

KNOX ORTHODOX PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

311 N. Lansdowne Avenue
Lansdowne, PA 19050

Morning Worship 10:30 AM
Evening Worship 6:00 PM

<http://knox-presbyterian.org/>

Westminster Shorter Catechism:

Q. 24. How doth Christ execute the office of a prophet?

A. Christ executeth the office of a prophet, in revealing to us, by his word and Spirit, the will of God for our salvation.

.....

Luke 4:17-21: And there was delivered unto him the book of the Prophet Isaiah: and when he had opened the book, he found the place, where it was written, The Spirit of the Lord is upon me, because he hath anointed me, that I should preach the Gospel to the poor: he hath sent me, that I should heal the brokenhearted, that I should preach deliverance to the captives, and recovering of sight to the blind, that I should set at liberty them that are bruised: And that I should preach the acceptable year of the Lord. And he closed the book, and gave it again to the minister, and sat down: and the eyes of all that were in the Synagogue were fastened on him. Then he began to say unto them, This day is the Scripture fulfilled in your ears.

March 17, 2024

Morning Worship

Call to Worship

Psalm 12

Page 21

Prayer

Psalm 58

Page 144

Old Testament Reading: Isaiah 55

Pastoral Prayer

New Testament Reading: Revelation 1

Psalm 58

Page 145

Sermon Text: Matthew 28:11-15

Sermon: The Counter Story

Prayer

Psalm 120

Page 313 bottom

Benediction

PSALM 12

BELMONT. C. M.

William Gardiner

1. O Thou, Je - ho - vah, grant us help, Be - cause the god - ly cease;
And from a - mong the sons of men The faith - ful now de - crease.

2. And to his neighbor ev'ry one
Doth utter vanity;
They with a double heart do speak
And lips of flattery.
3. False lips Jehovah will cut off,
Tongues that speak proudly thus:
We'll with our tongue prevail; our lips
Are ours; who's lord o'er us?
4. Because the poor are sore oppressed,
Because the needy sigh,
To give the safety they desire,
Saith God, Now rise will I.
5. Jehovah's words are words most pure;
They are like silver tried
In earthen furnace, seven times
That hath been purified.
6. Lord, Thou shalt them preserve and keep
For ever from this race.
On ev'ry side the wicked walk,
With vile men high in place.

PSALM 58

CALM. C.M.

Adapted from Thomas Hastings

1. Do ye in - deed keep si - lence still That

should speak right - eous - ness? And do ye judge, O

sons of men, In truth and up - right - ness?

2. Nay, even in your very heart
Ye wickedness have planned,
And violence upon the earth
Ye weigh out with your hand.
3. The wicked even from their birth
Are strangers to the way;
And speaking lies as soon as born,
They wander far astray.
4. Their poison is the serpent's fang;
They have the adder's ear
That will not hear the charmer's song,
Though charming it appear.

Isaiah 55

1 Ho, every one that thirsteth, come ye to the waters, and he that hath no money; come ye, buy, and eat; yea, come, buy wine and milk without money and without price.

2 Wherefore do ye spend money for that which is not bread? and your labour for that which satisfieth not? hearken diligently unto me, and eat ye that which is good, and let your soul delight itself in fatness.

3 Incline your ear, and come unto me: hear, and your soul shall live; and I will make an everlasting covenant with you, even the sure mercies of David.

4 Behold, I have given him for a witness to the people, a leader and commander to the people.

5 Behold, thou shalt call a nation that thou knowest not, and nations that knew not thee shall run unto thee because of the LORD thy God, and for the Holy One of Israel; for he hath glorified thee.

6 Seek ye the LORD while he may be found, call ye upon him while he is near:

⁷ Let the wicked forsake his way, and the unrighteous man his thoughts: and let him return unto the LORD, and he will have mercy upon him; and to our God, for he will abundantly pardon.

⁸ For my thoughts are not your thoughts, neither are your ways my ways, saith the LORD.

⁹ For as the heavens are higher than the earth, so are my ways higher than your ways, and my thoughts than your thoughts.

¹⁰ For as the rain cometh down, and the snow from heaven, and returneth not thither, but watereth the earth, and maketh it bring forth and bud, that it may give seed to the sower, and bread to the eater:

¹¹ So shall my word be that goeth forth out of my mouth: it shall not return unto me void, but it shall accomplish that which I please, and it shall prosper in the thing whereto I sent it.

