  
tush, no he cannot see.

8. O folk unwise and people rude  
some knowledge now discern:  
Yet fools among the multitude  
at length begin te learn.

9. The Lord which made the ear of man  
he needs of right must hear:  
He made the eyes, all things must then  
before his sight appear.

10. The Lord doth all the world correct;  
and make them understand:  
Shall he not them your deeds detect ?  
how can you 'scape his hand ?

***The Second part.***

11. The Lord doth know the thoughts of man  
his heart he seeth full plain:

The Lord I say men's thoughts doth scan  
and findeth them but vain.

12. But Lord that man is happy sure,  
whom thou dost keep in awe:  
And through correction dost procure  
to each him in thy law.

13. Whereby he shall in quiet rest  
in time of trouble sit:  
When wicked men shall be suppressed,  
and fall into the pit.

14. For sure the Lord will not refuse  
his people for to take:  
His heritage whom he did choose,  
he will no time forsake.

15. Until that judgment be decreed  
to justice to convert:  
That all may follow her with speed,  
that are of upright heart.

16. But who upon my part shall stand  
against the wicked train  
Or who shall rid me from their hands  
that wicked work maintain.

17. Except the Lord had been mine aid  
mine enemies to repell:  
My life and soul had now been laid  
almost as lows as hell.

18. When I did say my foot doth slide,  
and I am like to fall:  
Thy goodnesss Lord did so provide  
to stay me up withal.

19. When with myself I mused much,  
and could no comfort find:  
Then Lord thy goodness did me touch,  
and that did ease my mind.

20. Wilt thou incaunt thyself, and draw  
with wicked men to sit ?  
Which with pretence instead of law  
much mischief do commit.

21. For they consult against the life  
of righteous men and good:  
And in their counsel they are rife  
to shed the guiltless blood.

22/ But yet the Lord he is to me  
a strong defense or lock:  
He is my God to him I fly (*flee*),  
he is my strength and rock.

23. And he shall cause their mischiefs all  
themselves for to annoy:  
And in their malice they shall fall,  
our God shall them destroy.

## O Come, let vs lift our voyce

The Whole Booke of Psalmes (ed. Ravenscroft, 1621)

Psalm 95

Thomas RAVENSCROFT (1590 - 1633)

CANTVS

MEDIVS

TENOR  
or Playnsong

BASSVS

*St. Davids Tune*

O come, let us lift up our voice, and sing un - to the Lord:

O come, let us lift up our voice, and sing un - to the Lord:

O come, let us lift up our voice, and sing un - to the Lord:

O come, let us lift up our voice, and sing un - to the Lord:

3

S.

A.

T.

B.

In him, our rock of health, re - joice let us with one ac - cord.

In him, our rock of health, re - joice let us with one ac - cord.

In him, our rock of health, re - joice let us with one ac - cord.

In him, our rock of health, re - joice let us with one ac - cord.

2. Yea, let us come before his face,  
to give him thanks and praise:  
In singing Psalmes unto his grace,  
let us be glad always.

3. For why ? the Lord he is no doubt  
a great and mighty God:  
I King above all Gods throughout  
in all the world abroad.

4. The secrets of the earth so deep,  
and corners of the Land,  
The tops of hills that are so steep  
he hath them in his hand.

5. The sea and waters all are his  
for he the same hath wrought:  
The earth, and all that therein is  
his hand hath made of nought.

6. Come, let us bow and praise the Lord  
before him let us fall:  
And kneel to him with one accord,  
the which hath made us all.

7. For why ? he is the Lord our God,  
for us he doth provide:  
We are his flock, he doth us feed,  
his sheep, and he our guide.

8. Today if ye his voice will hear,  
then harden not your heart  
As ye with grudging many a year  
provoke me in desert.

9. Whereas your fathers tempted me,  
my power for to prove:  
My wondrous works when they did see,  
yet still they would me move.

10. Twice twenty years they did me grieve;  
and I to them did say,  
They err in heart and not believe,  
they have not known my way.

11. Wherefore I sware when that my wrath  
was kindled in my breast  
That they should never tread the path,  
nor enter in my rest.

# Sing ye with praise unto the Lord

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The Whole Booke of Psalmes (ed. Ravenscroft, 1621)

*Psalme 96*

Thomas RAVENSCROFT (1590 - 1630)

CANTVS  
MEDIVS  
TENOR  
or Playnsong  
BASSVS

S.  
A.  
T.  
B.

Sing ye with praise un - to the Lord new songs of joy and mirth:  
Sing ye with praise un - to the Lord new songs of joy and mirth:  
Sing ye with praise un - to the Lord new songs of joy and mirth:  
Sing ye with praise un - to the Lord new songs of joy and mirth:  
Sing un - to him with one ac - cord all peo - ple on the earth.  
Sing un - to him with one ac - cord all peo - ple on the earth.  
Sing un - to him with one ac - cord all peo - ple on the earth.  
Sing un - to him with one ac - cord all peo - ple on the earth.

2. Yea, sing unto the Lord I say,  
praise ye his holy name:  
Declare and shew from day to day  
salvation by the same.

3. Among the heathen eke declare  
his honour round about:  
To shew his wonders do not spare  
in all the world throughout.

4. For why ? the Lord is much of might,  
and worthy praise alway:  
And he is to be dread of right  
above all Gods I say.

5. For all the Gods of heathen folk,  
are Idols that will fade:  
But yet our God, he is the Lord  
that hath the heavens made.

6. All praise and honour eke do dwell  
for aye before his face:  
Both pow'r and might likewise excel  
within his holy place.

7. Ascribe unto the Lord alway,  
ye people of the world.  
All might and worship eke, I say  
ascribe unto the Lord.

8. Ascribe unto the Lord also,  
the glory of his name:  
And eke unto his courts do go  
with gifts unto the same.

## *The Second part.*

9. Fall down and worship ye the Lord,  
within his Temple bright:  
Let all the people of the world  
be fearful at his sight.

10. Tell all the world, be not aghast,  
the Lord doth reign above:  
Yea, he hath set the earth so fast,  
that it can never move.

11. And that it is the Lord alone  
that rules with princely might:  
To judge the nations every one,  
with equity and right.

12. The heavens shall great joy begin,  
the earth shall eke rejoice:  
The sea with all that is therein,  
shall shout and make a noise.

13. The field shall joy and every thing  
that springeth on the earth:  
The wood and every tree shall sing  
with gladness and with mirth.

14. Before the presence of the Lord  
and comming of his might:  
When he shall justly judge the world,  
and rule his folk aright.

## The Lord doth raigne whereat the earth

The Whole Booke of Psalmes (ed. Ravenscroft, 1621)

Psalm 97

Thomas TOMKINS (1572 - 1656)

CANTVS

MEDIVS

TENOR  
or Playnsong

BASSVS

Worcester Tune

1

The Lord doth reign, where-at the earth may joy with plea - sant voice:

The Lord doth feign, where-at the earth may joy with plea - sant voice:

The Lord doth reign, where-at the earth may joy with plea - sant voice:

The Lord doth reign, where-at the earth may joy with plea - sant voice:

5

S.

A.

T.

B.

And eke the Isles with joy - ful mirth may tri - umph and re - joice.

And eke the Isles with joy - ful mirth, may tri - umph and re - joice.

And eke the Isles with joy - ful mirth may tri - umph and re - joice.

And eke the Isles with joy - ful mirth may tri - umph and re - joice.

2. Both clouds and darkness eke do swell  
and round about him beat:  
Yea, right and justice ever dwell,  
and 'bide about his seat.

3. Yea, fire and heat at once do run  
and go before his face:  
Which shall his foes and enemies burn  
abroad in ev'ry place.

4. His lightnings eke full bright did blaze  
and to the world appear:  
Whereat the earth did look and gaze,  
with dread and deadly fear.

5. The hills like wax did melt in sight,  
and presence of the Lord:  
They fled before the ruler's might  
which guideth all the world.

6. The heavens eke declare and shew  
his justice all abroad:  
That all the world may see and know  
the glory of our God.

7. Confusion sure shall come to such  
as worship Idols vain:  
And eke to those that glory much  
dumb pictures to maintain.

8. For all the Idols of the world,  
whicht they as Gods do call  
Shall feel the power of the Lord  
and down to him shall fall.

9. With joy shall Sion hear this thing,  
and Judah shall rejoice:

For at thy judgments they shall sing,  
a make a pleasant noise.

10. That thou O Lord art set on high  
in all the earth abroad:  
And art exalted wondrously,  
above each other God.

11. All ye that love the Lord do this,  
hate all things that are ill:  
For he doth keep the souls of his  
from such as would them spill.

12. And light doth spring up to the just  
with pleasure for his part:  
Great joy with gladness, mirth and lust,  
to them of upright heart.

13. Ye righteous in the Lord rejoice,  
his holiness proclaim:  
Be thankful eke with heart and voice,  
and mindful of the same.

# O Sing yee now unto the Lord

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The Whole Booke of Psalmes (ed. Ravenscroft, 1621)

Psalme 98

Thomas RAVENSCROFT (1590 - 1633)

CANTVS  
MEDIVS  
TENOR  
or Playnsong  
BASSVS

Winchester Tune

O Sing ye now un - to the Lord a new and plea - sant song:  
O Sing ye now un - to the Lord a new and plea - sant song:  
O Sing ye now un - to the Lord a new and plea - sant song:  
O Sing ye now un - to the Lord a new and plea - sant song:

S.  
A.  
T.  
B.

For he hath wrought through-out the world his won - ders great and strong.  
For he hath wrought through-out the world his won - ders great and strong.  
For he hath wrought through-out the world his won - ders great and strong.  
For he hath wrought through-out the world his won - ders great and strong.

2. With his right hand full worthily  
he doth his foes devour:  
And get himself the victory  
with his own arm and pow'r.

3. The Lord doth make the people know  
his saving health and might:  
The Lord doth eke his justice shew,  
in all the heaven's sight.

4. His grace and truth to Israel  
in mind he doth record:  
That all the earth may see right well  
the goodness of the Lord.

5. Be glad in him with joyful voice,  
all people on the earth  
Give thanks to God, sing and rejoice  
to him with joy and mirth.

6. Upon the Harp unto him sing,  
give thanks to him with Psalmes:  
Rejoice before the Lord our king,  
with Trumpets and with Shalmes.

7. Yea, let the sea with all therein,  
with joy both roar and swell:  
The earth likewise let it begin,  
with all that therein dwell.

8. And let the floods rejoice their fills  
and clap their hands apace:  
And eke the mountains and the hills  
before the Lord his face.

9. For he shall come to judge and try  
the world and ev'ry wight:  
And rule the people mightily  
with justice and with right.

## The Lord doth raigne

The Whole Booke of Psalmes (ed. Ravenscroft, 1621)

Psalm 99

Simon STUBBS (fl. 1616 - 1621)

CANTVS

MEDIVS

TENOR  
or Playnsong

BASSVS

*Martyrs Tune*

1

The Lord doth reign al-though at it the peo - ple rage full sore:

The Lord doth reign al-though at it the peo - ple rage full sore:

The Lord doth reign al-though at it the peo - ple rage full sore:

The Lord doth reign al-though at it the peo - ple rage full sore:

5

S.

A.

T.

B.

Yea, he on Che - ru - bins doth sit, though all the world do roar.

Yea, he on Che - ru - bins doth sit, though all the world do roar.

Yea, he on Che - ru - bins doth sit, though all the world do roar.

Yea, he on Che - ru - bins doth sit, though all the world do roar.

2. The Lord that doth in Sion dwell,  
is high and wondrous great:  
Above all folk he doth excel,  
and he aloft is set.

3. Let all men praise thy holy name,  
for it is fearful sure:  
And let them magnify the same  
that holy is and pure.

4. The princely power of our King  
doth love judgment and right:  
Thou rightly rulest ev'ry thing  
in Jacob, through thy might.

5. To praise the Lord our God devise,  
all honor to him do:  
Before his footstool do likewise,  
for he is holy too.

6. Moses, Aaron and Samuel  
as priests on him did call:  
When they did pray he heard them well  
and gave them answer all.

7. Within the cloud to them he spake,  
then did they labour still:  
To keep such laws as he did make,  
and pointed them until.

8. O Lord Our God thou didst them hear,  
and answer'dst them again:

9. Thy mercy did on them appear,  
their deeds didst not maintain.

10. O laud and praise our God and Lord  
within his holy hill:  
For why? our God throughout the world  
is holy ever still.



# All people that on earth do dwell

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The Whole Booke of Psalmes (ed. Ravenscroft, 1621)

*Psalm 100*

John DOWLAND (1563 - 1626)

CANTVS

MEDIVS

TENOR  
or Playnsong

BASSVS

2. French Tune

3

S.

A.

T.

B.

All peo-ple that on earth do dwell sing to the Lord with cheer - ful voice:

All peo-ple that on earth do dwell sing to the Lord with cheer - ful voice:

All peo-ple that on earth do dwell sing to the Lord with cheer - ful voice:

All peo-ple that on earth do dwell sing to the Lord with cheer - ful voice:

Him serve with fear, his praise forth tell, come ye be - fore him and re - joice.

Him serve with fear, his praise forth tell, come ye be - fore him and re - joice.

Him serve with fear, his praise forth tell, Come ye be - fore him and re - joice.

Him serve with feat, his praiwe forth tell, come ye be - fore him and re - joice.

3. The Lord ye know is God indeed:  
without our aid he did us make:  
We are his flock he doth us feed,  
and for his sheep he doth us take.

4. O enter then his gates with praise,  
approach with joy his courts unto:  
Praise, laud and bless his name always  
for it is seemly so to do.

5. For why ? the Lord our God is good,  
his mercy is for ever sure.  
His truth at all times firmly stood,  
and shall from age to age endure.

# In God the Lord be glad and light

The Whole Booke of Psalmes  
(ed. Ravenscroft, 1621)

*Psalm 100, Another of the same*

Simon STUBBS (fl. 1616 - 1621)

CANTVS

MEDIVS

*Yorke Tune*

TENOR  
or *Playnsong*

BASSVS

S.

A.

T.

B.

In God the Lord be glad and light, praise him through-out the earth:

In God the Lord be glad and light, praise him through - out the earth:

In God the Lord be glad and light, praise him through - out the earth:

In God the Lord be glad and light, praise him through - out the earth:

3  
Serve him and come be - fore his sight with sing - ing and with mirth.

Serve him and come be - fore his sight with sing-ing and with mirth.

Serve him and come be - fore his sight with sing - ing and with mirth.

Serve him and come be - fore his sight with sing - ing and with mirth.

2. Know that the Lord our God he is,  
he did us make and keep:  
Not we ourselves, for we are his  
own folk and pasture sheep.

3. O go into his gates always,  
give thanks within the same:  
Within his courts set forth his praise,  
and laud his holy name.

4. For why? the goodness of the Lord  
for evermore doth reign:  
From age tot age throughout the world  
his truth doth still remain.

# I mercy will and iudgement sing

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The Whole Booke of Psalmes (ed. Ravenscroft, 1621)

Psalm 101

Thomas RAVENSCROFT (1590 - 1633)

CANTVS

MEDIVS

TENOR  
or Playnsong

BASSVS

Winchester Tune

I mer - cy will and judg - ment sing, O Lord God un - to thee:

I mer - cy will and judg - ment sing, O Lord God un - to thee:

I mer - cy will and judg - ment sing, O Lord God un - to thee:

I mer - cy will and judg - ment sing, O Lord God un - to thee:

3

S. And wise - ly do in per - fect way un - till thou come to me.

A. And wise - ly do in per - fect way un - till thou come to me.

T. And wise - ly do in per - fect way un - till thou come to me.

B. And wise - ly do in per - fect way un - till thou come to me.

And in the midst of thy house walk  
in pureness of my sp'rit:  
3. And I no kind of wicked thing  
will set before my sight.

4. I hate their works that fall away,  
it shall not cleave to me:  
From me shall part the froward heart,  
none evil will I see.

5. Him will I slay that slandereth  
his neighbor privily:  
The lofty heart I cannot bear,  
nor him that looketh high.

6. Mine eyes shall be on them within  
the land that faithful be:  
In perfect way who walketh shall  
be servant unto me.

7. I will no guileful person have  
within my house to dwell:  
And in my presence he shall not  
remain that lies do tell.

8. Betimes I will destroy even all  
the wicked of the land:  
That I may from Gods city cut  
the wicked worker's hand.

## O Heare my prayer Lord

The Whole Booke of Psalmes (ed. Ravenscroft, 1621)

Psalm 102

John MILTON (1562 - 1647)

CANTVS

MEDIVS

TENOR  
or Playnsong

BASSVS

Norwitch Tune

O hear my pray - er Lord, and let my cry come un - to thee:

O hear my pray - er Lord, and let my cry come un - to thee:

O hear my pray - er Lord, and let my cry come un - to thee:

O hear my pray - er Lord, and let me cry come un - to thee:

3

S.

A.

T.

B.

In time of troub - le do not hide thy face a - way from me.

In time of troub - le do not hide thy face a - way from me.

In time of troub - le do not hide thy face a - way from me.

In time of troub - le do not hide thy face a - way from me.

3. Incline thine ear to me, make haste  
to hear me when I call:  
For as the smoke doth fade, so do  
my days consume and fall.

4. And as an hearth my bones are burnt,  
my heart is smitten dead:  
And withers as the grass, that I  
forget te eat my bread.

5. By reason of my groaning voice  
my bones cleave to my skin:

6. As Pelican in wilderness  
such case now am I in.

And as an Owl in desert is,  
lo: I am such a one:

7. I watch and as a sparrow on  
the hou-top am alone.

8. Lo daily in reproachful wise  
mine enemies do me scorn:

And they that do against me rage,  
against me they have sworn.

9. Surely with ashes as with bread  
my hunger I have filled:  
And mingled have my drinks with tears  
that from mine eyes have stilled.

10. Because of thy displeasure Lord,  
thy wrath and thy disdain:  
For thou hast lifted me aloft,  
and cast me down again.

11. The days wherein I pass my life  
are like the fleeting shade:  
And I am withered like the grass,  
that soon away doth fade.

12. But thou O Lord for ever dost  
remain in steady place:  
And thy remembrance ever doth,  
abide from race to race.

*The Second part.*

13. Thou wilt arise, and mercy thou  
to Sion wilt extend:

The time of mercy, now the time  
foreset is come to end.

14. For even in the stones whereof  
thy servants do delight:

And on the dust thereof they have  
compassion in their sp'rit.

15. Then shall the heathen people fear  
the Lord's most holy name:

And all the kings on earth shall dread  
thy glory and thy fame.

16. Then when the Lord, the mighty God  
again shall Sion rear:

And then when he most nobly in  
his glory shall appear.

17. To prayer of the desolate,  
when he himself shall bend:

when he shall not disdain unto  
their prayers to attend.

18. This shall be written for the age  
that after shall succeed:

The people yet uncreated,  
the Lord's renown shall spread.

19. For he from his high sanctuary  
hath looked down below:

And out of heaven hath the Lord  
beheld the earth also.

20. That of the mourning captive he  
might hear the woeful cry:

And that he might deliver those  
that damned are to die.

21. That they in Sion may declare  
the Lord's most holy name:

And in Jerusalem set forth  
the praises of the same.

22. Then when the people of the Land,  
and kingdoms with accord:

Shall be assembled for to do  
their service to the Lord.

*The Third part.*

23. My former force and strength he hath  
abated in the way:

And shorter he hath cut my days,  
thus I therefore did say.

24. My God, in midst of all my days,  
now take me not away:

Thy years endure eternally,  
from age to age, for aye.

25. Thou the foundation of the earth  
before all times hast laid:

And Lord the heavens are the work  
which thine own hands have made.

26. Yea, they shall perish and decay,  
but thou shalt tarry still:

And they shall all in time wax old,  
even as a garment will.

27. Thou as a garment shalt them change  
and changed shall they be:

But thou dost still abide the same,  
thy years do never flee.

28. The children of thy servants shall  
continually endure:

And in thy sight their happy seed  
for ever shall stand sure.

## My soule give laud unto the Lord

The Whole Booke of Psalmes (ed. Ravenscroft, 1621)

Psalm 103

Edward JOHNSON (fl. 1592 - 1594)

CANTVS

MEDIVS

TENOR  
or Playnsong

BASSVS

My soul give laud un - to the Lord, my sp'rit shall do the same:

My soul give laud un - to the Lord, my sp'rit shall do the same:

My soul give laud un - to the Lord, my sp'rit shall do the same:

My soul give laud un - to the Lord, my sp'rit shall do the same:

3

S. And all the se - crets of my heart praise ye his ho - ly name.

A. And all the se - crets of my heart praise ye his ho - ly name.

T. And all the se - crets of my heart praise ye his ho - ly name.

B. And all the se - crets of my heart praise ye his ho - ly name.

5

S. Give thanks to God for all his gifts, shew not thy - self un - kind:

A. Give thanks to God for all his gifts, shew not thy - self un - kind:

T. Give thanks to God for all his gifts, shew not thy - self un - kind:

B. Give thanks to God for all his gifts, shew not thy - self un - kind:

7

S. And suf - fer not his be - ne - fits to slip out of thy mind.

A. And suf - fer not his be - ne - fits to slip out of thy mind.

T. And suf - fer not his be - ne - fits to slip out of thy mind.

B. And suf - fer not his be - ne - fits to slip out of thy mind.

*The Second part.*

3. That gave thee pardon for thy faults,  
and thee restored again:  
For all thy weak and frail disease,  
and healed thee of thy pain.

4. That did redeem thy life from death,  
from which thou could'st not flee:  
His mercy and compassion both  
he didd extend to thee.

5. That filled with goodness thy desire,  
and did prolong thy youth:  
Like as the Eagle casts her bill:  
whereby her age renewth.

6. The Lord with justice doth repay  
all such as be oppressed:  
So that their sufferings and their wrongs  
are turned to the best.

7. His ways and his commandements  
to Moses he did show:  
His counsels and his valiant acts  
the Israelites did know.

8. The Lord is kind and merciful,  
when sinners do him grieve:  
The slowest to conceive a wrath,  
and readiest to forgive.

9. He chides not us continually,  
though we be full of strife:  
Nor keeps our faults in memory  
for all our sinful life.

10. Nor yet according to our sins  
the Lord doth us regard:  
Nor after our iniquities  
he doth not us reward.

11. But as the space is wondrous great  
'twixt earth and heaven above:  
So is his goodness much more large  
to them that do him love.

12. God doth remove our sins from us  
and our offences all,  
As far as is the Sun rising  
full distant from his fall.

13. And look what pity parents dear  
unto their children bear:

Like pity bears the Lord to such,  
as worship him in fear.

14. The Lord that made us knows our shape,  
our mould and fashion just:  
How weak and frail our nature is,  
and how we be but dust.

15. And how the time of mortal men  
is like the withering hay:  
Or like the flower right fair in field,  
that fadeth soon away.

16. Whose gloss and beauty stormy winds  
do utterly disgrace:  
And make that after their assaults,  
such blossoms have no place.

17. But yet the goodness of the Lord  
with his shall ever stand:  
Their children's children do receive  
his righteousness at hand.

18. I mean, which keep his covenant  
with all their whole desire:  
And not forget to do the thing  
that he doth them require.

19. The heavens high are made the seat  
and footstool of the Lord:  
And by his power imperial  
he governs all the world.

20. Ye angels which are great in power,  
praise ye and bless the Lord:  
Which to obey and do his will  
immediately accord.

21. Ye noble hosts and ministers  
cease not to laud him still:  
Which ready are to execute  
his pleasure and his will.

22. Yea, all his works in every place,  
praise ye his holy name:  
My heart, my mind, and eke my soul,  
praise ye also the same.

## My soule praise the Lord

The Whole Booke of Psalmes (ed. Ravenscroft, 1621)

Psalm 104

Thomas RAVENSCROFT (1590 - 1633)

CANTVS  
MEDIVS  
TENOR  
or Playnsong  
BASSVS

My soul praise the Lord, speak good of his name: O Lord our great God,  
My soul praise the Lord, speak good of his name: O Lord our great God,  
My soul praise the Lord, speak good of his name: O Lord our great God,  
My soul praise the Lord, speak good of his name: O Lord our great God,

S.  
A.  
T.  
B.

how dost thou ap - pear? So pas - sing in glo - ry, that great is thy fame;  
how dost thou ap - pear? So pas - sing in glo - ry, that great is thy fame:  
how dost thou ap - pear? So pas - sing in glo - ry, that great is thy fame:  
how dost thou ap - pear? So pas - sing in glo - ry, that great is thy fame:

S.  
A.  
T.  
B.

ho - nour and ma - je - sty in thee shine most clear.  
ho - nour and ma - je - sty in thee shine most clear  
ho - nour and ma - je - sty in thee shine most clear.  
ho - nour and ma - je - sty in thee shine most clear.

5. He groundeth the earth so firmly and fast:  
That it once to move none shall have such power.  
6. The deep a fair covering, for it made thou hast:  
Which by his own nature the hills would devour.

7. But at thy rebuke the waters do flee  
And so give due place thy word to obey:  
At thy voice of thunder so fearful they be:  
That in their great raging they haste soon away.

8. The mountains full high they then up ascend:  
If thou do but speak thy word they fulfil:  
So likewise the waves most quickly descend,  
Where thou them appointest, remain they do still.

9. Their bounds thou hast set, how far they shall run,  
So as in their rage not that pass they can:  
For God hath appointed they shall not return,  
The earth to destroy more which made was for man.

2. With light as a robe thou hast thee beclad:  
Whereby all the earth thy greatness may see.  
The heavens in such sort thou also hast spread:  
That it to a curtain compared may be.

3. His chamber-beams lie in the clouds full sure:  
Which as his chariot are made him to bear.  
And there with much swiftnes his course doth endure.  
Upon the wings riding of wind in the air.

4. He maketh his spirits as Heralds to go:  
And lightnings to serve, we see also pressed:  
His will to accomplish, they run to and fro:  
To save and consume things, as seemeth him best.



*The Second Part.*

10. He sendeth the springs to strong streams and lakes,  
Which run do full swift among the huge hills;
11. Where both the wild Asses their thirst oft times slakes,  
And beasts of the mountains thereof drink their fills.
12. By these pleasant springs of fountains full fair,  
The fowls of the air abide shall and dwell;  
When moved by nature to hop here and there,  
Among the green branches their songs shall excel.
13. The mountains to moist the clouds he doth use.  
The earth with his works is wholly replete:
14. So as the brute cattle he doth not refuse,  
But grass doth provide them, and herb for man's meat.
15. Yea, bread, wine, and oil, he made for man's sake,  
His face to refresh, and heart to make strong:
16. The cedars of Liban this great Lord did make,  
Which trees he doth nourish that grow up so long.
17. In these may birds build, and make there their nest;  
In Fir-trees the Storks remain and abide;
18. The high hills are succour for wild Goats to rest;  
And eke the rocks stony for Conies to hide.
19. The Moon then is set her seasons to run,  
The days from the nights thereby to discern;  
And by the ascending also of the Sun,  
The cold from heat alway thereby we do learn.
20. When darkness doth come by God's will and pow'r,  
Then creep forth do all the beasts of the wood
21. The Lions range roaring their prey to devour:  
But yet it is thou Lord which givest them food.
22. As soon as the Sun is up, they retire,  
To couch in their dens then are they full fain;
23. That man to his work may, as right doth require:  
Till night come and call him to take rest again.

*The Third Part.*

24. How sundry, O Lord, are all thy works found ?  
With wisdom full great they are indeed wrought;
25. So that the whole world of thy praise doth sound;  
And as for thy riches they pass all men's thought.
- So in the great sea, which large is and broad;  
Where things that creep swarm, and beasts of each sort,
26. There both mighty ships sail, and some lie at road;  
The Whales huge and monstrous there also doth sport.
27. All things on tbee wait, thou dost them relieve,  
And thou in due time full well dost them feed.
28. Now when it doth please thee, the same so to give;  
They gather full gladly those things which they need:
- Thou open'st thy hand and they find such grace,  
That they with good things are filled we see;
29. But sore they are troubled if thou turn thy face;  
For if thou their breath take, vile dust then they be.
30. Again when thy spirit from thee doth proceed;  
All things to appoint, and what shall ensue;
31. Then are they created, as thou hast decreed,  
And dost by tby goodness the dry earth renew.
32. The praise of the Lord for ever shall last:  
Who may in his works, by right well rejoice.  
His look can the earth make to tremble full fast,  
And likewise the mountains, to smoke at his voice,
33. To this Lord and God sing will I always:  
So long as I live my God praise will I:
34. Then am I most certain my words shall him please:  
I will rejoice in him, to him I will cry.
35. The sinners, O Lord, consume in thine ire;  
And eke the perverse them root out with shame:  
But as for my soul, now, let it still desire,  
And say with the faithful, praise ye the Lord's Name.

## Give praises unto God the Lord

The Whole Booke of Psalmes (ed. Ravenscroft, 1621)

Psalm 105

Richard ALLISON (ca. 1560 - ca. 1610)

CANTVS

MEDIVS

TENOR  
or Playnsong

BASSVS

1

Give prai-ses un-to God the Lord, and call up - on his name:

Give prai-ses un-to God the Lord, and call up-on his name:

Give prai-ses un-to God the Lord, and call up - on his name:

Give prai-ses un-to God the Lord, and call up - on his name:

3

S. A - mong the peo - ple eke de - clare his works to spread his fame.

A. A - mong the peo - ple eke de - clare his works to spread his fame.

T. A - mong the peo - ple eke de - clare his works to spread his fame.

B. A - mong the peo - ple eke de - clare his works to spread his fame.

4

S. Sing ye un - to the Lord I say, and sing un - to him praise:

A. Sing ye un - to the Lord I say, and sing un - to him praise:

T. Sing ye un - to the Lord I say, and sing un - to him praise:

B. Sing ye un - to the Lord I say, and sing un - to him praise:

5

S. And talk of all the wond - rous works, that he hath wrought al - ways.

A. And talk of all the wond - rous works, that he hath wrought al - ways.

T. And talk of all the wond - rous works, that he hath wrought al - ways.

B. And talk of all the wond - rous works, that he hath wrought al - ways.

***The Third part.***

3. In honour of his holy name,  
rejoice with one accord:

And let the hearts also rejoice  
of them that seek the Lord.

4. Seek ye the Lord and seek the strength  
of his eternal might:

And seek his face continually  
and presence of his sight.

5. The wondrous works that he hath done  
keep still in mindful heart:

Ne let the judgments of his mouth  
out of your mind depart.

6. Ye that of faithful Abraham,  
his servant, are the seed:

Ye his elect, the children that  
of Jacob do proceed.

7. For he, he only is I say,  
the mighty Lord our God:

And his most rightful judgments are  
through all the earth abroad.

8. His promise and his covenant,  
which he hath made to his:

He hath remembered evermore  
to thousands of degrees.

***The Second part.***

9. The covenant which he hath made  
with Abraham long ago:  
And faithful oath which he hath sworn  
to Isaac also.

10. And did confirm the same for law,  
that Jacob should obey:

And for eternal covenant  
to Israel for aye.

11. When he thus said, lo I to you  
all Canaan land will give:

The lot of your inheritance,  
wherein your seed shall live.

12. Although their number at that time  
did very small appear:

Yea, very small, and in the land  
they then but strangers were.

13. While yet they walk from land to land,  
without a sure abode:

And while from sundry kingdoms they  
did wander all abroad.

14. And wrong at no oppressor's hand  
he suffered them to take:

But even the great and mighty Kings  
reproved for their sake.

15. And thus he said, touch ye not those  
that mine anointed be:

Ne do the Prophets any harm  
that do pertain to me.

16. He called a dearth upon the land,  
of bread he 'stroyed the store,  
But he against their time of need,  
had sent a man before.

17. Even Joseph which had once been sold,  
to live a slave in woe:

18. Whose feet they hurt in stocks, whose soul  
the iron pierc'd also.

18. Until the time came when his cause  
was known apparently:

The mighty word of God the Lord  
his faultless truth did try.

20. The king sent and delivered him  
from prison where he was:

The ruler of the people then  
did freely let him pass.

21. And over all his house he made  
him Lord, to bear the sway:

And of his substance made him have  
the rule and all the stay.

22. That he might to his will instruct  
the Princes of the land

And wisdoms lore his ancient men  
might teach to understand.

23. Then into the Egyptian land  
came Israel also:

And Jacob in the land of Ham,  
did live a stranger tho.

24. His people he exceedingly  
in number did to flow:

And over all their enemies  
in strength he made them grow.

25. Whose heart he turned that they with hate  
his people did entreat:

And did his servants wrongfully  
abuse, with false deceit.

***The Fourth part.***

26. His faithful servant Moses then,  
and Aaron whom he chose:

He did command to go to them,  
his message to disclose.

27. The wondrous message of his signs  
amongst them they did shew:

And wonders in the land of Ham  
then did they work also.

28. Darkness he sent, and made it dark,  
instead of brighter day:

29. And unto his commission  
they did not disobey.

30. He turned their waters into blood,  
he did their fishes slay:

Their land brought frogs, even in the place  
where their king Pharaoh lay.

31. He spake, and at his voice there came  
great swarms of noisome flies:

And all the quarters of their land  
were filled with crawling lice.

32. He gave them cold and stony hail  
instead of milder rain:

And fiery flames within their land  
he sent unto their pain.

33. He smote the vines and all the trees  
whereon their figs did grow:

And all the trees within their coasts  
down did he overthrow.

34. He spake, then Caterpillars did  
and Grashoppers abound:

35. Which eat the grass in all their land  
and fruit of all their ground.

***The Fifth part.***

36. The first begotten in the land  
eke daily did he smite:

Yea, the beginning and first fruit  
of all their strength and might.

37. With gold and silver he them brought  
from Egypt land to pass:

And in the number of the Tribes  
no feeble one there was.

38. Egypt was glad and joyful then,  
when they did thence depart

For terror and the fear of them  
was fallen upon their heart.

39. To shroud them from the parching heat  
a cloud he did display:

And fire he sent to give them light,  
when night had hid the day.

40. They asked and he caused Quails  
to rain at their request:

And fully with the bread of heav'n  
their hunger he repressed.

41. He opened then the stony rocks,  
and water gushed out:

And in the dry and parched grounds  
like rivers ran about.

42. For of his holy covenant  
aye mindful was he tho:

Which to his servant Abraham  
he plighted long ago.

43. He brought his people forth with mirth  
and his elect with joy:

Out of the cruel land where they  
had liv'd in great annoy.

44. And of the heathen men he gave  
to them the fruitful land:

The labours of the people eke  
they took into their hand.

45. That they his holy statutes might  
observe for evermore:

And faithfully obey his laws,  
praise ye the Lord therefore.

## Praise ye the Lord

The Whole Booke of Psalmes (ed. Ravenscroft, 1621)

Psalm 106

Thomas RAVENSCROFT (1590 - 1633)

CANTVS

MEDIVS

TENOR  
or Playnsong

BASSVS

Cambridge Tune

1

Praise ye the Lord, for he is good, his mer - cy dures for aye:

Praise ye the Lord, for he is good, his mer - cy dures for aye:

Praise ye the Lord, for he is good, his mer - cy dures for aye:

Praise ye the Lord, for he is good, his mer - cy dures for aye:

5

S.  
Who can ex - press his no - ble acts, or all his praise dis - play?

A.  
Who can ex - press his no - ble acts, or all his praise dis - play?

T.  
Who can ex - press his no - ble acts, or all his praise dis - play?

B.  
Who can ex - press his no - ble acts, or all his praise dis - play?

2. They blessed are that judgment keep,  
and justly do alway:  
With favour of thy people Lord,  
remember me I pray.

4. And with thy saving health O Lord,  
vouchsafe to visit me:  
That I the great felicity  
of thine elect may see.

5. And with thy people's joy I may  
a joyful mind possess:  
And may with thine inheritance  
a glorying heart express.

6. Both we and eke our fathers all  
have sinned every one:  
We have committed wickedness,  
and lewdly we have done.

7. The wonders great which thou O Lord  
hast done in Egypt land:  
Our fathers though they saw them all  
yet did not understand.

Nor yet thy mercies multitude  
did keep in thankful mind:  
But at the sea, yea, the red sea,  
rebelled most unkind.

8. Nevertheless he saved them  
for honour of his name:  
That he might make his power known,  
and spread abroad his fame.

9. The red sea he did then rebuke,  
and forthwith it was dried:  
And as in wilderness, so through  
the deep he did them guide.

10. He sav'd them from the cruel hand  
of their spiteful foe:  
And from the enemies hand he did  
deliver them also.

***The Second part.***

11. The waters their oppressors whelmed,  
not one was left alive:  
12. Then they believ'd his words and praise  
in song they did him give.  
13. But by and by unthankfully  
his words they clean forgate:  
And for his counsel and his law  
they did neglect to wait.

14. But lusted in the wilderness  
with fond and greedy lust:  
And in the desert tempted God,  
the stay of all their trust.  
15. And then their wanton minds' desire  
he suffered them to have:  
But wasting leanness therewithal  
into their souls he gave.

19. Then when they lodged in their tents  
at Moses they did grutch:  
Aaron the holy of the Lord  
so did they envie much.  
17. Therefore the earth did open wide,  
and Dathan did devour:  
And all Abiram's company  
did cover in that hour.

18. In their assemblies kindled was  
the hot consuming fire:  
And wasting flame did then burn up  
the wicked in his ire.  
19. Upon the hill of Horeb they  
an Idol calf did frame:  
And there the molten Image they  
did worship of the same.

20. Into the likeness of a calf  
that feedeth on the grass:  
Thus they their glory turned, and all  
their honour did deface.  
21. And God their only Saviour  
unkindly they forgot,  
Which many great and mighty things  
in Egypt land had wrought.

### *The Third part.*

21. And in the land of Ham for them  
most wondrous things had done:  
And by the red dea dreadful things  
performed long ago.  
23. Therefore for these so shewing them  
forgetful and unkind,  
To bring destruction on them all  
he purposed in his mind.

Had not his chosen Moses stood  
before him in the break,  
To turn his wrath lest he on them  
with slaughter should him wreak.  
24. They did despise the pleasant land  
that he behighed to give:  
Yea, and the words that he had spoke  
they did no whit believe.

25. But in their tents with grudging heart  
they wickedly repined:  
Nor to the voice of God the Lord  
they gave an hearkening mind.  
26. Therefore against them lifted he  
his strong revenging hand  
Them to destroy in wilderness,  
ere they should see the land.

27. And to destroy their seed among  
the nations with his rod:  
And through the countries of the world  
to scatter them abroad.  
28. To Baal Peor then they did  
adjoin themselves also:  
And ate the offerings of the dead,  
so they forsook him tho.

29. Thus with their own inventions  
his wrath they did provoke:  
And in his so enkindled wrath,  
the plague upon them broke.  
30. But Phinehes stood up with zeal  
the sinners vile to slay:  
And judgment he did execute,  
and then the plague did stay.

### *The Fourth part.*

31. It was imputed unto him  
for righteousness that day:  
And from thenceforth so counted is  
from race to race for aye.  
31. At waters eke of Meribah  
they did him angry make:  
Yea, so far forth that Moses was  
then punished for their sake.

33. Because they vexed his spirit so sore,  
that in impatient heat  
His lips spake unadvisedly,  
his fervor was so great.  
34. Nor as the Lord commanded them  
they flew the people tho;  
But were among the heathen mixed,  
and learned their works also.

36. And did their Idols serve, which were  
their ruin and decay:  
37. To fiends their sons and daughters they  
did offer up and slay:  
38. Yea, with unkindly murdering knife  
the guiltless blood they spilt:  
Yea, their own sons and daughters blood  
without all cause of guilt.

Whom they to Canaan Idols then  
offer'd with wicked hand:  
And so with blood of innocents  
defiled was their land.  
39. Thus were they stained with the works  
of their own filthy way:  
And with their own inventions  
a whoring they did 'stray.

40. Therefore against his people was  
the Lord's wrath kindled sore:  
And even his own inheritance  
therefore he did abhor.  
41. Into the hands of heathen men  
he gave them for a prey:  
And made their foes their Lords, whom they  
were forced to obey.

### *The Fifth part.*

42. Yea, and their hateful enemy  
oppressed them in the land:  
And they were humbly made tot stoop  
as subject to their hand.  
43. Full oftentimes from thrall had he  
delivered them before:  
But with their counsels they to wrath  
provoked him evermore.

Therefore they by their wickedness  
were brought full low to lie:  
44. Yet when he saw them in distress,  
he hearken'd to their cry.  
45. He called to mind his covenant,  
which he to them had swore:  
And by his mercies multitude,  
repented him therefore.

46. And favour he them made to find  
before the sight of those  
That led them captive from their land,  
when earst they were their foes.  
47. Save us O Lord that art our God,  
save us O Lord we pray:  
And from among the heathen folk  
Lord gather us away.

48. That we may spread the noble praise  
of thy most holy name:  
That we may glory in thy praise,  
and sounding of thy fame.  
49. The Lord the God of Israel  
be bless'd for evermore:  
Let all the people say, Amen:  
praise ye the Lord therefore.

## Give thanks unto the Lord our God

The Whole Booke of Psalmes (ed. Ravenscroft, 1621)

Psalm 107

Thomas RAVENSCROFT (1590 - 1633)

CANTVS  
MEDIVS  
TENOR  
BASSVS

*Christ Hospital Tune*

Give thanks un - to the Lord our God, for gra - ci - ous is he:  
Give thanks un - to the Lord our God, for gra - ci - ous is he:  
Give thanks un - to the Lord our God, for gra - ci - ous is he:  
Give thanks un - to the Lord our God, for gra - ci - ous is he:

3  
S.  
A.  
T.  
B.

And that his mer - cy hath no end all mor - tal me may see.  
And that his mer - cy hath no end all mor - tal men may see.  
And that his mer - cy hath no end all mor - tal men may see.  
And that his mer - cy hath no end all mor - tal men may see.

2. Such as the Lord redeemed hath,  
with thanks should praise his name:  
And shew how they from foes were freed  
and how he wrought the same.

3. He gathered them forth of the lands  
that lay so far about:  
From East to West, from North to South,  
his hand did find them out.

4. They wandered in the wilderness,  
and strayed from the way:  
And found no City where to dwell,  
thet serve might for their stay.

5. Whose thirst and hunger was so great  
in those deserts so void:  
That faintness did them sore assault,  
and eke their sooul annoyed.

6. Then did they cry in their distress  
unto the Lord for aid:  
Who did remove their troublous state  
according as they prayed.

7. And by that way that was most right  
he led them like a guide:  
That they might to a city go,  
and there also abide.

8. Let men therefore before the Lord  
confess his kindness then:  
And shew his wonders that he doth  
before the sons of men.

9. For he the empty soul sustained,  
whom thirst had made to faint:  
The hungry soul with goodness fed,  
and did them eke acquaint.

10. Such as do dwell in darkness deep  
where they of death do wait:  
Fast bound to taste such troublous storms  
as iron chains do threat.

# O God my heart prepared is

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The Whole Booke of Psalmes (ed. Ravenscroft, 1621)

Psalm 108

Thomas RAVENSCROFT (1590 - 1633)

CANTVS

MEDIVS  
*Windsor or Eaton Tune*

TENOR  
op *Playnsong*

BASSVS

S.

A.

T.

B.

O God my heart pre - pa - red is, and eke my tongue is so:  
 O God my heart pre - pa - red is, and eke my tongue is so:  
 O God my heart pre - pa - red is, and eke my tongue is so:  
 O God my heart pre - pa - red is, and eke my tongue is so:  
 I will ad - vance my voice in song, and gi - ving praise al - so.  
 I will ad - vance my voice in song, and gi - ving praise al - so.  
 I will ad - vance my voice in song, and gi - ving praise al - so.  
 I will ad - vance my voice in song, and gi - ving praise al - so.

2. Awake my Viol and my Harp,  
sweet melody to make:  
And in the morning I myself  
right early will awake.

3. By me among the people Lord,  
still praised shalt thou be:  
And I among the heathen folk  
will sing O Lord to thee.

4. Because thy mercy Lord is great  
above the heavens high:  
And eke thy truth doth reach the clouds  
within the lofty sky.

5. Above the starry heavens high,  
exalt thy self O God:  
And Lord display upon the earth  
thy glory all abroad.

6. That thy dearly beloved may  
be set at liberty:  
Help O my God with thy right hand,  
and harken unto me.

7. God in his holiness hath spoke,  
wherefore my joys abound:  
Sichem I will divide, and mete  
the vale of Succoth ground.

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8. And Gilead shall be mine own,  
Manasses mine shall be:  
My head-strength Ephraim, and law  
shall Juda give for me.

9. Moab my wash-pot, and my shoe  
on Edom will I throw:  
Upon the land of Palestine,  
in triumph will I go.

10. Who shall into the City strong  
be guide to conduct me:  
Or how by whom to Egypt land,  
conveyed shall I be?

11. Is it not thou O God which late  
hast us forgotten quite?  
And thou O Lord which without host  
didst not go forth to fight.

12. Give us O Lord thy saving aid,  
when troubles do assail?.  
For all the help of man is vain,  
and can no whit avail.

13. Through God we shall do valiant acts,  
and worthy of renown:  
He shall subdue our enemies;  
yea, he shall tread them down.

## In speechless silence doe not hold

The Whole Booke of Psalmes (ed. Ravenscroft, 1621)

Psalm 109

Thomas RAVENSCROFT (1590 - 1633)

CANTVS

MEDIVS

TENOR  
or Playnsong

BASSVS

*Oxford Tune*

In speech-less si-lence do not hold, O God, thy tongue al- ways:

In speech-less si-lence do not hold, O God, thy tongue al- ways:

In speech-less si-lence do not hold, O God, thy tongue al- ways:

In speech-less si-lence do not hold, O God, thy tongue al- ways:

3

S.  
O God, even thou (I say) that art the God of all my praise.

A.  
O God, even thou (I say) that art the God of all my praise.

T.  
O God, even thou (I say) that art the God of all my praise.

B.  
O God, even thou (I say) that art the God of all my praise.

2. The wicked tongue and guileful mouth  
on me disclosed be:  
And they with false and lying tongue  
have spoken unto me.

3. They did beset me round about  
with words of hateful spite:  
Without all cause of my desert  
against me they did fight.

4. For my good will they were my foes,  
but then 'gan I to pray:  
My good with ill, my friendliness  
with hate they did repay.

5. Set thou the wicked over him,  
to have the upper hand:  
At his right hand eke suffer thou  
his hateful foe to stand.

6. When he is judged, let him then  
condemned be therein:

7. And let the prayer that he makes  
be turned into sin.

8. Few be his days, his charge also  
let thou another take:

9. His children let be fatherless,  
his wife a widow make.

10. Let his offspring be vagabonds,  
to beg and seek their bread:  
Wandering out of the wasted place  
where earst they have been fed.

11. Let covetous extortioners  
catch all his goods and store:  
And let the strangers spoil the fruits  
of all his toil before.

12. Let there be none to pity him,  
let there be none at all  
That on his children fatherless  
will let their mercy fall.



*The Second part.*

13. And so let his posterity  
for ever be destroyed:  
Their name out-blotted in the age  
that after shall succeed.
14. Let not his father's wickedness  
from God's remembrance fall:  
And let thou not his mother's sin  
be done away at all.
15. But in the presence of the Lord  
let them remain for aye:  
That from the earth their memory  
he may cut clean away.
16. Sith mercy he forgat to shew,  
but did pursue with spite  
The troubled man, and thought to slay  
the woeful-hearted wight.
17. As he did cursing love, it shall  
betide unto him so:  
And as he did not blessing love,  
it shall be same him fro.
18. As he with cursing clad himself,  
so it like water shall  
Into his bowels, and like oil  
into his bones befall.
19. As garment let it be to him,  
to cover him for aye:  
And as a girdle wherewith he  
shall girded be alway.
20. Lo, let this same be from the Lord  
the guerdon of my foe:  
Yea, and of those that evil speak  
against my soul also.
21. But thou O Lord that art my God,  
deal thou I say with me:  
After thy name deliver me,  
for good thy mercies be.
22. Because in depth of great distress,  
I needy am and poor:  
And eke within, my pained breast  
my heart is wounded sore.

*The Third part.*

23. Even so do I depart away,  
as doth declining shade:  
And as the Grasshopper, so I  
am shaken off and fade.
24. With fasting long from needful food  
enfeebled are my knees:  
And all her fatness hath my flesh  
enforced been to lees.
25. And I also a vile reproach,  
to them was made to be:  
And they that did upon me look,  
did shake their heads at me.
26. But thou O Lord that art my God  
mine aid and succour be:  
According to thy mercy Lord  
save ande deliver me.
27. And they shall know thereby that this,  
Lord is thy mighty hand:  
And that thou, thou hast done it Lord,  
so shall they understand.
28. Although they curse with spite, yet thou  
shalt bless with loving voice:  
They shall arise and come to shame,  
thy servant shall rejoice.
29. Let them be cloathed all with shame,  
that enemies are to me:  
And with confusion as a cloak  
eke covered let them be.
30. But greatly I will with my mouth  
give thanks unto the Lord:  
And I among the multitude  
his praises will record.
31. For he with help at his right hand,  
will stand the poor man by:  
To save him from the man that would  
condemn his soul to die.

## The Lord did say unto my Lord

The Whole Booke of Psalmes (ed. Ravenscroft, 1621)

Psalm 110

Thomas RAVENSCROFT (1590 -1633)

CANTVS

MEDIVS

TENOR  
or Playnsong

BASSVS

*Chichester Tune*

The Lord did say un - to my Lord, sit thou on my right hand:

The Lord did say un - to my Lord, sit thou on my right hand:

The Lord did say un - to my Lord, sit thou on my right hand:

The Lord did sat un - to my Lord, sit thou on my right hand:

3

S.

A.

T.

B.

Till I have made thy foes a stool, where - on thy feet may stand.

Till I have made thy foes a stool, where - on thy feet shall stand.

Till I have made thy foes a stool, where - on thy feet may stand.

Till I have made thy foes a stool, where - on thy feet shall stand.

2. The Lord shall out of Sion send  
the scepter of thy might:  
Amid the mortal foes be thou,  
the ruler in their sight.

3. And in the day on which thy reign,  
and power they shall see:  
Then hereby free-will offerings shall  
the people offer thee.  
Yea, with an holy worshipping  
then shall they offer all:  
Thy birth-dew is the dew that doth  
from womb of morning fall.

4. The Lord hath sworn and never will  
repent what he doth say:  
By the order of Melchisedech,  
thou art a Priest for aye.

5. The Lord thy God on thy right hand  
that standeth for thy stay:  
Shall wound for thee the stately kings,  
upon his wrathful day.

6. The heathen he shall judge and fill  
the place with bodies dead:  
And over divers countries shall  
in sunder smite the head.

7. And he shall drink out of the brook,  
that runneth in the way:  
Therefore he shall lift up on high  
his royal head that day.

# The man is blest that God doth feare

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The Whole Booke of Psalmes (ed. Ravenscroft, 1621)

Psalm 112

George KIRBYE (c. 1565 - 1634)

CANTUS

MEDIUS

TENOR  
or Faburdon

BASSUS

*1. High Dutch Tune*

The man is blest that God doth fear, And that his laws doth love in - deed:

3

S.

A.

T.

B.

His seed on earth God will up - rear, And bless such as from him\_ pro - ceed:

His seed on earth God will up - rear, And bless such as from him pro - ceed:

His seed on earth God will up - rear, And bless such as from him pro - ceed:

His seed on earth God will up - rear, And bless such as from him\_ pro - ceed:

5

S.

A.

T.

B.

His house with good he will ful - fill: His righ - teous - ness en - dure shall still.

His house with good he wil ful - fill: His righ - teous - ness en - dure shall still.

His house with good he wil ful - fill: His righ - teous - ness en - dure shall still.

His house with good he wil ful - fill: His righ - teous - ness en - dure shall still.

His house with good he will ful - fill: His righ - teous - ness en - dure shall still.

4. Unto the righteous doth arise  
In trouble joy, in darkness light:  
Compassion is in his eyes,  
And mercy always in his sight.  
5. Yea, pity moveth such to lend,  
He doth by judgment things expend.

6. And surely such shall never fail,  
For in remembrance had is he.  
7. No tidings ill can make him quail,  
Who in the Lord sure hope doth see.  
8. His heart is firm his fear is past,  
For he shall see his foes down cast.

9. He did well for the poor provide,  
His righteousness shall still remain:  
And his estate with praise abide,  
Though that the wicked men disdain.  
10. Yea, gnash his teeth thereat shall be  
And so consume his state to see.