¹² For ye shall go out with joy, and be led forth with peace: the mountains and the hills shall break forth before you into singing, and all the trees of the field shall clap their hands.

¹³ Instead of the thorn shall come up the fir tree, and instead of the brier shall come up the myrtle tree: and it shall be to the LORD for a name, for an everlasting sign that shall not be cut off.

Revelation 1

1 The Revelation of Jesus Christ, which God gave unto him, to shew unto his servants things which must shortly come to pass; and he sent and signified it by his angel unto his servant John:

² Who bare record of the word of God, and of the testimony of Jesus Christ, and of all things that he saw.

³ Blessed is he that readeth, and they that hear the words of this prophecy, and keep those things which are written therein: for the time is at hand.

⁴ John to the seven churches which are in Asia: Grace be unto you, and peace, from him which is, and which was, and which is to come; and from the seven Spirits which are before his throne;

⁵ And from Jesus Christ, who is the faithful witness, and the first begotten of the dead, and the prince of the kings of the earth. Unto him that loved us, and washed us from our sins in his own blood,

⁶ And hath made us kings and priests unto God and his Father; to him be glory and dominion for ever and ever. Amen.

⁷ Behold, he cometh with clouds; and every eye shall see him, and they also which pierced him: and all kindreds of the earth shall wail because of him. Even so, Amen.

⁸ I am Alpha and Omega, the beginning and the ending, saith the Lord, which is, and which was, and which is to come, the Almighty.

⁹ I John, who also am your brother, and companion in tribulation, and in the kingdom and patience of Jesus Christ, was in the isle that is called Patmos, for the word of God, and for the testimony of Jesus Christ.

¹⁰ I was in the Spirit on the Lord's day, and heard behind me a great voice, as of a trumpet,

¹¹ Saying, I am Alpha and Omega, the first and the last: and, What thou seest, write in a book, and send it unto the seven churches which are in Asia; unto Ephesus, and unto Smyrna, and unto Pergamos, and unto Thyatira, and unto Sardis, and unto Philadelphia, and unto Laodicea.

¹² And I turned to see the voice that spake with me. And being turned, I saw seven golden candlesticks;

¹³ And in the midst of the seven candlesticks one like unto the Son of man, clothed with a garment down to the foot, and girt about the paps with a golden girdle.

¹⁴ His head and his hairs were white like wool, as white as snow; and his eyes were as a flame of fire;

¹⁵ And his feet like unto fine brass, as if they burned in a furnace; and his voice as the sound of many waters.

¹⁶ And he had in his right hand seven stars: and out of his mouth went a sharp twoedged sword: and his countenance was as the sun shineth in his strength.

¹⁷ And when I saw him, I fell at his feet as dead. And he laid his right hand upon me, saying unto me, Fear not; I am the first and the last:

¹⁸ I am he that liveth, and was dead; and, behold, I am alive for evermore, Amen; and have the keys of hell and of death.

¹⁹ Write the things which thou hast seen, and the things which are, and the things which shall be hereafter;

²⁰ The mystery of the seven stars which thou sawest in my right hand, and the seven golden candlesticks. The seven stars are the angels of the seven churches: and the seven candlesticks which thou sawest are the seven churches.

THE BOOK OF PSALMS
PSALM 58

PAGE
145

GREEN HILL. C.M.

Albert L. Peace

5. Their teeth, O God, break in their mouth That they no prey may take;

O Lord, the sharp and cru-el teeth Of these young li-ons break.

6. Let them as quickly melt away
As running waters flow;
Their arrows be as though cut off
When on the bended bow.
7. As snails that melt and pass away,
So let their course be run;
Or like to one untimely born,
That hath not seen the sun.
8. Before your pots can feel the heat
Which under them you lay,
The green and burning thorns alike
His whirlwind sweeps away.
9. The righteous, when he vengeance sees
Shall be exultant then;
The righteous one shall wash his feet
In blood of wicked men.
10. So they shall say, For righteous men
There is a sure reward;
There surely is a God on earth
That judgment doth afford.

Matthew 28

1 In the end of the sabbath, as it began to dawn toward the first day of the week, came Mary Magdalene and the other Mary to see the sepulchre.

2 And, behold, there was a great earthquake: for the angel of the Lord descended from heaven, and came and rolled back the stone from the door, and sat upon it.