## With heart I doe accord

The Whole Booke of Psalmes (ed. Ravenscroft, 1621)

Psalm 111

Thomas RAVENSCROFT (1590 - 1633)

CANTVS

MEDIVS

TENOR  
or Faburdon

BASSVS

3. French Tune

With heart I do accord to praise and laud the Lord, in pre-sence of the just:

With heart I do accord to praise and laud the Lord, in pre-sence of the just:

With heart I do ac-cord to praise and laud the Lord, in pre-sence of the just:

4

S. For great his works are found, to search them such are bound, as do him love and trust.

A. For great his works are found, to search them such are bound, as do him love and trust.

T. For great his works are found, to search them such are bound, as doth him love and trust.

B. For great his works are found, to search them such are bound, as do him love and trust.

7

S. His works are glo-ri-ous, al- so his righ-teous- ness it doth en- dure for e- ver.

A. His works are glo-ri-ous, al- so his righ- teous-ness it doth en- dure for e- ver.

T. His works are glo-ri-ous, al- so his righ-teous- ness it doth en- dure for e- ver.

B. His works are glo-ri-ous, al- so his righ-teous- ness it doth en- dure for e- ver.

10

S. His wond-rous works he would we still re-mem-ber should, his mer-cy fai-leth ne- ver.

A. His wond-rous works he would we still re-mem-ber should, his mer-cy fai-leth ne- ver.

T. His wond-rous works he would we still re-mem-ber should, his mer-cy fai-leth ne- ver.

B. His wond-rous works he would we still re-mem-ber should, his mer-cy fai-leth ne- ver.

5. Such as to him love bear  
 A portion full fair  
 He hath up for them laid:  
 For this they shall well find.  
 He will them have in mind,  
 And keep them as he said.
6. For he did not disdain  
 His works to shew them plain  
 By lightnings and by thunders:  
 When he the heathens' land  
 Did give into their hand,  
 Where they beheld his wonders.
7. Of all his works ensueth  
 Both judgment, right and truth,  
 whereto his statutes tend.
8. They are decre-ed sure,  
 Forever to endure,  
 Which equity doth end:  
 Redemption he gave  
 His people for to save  
 And hath also required.
9. His promise not to fail,  
 But always to prevail:  
 His holy name be feared.
10. Whoso with heart full fain  
 True wisdom would attain,  
 The Lord fear and obey:  
 Such as his laws do keep,  
 Shall knowledge have full deep:  
 His praise shall last for aye.

## Ye children which doe serve the Lord

The Whole Booke of Psalmes (ed. Ravenscroft, 1621)

Psalm 113

Thomas RAVENSCROFT (1590 - 1633)

CANTVS

MEDIVS

TENOR  
or Playnsong

BASSVS

Ye chil-dren which do serve the Lord, praise ye his name with one ac cord:  
He doth a - base him self we know, things to be - hold both here be - low,

Ye chil-dren which do serve the Lord, praise ye his name with one ac cord:  
He doth a - base him self we know, things to be - hold both here be - low,

Ye chil-dren which do serve the Lord, praise ye his name with one ac cord:  
He doth a - base him self we know, things to be - hold both here be - low,

Ye chil-dren which do serve the Lord, praise ye his name with one ac cord:  
He doth a - base him self we know, things to be - hold both here be - low,

3

S.  
A.  
T.  
B.

Yea, bless - ed be al - ways his name, who from the ri - sing of the Sun,  
and al - so in hea - ven a - bove. The nee - dy out of dust to draw,

Yea, bless - ed be al - ways his name, who from the ri - sing of the Sun,  
and al - so in hea - ven a - bove. The nee - dy out of dust to draw,

Yea, bless - ed be al - ways his name, who from the ri - sing of the Sun,  
and al - so in hea - ven a - bove. The nee - dy out of dust to draw,

Yea, bless - ed be al - ways his name, who from the ri - sing of the Sun,  
and al - so in hea - ven a - bove. The nee - dy out of dust to draw,

5

S.  
A.  
T.  
B.

till it re - turn where it be - gun, is to be prai - sed with great fame.  
and eke the poor which help none saw his on - ly mer - cy did him move.

till it re - turn where it be - gun, is to be prai - sed with great fame.  
and eke the poor which help none saw his on - ly mer - cy did him move.

till it re - turn where it be - gun, is to be prai - sed with great fame.  
and eke the poor which help none saw his on - ly mer - cy did him move.

till it re - turn where it be - gun, is to be prai - sed with great fame.  
and eke the poor which help none saw his on - ly mer - cy did him move.

7

S. The Lord all peo - ple doth sur - mount, as for his glo - ry we may count,  
And so him set in high de - gree, with Prin - ces of great dig - ni - ty,

A. The Lord all peo - ple doth sur - mount, as for his glo - ry we may count,  
And so him set in high de - gree, with Prin - ces of great dig - ni - ty,

T. The Lord all peo - ple doth sur - mount, as for his glo - ry we may count,  
And so him set in high de - gree, with Prin - ces of great dig - ni - ty,

B. The Lord all peo - ple doth sur - mount, as for his glo - ry we may count,  
And so him set in high de - gree, with Prin - ces of great dig - ni - ty,

9

S. a - bove the hea - vens high to be, with God the Lord who may com - pare,  
that rule his peo - ple with great fame. The bar - ren he doth make to bear,

A. a - bove the hea - vens high to be, with God the Lord, who may com - pare,  
that rule his peo - ple with great fame. The bar - ren he doth make to bear,

T. a - bove the hea - vens high to be, with God the Lord who may com - pare,  
that rule his peo - ple with great fame. The bar - ren he doth make to bear,

B. a - bove the hea - vens high to be, with God the Lord who may com - pare,  
that rule his peo - ple with great fame. The bar - ren he doth make to bear,

11

S. whose dwel - lings in the hea - vens are: of such great power and force is he.  
and with great joy her fruit to rear, there - fore praise ye his ho - ly name.

A. whose dwel - lings in the hea - vens are: of such great power and force is he.  
and with great joy her fruit to rear, there - fore praise ye his ho - ly name.

T. whose dwel - lings in the hea - vens are: of such great power and force is he.  
and with great joy her fruit to rear, there - fore praise ye his ho - ly name.

B. whose dwel - lings in the hea - vens are: of such great power and force is he.  
and with great joy her fruit to rear, there - fore praise ye his ho - ly name.

## When Israel by Gods addresse

The Whole Booke of Psalmes (ed. Ravenscroft, 1621)

Psalm 114

Edward BLANCKS (1586 - 1638)

CANTVS

MEDIVS

TENOR  
or Playnsong

BASSVS

*Low Dutch Tune.*

When Is - ra - el by God's ad - dress, from Pha - raoh's land was bent:

When Is - ra - el by God's ad - dress; from Pha - raoh's land was bent:

When Is - ra - el by God's ad - dress, from Pha - raoh's land was bent:

When Is - ra - el by God's ad - dress; from Pha - raoh's land was bent:

3

S.

A.

T.

B.

And Ja - cob's house the stran - gers left, and in the same train went.

And Ja - cob's house the stran - gers left, and in the same train went.

And Ja - cob's house the stran - gers left, and in the same train went.

And Ja - cob's house the stran - gers left, and in the same train went.

2. In Judah God his glory shew'd,  
his holiness most bright:  
So did the Israelites declare  
his kingdom, power and might.  
3. The sea it saw, and suddenly  
as all amaz'd did fly:  
The roaring streams of Jordan's flood  
reculed backwardly.

4. As Rams afraid the mountains skipped,  
their strength did them forsake:  
And as the silly trembling Lambs  
their tops did beat and shake.  
5. What ailed thee sea as all amaz'd,  
so suddenly to fly:  
Ye rolling waves of Jordan's flood,  
why ran ye backwardly?

6. Why shook ye hills as Rams afraid?  
why did your strength so shake?  
Why did your tops as trembling Lambs  
for fear quiver and quake?  
7. O earth confess they sovereign Lord,  
and dread his mighty hand:  
Before the face of Jacob's God  
fear ye both sea and land.

8. I mean the God which from hard rocks  
doth cause main floods appear:  
And from the stony flint did make  
gush out the fountains clear.



# Not unto us Lord

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The Whole Booke of Psalmes (ed. Ravenscroft, 1621)

Psalm 115

Simon STUBBS (fl. 1616 - 1621)

CANTVS

MEDIVS

TENOR  
or Playnsong

BASSVS

Yorke Tune

3

S.

A.

T.

B.

Not un - to us Lord, not to us, but to thy name give praise:

Not un - to us Lord, not to us, but to thy name give praise:

Not un - to us Lord, not to us, but to thy name give praise:

Not un - to us Lord, not to us, but to thy name give praise:

Both for thy mer - cy and thy truth, that are in thee al - ways.

Both for thy mer - cy and thy truth, that are in thee al - ways.

Both for thy mer - cy and thy truth, that are in thee al - ways.

Both for thy mer - cy and thy truth, that are in thee al - ways.

3. Why shall the heathen scorners say,  
where is their God become?

3. Our God in heaven is, and what  
he will, that hath he done.

4. Their Idols silver are and gold,  
work of men's hands they be:

5. They have a mouth, and do not speak  
and eyes and do not see.

6. And they have ears joined to their heads,  
and do not hear at all:

And noses eke they formed have,  
and do not smell withal.

7. And hands they have and handle not,  
and feet and do not go:

A throat they have, yet through the same  
they make no sound to blow.

8. Those that make them, are like to them  
and those whose trust they be:

9. O Israel trust in the Lord,  
their help and shield is he.

10. O Aaron's house trust in the Lord,  
*their help and shield is he:*

11. Trust ye the Lord that fear the Lord  
*their help and shield is he:*

12. The Lord hath mindful been on us,  
and will us bless also:

On Israel's and on Aaron's house  
his blessing he will show.

13. Them that be fearers of the Lord,  
the Lord will save them all:

Even he will bless them every one,  
the great and eke the small.

14. To you (I say) the living Lord,  
will multiply his grace:

To you, and to the children that  
shall follow of your race.

15. Ye are the blessed of the Lord,  
even of the Lord I say,

Which both the heaven and the earth  
hath made and set in stay.

16. The heavens, yea, the heavens high,  
belong unto the Lord:

The earth unto the sons of men  
he gave of free accord.

17. They that be dread, do not with praise  
set forth the Lord's renown:

Nor any that into the place  
of silence do go down.

18. But we will praise the Lord our God  
from henceforth and for aye:

Sound ye the praises of the Lord,  
praise ye the Lord I say.

## I Love the Lord, because my voyce

The Whole Booke of Psalmes (ed. Ravenscroft, 1621)

Psalm 116

Thomas RAVENSCROFT (1590 - 1633)

CANTVS

MEDIVS

TENOR  
or Playnsong

BASSVS

Winchester Tune

I love the Lord, be-cause my voice and pray - er heard hath he:

I love the Lord, be-cause my voice and pray - er heard hath he:

I love the Lord, be-cause my voice and pray - er heard hath he:

I love the Lord, be-cause my voice and pray - er heard hath he:

3

S.

A.

T.

B.

When in my days I called on him, he bow'd his ear to me.

When in my days I called on him, he bow'd his ear to me.

When in my days I called on him, he bow'd his ear to me.

When in my days I called on him, he bow'd his ear to me.

3. Even when the snares of cruel death  
about beset me round:  
When pains of hell me caught, and when  
I woe and sorrow found.

4. Upon the name of God the Lord  
then did I call and say:  
Deliver thou my soul O Lord,  
I do thee humbly pray.

5. The Lord is very merciful,  
and just he is also:  
And in our God compassion  
doth plentifully flow.

6. The Lord in safety doth preserve,  
all those that simple be:  
I was in woeful misery,  
and he relieved me.

7. And now my soul sith thou art safe,  
return unto thy rest:  
For largely lo the Lord to thee,  
his bounty hath expressed.

8. Because thou hast delivered,  
my soul from deadly thrall:  
My moistened eyes from mournful tears  
my sliding feet from fall.

9. Before the Lord I in the land  
of life will walk therefore:

10. I did believe therefore I speak,  
for I was troubled sore.

**The Second part.**

11. I said in my distress and fear  
that all men liars be:

12. What shall I pay the Lord for all  
his benefits to me?

13. The wholesome cup of saving health  
I thankfully will take:  
And on the Lord's name I will call,  
when I my prayer make.

14. I to the Lord will pay the vows,  
that I have him behighed:  
Yea, even at this present time,  
in all the people's sight.

15. Right dear and precious in his sight,  
the Lord doth aye esteem  
The death of all his holy ones,  
whatever men do deem.

16. Thy servant Lord thy servant lo,  
I do myself confess:

Son of thy handmaid, thou hast broke  
the bonds of my distress.

17. And I will offer up to thee  
a sacrifice of praise:  
And I will call upon the name  
of God the Lord always.

18. I to the Lord will pay the vows,  
that I have him behighed:

Yea, even at this present time,  
in all the peoples sight.

19. Yea, in the courts of God's own house,  
and in the midst of thee,  
O thou Jerusalem I say,  
wherefore the Lord praise ye.

# O All ye nations of the world

The Whole Booke of Psalmes (ed. Ravenscroft, 1621)

Psalm 117

Thomas RAVENSCROFT (1590 - 1633)

CANTVS

MEDIVS

TENOR  
or Playnsong

BASSVS

1

O all ye na - tions of the world, praise ye the Lord al - ways:  
For great his kind - ness is to us, his truth en - dures for aye:

O all ye na - tions of the world, praise ye the Lord al - ways:  
For great his kind - ness is to us, his truth en - dures for aye:

O all ye na - tions of the world, praise ye the Lord al - ways:  
For great his kind - ness is to us, his truth en - dures for aye:

O all ye na - tions of the world, praise ye the Lord al - ways:  
For great his kind - ness is to us, his truth en - dures for aye:

5

S.

A.

T.

B.

And all ye peo - ple eve - ry where set forth his no - ble praise.  
Where - fore praise ye the Lord our God, praise ye the Lord al - way.

And all ye peo - ple eve - ry where set forth his no - ble praise.  
Where - fore praise ye the Lord our God, praise ye the Lord al - way.

And all ye peo - ple eve - ry where set forth his no - ble praise.  
Where - fore praise ye the Lord our God, praise ye the Lord al - way.

And all ye peo - ple eve - ry where set forth his no - ble praise.  
Where - fore praise ye the Lord our God, praise ye the Lord al - way.

*Cambridge Tune*

## O Give ye thanks unto the Lord

The Whole Booke of Psalmes (ed. Ravenscroft, 1621)

Psalm 118

Simon STUBBS (fl. 1616 - 1621)

CANTVS  
MEDIVS  
TENOR  
or Playnsong  
BASSVS

*Martyrs Tune*

O give ye thanks un - to the Lord, for gra - ci - ous is he:  
O give ye thanks un - to the Lord, for gra - ci - ous is he:  
O give ye thanks un - to the Lord, for gra - ci - ous is he:  
O give ye thanks un - to the Lord, for gra - ci - ous is he:

5

S.  
A.  
T.  
B.

Be - cause his mer - cy doth en - dure for e - ver to - wards thee.  
Be - cause his mer - cy doth en - dure for e - ver to - wards thee.  
Be - cause his mer - cy doth en - dure for e - ver to - wards thee.  
Be - cause his mer - cy doth en - dure for e - ver to - wards thee.

2. Let Israel confess and say,  
his mercy dures for aye:

3. Now let the house of Aaron say  
his mercy dures for aye.

4. Let all that fear the Lord our God,  
ev'n now confess and say:  
The mercy of the Lord our God  
endureth still for aye.

5. In trouble and in heaviness  
unto the Lord I cried:  
Which lovingly heard me at large,  
my suit was not denied.

6. The Lord himself is on my side,  
I will not stand in doubt,  
Nor fear what man can do to me,  
when God stands me about.

7. The Lord doth take my part with them  
that help to succour me:  
Therefore I shall see my desire  
upon mine enemy.

8. Better is it to trust in God,  
then in man's mortal seed:

9. Or to put confidence in Kings,  
or Princes in their need:

10. All nations have enclosed me  
and compassed me round:  
But in the name of God will I  
mine enemies confound.

11. They kept me in on every side,  
they kept me in I say:  
But through the Lord's most mighty name  
I shall work their decay.

12. They came about me all like Bees,  
but yet in the Lord's name  
I quench'd their thorns that were on fire  
and will destroy the same.

*The Second part.*

13. Thou hast with force thrust sore at me,  
that I indeed might fall:  
But through the Lord I found such help,  
that they were vanquish'd all.

14. The Lord is my defence and strength,  
my joy, my mirth and song:  
He is become for me indeed,  
a Saviour most strong.

15. The right hand of the Lord our God  
doth bring to pass great things:  
He causeth voice of joy and health  
in righteous men's dwellings.

16. The right hand of the Lord doth bring  
most mighty things to pass:  
His hand hath the pre-eminence,  
his force is as it was.

17. I will not die but ever live  
to utter and declare  
The Lord his might and wondrous pow'r  
his works and what they are.

18. The Lord himself hath chastened,  
and hath corrected me:  
But hath not given me over yet  
to death as ye may see.

19. Set open unto me the gates  
of truth and righteousness:  
That I may enter into them  
the Lord's praise to confess.

20. This is the gate ev'n of the Lord,  
which shall not so be shut:  
But good and righteous men alway  
shall enter into it.

*The Third part.*

21. I will give thanks to thee, O Lord,  
because thou hast heard me:  
And art become most lovingly  
a Saviour unto me.

22. The stone which ere this time among  
the builders was refus'd,  
Is now become the corner stone  
and chiefly to be us'd.

23. This was the mighty work of God  
this was the Lord's own fact:  
And it is marvellous to behold  
with eyes that noble act.

24. This is the joyful day indeed,  
which God himself hath wrought,  
Let us be glad and joy therein,  
in heart, in mind, and thought.

25. Now help us Lord, and prosper us,  
we wish with one accord:

26. Blessed be he that comes to us,  
in the name of the Lord.

27. God is the Lord that shew'th us light  
bind ye therefore with cord  
Your sacrifice to the altar,  
and give thanks to the Lord.

28. Thou art my God I will confess,  
and render thanks to thee:  
Thou art my God and I'll will praise  
thy mercies towards me.

29. O give ye thanks unto the Lord  
for gracious is he:  
Because his mercy doth endure,  
for ever towards me.

## Blessed are they that perfect are

The Whole Booke of Psalmes (ed. Ravenscroft, 1621)

Psalm 119

Giles FARNABY (ca. 1563 - 1640)

CANTVS  
MEDIVS  
TENOR  
or *Playnsong*  
BASSVS

Bles - sed are they that per - fect are, and pure in mind and heart:  
Bles - sed are they that per - fect are, and pure in mind and heart:  
Bles sed are they that per - fect are, and pure in mind and heart:  
Bles - sed are they that per - fect are, and pure in mind and heart:

3  
S. Whose lives and con-ver - sa - ti - on from God's laws ne - ver start. Bles - sed are they that give them - selves  
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3. Doubtless such men go not astray,  
nor do no wicked thing:  
Which steadfastly walk in his paths,  
without any wand'ring.

4. It is thy will and commandment,  
that with attentive heed:  
Thy noble and divine precepts,  
we learn and keep indeed.

5. Oh would to God it might thee please  
my ways so to address:  
That I might both in heart and voice,  
thy laws keep and confess.

6. So should no shame my life attain,  
whilst I thus set mine eyes:  
And bend my mind always to muse  
on thy sacred decrees.

7. Then will I praise with upright heart  
and magnify thy name:  
When I shall learn thy judgments just,  
and likewise prove the same.

8. And wholly will I give myself,  
to keep thy laws most right:  
Forsake me not for ever Lord,  
but shew thy grace and might.

**BETH.** *The second part.*

9. By what means may a young man best  
his life learn to amend?

If that he mark and keep thy word,  
and therein his time spend.

10. Unfeignedly I have thee sought,  
and thus seeking abide:  
O never suffer me O Lord,  
from thy precepts to slide.

11. Within my heart and secret thoughts,  
thy word I have hid still:  
That I might not at any time,  
offend thy godly will.

12. We magnify thy name O Lord,  
and praise thee evermore:  
Thy statutes of most worthy fame  
O Lord teach me therefore.

13. My lips have never ceased to preach,  
and publish day and night:  
Thy judgments all which did proceed,  
from thy mouth full of might.

14. Thy testimonies and thy ways,  
please me no less indeed::,  
Than all the treasures of the earth,  
which worldlings make their meed.

15. Of thy precepts I will still muse,  
and thereto frame my talk:  
And at a mark so will I aim,  
thy ways how I may walk.

16. My only joy shall be so fixed,  
and on thy laws so set:  
That nothing can me so far blind,  
that I thy word forget.

**GIMEL.** *The III Part.*

17. Grant to thy servant now such grace  
as may my life prolong:  
Thy holy word then will I keep  
both in my heart and tongue.

18. Mine eyes which were dim and shut up  
so open and make bright:  
That of thy law and marvellous works  
I may have the clear sight.

19. I am a stranger in this earth,  
wand'ring now here now there:  
Thy word therefore to me disclose,  
my footsteps for to clear.

20. My soul is ravished with desire,  
and never is at rest:  
But seeks to know thy judgments high,  
and what may please thee best.

21. The proud men and malicious,  
thou hast destroyed each one:  
And cursed are such as do not  
thy hefts attend upon.

22. Lord turn from me rebuke and shame,  
which wicked men conspire:  
For I have kept the covenants,  
with zeal as hot as fire.

23. The princes great in council sat,  
and did against me speak:  
But then thy servant thought how he  
thy statutes might no break.

24. For why? thy covenants are my joy,  
and my great heart's solace:  
They serve in stead of counselors,  
my matters for to pass.

**DALETH.** *The IIII Part.*

25. I am alas as brought to grave,  
and almost torn'd to dust:  
Restore therefore my life again,  
as thy promise is just.

26. My ways when I acknowledged,  
with mercy thou didst hear:  
Hear now estsoon and me instruct  
thy laws to love and fear.

27. Teach me once throughly for to know  
thy precepts and thy lore:  
Thy works then will I meditate,  
and lay them up in store.

28. My soul I feel so sore oppressed,  
that it melteth for grief:  
According to thy word therefore  
haste Lord to send relief.

29. From lying and deceitful lips,  
let thy grace me defend:  
And that I may learn thee to love  
thy holy law me send.

30. The way of truth both straight and sure  
I have chosen and found:  
I set the judgments me before  
which keep me safe and sound.

31. Since then (O Lord) I forced myself  
thy covenants to embrace:  
Let me therefore have no rebuke,  
nor check in any case.

32. Then will I run with joyful cheer  
where thy word doth me call:  
when thou hast set my heart at large,  
and rid me out of thrall.

**HE.** *The V. Part.*

33. Instruct me Lord in the right trade,  
of thy statutes divine:  
And it to keep even to the end  
my heart I will incline.

34. Grant me the knowledge of thy law  
and I shall it obey:  
With heart and mind and all my might,  
I will it keep I say.

35. In the right path of thy precepts,  
guide me Lord I require:  
None other pleasure do I wish,  
nor greater thing desire.

36. Incline mine heart thy laws to keep  
and covenants to embrace:  
And from all filthy avarice,  
Lord shield me with thy grace.

37. From vain desires and wordly lusts  
turn back mine eyes and sight:  
Give me the spirit of life and pow'r  
to walk thy ways aright.

38. Corfirm thy gracious promise Lord,  
which thou hast made to me:  
Which am thy servant and do love  
and fear nothing but thee.

39. Reproach and shame which I do fear  
from me O Lord expel:  
For thou doest judge with equity,  
and therein dost excel.

40. Behold my heart's desire is bent  
thy laws to keep for aye:  
Lord strengthen me so with thy grace,  
that it perform I may.

**VAU.** *The VI. Part.*

41. Thy mercies great and manifold  
let me obtain O Lord:

Thy saving health let me enjoy,  
according to thy word.

42. So shall I stop the sland'rous mouths  
of lewd men and unjust:  
For in thy faithful promises  
stands my comfort and trust.

43. The word of truth within my mouth  
let ever still be pressed:

For in thy judgments wonderful  
my hope doth stand and rest.

44. And whilst that breath within my breast  
doth natural life preserve:  
Yea, till this world shall be dissolv'd  
thy law will I observe.

45. So walk will I as set at large,  
and made free from all dread:  
Because I sought how for to keep  
thy precepts and thy read.

46. Thy noble acts I will describe,  
as things of most great fame:  
E'en before Kings I will them blaze,  
and shrink no whit for shame.

47. I will rejoice then to obey  
thy worthy hefts and will:  
Which evermore I have lov'd best,  
and so will love them still.

48. My hand will I lift to thy laws,  
which I have dearly sought:  
And practise thy commandements,  
in will, in deed, and thought.

**ZAIN.** *The VII. Part.*

49. Thy promise which thou mad'st to me  
thy servant Lord remember:  
For therein have I put my trust,  
and confidence for ever.

50. It is my comfort and my joy,  
when troubles me assail:  
For were me life not by thy word,  
my life would soon me fail.

51. The proud and such as God contemn,  
still made of me a scorn:  
Yet would I not thy law forsake,  
as he that were forlorn.

52. But call to mind Lord thy great works  
shew'd to our fathers old:  
Whereby I felt my joy surmount,  
my grief an hundred fold.

53. But yet alas for fear I quake,  
seeing how wicked men:  
Thy law forsook and did procure  
thy judgments who knows when.

54. And as for me I fram'd my songs,  
thy statutes to exalt:  
When I among the strangers dwelt,  
and thoughts gan me assault.

55. I thought upon thy name O Lord,  
by night when others sleep:  
as for thy law I also kept,  
and ever will it keep.

56. This grace I did obtain because  
thy covenants sweet and dear  
I did embrace, and also keep  
with reverence and with fear.

**HETH.** *The VIII. Part.*

57. O God, which art my part and lot,  
my comfort and my stay:  
I have decreed and promised,  
thy law to keep alway.  
58. Mine earnest heart did humbly sue  
in presence of thy face:  
as thou therefore hast promised,  
Lord grant me of thy face.

59. My life I have examined,  
and tried my secret heart:  
Which to thy statutes caused me  
my feet straight to convert.  
60. I did not stay nor linger long,  
as they that slothful are:  
But hastily thy laws to keep,  
I did myself prepare.

61. The cruel bands of wicked men,  
have made of me their prey:  
Yet would I not thy law forget,  
nor from thee go astray.  
92. Thy righteous judgments towards me  
so great is and so high:  
That e'en at midnight I will rise,  
thy name to magnify.

63. Companion am I to all them,  
which fear thee in their heart:  
And neither will for love nor dread,  
from thy commandments start.  
94. Thy mercies Lord most plentiful  
do all the world fulfill:  
Oh teach me how I may obey  
thy statutes and thy will.

**TETH.** *The IX. Part.*

65. According to thy promise Lord,  
so hast thou with me dealt:  
For of thy grace in sundry sorts,  
have I thy servant felt.  
66. Teach me to judge always aright,  
and give me knowledge sure:  
For certainly believe I do,  
that thy precepts are pure.

67. Ere thou didst touch me with thy rod,  
I err'd and went astray:  
But now I keep thy holy word,  
and make it all my stay.  
68. Thou art both good and gracious,  
and giv'st most liberally:  
Thine ordinances how to keep,  
therefore O Lord teach me.

69. The proud and wicked men have forg'd  
agaist me many lie  
Yet thy commandments still observe,  
with all my heart will I.  
70. Their hearts are swollen with worldly wealth  
as grease so are they fat:  
But in thy law do I delight,  
and nothing seek but that.

71. O happy time may I well say,  
when thou didst me correct:  
For as a guide to learn thy laws,  
thy rod did me direct.  
72. So that to me thy word and law,  
is dearer manifold:  
Then thousands great of silver and gold  
or ought that can be told.

**JOD.** *The X. Part.*

73. Seeing thy hands have made me Lord,  
to be thy creature:  
grant knowledge likewise how to learn  
to put thy laws in ure.  
74. So they that fear thee shall rejoice,  
when ever they me see:  
Because I have learned by thy word,  
to put my trust in thee.

75. When with thy rod the world is plagued,  
I know the cause is just:  
So when thou dost correct me Lord,  
the cause just needs bemust.  
76. Now of thy goodness I thee pray,  
some comfort to me send:  
As thou to me thy servant hetst,  
so from all ill me shend.

77. Thy tender mercies pour on me,  
and I shall surely live:  
For joy and consolation both,  
thy laws to me do give.  
78. Confound the proud whose false pretence,  
is me for to destroy.  
But as for me thy hefts to know,  
I will myself employ.

79. Who so with rev'rence do thee fear  
to me let them retire:  
And such as do thy cov'nants know,  
and them alone desire.  
80. My heart without all wavering,  
let on thy laws be bent:  
That no confusion come to me,  
whereby I should be shent.

**CAPH.** *The XI. Part.*

81. My soul doth faint and ceaseth not  
thy saving health to crave:  
And for thy word's sake still I trust,  
my heart's desire to have.  
82. Mine eyes do fail with looking for  
thy words, and thus I say:  
O when wilt thou me comfort Lord?  
why dost thou thus delay?

83. As a skin bottle in the smoke,  
so am I parch'd and dried:  
Yet will I not out of my heart  
let thy commandments slide.  
84. Alas how long shall I yet live,  
before I see the hour:  
That on my foes which me torment,  
thy vengeance thou wilt pour?

85. Presumptuous men have digged pitts  
thinking to make me sure:  
Thus contrary against thy law,  
my hurt they do procure.  
86. But thy commandments all true,  
and causeless they me grieve:  
To thee therefore I do complain;  
that thou might'st me relieve.

87. Almost they had me clean destroyed,  
and brought me quite to ground:  
Yet by thy statutes I abode,  
and therein succor found.  
88. Restore me Lord again to life,  
for thy mercies excel:  
And so shall I thy covenants keep,  
till death my life expel.

**LAMED.** *The XII. Part.*

89. In heaven Lord where thou dost dwell  
thy word is stablished sure:  
And shall for all eternity,  
fast graven there endure.  
90. From age to age thy truth abides,  
as doth the earth witness:  
Whose ground-work thou hast laid so sure,  
as no tongue can express.

91. Even to this day we may well see,  
how all things persevere:  
According to thy ordinance,  
for all things thee revere.  
92. Had it not been that in thy law,  
my soul had comfort sought:  
Long time ere now is my distress,  
I had been brought to nought.

93. Therefore I will thy precepts aye,  
in memory keep fast:  
By them thou hast my life restored,  
when I was at last cast.  
94. No wight to me can title make,  
for I am only thine:  
Save me therefore for to thy laws  
mine ears and heart incline.

95. The wicked me, do seek my bane,  
and therefore lie in wait:  
But I the while considered  
thy noble acts and great.  
96. I see nothing in this wide world,  
at length which hath no end:  
But thy commandments and thy word,  
beyond all end extend.

**MEM.** *The XIII. Part.*

97. What great desire, and fervent love  
do I bear to thy law:  
All the day long my whole devise  
is only on thy law.  
98. Thy word hath taught me far to pass,  
my foes in policy:  
For still I keep it as a thing  
of most excellency

99. My teachers which did me instruct,  
in knowledge I excel:  
Because I do thy covenants keep,  
and them to others tell.  
100. In wisdom I do pass also,  
the ancient men in deed:  
And all because to keep thy laws,  
I held it aye best need.

101. My feet I have refrained  
eke from every evil way:  
Because that I continually  
thy word might keep I say.  
102. I have not swerv'd from thy judgements  
nor yet shronk any dell:  
For why? thou hast me taught thereby,  
to live godly and well.

103. O Lord how sweet unto my taste  
find I thy words alway:  
Doubtless no honey in my mouth,  
feel ought so sweet I may.  
104. Thy laws have me such wisdom learned,  
that utterly I hate  
All wicked and ungodly ways,  
in every kind of rate.



**NUN.** *The XIII. Part.*

105. Even as a lantern to my feet,  
so doth thy word shine bright:

And to my paths where ever I go,  
it is a flaming light.

106. I have both sworn and will perform  
most certainly doubtless:

That I will keep thy judgements just,  
and them in life express.

107. Affliction hath me sore oppressed,  
and brought me to death's door:

O Lord as thou hast promised,  
so me to life restore.

108. The offerings which with heart and voice  
most frankly I thee give,  
Accept, and teach me how I may  
after thy judgements live.

109. My soul is aye so in my hand,  
that dangers me assail:

Yet do I not thy law forget,  
nor it to keep will fail.

110. Although the wicked lay their nets  
to catch me at a bay:

Yet did I not from thy precepts  
once swerve or go astray.

111. Thy laws I have so claim'd alway  
as mine own heritage:

And why? for therein I delight,  
and set my whole courage.

112. For evermore I have been bent,  
thy statutes to fulfill:

Even so likewise unto the end  
I will continue still.

**SAMECH.** *The XV. Part.*

113. The crafty thoughts and double hearts  
I do always detest:

But as for thy law and precepts,  
I count them ever best.

114. Thou art my hid and secret place,  
my shield of strong defense:

Therefore I have thy promises,  
looked for with patience.

115. Go to therefore ye wicked men,  
depart from me anone:

For the commandments will I keep,  
of God my Lord alone.

116. As thou hast promis'd so perform,  
that death me not assail:

Nor let my hope abuse me so,  
that through distrust I quail.

117. Uphold me and I shall be safe,  
for ought they do or say:

And in thy statutes pleasure take  
will I both night and day.

118. Thou hast trod such under thy feet,  
as do thy statutes break:

For naught avails their subtlety  
their counsel is but weak.

119. Like dross thou casts the wicked out  
where ever they go or dwell:

Therefore can I as thy statutes,  
love nothing half so well.

120. My flesh alas is taken with fears,  
as though it were benumb'd:

For when I see thy judgements,  
traight I am as one astond.

**AIN.** *The XVI. Part.*

121. I do the thing that lawful is,  
and give to all men right:

Resign me not to them that would  
oppress me with their might.

122. But for thy servant surety be,  
in that thing that is good:

That proud men give me not the foil,  
which rage as they were wood.

123. Mine eyes wich waiting are now blind,  
thy health so much I crave:

And eke thy righteous promise Lord,  
whereby thou wilt me save.

124. Entreat thy servant lovingly,  
and favor to him show:

Thy statutes of most excellency,  
teach me also to know.

125. Thy humble servant Lord I am,  
grant me to understand

How by thy statutes I may know,  
best what to take in hand.

126. It is now time Lord to begin,  
for truth is quite decayed:

thy law likewise they have transgressed,  
and none against them said.

127. This is the cause wherefore I love  
thy laws better then gold:

Or jewels fine which are esteem'd  
most costly to be sold.

128. I thought thy precepts all most just  
and so them layed in store:

All crafty and malicious ways  
I do abhor therefore.

**PE.** *The XVII. Part.*

129. Thy covenants are most wonderful,  
and full of things profound:

My soul therefore doth keep them sure,  
when they are tried and found.

130. When men first enter into thy word  
they find a light most clear:

And very idiots understand,  
when they it read or hear.

131. For joy I have noth gape and breath'd  
to know thy commandment:

That I might guide my life thereby  
I sought what thing is meant.

132. With mercy and compassion both,  
behold me from above:

As thou art wont to behold such  
as thy name fear and love.

133. Direct my footsteps by thy word,  
that I thy will may know:

And never let iniquity,  
thy servant overthrow.

134. From slanderous tongues and deadly hate  
preserve and keep me sure:

Thy precepts then will I observe,  
and put them eke in ure.

135. Thy countenance which doth surmount  
the Sun in his bright bow:

Let shine on me and by thy law,  
teach me what to eschew.

136. Out of mine eyes great floods gush out  
of dreary tears and fell:

When I behold how wicked men  
thy laws keep never adell.

**ZADE.** *The XVIII. Part.*

137. In every point Lord thou art just,  
the wicked though they grudge:

And when thou dost sentence pronounce  
thou art a righteous judge.

138. To render right and flee from guile,  
are two chief points most high:

And such as thou hast in thy law,  
commanded us straitly.

139. With zeal and wrath I am consum'd  
and even pined away:

To see my foes thy word forget,  
for ought that I do may.

140. So pure and perfect is thy word,  
as any heart can deem:

And I thy servant nothing more  
do love or yet esteem.

141. And though I be nothing set by,  
as one of base degree:

Yet do I not thy hests forget,  
nor shrink away from thee.

142. Thy righteousness Lord is most just  
for ever to endure:

Also thy law is truth itself,  
most constant and most pure.

143. Trouble and grief have seiz'd on me  
and brought me wondrous low:

Yet do I still of thy precepts  
delight to hear and know.

144. The righteousness of thy judgements  
doth last for evermore:

Then teach them me for even in them  
my life lieth up in store.

**KOPH.** *The XIX. Part.*

145. With fervent heart I called and cried,  
now answer me O Lord:

that thy commandments to observe,  
I may fully accord.

146. To thee my God I make my suit,  
with most humble request

Save me therefore and I will keep,  
thy precepts and thy hest.

147. To thee cry I even in the morn,  
before the day wax light:

Because that I have in thy word,  
my confidence while plight.

148. Mine eyes prevent the watch by night,  
and ere they call I wake:

That by devising on thy word  
I might some comfort take.

149. Incline thine ear to hear my voice  
and pity on me take:

As thou was wont so judge me Lord,  
lest life should me forsake.

150. My foes draw near and do procure,  
my death maliciously:

Which from thy law are far gone back  
and stayed from it lewdly.

151. Therefore O Lord approach thou near  
for need doth so desire:

And all thy precepts true they are,  
then help I thee require.

152. By they commandments I have learned  
not now but long ago:

That they remain for evermore,  
thou hast them grounded so.

**RESH.** *The XX. Part.*

153. My trouble and affliction,  
consider and behold:  
Deliver me for of thy law  
I ever take fast hold.

154. Defend my good and righteous cause  
with speed me succor send:  
From death as thou hast promised,  
Lord keep me and defend.

155. As for the wicked far they are  
from having health and grace:  
Whereby they might thy statutes know  
they enter not the trace.

156. Great are thy mercies Lord I grant  
what tongue can them attain?  
And as thou hast me judg'd ere now,  
so let my life obtain.

157. Though many men did trouble me,  
and persecute me sore:  
Yet from thy laws I never shronk,  
nor went away therefore.

158. And truth it is for grief I die,  
when I these traitors see:  
Because they keep no whit thy word,  
nor yet seek to know thee.

159. Behold for I do love thy laws,  
with heart most glad and fain:  
As thou art good and gracious Lord,  
restore my life again.

106. What thy word doth decree, must be  
and so it hath been ever:  
Thy righteous judgements are also most true,  
and decay never.

**SCHIN.** *The XXI. Part.*

161. Princes have sought by cruelty  
cause less to make me couch:  
But all in vain, for of thy word,  
the fear did my heart touch.

162. And certainly even of thy word,  
I was more merry and glad:  
Then he that of rich spoils and preys  
great store and plenty had.

163. As for all lies and falsity,  
I hate most and detest:  
For why? thy holy laws do I,  
above all things love best.

164. Seven times a day I praise the Lord  
singing with heart and voice:  
Thy righteous acts and wonderful,  
so cause me to rejoice.

165. Great peace and rest shall all such have,  
which do thy statutes love,  
No danger shall their quiet state  
impair or once remove.

166. Mine only health and comfort Lord,  
I look for at thy hand:  
And therefore have I done those things,  
which thou didst me command.

167. Thy laws have been my xercise  
which my soul much desir'd:  
So much my love to them was bent,  
that nought else I required.

168. Thy statutes and commandements,  
I kept thou aright:  
For all the things that I have done,  
are present in thy sight.

**THAU.** *The XXII. Part.*

169. O Lord let my complaint and cry  
before thy face appear:  
And as thou hast me promise made,  
so teach me thee to fear.

170. My humble supplication,  
toward thee let find access:  
And grant me Lord deliverance,  
for so is thy promise.

171. Then shall my lips thy praises speak  
after most ample sort:  
When thou thy statutes hast me taught  
wherein stands my comfort.

172. My tongue shall sing and preach thy word  
and on this wise say shall.  
God's famous acts and noble laws,  
are just and perfect all.

173. Stretch out thy hand I thee beseech,  
and speedily me save:  
For thy commandements to observe,  
chosen O Lord I have.

174. Of thee alone Lord I crave health  
for other I know none:  
And in thy law and nothing else  
I do delight alone.

175. Grant me therefore long days to live,  
thy name to magnify:  
And of thy judgements merciful,  
let me thy favor try.

176. For I was lost and went astray,  
much like a wand'ring sheep:  
Oh seek me for I have not failed  
thy commandements to keep.

# In trouble and in thrall

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*Psalm 120*

Thomas RAVENSCROFT (1590 - 1633)

CANTVS

MEDIVS

TENOR  
or *Faburdon*

BASSVS

*1. Italian Tune*

In trou - ble and in thrall un - to the Lord I call,  
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 S. from li - ar's lips al - way, and tongues of false re - port.  
 A. from li - ar's 'lips al - way, and tongues of false re - port.  
 T. from li - ar's lips al - way, and tongues of false re - port.  
 B. from li - ar's lips al - way, and tongues of false re - port.

6. Alas to long I slack,  
 Within these tents so black:  
 Which Kedars are by name,  
 By whom thy flock elect,  
 And all of Isaac's sect:  
 are put to open shame.

3. What 'vantage or what thing,  
 Gett'st thou thus for to sing,  
 Thou false and flattering liar?  
 4. Thy tongue doth hurt I ween,  
 No less then arrows keen  
 Of hot consuming fire.

7. With them that peace did hate,  
 I came a peace to make,  
 And set a quiet life:  
 But when my tale was told,  
 Causeless I was controlled,  
 By them that would have strife.

## I lift mine eyes to Sion hill

The Whole Booke of Psalmes (ed. Ravenscroft, 1621)

Psalm 121

Giles FARNABY (ca. 1563 - 1640)

CANTVS  
MEDIVS  
TENOR  
or Playnsong  
BASSVS

4. French Tune

I lift mine eyes to Si - on hill, from whence I do at - tend,  
I lift mine eyes to Si - on hill, from whence I do at - tend,  
I lift mine eyes to Si - on hill, from whence I do at - tend,  
I lift mine eyes to Si - on hill, from whence I do at - tend,

3  
S. that suc - cour God me send. The migh - ty God me suc - cor will,  
A. that suc - cour God me send. The migh - ty God me suc - cor will,  
T. that suc - cour God me send. The migh - ty God me suc - cor will,  
B. that suc - cour God me send. The migh - ty God me suc - cor will,

5  
S. which hea - ven and earth fra - med, and all things there - in na - med.  
A. which hea - ven and earth fra - med, and all things there in na - med.  
T. which hea - ven and earth fra - med, and all things there - in na - med.  
B. which hea - ven and earth fra - med, and all things there - in na - med.

3. Thy foot from slip he will preserve,  
And will thee safely keep:  
For he will never sleep.  
4. Lo, he that doth Israel conserve,  
No sleep at all can him catch,  
But his eyes shall ever watch.

5. The Lord is thy warrant alway,  
The Lord eke doth thee cover,  
As at thy right hand ever.  
6. The Sun shall not thee parch by day  
Nor the Moon not half so bright,  
Shall with cold thee hurt by night.

7. The Lord will keep thee from distress,  
And will thy life sure save:  
And thou also shalt have  
8. In all thy business good success:  
Where ever thou go'st in or out,  
God will thy things bring out.

# I did in heart reioyce

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The Whole Booke of Psalmes (ed. Ravenscroft, 1621)

Psalm 122

Giles FARNABY (ca. 1563 - 1640)

CANTVS

MEDIVS

TENOR  
or Playnsong

BASSVS

5. French Tune

I did in heart re-joyce to hear the peo - ple's voice, in of - fring

I did in heart re-joyce to hear the peo - ple's voice, in of - fring

I did in heart re-joyce to hear the peo - ple's voice, in of - fring

I did in heart re-joyce to hear the peo - ple's voice, in of - fring

S. so wil - ling - ly: For let us up say they, and in the Lord's house pray, thus spake the folk full lo-ving-ly,

A. so wil - ling - ly: For let us up say they, and in the Lord's house pray, thus spake the folk full lo - ving-ly,

T. so wil - ling - ly: For let us up say they, and in the Lord's house pray, thus spake the folk full lo-ving-ly,

B. so wil - ling - ly: For let us up say they, and in the Lord's house pray, thus spake the folk full lo-ving-ly,

S. Our feet that wand - er'd wide shall in thy gates a - bid, O thou Je - ru - sa - lem full fair,

A. Our feet that wand - er'd wide shall in thy gates a - bid, O thou Je - ru - sa - lem full fair,

T. Our feet that wand - er'd wide shall in thy gates a - bid, O thou Je - ru - sa - lem full fair,

B. Our feet that wand - er'd wide shall in thy gates a - bid, O thou Je - ru - sa - lem full fair,

S. which art so seem - ly set, much like a Ci - ty neat, the like where - of is not else - where.

A. which art so seem - ly set, much like a Ci - ty neat, the like where - of is not else - where.

T. which art so seem - ly set, much like a Ci - ty neat, the like where - of is not else - where.

B. which art so seem - ly set, much like a Ci - ty neat, the like where - of is not else - where.

4. The tribes with one accord,  
The tribes of God the Lord  
are thither bent their way to take:  
So God before did tell,  
That there his Israel  
Their prayers should together make.

5. For there are Thrones erect,  
And that for this respect,  
To set forth justice orderly:  
Which Thrones' right to maintain,  
To David's house peratin,  
His folk to judge accordingly.

6. To pray let us not cease,  
For Jerusalem's peace:  
Thy friends God prosper mightily.  
Peace be thy walls about,  
And prosper thee throughout  
thy places eke continually.

8. I wish thy prosperous state,  
For my poor brethrens sake  
That comfort have by means of thee.  
9. God's house doth me allure,  
Thy wealth for to procure,  
So much always as lieth in me.

## O Lord that heaven dost possesse

The Whole Booke of Psalmes (ed. Ravenscroft, 1621)

Psalm 123

Thomas RAVENSCROFT (1590 - 1633)

CANTVS

MEDIVS

Windsor or Eaton Tune

TENOR  
op Playnsong

BASSVS

O Lord that hea - ven dost poss - ess, I lift mine eyes to thee:  
As hand-maids watch their mis-tress' hands, some grace for to a - chieve:  
Lord grant us thy com - pas - si - on, and mer - cy in thy sight:  
Our minds be stuffed with great re - buke, the rich and world - ly wise:

O Lord that hea - vens dost poss - ess, I lift mine eyes to thee:  
As hand-maids watch their mis-tress' hands, some grace for to a - chieve:  
Lord grant us thy com - pas - si - on, and mer - cy in thy sight:  
Our minds be stuffed with great re - buke, the rich and world - ly wise:

O Lord that hea - vens dost poss - ess, I lift mine eyes to thee:  
As hand-maids watch their mis-tress' hands, some grace for to a - chieve:  
Lord grant us thy com - pas - si - on, and mer - cy in thy sight:  
Our minds be stuffed with great re - buke, the rich and world - ly wise:

O Lord that hea - vens dost poss - ess, I lift mine eyes to thee:  
As hand-maids watch their mis-tress' hands, some grace for to a - chieve:  
Lord grant us thy com - pas - si - on, and mer - cy in thy sight:  
Our minds be stuffed with great re - buke, the rich and world - ly wise:

3

S.

A.

T.

B.

Even as the ser - vant lif - ted his, his mais - ter's hands to see.  
So we be - hold the Lord our God, till he do us for - give  
For we are filled and o - ver - come with ha - tred and des - pite.  
do make of us their mock - ing stock, the proud do us des - pise.

Even as the ser - vant lif - ted his, his mais - ter's hands to see.  
So we be - hold the Lord our God, till he do us for - give  
For we are filled and o - ver - come with ha - tred and des - pite.  
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Even as the ser - vant lif - ted his, his mais - ter's hands to see.  
So we be - hold the Lord our God, till he do us for - give  
For we are filled and o - ver - come with ha - tred and des - pite.  
do make of us their mock - ing stock, the proud do us des - pise.

# Now Israel may say

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*Psalme 124*

Thomas RAVENSCROFT (1590 - 1633)

CANTVS

MEDIVS

TENOR  
or *Faburdon*

BASSVS

6. *French Tune*

Now Is - ra - el may say, and that tru - ly, if that the Lord

had not our cause main - tained: If that the Lord had not our right sus - tained, When all the world

a - gainst us fu - rious - ly made their up - roars, and said we should all die.

S.

A.

T.

B.

S.

A.

T.

B.

3. Now long ago,  
they had devour'd us all,  
And swallowed quick;  
for ought that we could deem,  
Such was their rage,  
as we might well esteem.  
4. And as the floods,  
with mighty force do fall:  
So had they now,  
our lives e'en brought to thrall.

5. The raging streams,  
most proud in roaring noise:  
Had long ago,  
o'erwhelmed us in the deep,  
6. But loved by God  
Which doth us safely keep:  
From bloody teeth,  
and their most cruel voice:  
Which as a prey,  
to eat us would rejoice.

7. E'en as a bird,  
out of the fowler's gin:  
Escapeth away,  
right so it fareth with us:  
Broke are their nets,  
and we have 'scaped thus.  
8. God that made heav'n,  
and earth is our help then  
His name hath saved us,  
from these wicked men.

## Such as in God the Lord doe trust

The Whole Booke of Psalmes (ed. Ravenscroft, 1621)

Psalm 125

Giles FARNABY (ca. 1563 - 1640)

CANTVS

MEDIVS

TENOR  
or Playnsong

BASSVS

2. High Dutch Tune

Such as in God the Lord do trust, as Mount Si-on shall firm-ly stand:

Such as in God the Lord do trust, as Mount Si-on shall firm-ly stand:

Such as in God the Lord do trust, as Mount Si-on shall firm-ly stand:

Such as in God the Lord do trust, as Mount Si-on shall firm-ly stand:

3

S. And be re-mo-ved at no hand, the Lord will count them right and just,

A. And be re-mo-ved at no hand, the Lord will count them right and just,

T. And be re-mo-ved at no hand, the Lord will count them right and just,

B. And be re-mo-ved at no hand, the Lord will count them right and just,

5

S. so that they shall be sure for e-ver to en-dure.

A. so that they shall be sure for e-ver to en-dure.

T. so that they shall be sure for e-ver to en-dure.

B. so that they shall be sure for e-ver to en-dure.

2. As mighty mountains huge and great,  
Jerusalem about do close:  
So will the Lord be unto those,  
Who on his godly will do wait,  
Such are to him so dear,  
They never need to fear.

3. For though the righteous try doth he,  
By making wicked men his rod:  
lest they through grief forsake their God  
it shall not as their lot still be.  
Give Lord to those thy light,  
Whose hearts are true and right.

4. But as for such as turn aside,  
By crooked ways which they outsought  
The Lord will surely bring to naught,  
With works most vile they shall abide  
But peace with Israel,  
For evermore shall dwell.



# Those that doe put their confidence

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(ed. Ravenscroft, 1621)

Psalm 125, Another of the same

Richard ALLISON (ca. 1560 - ca. 1610)

CANTVS

MEDIVS

TENOR  
or Faburden

BASSVS

7. French Tune

Those that do put their con - fi - dence up - on the Lord our God on - ly:

Those that do put their con - fi - dence up - on the Lord our God on - ly:

Those that do put their con - fi - dence up - on the Lord our God on - ly:

Those that do put their con - fi - dence up - on the Lord our God on - ly:

3

S.

A.

T.

B.

And flee to him for his de - fence in all their need and mi - se - ry:

And flee to him for his de - fence in all their need and mi - se - ry.

And flee to him for his de - fence in all their need and mi - se - ry:

And flee to him for his de - fence in all their need and mi - se - ry:

And flee to him for his de - fence in all their need and mi - se - ry:

Their faith is sure *(still)* to endure,  
Grounded on Christ the corner-stone:  
Moved with none ill, but standeth still  
Steadfast like to Mount Sion.

And as about Jerusalem,  
The mighty hills do it compass:  
So that no enemies come to them,  
To hurt the town in any case,  
So God indeed in ev'ry need,  
His faithful prople doth defend:  
Standing them by assuredly,  
From this time forth world without end.

Right wise and good is our Lord God  
And will not suffer certainly  
The sinner's and ungodly's rod  
To tarry upon his family.  
Lest they also from God should go,  
falling to sin and wickedness.  
O Lord defend, world without end,  
Thy christian flock through thy goodness.

O Lord do good to Christians all,  
That steadfast in thy word abide:  
Such as willingly from God fall,  
And to false doctrine daily slide.  
Such will the Lord scatter abroad,  
With hypocrites thrown down to hell  
God will them send pains without end,  
But Lord grant peace to Israel.

Glory to God the father of might.  
And to the Son our Saviour:  
And to the holy Gost, whose light  
Shine in our hearts and us succour.  
That the right way from day to day  
We may walk and him glorify:  
With hearts, desire, all that are here  
Worship the Lord and say, Amen.