3 His countenance was like lightning, and his raiment white as snow:

4 And for fear of him the keepers did shake, and became as dead men.

5 And the angel answered and said unto the women, Fear not ye: for I know that ye seek Jesus, which was crucified.

6 He is not here: for he is risen, as he said. Come, see the place where the Lord lay.

7 And go quickly, and tell his disciples that he is risen from the dead; and, behold, he goeth before you into Galilee; there shall ye see him: lo, I have told you.

⁸ And they departed quickly from the sepulchre with fear and great joy; and did run to bring his disciples word.

⁹ And as they went to tell his disciples, behold, Jesus met them, saying, All hail. And they came and held him by the feet, and worshipped him.

¹⁰ Then said Jesus unto them, Be not afraid: go tell my brethren that they go into Galilee, and there shall they see me.

¹¹ Now when they were going, behold, some of the watch came into the city, and shewed unto the chief priests all the things that were done.

¹² And when they were assembled with the elders, and had taken counsel, they gave large money unto the soldiers,

¹³ Saying, Say ye, His disciples came by night, and stole him away while we slept.

¹⁴ And if this come to the governor's ears, we will persuade him, and secure you.

¹⁵ So they took the money, and did as they were taught: and this saying is commonly reported among the Jews until this day.

¹⁶ Then the eleven disciples went away into Galilee, into a mountain where Jesus had appointed them.

¹⁷ And when they saw him, they worshipped him: but some doubted.

¹⁸ And Jesus came and spake unto them, saying, All power is given unto me in heaven and in earth.

¹⁹ Go ye therefore, and teach all nations, baptizing them in the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Ghost:

²⁰ Teaching them to observe all things whatsoever I have commanded you: and, lo, I am with you always, even unto the end of the world. Amen.

THE BOOK OF PSALMS
PSALM 119, Part 22

PAGE
313

FEDERAL STREET. L.M.

Henry K. Oliver

1. Now let my sup - pli - ca - ting cry Come near be - fore Thee, O my Lord.

Give wis - dom and de - liv - er me, Ac - cord - ing to Thy faith - ful word.

2. Since Thou Thy statutes teachest me,
O let my lips Thy praise confess.
Yea, of Thy word my tongue would sing,
For Thy commands are righteousness.
3. Be ready with Thy hand to help,
Because Thy precepts are my choice.

- I've longed for Thy salvation, Lord,
And in Thy holy law rejoice.
4. O let Thine ordinances help;
My soul shall live and praise Thee yet.
A straying sheep, Thy servant, seek,
For Thy commands I ne'er forget.

PSALM 120

EVADNA. C. M.

Arr. by S. A. S. Metheny

1. In trou - ble to the Lord I cried, And He gave ear to me. From ly - ing lips and

guile - ful tongue, O Lord, my soul set free, O Lord, my soul set free.

2. What shall be given thee? what more
Be done to thee, false tongue?
With burning coals of juniper,
Sharp arrows of the strong.
3. Alas for me, that I abide
With Meshech's warring race;

- And that in Kedar's tents of strife
I have my dwelling - place.
4. My soul hath long her dwelling had
With those who peace abhor.
I am for peace, but when I speak
They ready are for war.

March 17, 2024

Evening Worship

Call to Worship

Psalm 81 Page 200

Prayer

Psalm 49 Page 125

New Testament Reading: Ephesians 4

Pastoral Prayer

Old Testament Reading: Exodus 23

Psalm 49 Page 126

Sermon Text: Ecclesiastes 2:1-11

Sermon: The Limits of Wealth and Pleasure

Prayer

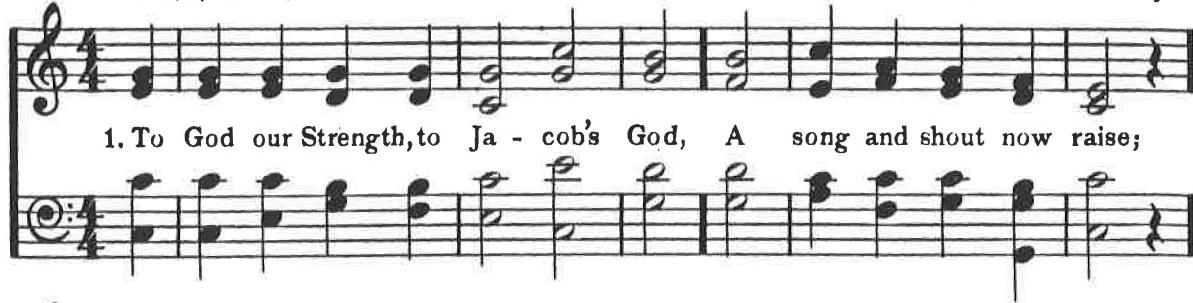
Psalm 84 Page 205

Benediction

THE BOOK OF PSALMS
PSALM 81

KEOKUK. 8, 6, 8, 6, 8, 6.