## When that the Lord againe his Sion had brought forth

The Whole Booke of Psalmes (ed. Ravenscroft, 1621)

Psalm 126

Edward JOHNSON (fl. 1592 - 1594)

CANTVS

MEDIVS

TENOR  
or Playnsong

BASSVS

S.

A.

T.

B.

S.

A.

T.

B.

S.

A.

T.

B.

When that the Lord a - gain his Si - on had forth brought from bon - dage great

When that the Lord a - gain his Si - on had forth brought from bon - dage great

When that the Lord a - gain his Si - on had forth brought from bon - dage great

When that the Lord a - gain his Si - on had forth brought from bon - dage great

and al - so ser - vi - tude ex - treme: His work was such as did sur - mount man's heart and thought,

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so that we were much like to them that use to dream: Our mouths were

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so that we were much like to them that use to dream: Our mouths were

with laugh - ter fil - led then, and eke our tongues did shew us joy - ful men.

laugh - ter fil - led then and eke our tongues did shew us joy - ful men.

laug - ter fil - led then, and eke our tongues did shew us joy - ful men.

with laugh - ter fil - led then, and eke our tongues did shew us joy - ful men.

2. The heathen folk were forced then this to confess,  
How that the Lord for them also great things had done.  
3. But much more we, and therefore can confess no less,  
Wherefore to joy we have good cause, as we begun.  
4. O Lord, go forth, thou canst our bondage end:  
As to deserts the flowing rivers send.

5. Full true it is, that they which sow in tears indeed,  
A time will come when they shall reap with mirth and joy,  
6. They went and wept in bearing of their precious seed,  
For that their foes, full often times did them annoy:  
But their return with joy they shall surely see:  
Their sheaves home bring, and not impaired be.

# Except the Lord the house doe make

The Whole Booke of Psalmes (ed. Ravenscroft, 1621)

*Psalme 127*

George KIRBYE (c. 1565 - 1634)

CANTUS

MEDIUS

TENOR  
or Faburdon

BASSUS

*I. High Dutch Tune*

Ex-cept the Lord the house do make, And there-un-to do set his hand:

Ex-cept the Lord the house do make, And there-un-to do set his hand:

Ex-cept the Lord the house do make, And there-un-to do set his hand:

Ex-cept the Lord the house do make, And there-un-to do set his hand:

3

S.

A.

T.

B.

What men do build it ca - not stand. Like - wise in vain men un - der - take

What men do build it can - not stand. Like - wise in vain men un - der - take

What men do build it can - not stand. Like - wise in vain men un - der - take

Wat men do build it can - not stand. Like - wise in vain men un der - take

5

S.

A.

T.

B.

Ci - ties and holds to watch and ward, Ex - cept the Lord be their safe - guard.

Ci - ties and holds to watch and ward, Ex - cept the Lord be their safe-guard.

Ci - ies and holds to watch and ward, Ex - cept the Lord be their safe-guard.

Ci - ties and holds to watch and ward, Ex - cept the Lord bee their safe-guard.

2. Though ye rise early in the morn,  
And so at night go late to bed,  
Feeding full hardly with brown bread,  
Yet were your labor lost and worn:  
But they whom God doth love and keep  
Receive all things with quiet sleep.

3. Therefore mark well, when ever ye see  
That men have hearts t'enjoy their land  
It is the gift of God's own hand:  
For God himself doth multiply,  
Of his great liberality,  
The blessing of posterity.

4. And when the children come to age,  
they grow in strength and activeness,  
In person and in comeliness:  
So that a shaft shot with courage  
Of one that hath a most strong arm,  
Flyeth not to swift nor doth like harm.

5. O well is him that hath his quiver,  
Furnish'd with such artillery:  
For when in peril he shall be,  
Such one shall neither shake nor shiver,  
When that he pleadeth before the judge  
Against his foes that beat him grudge.

## Blessed art thou that fearest God

The Whole Booke of Psalmes (ed. Ravenscroft, 1621)

Psalm 128

Thomas RAVENSCROFT (1590 - 1633)

CANTVS

MEDIVS

TENOR  
or Playnsong

BASSVS

*Cambridge Tune*

1

Bles - sed art thou that fear - est God, and walk - est in his way:  
Like fruit - ful vines on thy house side, so doth thy wife spring out:  
Thus art thou blest that fear - est God, and he shall let thee see  
Thou shalt thy chil-dren's chil - dren see, to thy great joy's in - crease:

Bles - sed art thou that fear - est God, and walk - est in his way:  
Like fruit - ful vines on thy house side, so doth thy wife spring out:  
Thus art thou blest that fear - est God, and he shall let thee see  
Thou shalt thy chil-dren's chil - dren see, to thy great joy's in - crease:

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Like fruit - ful vines on thy house side, so doth thy wife spring out:  
Thus art thou blest that fear - est God, and he shall let thee see  
Thou shalt thy chil-dren's chil - dren see, to thy great joy's in - crease:

Bles - sed art thou that fear - est God, and walk - est in his way:  
Like fruit - ful vines on thy house side, so doth thy wife spring out:  
Thus art thou blest that fear - est God, and he shall let thee see  
Thou shalt thy chil-dren's chil - dren see, to thy great joy's in - crease:

5

S.

A.

T.

B.

For of thy la - bour thou shalt eat, hap - py art thou I say.  
Thy chil - dren stand like O - live plants, thy ta - ble round a - bout.  
the pro - mis - ed Je - ru - sa - lem and his fe - li - ci - ty.  
And li - ke - wise grace on I - srael, pros - pe - ri - ty and peace.

For af thy la - bour thou shalt eat, hap - py art thou I say.  
Thy chil - dren stand like O - live plants, thy ta - ble round a - bout.  
the pro - mis - ed Je - ru - sa - lem and his fe - li - ci - ty.  
And li - ke - wise grace on I - srael, pros - pe - ri - ty and peace.

For of thy la - bour thou shalt eat, hap - py art thou I say.  
Thy chil - dren stand like O - live plants, thy ta - ble round a - bout.  
the pro - mis - ed Je - ru - sa - lem and his fe - li - ci - ty.  
And li - ke - wise grace on I - srael, pros - pe - ri - ty and peace.

# Oft they, now Israel may say

The Whole Booke of Psalmes (ed. Ravenscroft, 1621)

Psalm 129

John BENNET (ca. 1570 - 1614)

CANTVS

MEDIVS

TENOR  
or Playnsong

BASSVS

*Cheshire Tune*

Oft they, now Is - ra - el may say, me from my youth as - sailed:  
 Up - on my back the plo - wers plow'd and fur - rows long did cast:  
 They that hate me shall be a - shamed and turn - ed back al - so:  
 Where - of the mo - wer can - not find, e - nough to fill his hand:  
 Nor pass - ers - by pray God on them, to let his bles - sing fall:

Oft they, now Is - ra - el may say, me from my youth as - sailed:  
 Up - on my back the plo - wers plow'd and fur - rows long did cast:  
 They that hate me shall be a - shamed and turn - ed back al - so:  
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 Up - on my back the plo - wers plow'd and fur - rows long did cast:  
 They that hate me shall be a - shamed and turn - ed back al - so:  
 Where - of the mo - wer can - not find, e - nough to fill his hand:  
 Nor pass - ers - by pray God on them, to let his bles - sing fall:

3

S.

A.

T.

B.

Oft they as - sailed me from my youth, yet ne - ver they pre - vailed.  
 The right - eous Lord hath cut the cords of wick - ed foes at last.  
 And made as grass up - on the house, which with - er'th ere it grow.  
 Nor he can fill his lap, that goeth to gleam up - on the land.  
 Nor say, we bless you in the name of God the Lord at all.

Oft they as - sailed me from my youth, yet ne - ver they pre - vailed.  
 The right - eous Lord hath cut the cords of wick - ed foes at last.  
 And made as grass up - on the house, which with - er'th ere it grow.  
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 And made as grass up - on the house, which with - er'th ere it grow.  
 Nor he can fill his lap, that goeth to gleam up - on the land.  
 Nor say, we bless you in the name of God the Lord at all.

## Lord to thee I make my mone

The Whole Booke of Psalmes (ed. Ravenscroft, 1621)

Psalm 130

Thomas RAVENSCROFT (1590 - 1633)

CANTVS

MEDIVS

TENOR  
or Faburden

BASSVS

9. French Tune

Lord to thee I make my moan when dan-gers me op-press:

Lord to thee I make my moan when dan-gers me op-press:

Lord to thee I make my moan when dan-gers me op-press:

Lord to thee I make my moan when dan-gers me op-press:

3

S. I call, I sigh, plain and groan, trusting to find re-lease. Hear now O Lord my re-quest,

A. I call, I sigh, plain and groan, trusting to find re-lease. Hear now O Lord my re-quest,

T. I call, I sigh, plain and groan, trusting to find re-lease. Hear now O Lord my re-quest,

B. I call, I sigh, plain and groan, trusting to find re-lease. Hear now O Lord my re-quest,

6

S. for it is full due time: And let thine ears aye be press'd un-to this pray-er mine.

A. for it is full due time: And let thine ears aye be press'd un-to this pray-er mine.

T. for it is full due time: And let thine ears aye be press'd un-to this pray-er mine.

B. for it is full due time: And let thine ears aye be press'd un-to this pray-er mine.

3. O Lord our God, if thou waigh  
our sins and them peruse:  
Who shall then escape or say,  
I can myself excuse?

4. Bur Lord thou art merciful,  
and turn'st to us in grace:  
That we with hearts most careful,  
should fear before thy face.

5. In God I put my whole trust,  
my soul wait'th on his will:  
For his promise is most just:  
and I hope therein still.

6. My soul to God hath regard,  
wishing for him alway:  
More than they that watch and ward,  
to see the dawning day.

7. Let Israel then boldly,  
in the Lord put his trust:  
He is that God of mercy,  
that his deliver must.

8. For he it is that must save  
Israel from his sin,  
And all such as surely have  
their confidence in him.

# O Lord I am not puffed in minde

The Whole Booke of Psalmes (ed. Ravenscroft, 1621)

Psalm 131

Thomas RAVENSCROFT (1590 - 1633)

CANTVS

MEDIVS

TENOR  
or Playnsong

BASSVS

*Low Dutch Tune.*

O Lord I am not puffed in mind, I have no scorn - ful eye:  
But as the child that wean - ed is, e'en from his mo - ther's brest:  
O I - sra - el trust in the Lord, let him be all thy stay:

O Lord I am not puffed in mind, I have no scorn - ful eye:  
But as the child that wean - ed is, e'en from his mo - ther's brest:  
O I - sra - el trust in the Lord, let him be all thy stay:

S.

A.

T.

B.

3

I do not ex - er - cise my - self in things that be too high.  
So have I Lord be - hav'd my self in si - lence and in rest.  
From this time forth for e - ver - more, from age to age for aye.

## Remember Davids troubles Lord

The Whole Booke of Psalmes (ed. Ravenscroft, 1621)

Psalm 132

Thomas RAVENSCROFT (1590 - 1633)

CANTVS  
MEDIVS  
TENOR  
or *Playnsong*  
BASS

Re - mem-ber Da vid's trou-les Lord, how to the Lord he swore,  
Re - mem-ber Da-vid's trou-les Lord, how to the Lord he swore,  
Re - mem-ber Da-vid's trou-les Lord, how to the Lord he swore,  
Re - mem - ber\_ Da-vid's trou-les Lord, how to the Lord he swore,

3  
S. and vow'd a vow to Ja - cob's God, to keep for e-ver - more, I will not come with-in my house,  
A. and vow'd a vow to Ja cob's God, to keep for e-ver - more, I will not come with - in my house,  
T. and vow'd a vow to Ja cob's God, to keep for e-ver - more, I will not come with - in my house,  
B. and vow'd a vow to Ja cob's God, to keep for e-ver - more, I will not come with-in my house,

6  
S. nor climb up to my bed, nor let my tem-ples take their rest, or the eyes in my head.  
A. nor climb up to my bed, nor let my tem-ples take their rest, or the eyes in my head.  
T. nor climb up to my bed, nor let my tem-ples take their rest, or the eyes in my head.  
B. nor climb up to my bed, nor let my tem - ples take their rest, or the eyes in my head.

5. Till I have found out for the Lord,  
a place to sit thereon:  
An house for Jacob's God to be  
an habitation.

6. We heard of it at Ephrata,  
there did we hear this sound:  
And in the fields and forests there,  
these voices first we found.

7. We will assay and go in now,  
his tabernacle there:  
Before his footstool to fal down,  
upon our knees in fear.

8. Arise O Lord, arise I say,  
into thy resting place:  
Both thou and the ark of thy strength  
the presence of thy grace.

9. Let all thy priests be clothed Lord,  
with truth and righteousness:  
Let all thy Saints and holy men,  
sing all with joyfulness.

10. And for thy servant David's sake,  
refuse not Lord I say  
The face of thine annointed, Lord,  
nor turn thy face away.



*The Second Part.*

11. The Lord to David swore in truth,  
and will not shrink from it:  
Saying the fruit of thy body,  
upon thy seat shall sit.

12. And if thy sons my covenant keep  
that I shall learn each one:  
Then shall their sons for ever sit  
upon thy princely throne.

13. The Lord himself hath chose Sion,  
and loves therein to dwell:

14. Saying this is my resting place,  
I love and like it well.

15. And I will bless with great increase,  
her victuals every where:  
And I will satisfy with bread,  
the needy that be there.

16. Yea, I will deck and cloth her priests  
with my salvation:

And all her Saints shall sing for joy  
of my protection.

17. There will I surely make the horn  
of David for to bud:  
For I have there ordained for mine  
a lantern bright and good.

18. As for his enemies I will cloth  
with shame for evermore:  
But I will cause his crown to shine  
more fresh then heretofore.

## O How happy a thing it is

The Whole Booke of Psalmes (ed. Ravenscroft, 1621)

Psalm 133

Thomas RAVENSCROFT (1590 - 1633)

CANTVS

MEDIVS

TENOR  
or Playnsong

BASSVS

Winchester Tune

O how hap-py a thing it is, and joy-ful for to see

O how hap-py a thing it is, and joy-ful for to see

O how hap-py a thing it is and joy-ful for to see

3

S. Breth - ren to - ge - ther fast to hold the band of a - mi - ty.

A. Breth - ren to - ge - ther fast to hold the band of a - mi - ty.

T. Breth - ren to - ge - ther fast to hold the band of a - mi - ty.

B. Breth - ren to - ge - ther fast to hold the band of a - mi - ty.

2. It calls to mind the sweet perfume,  
and that costly ointment:  
Which on the sacrificers head,  
by Gods precept was spent.

3. It wet not Aarons head alone,  
but dreched his beard throughout:  
And finally it did run down  
his rich attire about.

4. And as the lower ground doth drink,  
the dew of Hermon hill  
And Sion with her silver drops,  
the fields with fruit doth fill.

5. Even so the Lord doth pour on them  
his blessings manifold:  
Whose hearts and minds without all guile  
this knot do keep and hold.

# Behold and have regard

The Whole Booke of Psalmes (ed. Ravenscroft, 1621)

*Psalm 134*

Martin PEIRSON (ca. 1571 - ca. 1651)

CANTVS

MEDIVS

TENOR  
or Playnsong

BASSVS

*Southwell Tune*

Be - hold and have re - gard, ye ser - vants of the Lord:  
Lift up your hands on high, un - to his ho - ly place:  
For why? the Lord who did, both earth and hea - ven frame:

Be - hold and have re - gard, ye ser - vants of the Lord:  
Lift up your hands on high, un - to his ho - ly place:  
For why? the Lord who did, both earth and hea - ven frame:

Be - hold and have re - gard, ye ser - vants of the Lord:  
Lift up your hands on high, un - to his ho - ly place:  
For why? the Lord who did, both earth and hea - ven frame:

Be - hold and have re - gard, ye ser - vants of the Lord:  
Lift up your hands on high, un - to his ho - ly place:  
For why? the Lord who did, both earth and hea - ven frame:

3

S.

A.

T.

B.

Which in his house by night do watch, praise him with one ac - cord.  
And give the Lord his prai - ses due, his be - ne - fits em - brace.  
Doth Si - on bless, and will con - serve for e - ver - more the same.

Which in his house by night do watch, praise him with one ac - cord.  
And give the Lord his prai - ses due, his be - ne - fits em - brace.  
Doth Si - on bless, and will con - serve for e - ver - more the same.

Which in his house by night do watch, praise him with one ac - cord.  
And give the Lord his prai - ses due, his be - ne - fits em - brace.  
Doth Si - on bless, and will con - serve for e - ver - more the same.

Which in his house by night do watch, praise him with one ac - cord.  
And give the Lord his prai - ses due, his be - ne - fits em - brace.  
Doth Si - on bless, and will con - serve for e - ver - more the same.

## O praise the Lord, praise him

The Whole Booke of Psalmes (ed. Ravenscroft, 1621)

Psalm 135

Richard ALLISON (ca. 1560 - ca. 1610)

CANTVS

MEDIVS

TENOR  
or *Faburden*

BASSVS

1

O praise the Lord praise him, praise him, praise him with one ac- cord:

O praise the Lord praise him, praise him, praise him with one ac - cord:

O praise the Lord praise him, praise him, praise him with one ac - cord:

O praise the Lord praise him, praise him, praise him with one ac - cord:

O praise the Lord praise him, praise him, praise him with one ac - cord:

3

S.

A.

T.

B.

O praise him still all ye that be the ser - vants of the Lord.

O praise him still all ye that be the ser - vants of the Lord.

O praise him still all ye that be the ser - vants of the Lord.

O praise him still all ye that be the ser - vants of the Lord.

O praise him still all ye that be the ser - vants of the Lord.

4

S.

A.

T.

B.

O praise him ye that stand and be in the house of the Lord:

O praise him ye that stand and be in the house of the Lord:

O praise him ye that stand and be in the house of the Lord:

O praise him ye that stand and be in the house of the Lord:

O praise him ye that stand and be in the house of the Lord:\_\_\_

5

S.

A.

T.

B.

Ye of his court, and of his house, praise him with one ac - cord.

Ye of his court, and of his house, praise him with one ac - cord.

Ye of his court, and of his house, praise him with one ac - cord.

Ye of his court, and of his house, praise him with one ac - cord.

Ye of his court, and of his house, praise him with one ac - cord.

3. Praise ye the Lord for he is good,  
sing praises to his name:  
It is a comely and good thing  
always to do the same.

4. For why? the Lord hath chose Jacob,  
his very own you see:  
So hath he chosen Israel,  
his treasure for te be.

5. For this I know and am right sure,  
the Lord is very great:  
He is indeed above all Gods,  
most easy to entreat.

6. For whatsoever pleased him,  
all that full well he wrought:  
In heav'n, in earth and in the sea,  
which he hath fram'd of nought.

7. He lifts up clouds e'en from the earth  
he makes lightnings and rain:  
He bringeth forth the winds also,  
he made nothing in vain.

8. He smote the first-born of each thing  
in Egypt that took rest:  
He spared there no living thing,  
the man nor yet the beast.

9. He hath in thee shewed wonders great  
O Egypt void of vaunts:  
On Pharaoh thy cursed king,  
and his severe servants.

10. He smote then many nations,  
and did great acts and things:  
He slew the great and mightiest  
and chiefest of their kings.

11. Sehon king of the Amorites,  
and Og king of Basan:  
He slew also the kingdoms all,  
that were of Canaan.

12. And gave their land to Israel  
an heritage we see:  
To Israel his own people  
an heritage to be.

### *The Second part.*

13. Thy name O Lord shall still endure,  
and thy memory all:  
Throughout all generations,  
that are or ever shall.

14. The Lord shall surely now avenge  
his people all indeed:  
And to his servants he will shew  
favor in time of need.

15. The Idols of the heathen are made,  
in all their coasts and lands:  
Of silver and of gold be they,  
the work e'en of men's hands.

16. They have their mouths and cannot speak,  
and eyes and have no sight:  
They eke have ears, and hear nothing  
their mouths be breathless quite.

18. Wherefore they all are like to them  
that so doth set them forth:  
And likewise those that trust in them  
or think they be ought worth.

19. O all ye house of Israel,  
see that ye praise the Lord:  
And ye that be of Aaron's house,  
praise him with one accord.

20. And ye that be of Levi's house,  
praise ye likewise the Lord:  
And all that stand in awe of him,  
praise him with one accord.

21. And out of Sion sound his praise,  
the great praise of the Lord:  
Which dwelleth in Jerusalem,  
praise him with one accord.

## Praise ye the Lord, for he is good

The Whole Booke of Psalmes (ed. Ravenscroft, 1621)

Psalm 136

George KIRBYE (ca. 1555 - 1634)

CANTVS

MEDIVS

TENOR  
or Playnsong

BASSVS

3

S.

A.

T.

B.

5

S.

A.

T.

B.

7

S.

A.

T.

B.

Praise ye the Lord, for he is good, for his mer - cy en - du - reth for e - ver.

Praise ye the Lord, for he is good, for his mer - cy en - du - reth for e - ver.

Praise ye the Lord, for he is good, for his mer - cy en - du - rest for e - ver.

Praise ye the Lord, for he is good, for his mer - cy en - du - reth for e - ver.

Give praise un - to the God of Gods, for his mer - cy en - du - reth for - e - ver.

Give praise un - to the God of Gods, for his mer - cy en - du - reth for - e - ver.

Give praise un - to the God of Gods, for his mer - cy en - du - reth for - e - ver.

Give praise un - to the God of Gods, for his mer - cy en - du - reth for - e - ver.

Give praise un - to the Lord of Lords, for his mer - cy en - du - reth for e - ver.

Give praise un - to the Lord of Lords, for his mer - cy en - du - reth for e - ver,

Give praise un - to the Lord of Lords, for his mer - cy en - du - reth for e - ver.

Give praise un - to the Lord of Lords, for his mer - cy en - du - reth for e - ver.

Which on - ly doth great wond - rous works, for his mer - cy en - du - reth for e - ver.

Which on - ly doth great wond - rous works, for his mer - cy en - du - reth for e - ver.

Which on - ly doth great wond - rous works, for his mer - cy en - du - reth for e - ver.

Which on - ly doth great wond - rous works, for his mer - cy en - du - reth for e - ver.

5. Which by his wisdom made the heavens  
for his mercy endureth for ever.
6. which on the waters stretch'd the earth  
for his mercy endureth for ever.
7. Which made great lights to shine abroad  
for his mercy endureth for ever
8. As Sun to rule the lightsome day:  
for his mercy endureth for ever.
9. The Moon and stars to guide the night  
for his mercy endureth for ever.
10. Which smote Egypt with their first-born  
for his mercy endureth for ever.
11. And Israel brought out from thence,  
for his mercy endureth for ever;
12. With mighty hand and stretched arm;  
for his mercy endureth for ever.
13. Which cut the red sea in two parts,  
for his mercy endureth for ever,
14. And Israel may pass therethrough  
for his mercy endureth for ever;
15. And drowned Pharaoh and his host,  
for his mercy endureth for ever.
16. Through wilderness his people led;  
for his mercy endureth for ever;
17. He which did smite great mighty kings  
for his mercy endureth for ever.
18. And which hath slain the mighty kings  
for his mercy endureth for ever.
19. As Sehon, king of Amorites  
for his mercy endureth for ever..
20. And Og the King of Basan land,  
for his mercy endureth for ever.
21. And gave their land for heritage,  
for his mercy endureth for ever,
22. Even to his servant Israel,  
for his mercy endureth for ever.
23. Rememb'ring us in base estate,  
for his mercy endureth for ever
24. And from oppressors rescued us,  
for his mercy endureth for ever.
25. Which giveth food unto all flesh,  
for his mercy endureth for ever.
26. Praise ye the God of heav'n above,  
for his mercy endureth for ever.
27. Give thanks unto the Lord of Lords,  
for his mercy endureth for ever.

## O laud the Lord benigne

The Whole Booke of Psalmes  
(ed. Ravenscroft, 1621)

*Psalm 136, Another of the same*

George KIRBYE (ca. 1555 - 1634)

CANTVS

MEDIVS

TENOR,  
or *Playnsong*

BASSVS

O laud the Lord be-nign whose mer-cies last for aye: Give thanks and prai-ses sing

O laud the Lord be - nign whose mer-cies last for aye: Give thanks and prai-ses sing

O laud the Lord be - nign whose mer-cies last for aye: Give thanks and prai-ses sing

O laud the Lord be - nign whose mer-cies last for aye: Give thanks and prai-ses sing

4

S.

A.

T.

B.

To God of Gods I say: For cer-tain ly, His mer-cies dure,both firmand sure, e-ter - nal ly.

To God of Gods I say: For cer-tain-ly, His mer-cies dure,both firmand sure, e-ter - nal - ly.

To God of Gods I say: For cer-tain-ly, His mer-cies dure,both firmand sure, e-ter - nal - ly.

To God of Gods I say: For cer-tain-ly, His mer-cies dure,both firmand sure, e-ter - nal - ly.

3. The Lord of Lords praise ye,  
whose merces aye do dure:  
4. Great wonders only he  
Doth work by his great power:  
For certainly, ...

5. Which God omnipotent,  
By his great wisdom he:  
The heavenly firmament,  
Did frame as we do see.  
For certainly, ...

6. Yea, he the heavy charge,  
Of all the earth did stretch:  
And on the water large,  
The same he did outretch:  
For certainly, ...

7. Great lights he made to us,  
For why? his love is aye:  
8. Such as the Sun we see,  
To rule the lightsome day:  
For certainly, ...

9. And eke the Moon so clear,  
Which shineth in our sight:  
And Stars that do appear,  
To guide the darksome night:  
For certainly, ...

10. With grievous plagues and sore,  
All Egypt smote he then:  
The first-born less and more,  
He slew of beasts and men:  
For certainly, ...

11. And from amidst their land,  
His Israel forth brought:  
12. Which he with mighty hand  
And stretched arm hath wrought:  
For certainly, ...

13. The Sea he cut in two,  
Which stood up like a wall:  
14. And made through it to go  
His chosen children all:  
For certainly, ...

15. But there he whelmed then,  
The proud King Pharao:  
With his huge host of men,  
And Chariots eke also:  
For certainly, ...

16. Who led through wilderness,  
His people safe and sound:  
And for his love endless  
17. Great kings he brought to ground:  
For certainly, ...

18. And slew with puissant hand,  
Kings mighty and of fame,  
As of Amorites' land,  
19. Sehon the King by name:  
For certainly, ...

20. And Og the Giant large,  
Of Basan King also  
21. Whose land and heritage,  
He gave his people to:  
For certainly, ...

22. Even unto Israel,  
His servant dear, I say:  
He gave the same to dwell,  
And there abide for aye:  
For certainly, ...

23. To mind he did us call,  
In our most base degree:  
24. And from oppressors all,  
In safety set us free:  
For certainly, ...

25. All flesh on earth abroad,  
With food he doth fulfill:  
26. Wherefore of heaven the God,  
To laud be it your will:  
For certainly, ...



# Thee will I prayse with my whole heart

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The Whole Booke of Psalmes (ed. Ravenscroft, 1621)

Psalm 138

John MILTON (1562 - 1647)

The musical score is arranged in four parts: CANTVS (Cantus), MEDIVS (Medius), TENOR (Tenor), and BASSVS (Bassus). The Tenor part is also labeled 'or Playnsong'. The score includes a 'Yorke Tune' for the instrumental parts. The lyrics are: 'Thee will I prayse with my whole heart, my Lord my God al - ways:'. Below this, a choir of four voices (Soprano, Alto, Tenor, Bass) sings: 'Even in the pre - sence of the Gods; I will ad - vance thy praise.' The score includes a '3' above the Soprano line, indicating a triplet.

Toward thy holy temple I  
will look and worship thee:  
And praised with my thankful mouth  
thy holy Name shall be.

2. Even for thy loving kindness' sake,  
and for thy truth withal:  
For thou thy name hast by thy word  
advanced over all.

3. When I did call thou heardest me,  
and thou hast made also  
The power of increased strength  
within my soul to grow.

4. Yea, all the kings on earth they shall  
give praise to thee O Lord:  
For they of thy most holy mouth  
have heard the mighty word.

5. They of the ways of God the Lord  
in singing shall intreat:  
Because the glory of the Lord,  
it is exceeding great.

6. The Lord is high and yet he doth  
behold the lowly sp'rit:  
But he contemning knows afar  
the proud and lofty wight.

7. Although in midst of trouble I  
do walk, yet shall I stand:  
Renewed by thee (O my Lord)  
thou wilt stretch out thy hand.

8. Upon the wrath of all my foes  
and saved shall I be:  
By thy right hand: the Lord God will  
perform his work to me.

9. Thy mercy Lord endures for aye,  
Lord do me not forsake:  
Forsake me not, which am the work,  
which thine own hand did make.

## When as we sate in Babylon

The Whole Booke of Psalmes (ed. Ravenscroft, 1621)

Psalm 137

Thomas RAVENSCROFT (1590 - 1633)

CANTVS

MEDIVS

TENOR  
or Playnsong

BASSVS

3

S.

A.

T.

B.

5

S.

A.

T.

B.

7

S.

A.

T.

B.

When as we sat in Ba - by - lon, The Ri - vers round a - bout:  
 When as we sat in Ba - by - lon, the Ri - vers round a - bout:  
 When as we sat in Ba - by - lon, the Ri - vers round a - bout:  
 When as we sat in Ba - by - lon, the Ri - vers round a - bout:  
 and in re - mem - brance of Si - on, the tears for grief burst out.  
 and in re - mem - brance of Si - on, the tears for grief burst out.  
 and in re - mem - brance of Si - on, the tears for grief burst out.  
 and in re - mem - brance of Si - on, the tears for grief burst out.  
 We hang'd our Harps and In - stru - ments the Wil - low trees up - on:  
 We hang'd our Harps and In - stru - ments the Wil - low trees up - on:  
 We hang'd our Harps and In - stru - ments the Wil - low trees up - on:  
 We hang'd our Harps and In - stru - ments the Wil - low trees up - on:  
 For in that place men for their use had plan - ted ma - ny one.  
 For in that place men for their use had plan - ted ma - ny one.  
 For in that place men for their use had plan - ted ma - ny one.  
 For in that place men for their use had plan - ted ma - ny one.

3. Then they to whom we pris'ners were  
said to us tauntingly:  
Now let us heave your Hebrew songs,  
and pleasant melody.

4. Alas! said we, who can once frame,  
his sorrowful heart to sing:  
The praises of our living God,  
thus under a strange King?

5. But yet if I Jerusalem,  
out of my heart let slide:  
Then let my fingers quite forget,  
the warbling Harp to guide.

6. And let my tongue within my mouth,  
be tied for ever fast:  
If that I joy before I see,  
thy full deliv'rance passed.

7. Therefore O Lord remember now,  
the cursed noise and cry:  
That Edom's sons against us made,  
when they razed our city.

8. Remember, Lord, their cruel words,  
when as with one accord:  
They cried on, sack and raze their walls  
in despite of the Lord.

9. Even so shalt thou O Babylon,  
at length to dust be brought:  
And happy shall that man be called,  
that our revenge hath wrought.

101. Yea blessed shall that man be called,  
that takes thy children young:  
To dash their bones against hard stones,  
which lie the streets among.

## O Lord thou hast me tride and knowne

The Whole Booke of Psalmes (ed. Ravenscroft, 1621)

Psalm 139

Richard ALLISON (ca. 1560 - ca. 1610)

CANTVS

MEDIVS

TENOR  
or Playnsong

BASSVS

*Rochester Tune*

O Lord thou hast me tried and known, my sit-ting thou dost know:  
O Lord thou hast me tried and known, my sit-ting thou dost know:  
O Lord thou hast me tried and known, my sit-ting thou dost know:  
O Lord thou hast me tried and known, my sit-ting thou dost know:  
O Lord thou hast me tried and known, my sit-ting thou dost know:

3

S.  
A.  
T.  
B.

And ri - sing eke, my thoughts a - far thou un - der-stand'st al - so.  
And ri - sing eke, my thoughts a - far thou un - der-stand'st al - so.  
And ri - sing eke, my thoughts a - far thou un - der-stand'st al - so.  
And ri - sing eke, my thoughts a - far thou un - der-stand'st al so.

2. My paths, yea, and my lying down  
thou compasses always:

3. And by familiar custom art,  
acquainted with my ways.

4. No word is in my tongue (O Lord)  
but known it is to thee:

5. Thou me behind hold'st and before,  
thou lay'st thy hand on me.

6. Too wonderful above my reach  
(Lord) is thy cunning skill;  
It is so high that I the same  
cannot attain untill;

7. From sight of thy all-seeing sp'rit  
Lord whither shall I go?

Or whither shall I fly away  
thy presence to 'scape fro?

8. To heaven if I mount aloft,  
lo, thou art present there:

In hell if I lie down below,  
e'en there thou dost appear.

9. Yea, let me take the morning wings,  
and let me go and hide

E'en there where are the farthest parts,  
where flowing sea doth slide.

10. Yea, even thither also shall  
thy reaching hand me guide:  
And thy right hand shall hold me fast,  
and make me to abide.

11. Yea, if I say the darkness shall  
yet shroud me from thy sight:  
Lo, e'en also the darkest night,  
about me shall be light.

12. Yea, darkness hideth not from thee,  
but night doth shine as day:  
To thee the darkness and the light  
are both alike alway.

*The Second part.*

13. For thou possessed hast my reins,  
and thou hast covered me:  
When I within my mother's womb  
enclosed was by thee.

14. Thee will I praise, made fearfully,  
and wondrously I am:  
Thy works are marvelous, right well  
my soul doth know the same.

15. My bones they are not hid from thee  
although in secret place  
I have been made, and in the earth  
beneath I shaped was.

16. When I was formless then thine eye  
saw me, for in thy book  
Was written all, nought was before,  
that after fashion took.

17. The thoughts therefore of thee O God  
how dear are they to me?  
And of them all, how passing great  
the endless numbers be?

18. If I should count them, lo their sum  
more then the sand I see:  
And whensoever I awake  
yet am I still with thee.

19. The wicked and the bloody men,  
oh, that thou wouldest slay:  
Even those (O God) to whom depart,  
depart from me I say.

20. Even those of thee O Lord my God,  
that speak full wickedly:  
Those that are lifted up in vain,  
being enemies to thee.

21. Hate I not them that hate thee Lord,  
and that in earnest wise:  
Contend I not against them all,  
against thee that arise?

22. I hate them with unfainted hate,  
e'en as my utter foes:  
Try me (O God) and know my heart,  
my thoughts prove and disclose.

23. Consider Lord if wickedness  
in me there any be:  
And in thy way (O Lord my guide)  
for ever lead thou me.

## Lord save me from the evill man

The Whole Booke of Psalmes (ed. Ravenscroft, 1621)

Psalm 140

Thomas RAVENSCROFT (1590 - 1633)

CANTVS

MEDIVS

TENOR  
or Playnsong

BASSVS

Wels or  
Glazenbury Tune

Lord save me from the e - vil man, and from the cru - el wight

Lord save me from the e - vil man, and from the cru - el wight

Lord save me from the e - vil man, and from the cru - el wight

Lord save me from the e - vil man, and from the cru - el wight

3

S.

A.

T.

B.

De - li - ver me, which e - vil do i - ma - gine in their sp'rit.

De - li - ver me, which e - vil do i - ma - gine in their sp'rit.

De - li - ver me, which e - vil do i - ma - gine in their sp'rit.

De - li - ver me, which e - vil do i - ma - gine in their sp'rit.

Which make on me continual war,  
their tongues, lo, they have whet.  
3. Like serpents underneath their lips  
is adders' poison set.

4. Keep me (O Lord) from wicked hands  
preserve me to abide  
Free from the cruel man that means  
to cause my steps to slide.

5. The proud have laid a snare for me,  
and they have spread a net:  
Which cords, in my pathways, and gins  
for me eke have they set.

6. Therefore I said unto the Lord,  
thou art my God alone  
Hear me O Lord, O hear my voice,  
wherewith I pray and moan.

7. O Lord my God thou only art  
the strength that saveth me:  
My head in day of battle hath  
been covered still by thee.

8. Let not O Lord the wicked have  
the end of his desire:  
Perform not his ill thought, lest he  
with pride be set on fire.

9. Of them that compass me about,  
the chiefest of them all:  
Lord let the mischief of their lips,  
upon themselves befall.

10. Let coals on them fall, let him cast  
them in consuming flame:  
And in deep pits, so as they may  
not rise out of the same.

11. For no backbiters shall on earth,  
be set in stable plight:  
And evil to destruction still  
shall haunt the cruel wight.

12. I know the Lord th' afflicted will  
revenge and judge the poor.  
The just shall praise thy name, just shall  
dwell with thee evermore.

# O Lord upon thee doe I call

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The Whole Booke of Psalmes (ed. Ravenscroft, 1621)

Psalm 141

Edmund HOOPER (ca. 1553 - 1621)

CANTVS

MEDIVS

TENOR  
or Playnsong

BASSVS

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S.

A.

T.

B.

6

S.

A.

T.

B.

O Lord up - on thee do I call, Lord haste thee un - to me:  
 O Lord up - on thee do I call, Lord haste thee un - to me:  
 O Lord up - on thee do I call, Lord haste thee un - to me:  
 O Lord up - on thee do I call, Lord haste thee un - to me:  
 And hear - ken Lord un - to my voice, when I do cry to thee. As in - cense let my pray - er be  
 And hear - ken Lord un - to my voice, when I do cry to thee. As in - cense let my pray - er be  
 And hear - ken Lord un - to my voice, when I do cry to thee. As in - cense let my pray - er be  
 And hear - ken Lord un - to my voice, when I do cry to thee. As in - cense let my pray - er be  
 di - rec - ted in thine eyes: and the up - lif - ting of my hands, as ev' - ning sa - cri - fice.  
 di - rec - ted in thine eyes: and the up - lif - ting of my hands, as ev' - ning sa - cri - fice.  
 di - rec - ted in thine eyes: and the up - lif - ting of my hands, as ev' - ning sa - cri - fice.  
 di - rec - ted in thine eyes: and the up - lif - ting of my hands, as ev' - ning sa - cri - fice.

3. My Lord for guiding of my mouth  
 set thou a watch before:  
 And also of my moving lips  
 O Lord keep thou the door.

4. That I should wicked works commit  
 incline thou not my heart:  
 With ill men of their delicates  
 Lord let me eat no part.

5. But let the righteous smite me Lord  
 for that is good for me:  
 Let him reprove me, and the same  
 a precious oil shall be.  
 Such smiting shall not break my head,  
 the time shall shortly fall:  
 When I shall in their misery  
 make prayers for them all.

6. Then when in stony places down  
 their judges shall be cast:  
 Then shall they hear my words, for then  
 they have a pleasant taste.

7. Our bones about the grave's mouth,  
 lo, scattered are they found:  
 As he that heweth wood, or he  
 that diggeth in the ground.

8. But O my Lord my God, mine eyes  
 do look up unto thee:  
 In thee is all my trust, let not  
 my soul forsaken be.

9. Which they have laid to catch me in,  
 Lord keep me from the snare:  
 And from the subtle gins of them,  
 that wicked workers are.

10. The whicked into their own nets  
 together let them fall:  
 While I do by thy help escape  
 the danger of them all.

# Before the Lord God with my voyce

The Whole Booke of Psalmes (ed. Ravenscroft, 1621)

*Psalm 142*

William HARRISON (fl. 1621)

CANTVS

MEDIVS

TENOR  
or Playnsong

BASSVS

*Lincolne Tune*

Be - fore the Lord God with my voice, I did send out my cry

Be - fore the Lord God with my voice, I did send out my cry

Be - fore the Lord God with my voice, I did send out my cry

Be - fore the Lord God with my voice, I did send out my cry

3

C.

M.

T.

B.

And with my strain - ed voice un - to the Lord God pray - ed I.

And with my strain - ed voice un - to the Lord God pray - ed I.

And with my strain - ed voice un - to the Lord God pray - ed I.

And with my strain - ed voice un - to the Lord God pray - ed I.

2. My meditations in his sight,  
to pour I did not spare:  
And in the presence of the Lord,  
my trouble did declare.

3. Although perplexed was my sp'rit,  
my path is known to thee:  
In way where I did walk, a snare  
they slyly laid for me.

4. I look'd and view'd on my right hand,  
but none there would me know:  
All refuge failed me, and for  
my soul none cared tho.

5. Then cried I Lord to thee, and said,  
my hope thou only art:  
Thou in the land of living art  
my portion and my part.

6. Heark to my cry, for I am brought,  
full low, deliver me  
From them that do me persecute,  
for me too strong they be.

7. That I may praise thy name my soul  
from prison Lord bring out:  
When thou art good to me, the just  
shall (prease) me round about.



# Lord heare my prayer

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The Whole Booke of Psalmes (ed. Ravenscroft, 1621)

Psalm 143

John TOMKINS (1589 - 1638)

CANTVS  
MEDIVS  
TENOR  
or Playnsong  
BASSVS

*Glocester Tune*

Lord hear my pray-er, heark the plaint, that I do make to thee:  
Lord hear my pray-er, heark the plaint, that I do make to thee:  
Lord hear my pray-er, heark the plaint, that I do make to thee:  
Lord hear my pray-er, heark the plaint, that I do make to thee:

3  
S.  
A.  
T.  
B.

Lord in thy na - tive truth, and in thy jus - tice ans - wer me.  
Lord in thy na - tive truth, and in thy jus - tice ans - wer me.  
Lord in thy na - tive truth, and in thy jus - tice ans - wer me.  
Lord in thy na - tive truth, and in thy jus - tice ans - wer me.

2. In judgment with thy servant Lord,  
oh, enter not at all:  
For justified be in thy sight,  
not one that liveth shall.

3. The enemy hat pursued my soul,  
my life to ground hath thrown:  
And laid me in the dark like them,  
that dead are long agone.

4. Within me in perplexity,  
was mine accombred sp'rit:  
And in me was my troubled heart,  
amazed and affright.

5. Yet I record time past, in all  
thy works I meditate:  
Yea, in thy works I meditate,  
that thy hands have creat'd.

6. To thee O Lord my God, lo I  
do stretch my craving hands:  
My soul desireth after thee,  
as doth the thirsty lands.

7. Hear me with speed my sp'rit doth fail  
hide not thy face me fro:  
Else shall I be like them that down  
into the pit do go.

8. Let me thy loving kindness in  
the morning hear and know:  
For in thee is my trust, shew me  
the way that I shall go.

9. For I lift up my soul to thee,  
O Lord deliver me  
From all mine enemies, for I  
have hidden me with thee.

10. Teach me to do thy will, for thou,  
thou art my God I say:  
Let thy good spirit into the land  
of mercy me convey.

11. For thy name's sake with quick'ning grace  
alive do thou me make:  
And out of trouble bring my soul,  
e'en for thy justice' sake.

12. And for thy mercy slay my foes,  
O Lord destroy them all  
That do oppress my soul, for I  
thy servant am and shall.

## Blest be the Lord

The Whole Booke of Psalmes (ed. Ravenscroft, 1621)

Psalm 144

Thomas RAVENSCROFT (1590 - 1633)

CANTVS  
MEDIVS  
TENOR  
or Playnsong  
BASSVS

*Hereford Tune*

Blessed be the Lord my strength that doth in-struct my hands to fight:  
Blessed be the Lord my strength that doth in-struct my hands to fight:  
Blessed be the Lord my strength that doth in-struct my hands to fight:  
Blessed be the Lord my strength that doth in-struct my hands to fight:

3  
S.  
A.  
T.  
B.

The Lord that doth my fin - gers frame to bat - tle by his might.  
The Lord that doth my fin - gers frame to bat - tle by his might.  
The Lord that doth my fin - gers frame to bat - tle by his might.  
The Lord that doth my fin - gers frame to bat - tle by his might.

2. He is my goodness, fort and tower,  
deliverer and shield,  
In him I trust, my people he  
subdues to me to yield.

3. O Lord what thing is man that he  
thou hold'st so high in price?  
Or son of man that upon him,  
thou thinkest in this wise?

4. Man is but like to vanity,  
so pass his days to end:

5. As fleeting shade, bow down O Lord  
the heavens and descend.

6. The mountains touch and they shall smoke  
cast forth thy lightening flame  
And scatter them, thine arrows shoot,  
consume them with the same.

7. Send down thy hand even from above  
O Lord deliver me:  
Take me from waters great, from hand  
of strangers make me free.

8. Whose subtle mouth of vanity,  
and fondness doth entreat:  
And their right hand, is a right hand,  
of falsehood and deceit.

9. A new song I will sing O God,  
and singing will I be:  
On Viol and on Instrument,  
ten stringed unto thee.

10. Even he it is that only gives  
deliverance to Kings:  
Unto his servant David help,  
from hurtful sword he brings.

11. From strangers' hand me save and shield,  
whose mouths talk vanity:  
And their right hand, is a right hand  
of guile and subtlety.

12. That our sons may be as the plants,  
whom growing youth doth rear:  
Our daughters as carv'd corner-stones,  
like to a palace fair.

13. Our garner full and plenty may,  
with sundry sorts be found:  
Our sheep bring thousands in our streets  
ten thousands may abound.

14. Our Oxen be to labor strong,  
that none do us invade:  
There be no goings out, no cry  
within our streets be made:  
The people blessed are that with  
such blessings are so stor'd:  
Yea, blessed all the people are  
whose God is God the Lord.

# My soule praise thou the Lord alwayes

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The Whole Booke of Psalmes (ed. Ravenscroft, 1621)

Psalm 146

John BENNET (ca. 1570 - 1614)

CANTVS  
MEDIVS  
TENOR  
or Playnsong  
BASSVS

*Cheshire Tune*

My soul praise thou the Lord al - ways, my God I will con fess:  
My soul praise thou the Lord al - ways, my God I will con fess:  
My soul praise thou the Lord al - ways, my God I will con fess:  
My soul praise thou the Lord al - ways, my God I will con fess:

3

S.  
A.  
T.  
B.

While breath and life pro - long my days, my tongue no time shall cease.  
While breath and life pro - long my days, my tongue no time shall cease.  
While breath and life pro - long my days, my tongue no time shall cease.  
While breath and life pro - long my days, my tongue no time shall cease.

3. Trust not in worldly Princes then,  
though they abound in wealth:  
Nor in the sons of mortal men,  
in whom there is no health.

4. For why? their breath doth soon depart,  
to earth anone they fall:  
And then the counsels of their hearts  
decay and perish all.

5. O happy is that man I say,  
whom Jacob's God doth aid  
And he whose hope doth not decay,  
but on the Lord is staid.

6. Which made the earth and waters deep,  
the heavens high withal  
Which doth his word and promise keep  
in truth and ever shall.

7. With right always he doth proceed,  
for such as suffer wrong:  
The poor and hungry de doth feed,  
and loose the fetters strong

8. The Lord doth send the blind their sight  
the lame to limbs restore:  
The Lord (I say) doth love the right,  
and just man evermore.

9. He doth defend the fatherless,  
and strangers sad in heart:  
And quit the widows from distress,  
and ill men's ways subvert.

10. Thy Lord and God eternally,  
O Sion still shall reign:  
In time of all posterity,  
for ever to remain.

## Thee will I laud my God and King

The Whole Booke of Psalmes (ed. Ravenscroft, 1621)

Psalm 145

Edmund HOOPER (ca. 1553 - 1621)

CANTVS  
MEDIVS  
TENOR  
or Playnsong  
BASSVS

3  
S. For e - ver will I praise thy name, and bless thee day by day.  
A. For e - ver will I praise thy name, and bless thee day by day.  
T. For e - ver will I praise thy name, and bless thee day by day.  
B. For e - ver will I praise thy name, and bless thee day by day.

5  
S. Great is the Lord, most wor - thy praise, his great - ness none can reach:  
A. Great is the Lord, most wor - thy praise, his great - ness none can reach:  
T. Great is the Lord, most wor - thy praise, his great - ness none can reach:  
B. Great is the Lord, most wor - thy praise, his great - ness none can reach:

7  
S. From race to race they shall thy works praise, and thy po - wer preach.  
A. From race to race they shall thy works praise, and thy po - wer preach.  
T. From race to race they shall thy works praise, and thy po - wer preach.  
B. From race to race they shall thy works praise, and thy po - wer preach.

Thee will I laud my God and King, and bless thy name for aye:  
Thee will I laud my God and King, and bless thy name for aye:  
Thee will I laud my God and King, and bless thy name for aye:  
Thee will I laud my God and King, and bless thy name for aye:  
Thee will I laud my God and King, and bless thy name for aye:

5. I of thy glorious majesty  
 the beauty will record:  
 And meditate upon thy works,  
 most wonderful O Lord.

6. And they shall of thy pow'r and of  
 thy fearful acts declare:  
 And I to publish all abroad  
 thy greatness will not spare.

7. And they into the mention shall  
 break of thy goodness great:  
 And I aloud thy righteousness  
 in singing shall repeat.

8. The Lord our God is gracious,  
 and merciful also:  
 Of great abounding mercy, and  
 to anger he is slow.

9. Yea, good to all, and all his works,  
 his mercy doth exceed:

10. Lo, all thy works do praise thee Lord,  
 and do thy honour spread.

11. Thy Saints do bless thee, and they do  
 thy kingdom's glory show:

12. And blaze thy pow'r to cause the sons  
 of men his pow'r to know.

***The Second part.***

13. And of his mighty kingdom eke,  
 to spread the glorious praise:  
 Thy kingdom Lord a kingdom is  
 that doth endure always.

14. And thy dominion through each age  
 endures without decay:  
 The Lord upholdeth them that fall,  
 their sliding he doth stay.

15. The eyes of all do wait on thee  
 thou dost them all relieve:  
 And thou to each sufficing food  
 in season due dost give.

16. Thou openest thy bounteous hand,  
 and bounteously dost fill  
 All things whatsoever doth live,  
 with gifts of thy good will.

17. The Lord is just in all his ways,  
 his works are holy all:

18. Near all he is that call on him,  
 in truth that on him call.

19. He the desires which they require  
 that fear him will fulfill:  
 And he will hear them when they cry,  
 and save them all he will.

20. The Lord preserves all those to him  
 that bear a loving heart:  
 but he all them that wicked are  
 will utterly subvert.

21. My thankful mouth shall gladly speak  
 the praises of the Lord:  
 All flesh to praise his holy name  
 fort ever shall accord.

## Praise ye the Lord

The Whole Booke of Psalmes (ed. Ravenscroft, 1621)

Psalm 147

Thomas RAVENSCROFT (1590 - 1633)

CANTVS

MEDIVS

TENOR  
or Playnsong

BASSVS

*Manchester Tune*

1

Praise ye the Lord, for it is good un - to our God to sing:

Praise ye the Lord, for it is good un - to our God to sing:

Praise ye the Lord, for it is good un - to our God to sing:

Praise ye the Lord, for it is good un - to our God to sing:

5

S.

A.

T.

B.

for it is plea - sant, and to praise it is a come - ly thing.

for it is plea - sant, and to praise it is a come - ly thing.

for it is plea - sant, and to praise it is a come - ly thing.

for it is plea - sant, and to praise it is a come - ly thing.

*The Second Part.*

2. The Lord his own Jerusalem,  
he buildeth up alone:  
And the dispers'd of Israel  
doth gather into one.

3. He heals the broken in their heart,  
their sores up doth he bind:  
4. He counts the number of the Stars,  
and names them in their kind.

5. Great is the Lord, great is his pow'r  
his wisdom infinite,  
6. The Lord relieves the meek, and throws  
to ground the wicked wight.

7. Sing unto God the Lord with praise,  
unto the Lord rejoice:  
And to our God upon the Harp  
advance your singing voice.

8. He covers heav'n with clouds, and for  
the earth prepareth rain:  
And on the mountains he doth make  
the grass to grow again.

9. He gives to beasts their food, and to  
young Ravens when they cry;  
10. His pleasure not in strength of horse,  
nor in man's legs doth lie.  
11. But in all those that fear the Lord,  
the Lord hath his delight:  
And such as do attend upon  
his mercy's shining light.

12. O praise the Lord Jerusalem,  
thy God O Sion praise:

13. For he the bars hath forged strong  
wherewith thy gates he stays.

14. Thy children he hath blest in thee,  
and in thy borders he  
Doth settle peace, and with the flour  
of wheat he filleth thee:

15. And his commandment upon  
the earth he sendeth out;  
And eke his word with speedy course  
doth swiftly run about.

16. He giveth snow like wool, hoare frost  
like ashes he doth spread:

17. Like morsels casts his ice; thereof  
the cold who can abide?

18. He sendeth forth his mighty word,  
and melteth them again:

His wind he makes to blow, and then  
the waters flow amain.