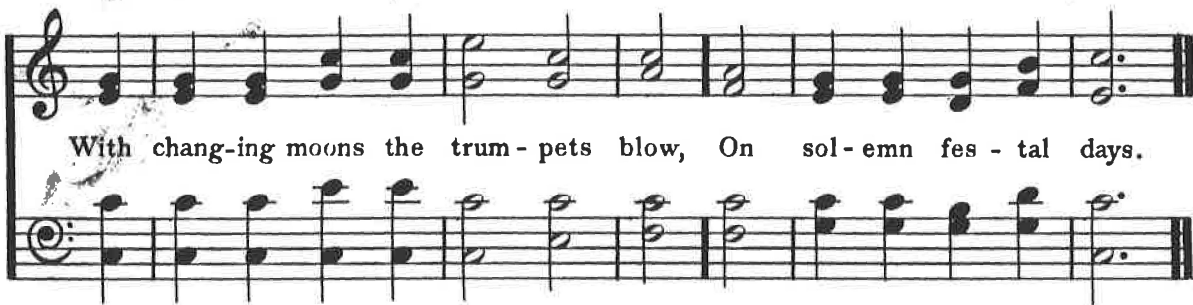
William B. Bradbury



1. To God our Strength, to Ja - cob's God, A song and shout now raise;



With psalm and tim - brel, harp and lute, A - wake to joy - ous praise.



With chang - ing moons the trum - pets blow, On sol - emn fes - tal days.

2. For 'tis a law of Jacob's God,
To Isr'el His command;
For Joseph He this witness set
When smiting Egypt's land;
And where I heard an alien speech
I did not understand.

3. I from thy shoulder took the load;
Thy hands from toil set free;
Delivered thee from trouble sore,
When thou didst call on Me;
Proved thee at streams of Meribah;
In thunder answered thee.

4. I now to thee will testify;
O ye, My people, hear;
O Isr'el, if thou only wouldst
Attend with willing ear;
Thou shalt not worship foreign gods,
Nor idols vain revere.

5. No alien god shall be in thee.
The Lord thy God am I,
Who brought thee up from Egypt's land
And will thy needs supply;
In longing open wide thy mouth,
And thee I'll satisfy.

6. My people would not hear My voice;
My counsel Isr'el spurned;
I let them go the way their hearts
In stubbornness were turned;
That they might walk in counsel vain
For which their souls had yearned.

7. O that My people would Me hear,
And Isr'el choose My way;
Right soon I would their foes subdue,
Their enemies dismay.
Who hate the Lord should yield to Him,
And His commands obey.

8. But as for Israel their time
Should evermore abide;
He with the finest of the wheat
Had all their wants supplied;
And thee with honey from the rock
Would I have satisfied.

THE BOOK OF PSALMS
PSALM 49

PAGE
125

SEYMOUR. 7, 7, 7, 7.

Carl M. Von Weber



1. Hear this, all ye peo- ples, hear; Earth's in - hab - i - tants, give ear;



All of high and low de - gree, Rich and poor, give ear to me .



- | | |
|--|--|
| 2. For my mouth shall wisdom speak;
Knowledge with my heart I'll seek,
Lend to parables mine ear,
With the harp make dark things clear. | 5. (Life's redemption costly is,
And the hope must ever cease:)
That from death he should be free
And corruption never see. |
| 3. Why should I to fear give way
When I see the evil day;
When with wickedness my foes
Shall surround me and oppose? | 6. For alike before their eyes
Die the foolish and the wise;
Then their riches' hoarded heap,
Other hands in turn shall keep. |
| 4. They that trust in treasured gold,
Though they boast of wealth untold,
None can bid his brother live,
None to God a ransom give; | 7. Yet within their heart they say
That their houses are for aye,
That their dwelling places grand
Shall for generations stand. |
| 8. To their lands they give their name,
In the hope of lasting fame;
But man's honor quickly flies.
He, like beasts that perish, dies. | |

Ephesians 4

1 I therefore, the prisoner of the Lord, beseech you that ye walk worthy of the vocation wherewith ye are called,

2 With all lowliness and meekness, with longsuffering, forbearing one another in love;

3 Endeavouring to keep the unity of the Spirit in the bond of peace.

4 There is one body, and one Spirit, even as ye are called in one hope of your calling;

5 One Lord, one faith, one baptism,

6 One God and Father of all, who is above all, and through all, and in you all.

7 But unto every one of us is given grace according to the measure of the gift of Christ.

8 Wherefore he saith, When he ascended up on high, he led captivity captive, and gave gifts unto men.

9 (Now that he ascended, what is it but that he also descended first into the lower parts of the earth?