19. The doctrine of his holy word  
to Jacob doth he shew,  
His statutes and his judg'ments he  
gives Israel to know.

20. With ev'ry nation hath he not  
so dealt, nor have they known  
His secret counsels, ye therefore,  
praise ye the Lord alone.

# Give laude unto the Lord

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*Psalm 148*

George KIRBYE (ca. 1555 - 1634)

CANTVS  
MEDIVS  
TENOR,  
or Playnsong  
BASSVS

Give laud un - to the Lord, from heaven that is so high:  
Give laud un - to the Lord, from heaven that is so high:  
Give laud un - to the Lord, from heaven that is so high:  
Give laud un - to the Lord, From heaven that is so high:

3  
S. Praise him in deed and word, a - bove the star - ry sky. And al - so ye,  
A. Praise him in deed and word, a - bove the star - ry sky. And al - so ye,  
T. Praise him in deed and word, a - bove the star - ry sky. And al - so ye,  
B. Praise him in deed and word, a - bove the star - ry sky. And al - so ye,

6  
S. his An - gels all, ar - mies ro - yal, praise him with glee.  
A. his An - gels all, ar - mies ro - yal, praise him with glee.  
T. his An - gels all, ar - mies ro - yall, praise him with glee.  
B. his An - gels all, ar - moes ro - yal, praise him with glee.

3. Praise him both Moon and Sun,  
which are so clear and bright:  
The same of you be done,  
Ye glisterings Stars of light,

4. And eke no less, Ye heavens fair:

5. (And) Clouds of the air, his laud express.

6. For at his word they were  
All formed as we see:  
At his voice did appear  
All things in their degree:  
Which he set fast, To them he made  
A law and trade For aye to last.

7. Extol and praise God's name:  
On earth ye Dragons fell,  
All deeps do ye the same,  
for it becometh you well.

8. Him magnify, Fire, Hail, Ice, Snow,  
And storms that blow, at his decree.

9. The hills and mountains all,  
And trees that fruitful are,  
The Cedars great and tall  
His worthy praise declare:

10. Beasts and Cattle,

Yea, Birds flying,  
And Worms creeping  
that on earth dwell.

11. All Kings both more and less,  
With all their pompous train,  
Princes and all Judges  
that in the world remain

12. Exalt his name, Young men and maids,  
Old men and babes, Do ye the same.

13. For his name shall we prove,  
To be most excellent.  
Whose praise is far above,  
The earth and firmament.

14. For sure he shall, Exalt with bliss:  
The horn of his, And help them all.

15. His Saints all shall forth tell,  
His praise and worthiness:  
The children of Israel,  
Each one both more and less.

16. And also they, that with good will:  
His words fulfill, and them obey.

## Sing ye unto the Lord our God

The Whole Booke of Psalmes (ed. Ravenscroft, 1621)

Psalm 149

Simon STUBBS (fl. 1616 - 1621)

CANTVS

MEDIVS

TENOR  
or Playnsong

BASSVS

Martyrs Tune

5

S.

A.

T.

B.

Sing ye un - to the Lord our God, a new re - joi - cing song:  
Sing ye un - to the Lord our God, a new re - joi - cing song:  
Sing ye un - to the Lord our God, a new re - joi - cing song:  
Sing ye un - to the Lord our God, a new re - joi - cing song:  
Sing ye un - to the Lord our God, a new re - joi - cing song:  
And let the praise of him be heard his ho - ly Saints a - mong.  
And let the praise of him be heard his ho - ly Saints a - mong.  
And let the praise of him be heard his ho - ly Saints a - mong.  
And let the praise of him be heard his ho - ly Saints a - mong.

2. Let Israel rejoyce in him,  
that made him of nothing:  
And let the seed of Sion eke,  
be joyful in their King.

3. Let them sound praise with voice of flute,  
unto his holy name:  
And with the Timbrel and the Harp  
sing praises of the same.

4. For why? the Lord his pleasure all  
hath in his people set:  
And by deliverance he will raise  
the meek to glory great.

5. With glory and with honor now,  
let all the Saints rejoyce:  
And now aloud upon their beds  
advance their singing voice.

6. And in their mouths let be the acts  
of God the mighty Lord:  
And in their hands eke let them bear  
a double edged sword.

7. To plague the heathen and correct  
the people with their hands:

8. To bind their stately kings in chains,  
their Lords in iron bands.

9. To execute on them the doom,  
that written is before:  
This honor all his Saints (*shall*) have,  
praise ye the Lord therefore.



# Yeeld unto God the mightie Lord

The Whole Booke of Psalmes (ed. Ravenscroft, 1621)

Psalm 150

Thomas RAVENSCROFT (1590 - 1633)

CANTVS

MEDIVS

TENOR  
or Playnsong

BASSVS

Winchester Tune

1. Yield un - to God he migh - ty Lord, praise in his Sanc-tua - ry:  
 2. Ad - vance his name and praise him in his migh - ty acts al - ways:  
 3. His prai - ses with the prince - ly noise, of soun - ding trum-pets blow:  
 4. Praise him with Tim-brel and with Flute Or - gans and Vir - gi - nals:  
 5. What e - ver hath the be - ne - fit of breath-ing praise the Lord:

1. Yield un - to God the migh - ty Lord, praise in his Sanc-tua - ry:  
 2. Ad - vance his name and praise him in his migh - ty acts al - ways:  
 3. His prai - ses with the prince - ly noise, of soun - ding trum-pets blow:  
 4. Praise him with Tim-brel and with Flute Or - gans and Vir - gi - nals:  
 5. What e - ver hath the be - ne - fit of breath-ing praise the Lord:

S.

A.

T.

B.

3

(b)

1. And praise him in the fir - ma - ment, that shows his power on high.  
 2. Ac - cor - ding to his excel - len - cy, of great - ness give him praise.  
 3. Praise him up - on the vi - ol, and up - on the harp al - so.  
 4. With soun - ding Cym - bals praise ye him, praise him with loud Cym - bals.  
 5. To praise the name of God the Lord a - gree with one ac - cord.

## Praise the Lord O ye Gentils all

A Psalm before Morning Prayer

Thomas TALLIS (ca. 1505 - 1585)

CANTVS

MEDIVS

TENOR  
or Playnsong

BASSVS

*Cannon 2.  
parts in one.*

1

Praise the Lord O ye Gen - tils all, which hath brought you in -  
For he is full de - ter - mi - ned, on us to pour out  
Glo - ry be to God the Fa - ther, and to Je - sus Christ

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For he is full de - ter - mi - ned, on us to pour out  
Glo - ry be to God the Fa - ther, and to Je - sus Christ

S.

A.

T.

B.

2

to his light: O praise him all peo - ple mor - tal, as it is most wor - thy and right.  
his mer - cy: And the Lord's truth be ye as - sured, a - bi - deth per - pe - tu - al - ly.  
his true Son: With the ho - ly Ghost in like man - ner, now and at ev' - ry sea - son.

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his mer - cy: And the Lord's truth be ye as - sured, a - bi - deth per - pe - tu - al - ly.  
his true Son: With the ho - ly Ghost in like man - ner, now and at ev' - ry sea - son.

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his true Son: With the ho - ly Ghost in like man - ner, now and at ev' - ry sea - son.

to his light: O praise him all peo - ple mor - tal, as it is most wor - thy and right.  
his mer - cy: And the Lord's truth be ye as - sured, a - bi - deth per - pe - tu - al - ly.  
his true Son: With the ho - ly Ghost in like man - ner, now and at ev' - ry sea - son.

# Behold now give heed

The Whole Booke of Psalmes  
(ed. Ravenscroft, 1621)

A Psalm before Evening Prayer

Thomas RAVENSCROFT (1590 - 1633)

CANTVS

MEDIVS

TENOR  
or Playnsong

BASSVS

Be - hold now give heed such as be the Lord's ser -

Be - hold now give heed such as be the Lord's ser -

Be - hold now give heed such as be the Lord's ser -

Be - hol now give heed such as be the Lord's ser -

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B.

vants faith - ful and true: Come praise the Lord ev' - ry

vants faith - ful and true: Come praise the Lord ev' - ry

vants faith - ful and true: Come praise the Lord ev' - ry

vants faith - ful and true: Come praise the Lord ev' - ry

S.

A.

T.

B.

de - gree, with such songs as to him are due.

de - gree, with such songs as to him are due.

de - gree, with such songs as to him are due.

de - gree, with such songs as to him are due.

O ye that stand in the Lord's house,  
Even in our God's mansion:  
Praise ye the Lord so bounteous,  
which worketh our salvation.

Lift up your hands in his holy place,  
Yea, and that in the time of night:  
Praise ye the Lord which giveth all grace  
For he is a Lord of great might.

Then shall the Lord out of Sion,  
Which made heav'n and earth by his pow'r  
Give to you and you nation,  
His blessing, mercy and favor.

## Attend my people and give ear

The Whole Booke of Psalmes (ed. Ravenscroft, 1621)

*Audi Israel*

Thomas RAVENSCROFT (1590 - 1633)

CANTVS

MEDIVS

TENOR  
or Playnsong

BASSVS

S.

A.

T.

B.

At - tend my peo - ple and give ear, of fer - ly things I will thee tell,

At - tend my peo - ple and give ear, of fer - ly things I will thee tell,

At - tend my peo - ple and give ear, of fer - ly things I will thee tell,

At - tend my peo - ple and give ear, of fer - ly things I will thee tell,

3  
see that my words in mind thou bear, and to my pre - cepts li - sten well.

see that my words in mind thou bear, and to my pre - cepts li - sten well.

see that my words in mind thou bear, and to my pre - cepts li - sten well.

see that my words in mind thou bear, and to my pre - cepts li - sten well.

1. I am thy sovereign Lord and God,  
Which hath thee brought from careful thrall  
and eke reclaimed from Pharao's rod,  
Make thee no Gods on them to call.

2. Nor fashioned form of any thing,  
In heaven or earth to worship it:  
For I thy God by revenging,  
with grievous plagues this sin will smite.

3. Take not in vain his holy name,  
Abuse it not after thy will:  
For so thou might'st soon purchase blame  
And in his wrath he would thee spill.

4. The Lord from work the seventh day ceased,  
And brought all things to perfect end:  
So thou and thine that day take rest,  
That to Gods hests ye may attend.

5. Unto thy parents honor give,  
As Gods commandements do pretend,  
That thou long days and good may'st live  
In earth where God a place doth lend.

6. Beware of murther and cruel hate.  
7. All filthy fornication fear.  
8. See thou steal not in any rate:  
9. False witness against no man bear.

10. Thy neighbour's house wish not to have  
His wife, or ought that he call'th mine:  
His field, his Ox, his Ass, his Slave,  
Or anything which is not thine.

*A Prayer*

The sp'rit of grace grant us O Lord  
To keep these laws our hearts restore:  
And cause us all with one accord,  
To magnify thy name therefore.

For of our selves no strength we have  
To keep these laws after thy will:  
Thy might therefore O Christ we crave  
That we in thee may them fulfill.

Lord for thy name's sake grant us this  
Thou art our strength O Saviour Christ  
Of thee to speed how should we miss  
In whom our treasure doth consist:

To thee for evermore be praise  
With the father in each respect:  
And with the holy spirit always,  
The comforter of thine elect.

## Our Father which in heaven art

The Whole Booke of Psalmes (ed. Ravenscroft, 1621) *The Lords Prayer*

George KIRBYE (c. 1565 - 1634)

CANTUS

MEDIUS

TENOR  
or Faburdon

BASSUS

*I. High Dutch Tune*

Our Fa - ther which in hea - ven art, and mak'st us all one bro - ther - hood,

Our Fa - ther which in hea - ven art, and mak'st us all one bro - ther - hood,

Our Fa - ther which in hea - ven art, and mak'st us all one bro - ther - hood,

Our Fa - ther which in hea - ven art, and mak'st us all one bro - ther - hood,

3

S. to call up - on thee with one heart, our hea - ven - ly Fa - ther and our God,

A. to call up - on thee with one heart, our heaven - ly Fa - ther and our God,

T. to call up - on thee with one heart, our heaven - ly Fa - ther and our God,

B. to call up - on thee with one heart, our hea - ven - ly Fa - ther and our God,

5

S. grant we pray not with lips a - lone, but with the hearts deep sigh and grone.

A. grant we pray not with lips al - lone, but with the hearts deep sigh and grone.

T. grant we pray not with lips a - lone, but with the hearts deep sigh and grone.

B. grant we pray not with lips a - lone, but with the hearts deep sigh and grone.

Thy blessed name be sanctified,  
 Thy holy word might us inflame,  
 In holy life for to abide,  
 To magnify thy holy name:  
 From all errors defend and keepe  
 The little flock of thy poor sheepe.

Thy kingdom come even at his hour,  
 And henceforth everlastingly  
 The holy Ghost into us pour,  
 With all his gifts most plenteously:  
 From Sathans rage and filthy band  
 Defend us with thy mighty hand.

Thy will be done with diligence,  
 Like as in heaven in earth also:  
 In trouble grant us patience,  
 Thee to obey in wealth and woe:  
 Let not flesh, blood, or any ill  
 Prevail against thy holy will:

Give us this day our daily bread,  
 And all other good gifts of thine  
 Keep us from war and from blood-shed  
 Also from sickness, death and pine:  
 That we may live in quieteness,  
 Without all greedy carefulness.

Forgive us our offences all,  
 Relieve our carefull conscience,  
 As we forgive both great and small,  
 Which unto us have done offence:  
 Prepare us Lord for to serve thee,  
 In perfect love and unitie.

O Lord into temptation  
 Lead us not when the fiend doth rage,  
 To withstand his inuasion  
 Give power and strength to every age,  
 Arme and make strong thy feeble host,  
 With faith and with the holy Ghost.

O Lord from evill deliver us,  
 The days and times are dangerous:  
 From everlasting death save us,  
 And in our last need comfort us:  
 A blessed end to us bequeath  
 Into thy hands our souls receive.

For thou O Lord art King of kings,  
 And thou hast power over all:  
 Thy glory shineth in all things,  
 In the wide world universal:  
 Amen, let it be done O Lord,  
 That we have pray'd with one accord.

## All my believe and confidence

The Whole Booke of Psalmes (ed. Ravenscroft, 1621)

*The Creed*

George KIRBYE (ca. 1555 - 1634)

CANTVS

MEDIVS

TENOR  
or *Playnsong*

BASSVS

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T.

B.

All my be - lief and con - fi - dence is in the Lord of might:

All my be-lief and con - fi - dence is in the Lord of might:

All my be-lief and con - fi - dence is in the Lord of might:

All my be-lief and con - fi - dence is in the Lord of might:

The Fa - ther which all things hath made, the day and eke the night.

The Fa - ther which all things hath made, the day and eke the night.

The Fa - ther which all things hath made, the day and eke the night.

The Fa - ther which all things hath made, the day and eke the night.

The hea - vens and the fir - ma - ment, and al - so ma - ny a star:

The hea - vens and the fir - ma - ment, and al - so ma - ny a star:

The hea - vens and the fir - ma - ment, and al - so ma - ny a star:

The hea - vens and the fir - ma - ment, and al - so ma - ny a star:

the earth and all that is there - in, which pass' man's rea - son far.

the earth and all that is there - in, which pass' man's rea - son far.

the earth and all that is there - in, which pass' man's rea - son far.

the earth and all that is there - in, which pass' man's rea - son far.



And in like manner I believe,  
 In Christ our Lord, his Son:  
 Coequal with the Deity  
 And man in flesh and bone.

Conceived by the holy Ghost,  
 His holy word doth me assure:  
 and of his mother Mary born,  
 Yet she a Virgin pure.

Because mankind to Satan was,  
 For sin in bond and thral,  
 He came and offered up himself  
 To death, to save us all.

And suffering most grievous pain,  
 The Pilate being Judge:  
 Was crucified on the Cross,  
 And thereat did not grudge.

And so he died in the flesh,  
 But quickened in the spirit:  
 His body then was buried,  
 As is our use and right.

His spirit did after this descend  
 Into the lower parts:  
 To them that long in darkness were,  
 The true light of their hearts.

And in the third day of his death,  
 He rose to life again:  
 To th' end he might be glorified,  
 Out of all grief and pain:

Ascending to the heavens high,  
 To sit in glory still,  
 On God's right hand his father dear,  
 According to his will.

Untill the day of judgment come,  
 When he shall come again:  
 With Angel's pow'r, yet of that day  
 We all be uncertain.

To judge all people righteously,  
 Whom he hath dearly bought:  
 The living and the dead also  
 which he hath made of nought.

And in the holy spirit of God,  
 My faith to satisfy:  
 The third person in Trinity  
 Believe I stedfastly.

The holy and Catholic Church,  
 That God's word doth maintain:  
 And holy Scripture doth allow,  
 Which Satan doth disdain.

And also do I trust to have,  
 By Jesus Christ his death:  
 Release and pardon for my sins,  
 And that only by faith.

What time all flesh shall rise again  
 Before the God of might:  
 And see him with their bodily eyes,  
 Which now doth give them light.

And then shall Christ our Saviour,  
 The Sheep and Goats divide:  
 And give life everlastingly,  
 To those whom he hath tried:  
 Within his realm(e celquall),  
 In glory for to rest:  
 With all the holy company,  
 Of Saints and Angels blest.

Which serve the Lord omnipotent,  
 Obediently each hour:  
 To whom be all dominion,  
 and praise for evermore.

## Come holy spirit the God of might

*A Prayer to the holy Ghost*

John MILTON (1562 - 1647)

CANTVS

MEDIVS

TENOR  
or Playnsong

BASSVS

Yorke Tune

3

S.

A.

T.

B.

Come ho - ly spirit the God of might, com - for - ter of us all:  
Come ho - ly spirit the God of might, com - for - ter of us all:  
Come ho - ly spirit the God of might, com - for - ter of us all:  
Come ho - ly spirit the God of might, com - for - ter of us all:  
Teach us to know thy word a - right, that we do ne - ver fall.  
Teach us to know thy word a - right, that we do ne - ver fall;  
Teach us to know thy word a - right, that we do ne - ver fall.  
Teach us to know thy word a - right, that we do ne - ver fall.

O holy Ghost visit our coast,  
defend us with thy shield:  
Against all sin and wickedness,  
Lord, help us win the field.

Lord, keep our King and his Counsel,  
and give them will and might  
To persevere in thy Gospel,  
which can put sin to flight:  
O Lord, which givest thy holy word,  
send Preachers plentifully:  
that in the same we may accord,  
and therein live and die.

O holy Spirit direct aright,  
the preachers of thy word:  
That thou by them may'st cut down sin  
as it were with a sword.  
Depart not from those pastors pure,  
but aid them at all need:  
Which break to us the bread of life,  
whereon our souls do feed.

O Blessed spirit of truth keep us  
in peace and unity:  
Keep us from sects and errors all,  
and from all papistry.

Convert all those that are our foes,  
and bring them to thy light:  
That they and we may well agree,  
and praise thee day and night.  
O Lord, increase our faith in us,  
and love so to abound:  
That man and wife be void of strife,  
and neighbours about us round.

In our time give thy peace (O Lord)  
to nations far and nye:  
And teach them all thy holy word,  
that we may sing to thee.

All glory to the Trinity,  
that is of mighties most:  
The living father and the son,  
and eke the holy Ghost.  
As it hath been in all the time,  
that hath been heretofore:  
As it is now, and so shall be,  
henceforth for evermore.

# Give peace in these our dayes

The Whole Booke of Psalmes (ed. Ravenscroft, 1621)

*Da pacem*

Thomas RAVENSCROFT (1590 - 1633)

CANTVS  
MEDIVS  
TENOR  
or Faburdon  
BASSVS

2. High Dutch Tune

3  
S. thine e - ne - mies with one ac - cord, Christ's name in e - ve - ry - land,  
A. thine e - ne - mies with one ac - cord, Christ's name in e - ve - ry - land,  
T. thine e - ne - mies with one ac - cord, Christ's name in e - ve - ry - land,  
B. thine e - ne - mies with one ac - cord, Christ's name in e - ve - ry - land,

5  
S. seek to de - face, root out and race, thy true right wor - ship in - deed:  
A. seek to de - face, root out and race, thy true right wor - ship in - deed:  
T. seek to de - face, root out and race, thy true right wor - ship in - deed:  
B. seek to de - face, root out and race, thy true right wor - ship in - deed:

8  
S. Be thou the stay, Lord we thee pray, thou help'st a - lone in all need.  
A. Be thou the stay, Lord we thee pray, thou help'st a - lone in all need.  
T. Be thou the stay, Lord we thee pray, thou help'st a - lone in all need.  
B. Be thou the stay, Lord we thee pray, thou help'st a - lone in all need.

Give us that peace which we do lack,  
Through misbelief and ill life:  
Thy word to offer thou dost not slack,  
Which we unkindly gain strive:  
with fire and sword,  
Thy healthful word,  
Some persecute and oppress:  
Some with the mouth,  
Confess the truth,  
without sincere godliness.

Give peace, and us thy sp'rit down send,  
With grief and repentance true  
Do pierce our hearts our lives to amend,  
And by faith Christ renew,  
That fear and dread,  
War and bloodshed,  
Through thy sweet mercy and grace,  
May from us slide:  
Thy truth may 'bide,  
And shine in every place.

## O Lord in thee is all my trust

The Whole Booke of Psalmes (ed. Ravenscroft, 1621)

*The Lamentation*

Thomas RAVENSCROFT (1590 - 1633)

CANTVS

MEDIVS

TENOR,  
or Playnsong

BASSVS

1

O Lord in thee is all my trust, give ear un - to my woe - ful cry:  
 No no, not so, thy will is bent, to deal with sinners in thine ire:  
 Haste thee, O Lord, haste thee I say, to pour out me the gifts of grace:

O Lord in thee is all my trust, give ear un - to my woe - ful cry:  
 No no, not so, thy will is bent, to deal with sinners in thine ire:  
 Haste thee, O Lord, haste thee I say, to pour out me the gifts of grace:

O Lord in thee is all my trust, give ear un - to my woe - ful cry:  
 No no, not so, thy will is bent, to deal with sinners in thine ire:  
 Haste thee, O Lord, haste thee I say, to pour out me the gifts of grace:

O Lord in thee is all my trust, give ear un - to my woe - ful cry:  
 No no, not so, thy will is bent, to deal with sinners in thine ire:  
 Haste thee, O Lord, haste thee I say, to pour out me the gifts of grace:

5

S.

A.

T.

B.

re - fuse me not that am un - just, but bow - ing down thy heav'n - ly eye.  
 But when in heart they shall re - pent, thou grant'st with speed their just de - sire.  
 That when this life shall fleet a - way, in heav'n with thee I may have place.

re - fuse me not that am un - just, but bow - ing down thy heav'n - ly eye.  
 But when in heart they shall re - pent, thou grant'st with speed their just de - sire.  
 That when this life shall fleet a - way, in heav'n with thee I may have place.

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 But when in heart they shall re - pent, thou grant'st with speed their just de - sire.  
 That when this life shall fleet a - way, in heav'n with thee I may have place.

8

S. Be - hold how I do still la - ment my sins, where - in I do of - fend:  
To thee there - fore still shall I cry, to wash a - way my sin - ful crime:  
Where thou dost reign e - ter - nal - ly, with God which once did down thee send,

A. Be - hold how I do still la - ment my sins, where - in I do of - fend:  
To thee there - fore still shall I cry, to wash a - way my sin - ful crime:  
Where thou dost reign e - ter - nal - ly, with God which once did down thee send,

T. Be - hold how I do still la - ment my sins, where - in I do of - fend:  
To thee there - fore still shall I cry, to wash a - way my sin - ful crime:  
Where thou dost reign e - ter - nal - ly, with God which once did down thee send,

B. Be - hold how I do still la - ment my sins, where - in I do of - fend:  
To thee there - fore still shall I cry, to wash a - way my sin - ful crime:  
Where thou dost reign e - ter - nal - ly, with God which once did down thee send,

11

S. O Lord for them shall I be shent, sith thee to please I do en - tend.  
Thy blood, O Lord, is not yet dry, but that it may help me in time.  
Where An - gels sing con - ti - nual - ly, to thee be praise world with - out end.

A. O Lord for them shall I be shent, sith thee to please I do en - tend.  
Thy blood, O Lord, is not yet dry, but that it may help me in time.  
Where An - gels sing con - ti - nual - ly, to thee be praise world with - out end.

T. O Lord for them shall I be shent, sith thee to please I do en - tend.  
Thy blood, O Lord, is not yet dry, but that it may help me in time.  
Where An - gels sing con - ti - nual - ly, to thee be praise world with - out end.

B. O Lord for them shall I be shent, sith thee to please I do en - tend.  
Thy blood, O Lord, is not yet dry, but that it may help me in time.  
Where An - gels sing con - ti - nual - ly, to thee be praise world with - out end.

## The Lord be thanked for his gifts

The Whole Booke of Psalmes (ed. Ravenscroft, 1621)

A Thanksgiving

Simon STUBBS (fl. 1616 - 1621)

CANTVS

MEDIVS

TENOR  
or Playnsong

BASSVS

*Martyrs Tune*

1

The Lord be thank - ed for his gifts, and mer - cies e - ver - more,

The Lord be thank - ed for his gifts, and mer - cies e - ver - more,

The Lord be thank - ed for his gifts, and mer - cies e - ver - more,

The Lord be thank - ed for his gifts, and mer - cies e - ver - more,

5

S.

A.

T.

B.

That he doth shew un - to his Saints, to him be laud there - fore.

That he doth shew un - to his Saints, to him be laud there - fore.

That he doth shew un - to his Saints, to him be laud there - fore.

that he doth shew un - to his Saints, to him be laud there - fore.

Our tongues cannot so praise the Lord  
as he doth right deserve:  
Our hearts cannot of him so think  
as he doth us preserve.

His benefits they be so great  
to us that be but sin:  
That at our hands for recompence,  
there is no hope to win.  
O sinful flesh that shouldst have,  
such mercies of the Lord:  
Thou doest deserve most worthily,  
of him to be abhorred.

Nought else but sin and wretchedness  
doth rest within our hearts:  
And stubbornly against the Lord,  
we daily play our parts.  
The Sun above in firmament  
that is to us a light,  
Doth shew itself more clear and pure  
then we be in his sight.

The heavens above and all therein  
more holy are then we:  
They serve the Lord in their estate,  
each one is his degree.  
They do not strive for mastership,  
nor slack their office set:  
Bur fear the Lord and do his will,  
hate is to them no let.