¹⁰ He that descended is the same also that ascended up far above all heavens, that he might fill all things.)

¹¹ And he gave some, apostles; and some, prophets; and some, evangelists; and some, pastors and teachers;

¹² For the perfecting of the saints, for the work of the ministry, for the edifying of the body of Christ:

¹³ Till we all come in the unity of the faith, and of the knowledge of the Son of God, unto a perfect man, unto the measure of the stature of the fulness of Christ:

¹⁴ That we henceforth be no more children, tossed to and fro, and carried about with every wind of doctrine, by the sleight of men, and cunning craftiness, whereby they lie in wait to deceive;

¹⁵ But speaking the truth in love, may grow up into him in all things, which is the head, even Christ:

¹⁶ From whom the whole body fitly joined together and compacted by that which every joint supplieth, according to the effectual working in the measure of every part, maketh increase of the body unto the edifying of itself in love.

¹⁷ This I say therefore, and testify in the Lord, that ye henceforth walk not as other Gentiles walk, in the vanity of their mind,

¹⁸ Having the understanding darkened, being alienated from the life of God through the ignorance that is in them, because of the blindness of their heart:

¹⁹ Who being past feeling have given themselves over unto lasciviousness, to work all uncleanness with greediness.

²⁰ But ye have not so learned Christ;

²¹ If so be that ye have heard him, and have been taught by him, as the truth is in Jesus:

²² That ye put off concerning the former conversation the old man, which is corrupt according to the deceitful lusts;

²³ And be renewed in the spirit of your mind;

²⁴ And that ye put on the new man, which after God is created in righteousness and true holiness.

²⁵ Wherefore putting away lying, speak every man truth with his neighbour: for we are members one of another.

²⁶ Be ye angry, and sin not: let not the sun go down upon your wrath:

²⁷ Neither give place to the devil.

²⁸ Let him that stole steal no more: but rather let him labour, working with his hands the thing which is good, that he may have to give to him that needeth.

²⁹ Let no corrupt communication proceed out of your mouth, but that which is good to the use of edifying, that it may minister grace unto the hearers.

³⁰ And grieve not the holy Spirit of God, whereby ye are sealed unto the day of redemption.

³¹ Let all bitterness, and wrath, and anger, and clamour, and evil speaking, be put away from you, with all malice:

³² And be ye kind one to another, tenderhearted, forgiving one another, even as God for Christ's sake hath forgiven you.

Exodus 23

1 Thou shalt not raise a false report: put not thine hand with the wicked to be an unrighteous witness.

2 Thou shalt not follow a multitude to do evil; neither shalt thou speak in a cause to decline after many to wrest judgment:

3 Neither shalt thou countenance a poor man in his cause.

4 If thou meet thine enemy's ox or his ass going astray, thou shalt surely bring it back to him again.

5 If thou see the ass of him that hateth thee lying under his burden, and wouldest forbear to help him, thou shalt surely help with him.

6 Thou shalt not wrest the judgment of thy poor in his cause.

7 Keep thee far from a false matter; and the innocent and righteous slay thou not: for I will not justify the wicked.

8 And thou shalt take no gift: for the gift blindeth the wise, and perverteth the words of the righteous.

⁹ Also thou shalt not oppress a stranger: for ye know the heart of a stranger, seeing ye were strangers in the land of Egypt.

¹⁰ And six years thou shalt sow thy land, and shalt gather in the fruits thereof:

¹¹ But the seventh year thou shalt let it rest and lie still; that the poor of thy people may eat: and what they leave the beasts of the field shall eat. In like manner thou shalt deal with thy vineyard, and with thy oliveyard.

¹² Six days thou shalt do thy work, and on the seventh day thou shalt rest: that thine ox and thine ass may rest, and the son of thy handmaid, and the stranger, may be refreshed.