Also the earth and all therein,  
of God it is in awe:  
It doth observe the Former's will,  
by skilful nature's law.  
The sea and all that is therein,  
doth bend when God doth beck:  
The spirits beneath do tremble all,  
and fear his wrathful check.

But we alas for whom all these  
 were made, them for to rule,  
 Do not so know or love the Lord,  
 as doth the Ox or Mule.  
 A law he gave for us to know,  
 what was his holy will:  
 He would us good, but we would not  
 avoid the thing is ill.

Not one of us that seeketh out  
 the Lord of life to please:  
 Nor do the thing that might us join  
 to Christ and quiet ease.  
 Thus are we all his enemies,  
 we can it not denie:  
 And he again of his good will  
 would not that we should die.

Therefore when remedy was none  
 to bring us unto life:  
 The Son of God our flesh he took  
 to end our mortal strife.  
 And all the Law of God the Lord,  
 he did it full obey:  
 And for our sins upon the cross,  
 his blood our debts did pay.

And that we should not yet forget  
 what good he to us wrought:  
 A sign he left our eyes to tell,  
 that he our bodies bought.  
 In Bread and Wine here visible  
 unto our eye and taste:  
 His mercies great thou may'st record  
 if that his spirit thou hast.

As once the Corn did live and grow,  
 and was cut down with (Sithe):  
 And treshed out with many stripes,  
 out of the husk to drive.  
 And as the mill with violence  
 did tear it out so small:  
 And make it like to earthly dust  
 not sparing it at all.

And as the oven with fire hot,  
 did close it up in heat:  
 And all this done that I have said  
 that it should be our meat.  
 So was the Lord in his ripe age  
 cut down by cruel death:  
 His soul he gave to torments great,  
 and yielded up his breath.

Because that he on us might be  
 an everlasting bread:  
 With much reproch and troubles great  
 his life on earth he led.  
 And as the grapes in pleasant time  
 are pressed very sore:  
 And plucked down when they be ripe,  
 and let to grow no more.

Because the juice that in them is  
 as comfortable drink  
 We should receive and joyful be,  
 when sorrows make us shrink.  
 So Christ his blood out-pressed was  
 with nails, and eke with spear:  
 The juice whereof doth save all those  
 that rightly do him fear.

And as the corns by unity  
 into one loaf are knit:  
 So is the Lord and his whole Church,  
 though he in heaven sit.  
 As many grapes make but one wine,  
 so should we be but one,  
 In faith and love in Christ above,  
 and unto Christ alone.

Leading a life without all strife,  
 in quiet rest and peace:  
 From envie and from malice both  
 our hearts and tongues to ease.  
 Which if we do then shall we shew  
 that we his chosen be:  
 By faith in him to lead a life  
 as always willed he.

And that we may so do indeed,  
 God send us all his grace:  
 Then after death we shall be sure  
 with him to have a place.

# Preserve us Lord

The Whole Booke of Psalmes (ed. Ravenscroft, 1621)

A Prayer

Thomas RAVENSCROFT (1590 - 1633)

CANTVS

MEDIVS

TENOR,  
or Faburden

BASSVS

3. High Dutch  
Tune

1

2

Pre - serve us Lord by thy dear word, from Turk and  
Lord Je - sus Christ shew forth thy might that thou art

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3

S.  
A.  
T.  
B.

Pope de - fend us Lord: which both would thrust out of  
Lord of Lords by right: Thy poor af - flic - ted flock

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4

S.  
A.  
T.  
B.

his trone, Our Lord Je - sus Christ thy dear son.  
de - fend, that they may praise thee with - out end.

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de - fend, that they may praise thee with - out end.

God holy Ghost our comforter,  
be our patron help and succor:  
Give us one mind and perfect peace,  
all gifts of grace in us increase.

Thou living God in persons three,  
thy name be praised in unity:  
In all our need so us defend,  
that we may praise thee world without end.



## Critical notes <sup>1)</sup>

### Veni Creator - Come holy Ghost

Editorial *naturals* added in Cantus 4/6, Cantus & Bassus 6/6 and Cantus 8/6;  
*natural* added in Tenor 5/7, for the previous # is only meant for the note next to it,  
Medius 6/3 changed from *C* to *G* to avoid the parallel with the Cantus;  
Medius 8/2 changed from *D* to *F* to avoid the parallel 5<sup>th</sup> with the Cantus.

### The humble Sute of a Sinner – O Lord of whom I do depend

Editorial *naturals* added in Cantus 2/5 & 7;  
Cantus 8/2 has a # in the original, which is ‘translated’ here into a *natural*.

### Venite exultemus – O come and let us now rejoice

Cantus 2/3 is *G* in the original.

### Te Deum – We praise thee God

Medius 1/3 *D* in the original is changed to *C#*; Medius 1/4 *C#* is changed to *D*; Medius 1/5 *C#* is changed to *C natural*; Medius 3/2 *F* in the original is changed to *D*.

### The song of the 3. Children – O All ye works of God the Lord

Medius part from beginning till 3/3: completely reconstructed (on suggestion by Christian Mondrup) because of an apparent typographical error: the first line of the Medius part is a double of the Cantus part on the first page.

### Magnificat – My soule doth magnifie the Lord

Editorial *natural* added in Medius 4/5.

### Quicumque vult – What man soever

Although the Cantus part mentions John Farmer as the composer, the Medius part says it is Thomas Ravenscroft, the general editor of ‘The Whole Booke of Psalmes’ ...

### The Lamentation – O Lord turn not away thy face

Editorial *natural* added in Medius 4/6 and 8/6.

### The Lords Prayer – Our Father which in heaven art

Editorial *naturals* added in Cantus 4/7 & 8.

### The X Commandements – Harke Israel, and what I say

Although the Cantus part mentions John Farmer as the composer, the Medius part says it is Thomas Ravenscroft, the general editor of ‘The Whole Booke of Psalmes’ ...

### The Complaint of a Sinner – Where righteousnesse doth say

Editorial *b* added in Medius 8/2.

### Psalme 1 – The man is blest

Cantus 1/4 is *B<sup>b</sup>* in the original;  
Cantus 4/2 is semibrevis in the original, and 4/4 a minim;  
Cantus 5/9 is *D* in the original.

### Psalme 2 – Why did the Gentiles

Cantus 4/5: the dot is missing in the original; bar 2/note 5: the ‘conflict’ between the *E flat* in de Medius and the *E natural* in the Tenor is in the original and has to be respected.

### Psalme 3 – Lord how are my foes increast

Cantus 2/2 is a dotted semi-minim in the original.

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<sup>1)</sup> The notes are indicated with their bar number/note number. So ‘Cantus 4/6’ means the 6<sup>th</sup> note of the 4<sup>th</sup> bar in the Cantus part.

*Psalme 5 – Incline thine eares unto my words*

Bar 1: the original Cantus & Tenor parts say ‘eares’, Medius & Bassus say ‘eare’;  
editorial # added in Cantus 4/5 and an editorial *natural* in Cantus 4/6.

*Psalme 6 – Lord in thy wrath reprove me not*

Bassus 4/1 is *D* in the original (changed to *B<sup>b</sup>* to avoid a forbidden parallel 8<sup>th</sup>, and as in Este’s Psalter).

*Psalme 7 – O Lord my God I put my trust*

The title “*The second Part*” is not in the original, but in the *Sternhold & Hopkins* Psalter.

*Psalme 9 – With heart and mouth*

Editorial *natural* added in Cantus 4/6.

*Psalme 10 – What is the cause*

Editorial *natural* added in Cantus 3/7;  
note values reconstructed in Cantus 1/6-8;

*Psalme 11 – I trust in God*

Tenor 1/5 is *A* in the original.

*Psalme 13 – How long wilt thou forget me Lord*

Editorial # added in Medius 5/1.

*Psalme 16 – Lord keep me, for I trust in thee*

Editorial # added in Medius 4/1.

*Psalme 17 – O Lord give ear to my just cause*

Editorial # added in Medius 1/3.

*Psalme 18 – O God my strength and fortitude*

Editorial *naturals* added in Medius 1/6 & 7;  
editorial *b* added in Medius 2/3 and Medius 3/2.

*Psalme 19 – The heavens and the firmament*

Bassus 4/2 is *F* in the original; Bassus 4/4 is *G* in the original.

*Psalme 20 – In trouble and adversity*

The score mentions a ‘W. Cranfield’ as the composer, which is not named in the original composer index, but this is probably an error for W. Cranford.

*Psalme 24 – The earth is all the Lord’s*

There is a clear typographical error in the text of strophes 7 & 9, where some text is duplicated; however, in *Sternhold & Hopkins*, these verses are identical;  
editorial *natural* added in Tenor 3/7.

*Psalme 25 – I lift my heart to thee*

Tenor 2/4 is *A* in the original, and Tenor 2/5 is *B<sup>b</sup>* in the original.

*Psalme 26 – Lord be my Iudge*

Editorial *natural* added in Bassus 1/5.

Cantus 2/2 is *G* in the original, which gives a (forbidden) parallel 5<sup>th</sup> with the Tenor in 2/2 & 3 (also in the similar setted Psalm 83, so this not a mere typesetting error). That is the reason why Cantus 2/2 has been changed to *E<sup>b</sup>*; unless one chooses to respect the composer’s ‘flaw’.

*Psalme 27 – The Lord is both my health and light*

Editorial *naturals* added in Medius 1/7, Cantus 2/3 and Cantus 4/5.

*Psalm 28 – Thou art O Lord my strength*

Editorial *naturals* added in Cantus 1/7 and Medius 3/8.

Medius 3/4 is *G* in the original, which gives a (forbidden) parallel 5<sup>th</sup> with the Tenor in 3/4 & 5 (also in the similar setted Psalm 76, so this is not a mere typesetting error). That is the reason why Medius 3/4 has been changed to *C*, unless one chooses to respect the composer's 'flaw'.

*Psalm 29 – Give to the Lord ye potentates*

Editorial # added in Cantus 2/6.

*Psalm 30 – All laud and praise with heart and voice*

Medius 3/4 is *E* in the original (changed to *G* to avoid the forbidden parallel 8<sup>th</sup> with the Tenor; Medius 7/6 is *D* in the original; editorial *natural* added in Medius 8/6.

*Psalm 31 – O Lord I put my trust in thee*

There is a (forbidden) parallel 5<sup>th</sup> in Medius/Bassus 2/3 & 4.

*Psalm 34 – I will give laud and honour*

Editorial *natural* added in Cantus 3/7.

*Psalm 38 – Put me not to rebuke O Lord*

Editorial *natural* added in Cantus 5/9; the poor numbering of the verses is in the original.

*Psalm 39 – I Said I will looke to my wayes*

The # of Medius 4/6 is not continued in bar 5;

Cantus 6/5: the # is not in the original in this psalm (nor in the similar setted psalms 75, 92 & 99), but it is in other similar settings (psalms 118, 149 & 'A Thanksgiving').

*Psalm 40 – I waited long and sought the Lord*

Editorial # added in Medius 2/6.

*Psalm 42 – Like as the hart doth breath and bray*

Editorial # added in Medius 3/7;

Medius 3/4 is *E* in the original (changed to *G* to avoid parallel 5<sup>th</sup> with the Bassus).

*Psalm 44 – Our ears have heard our fathers tell*

Editorial # added in Tenor 6/5.

*Psalm 45 – My heart doth take in hand*

Editorial *natural* added in Cantus 3/8.

*Psalm 46 – The Lord is our defence and aid*

Bar 1/4: Medius has an *E* in the original, and the Bassus a *C*;

Cantus 4/1 is *D* in the original.

*Psalm 47 – Ye people all with one accord*

Bassus 4/4 is *G* in the original; Medius 5/6 is *F* in the original;

editorial # added in Medius 5/1.

*Psalm 50 – The mighty God th' Eternall hat thus spoke*

Medius 2/5-7 are *F-D-D* in the original, changed according to the same setting in *Este's Psalter* to avoid the parallel 8<sup>th</sup> with the Bassus;

Cantus 5/8 is *D* in the original, so *E flat* is continued in the bar.

*Psalm 51 – O Lord consider my distresse*

Editorial *natural* added in Medius 5/4.

*Psalm 51, Another of the same – Have mercy on me God*

Bassus bar 2 has *F-E-D-E-G-C* in the original.

*Psalme 52 – Why dost thou tyrant boast abroad*

There are several (forbidden) parallel 5<sup>th</sup>'s in the original, but probably not as typographical error, so they have not been changed:

Bar 1/3 & 4 between Cantus & Tenor; 3/3 & 4 Medius & Tenor; 3/6 & 7 Medius & Bassus; 6/2 & 3 Cantus & Medius and 8/2 & 3 Medius & Tenor.

*Psalme 55 – O God give eare*

The different text in bar 2 for the Bassus is in the original.

*Psalme 58 – Ye Rulers which are put in trust*

Cantu 1/4 & 5: the #’s are in the original, but have been set ‘editorial’ by comparison with the similar setted Psalm 9; editorial # added in Medius 1/5 (going along with the #’s in the Cantus part).

*Psalme 59 – Ye Rulers which are put in trust*

The subtitle “The Second part” is not in the *Ravenscroft* edition, but in *Sternhold & Hopkins*; the *Sternhold & Hopkins Psalter* has another order the 13<sup>th</sup> stanza:

That men may know throughout the world  
that Jacob’s God doth reign.

Consume them in thy wrath O Lord,  
that nought of them remain.

*Psalme 61 – Regard (O Lord) for I complaine*

The first line of verse 6 is missing in the original and has been completed from the *Sternhold & Hopkins Psalter*.

*Psalme 64 – O Lord unto my voyce give eare*

Cantus 4/5 is a *semi-brevis* in the original;  
editorial # added in Medius 4/1.

*Psalme 65 – Thy praise alone (O Lord) doth raigne*

The text difference between Cantus & Tenor vs/ Medius & Bassus in bar 4 is in the original.

*Psalme 67 – Have mercy on us Lord*

The double text in st. 3 & 5 is in the original.

*Psalme 68 – Let God arise*

Cantus bar 1 is re-arranged for lack of note values in the original;  
there is a # on the Cantus 5/4 *E*, but only to advise against an eventual *flat*;  
editorial *natural* added in Cantus 5/7;  
editorial *natural* added in Tenor 6/5.

*Psalme 71 – My Lord my God in all distresse*

Editorial # added in Cantus 8/6.

*Psalme 72 – Lord give thy judgements to the King*

Editorial *natural* added in Medius 1/9.

*Psalme 73 – How ever it be*

Bar 2/note 5: the ‘conflict’ between the *E flat* in de Medius and the *E natural* in the Tenor is in the original and has to be respected.

*Psalme 75 – Unto thee God will we give thanks*

Bassus 2/2 is *B<sup>b</sup>* in the original; the # of Medius 4/6 is not continued in bar 5;  
Cantus 6/5: the # is not in the original in this psalm (nor in the similar setted psalms 39, 92 & 99), but it is in other similar settings (psalms 118, 149 & ‘A Thanksgiving’).

*Psalm 76 – To all that now in lury dwell*

*Sternhold & Hopkins* says: “To all that now in *Judah* dwell”, which seems far more obvious, considering the consequent summarisation of all these biblical places; editorial *naturals* added in Cantus 1/7 and in Medius 3/8.

Medius 3/4 is *G* in the original, which gives a (forbidden) parallel 5<sup>th</sup> with the Tenor in 3/4 & 5 (also in the similar setted Psalm 28, so this is not a mere typesetting error). That is the reason why Medius 3/4 has been changed to *C*, unless one chooses to respect the composer’s ‘flaw’.

*Psalm 77 – I With my voice to God doe cry*

Tenor 3/13 is a *minim* in the original; editorial *natural* added in Medius 4/10; Bar 1: the Cantus part says “did” in the original, all the others say “doe”.

*Psalm 78 – Attend my people to my Law*

The (forbidden) parallel 5<sup>th</sup> in 5/5 & 6 between Cantus & Bassus is in the original (anti-parallel).

*Psalm 79 – O Lord the Gentiles doe invade*

Editorial *natural* added in Cantus 2/6.

*Psalm 80 – Thou heard that Israel dost keepe*

There is a (forbidden) parallel 5<sup>th</sup> between Medius/Bassus 2/3 & 4 in the original.

*Psalm 81 – Be light and glad in God reioyce*

Editorial *natural* added in Medius 4/10.

*Psalm 82 – Amid the prease with men of might*

Editorial *natural* added in Tenor 3/7.

*Psalm 83 – Doe not O God refraine thy tongue*

Editorial *natural* added in Bassus 1/5;

Cantus 2/2 is *G* in the original, which gives a (forbidden) parallel 5<sup>th</sup> with the Tenor in 2/2 & 3 (also in the similar setted Psalm 83, so this not a mere typesetting error). That is the reason why Cantus 2/2 has been changed to *E<sup>b</sup>*; unless one chooses to respect the composer’s ‘flaw’.

*Psalm 84 – How pleasant is thy dwelling place*

Bassus 1/8 is *B<sup>b</sup>* in the original, and Bassus 3/1 too.

*Psalm 85 – Thou hast been mercifull indeed*

Bassus 3/7 is *E<sup>b</sup>* in the original, changed to *C* (as in the similar setted Psalm 62), to avoid a parallel 8<sup>th</sup>.

*Psalm 88 – Lord God of health*

Editorial *natural* added in Cantus 3/7.

*Psalm 92 – It is a thing both good and meet*

The # of Medius 4/6 is not continued in bar 5;

Cantus 6/5: the # is not in the original in this psalm (nor in the similar setted psalms 39, 75 & 99), but it is in other similar settings (psalms 118, 149 & ‘A Thanksgiving’).

*Psalm 93 – The Lord as king aloft doth raigne*

Editorial # added in Medius 2/6.

*Psalm 94 – O Lord thou dost revenge all wrong*

Medius 3/3 & 4 are *D* & *E* in the original; editorial # added in Medius 3/7.

*Psalm 96 – Sing ye with praise unto the Lord*

Cantus 2/2 is *G* in the original, changed to *E<sup>b</sup>* to avoid the parallel 5<sup>th</sup> with the Tenor.

*Psalme 97 – The Lord doth raigne whereat the earth*

Medius 5/6 is *F* in the original; editorial # added in Medius 5/1.

*Psalme 99 – The Lord doth raigne*

The # of Medius 4/6 is not continued in bar 5;

Cantus 6/5: the # is not in the original in this psalm (nor in the similar setted psalms 39, 75 & 92), but it is in other similar settings (psalms 118, 149 & ‘A Thanksgiving’).

*Psalme 101 – I mercy will and iudgement sing*

Bassus 3/1 is *Bb* in the original (changed according to the similar setted psalms).

*Psalme 103 – My soule give laud unto the Lord*

Bassus 2/4 is *F* in the original.

*Psalme 104 – My soule praise the Lord*

Note durations are halved; Medius 4/last note is not dotted in the original; all discontinued accidentals are editorially restored.

*Psalme 105 – Give prayes unto God the Lord*

Editorial *natural* added in Medius 5/10; Medius 3/3 is *G* in the original.

The setting of the text has been re-arranged in Bassus bars 1 & 3, and Cantus end of bar 1.

*Psalme 106 – Praise ye the Lord*

Bar 2/5: the ‘conflict’ between the *E<sup>b</sup>* in the Medius and the *E natural* in the Tenor is in the original, and has to be respected.

*Psalme 107 – Give thanks unto the Lord our God*

Editorial *natural* added in Medius 1/9.

*Psalme 110 – The Lord did say unto my Lord*

The text difference between Cantus & Tenor vs/ Medius & Bassus in the last bar is in the original.

*Psalme 111 – With heart I doe accord*

Editorial # added in Medius 9/3 and 10/3.

*Psalme 112 – The man is blest that doth God feare*

Cantus 2/1 is a *semibrevis* (with previous rest) in the original.

*Psalme 113 – Ye children which doe serve the Lord*

Bassus 5/9 is *B<sup>b</sup>* in the original; Bassus 6/1 is *A* and a *minim* in the original.

*Psalme 115 – Not unto us Lord*

There is an apparent text error: line 9b is doubled twice in verse 10. The *Sternhold & Hopkins Psalter* gives for line 10b: “that still defendeth thee”, and for line 11b: ‘you sure defence is he. The poor numbering of the verses is in the original.

*Psalme 117 – O all ye nations of the world*

Bar 2/note 5: the ‘conflict’ between the *E<sup>b</sup>* in the Medius and the *E natural* in the Tenor is in the original and has to be respected; Cantus 4/5 is not dotted in the original.

The italic part of verse 2 is missing in the original and completed from the *Sternhold & Hopkins Psalter*.

*Psalme 118 – O Give ye thanks unto the Lord*

The # of Medius 4/6 is not continued in bar 5.

*Psalme 119 – Blessed are they that perfect are*

Bassus 5/3 is *G (natural)* in the original.

*Psalm 120 – In trouble and in thrall*

The final bar in the Cantus has been replaced, according the *Erratum* on p. 273 of the same book.

*Psalm 122 – I did in heart reioyce*

Medius 11/6 is *B<sup>b</sup>* in the original.

*Psalm 123 – O Lord that heaven dost possesse*

Tenor 4/1 has an unnecessary *b* in the original, which has been made ‘editorial’ here.

*Psalm 124 – Now Israel may say*

Cantus 4/7 is *B* in the original (changed to *D* to avoid parallel 8<sup>th</sup> with the Bassus);  
Medius 4/8 is *A* in the original (changed to *E* to avoid parallel 5<sup>th</sup> with the Cantus).

*Psalm 125, Another of the same – Those that doe put their confidence*

Medius 2/4 is *A* in the original, changed to *F* to avoid a parallel 5<sup>th</sup> with the Tenor;  
Medius 3/4 has a # in the original, here ‘translated’ to an editorial *natural*, for the # was meant to indicate to not lower (*b*) the note in this sequence, as was usually done.  
The *italic* text in verse 2 (*still*) is a replacement/correction, found in the *Sternhold & Hopkins Psalter*.

*Psalm 126 – When that the Lord againe his Sion had brought forth*

Editorial *naturals* added were needed to restrict the effect of the accidentals to the note next to it; editorial *b* added in Bassus 3/2 & 5.

*Psalm 127 – Except the Lord the house doe make*

Medius 5/2 is *F* in the original.

*Psalm 128 – Blessed art thou that fearest God*

Bar 2/note 5: the ‘conflict’ between the *E flat* in de Medius and the *E natural* in the Tenor is in the original and has to be respected; Cantus 4/5 is not dotted in the original.

*Psalm 129 – Oft they, now Israel may say*

There is a (forbidden) parallel 5<sup>th</sup> in Medius/Bassus 2/3 & 4.

*Psalm 130 – Lord to thee I make my mone*

The *rest* in Medius 2/1 is missing in the original;  
Medius 2/3 & 4 are both *D* in the original (with a parallel 5<sup>th</sup> with the Cantus);  
editorial *natural* added in Cantus 3/6.

*Psalm 132 - Remember Davids troubles Lord*

Medius 2/4 is changed from *F* to *D* to avoid a parallel 8<sup>th</sup> with the Tenor;  
Cantus 5/6 is *B<sup>b</sup>* in the original; Medius 6/4-6 are *A-B<sup>b</sup>-C* in the original;  
Bassus 8/1 is changed from *B<sup>b</sup>* to *D* to avoid a parallel 5<sup>th</sup> with the Cantus.

*Psalm 135 – O praise the Lord, praise him*

Editorial *natural* added in Medius 5/10.

*Psalm 136 – Praise ye the Lord, for he is good*

Cantus 3/7 is *E#* in the original (merely to emphasize that the note should not be flattened);  
Cantus 5/2 is a *crotchet* in the original.

*Psalm 136, Another of the same – O laud he Lord benigne*

Bassus has an *F*-clef 3<sup>rd</sup> line in the 1<sup>st</sup> system of the original (1/1 to 3/1);  
Medius 2/1 is *E* in the original; Cantus 2/6 is *B natural* in the original; Medius 3/1 is *E* in the original; and Bassus 4/2 is *B* in the original.

*Psalme 137 – When as we sate in Babylon*

Bassus 1/10 is a *semibrevis* in the original; editorial # added in Medius 2/7.

*Psalme 139 – O Lord thou hast me tride and knowne*

Editorial *natural* added in Tenor 3/7.

*Psalme 141 – O Lord upon thee doe I call*

Editorial *natural* added in Cantus 3/6.

*Psalme 142 – Before the Lord God*

Cantus 3/1 is *G* in the original, which gives a parallel 8<sup>th</sup> with the previous note in the Tenor (changed to *E* as in the similar settings of Psalms 7 & 56).

*Psalme 145 – Thee will I laud my God and King*

Cantus 2/1 is *G* in the original; Bassus 5/1 is *F* in the original.

*Psalme 146 – My soule praise thou the Lord alwayes*

There is a (forbidden) parallel 5<sup>th</sup> in Medius/Bassus 2/3 & 4.

*Psalme 148 – Give laude unto the Lord*

Bassus 4/2 is *B* in the original (changed to *D* to avoid the forbidden jump *F-B*); Cantus 6/11 is *G* in the original.

*Psalme 149 – Sing ye unto the Lord our God*

The # of Medius 4/6 is not continued in bar 5; the *italic* insert in verse 9, line 3 is complemented according to the *Sternhold & Hopkins Psalter*.

*Psalme 150 – Yeeld unto God the mightie Lord*

The numbering of the verses does not correspond with the original, for its is only meant to make the singing easier.

*A Psalme before Morning Prayer – Praise the Lord O ye Gentils all*

Medius 1/14 is *F* in the original.

*A Psalme before Evening Prayer – Behold now give heed*

Medius 4/7 & 8 are *crotchets* in the original.

*The Lords Prayer – Our Father which in heaven art*

Tenor 3/6 is *C* in the original.

*Da pacem – Give peace in these our dayes*

The (forbidden) parallel 5<sup>th</sup>'s in 1 & 3/1 & 2 between Cantus & Medius are in the original; Tenor 3/7 is *A* in the original (changed to *F* to avoid the parallel 8<sup>th</sup> with the Bassus); Tenor 5/4 is *C natural* in the original; the (forbidden) parallel 8<sup>th</sup> in the transition from bar 5 to 6 between Cantus & Bassus is in the original; and so is the parallel 5<sup>th</sup> in 7/5 & 6 between Medius & Tenor.

*The Lamentation – O Lord in thee is all my trust*

Medius 4/3 is a *minim* in the original; Medius 7/4 is *F* in the original and Medius 13/1 a *D*.

*A Thanksgiving – The Lord be thanked for his gifts*

The # of Medius 4/6 is not continued in bar 5.