¹³ And in all things that I have said unto you be circumspect: and make no mention of the name of other gods, neither let it be heard out of thy mouth.

¹⁴ Three times thou shalt keep a feast unto me in the year.

¹⁵ Thou shalt keep the feast of unleavened bread: (thou shalt eat unleavened bread seven days, as I commanded thee, in the time appointed of the month Abib; for in it thou camest out from Egypt: and none shall appear before me empty:)

¹⁶ And the feast of harvest, the firstfruits of thy labours, which thou hast sown in the field: and the feast of ingathering, which is in the end of the year, when thou hast gathered in thy labours out of the field.

¹⁷ Three times in the year all thy males shall appear before the LORD God.

¹⁸ Thou shalt not offer the blood of my sacrifice with leavened bread; neither shall the fat of my sacrifice remain until the morning.

¹⁹ The first of the firstfruits of thy land thou shalt bring into the house of the LORD thy God. Thou shalt not seethe a kid in his mother's milk.

²⁰ Behold, I send an Angel before thee, to keep thee in the way, and to bring thee into the place which I have prepared.

²¹ Beware of him, and obey his voice, provoke him not; for he will not pardon your transgressions: for my name is in him.

²² But if thou shalt indeed obey his voice, and do all that I speak; then I will be an enemy unto thine enemies, and an adversary unto thine adversaries.

²³ For mine Angel shall go before thee, and bring thee in unto the Amorites, and the Hittites, and the Perizzites, and the Canaanites, the Hivites, and the Jebusites: and I will cut them off.

²⁴ Thou shalt not bow down to their gods, nor serve them, nor do after their works: but thou shalt utterly overthrow them, and quite break down their images.

²⁵ And ye shall serve the LORD your God, and he shall bless thy bread, and thy water; and I will take sickness away from the midst of thee.

²⁶ There shall nothing cast their young, nor be barren, in thy land: the number of thy days I will fulfil.

²⁷ I will send my fear before thee, and will destroy all the people to whom thou shalt come, and I will make all thine enemies turn their backs unto thee.

²⁸ And I will send hornets before thee, which shall drive out the Hivite, the Canaanite, and the Hittite, from before thee.

²⁹ I will not drive them out from before thee in one year; lest the land become desolate, and the beast of the field multiply against thee.

³⁰ By little and little I will drive them out from before thee, until thou be increased, and inherit the land.

³¹ And I will set thy bounds from the Red sea even unto the sea of the Philistines, and from the desert unto the river: for I will deliver the inhabitants of the land into your hand; and thou shalt drive them out before thee.

³² Thou shalt make no covenant with them, nor with their gods.

³³ They shall not dwell in thy land, lest they make thee sin against me: for if thou serve their gods, it will surely be a snare unto thee.

THE BOOK OF PSALMS
PSALM 49

MERCY. 7, 7, 7, 7.

Louis M. Gottschalk



9. Though this fol - ly marks their ways, Though the world their say - ings praise,



In the grave like sheep they're laid; Death their shep-herd there is made.



Copyright of Oliver Ditson & Co.

10. O'er them soon shall rule the just,
All their beauty turn to dust;
But from death God will retrieve,
To Himself my soul receive.
11. Let no fear disturb your peace;
Though one's house and wealth increase,
Death shall all his glory end;
Naught shall after him descend.
12. Though the world his praise will tell,
When to self he doeth well,
And though while of life possessed,
He his soul hath always blessed,
13. With his fathers he shall lie,
Where no light shall meet his eye.
Man in honor when not wise,
Like the beasts that perish, dies.

Ecclesiastes 2

1 I said in mine heart, Go to now, I will prove thee with mirth, therefore enjoy pleasure: and, behold, this also is vanity.

2 I said of laughter, It is mad: and of mirth, What doeth it?

3 I sought in mine heart to give myself unto wine, yet acquainting mine heart with wisdom; and to lay hold on folly, till I might see what was that good for the sons of men, which they should do under the heaven all the days of their life.

4 I made me great works; I builded me houses; I planted me vineyards:

5 I made me gardens and orchards, and I planted trees in them of all kind of fruits:

6 I made me pools of water, to water therewith the wood that bringeth forth trees:

7 I got me servants and maidens, and had servants born in my house; also I had great possessions of great and small cattle above all that were in Jerusalem before me:

⁸ I gathered me also silver and gold, and the peculiar treasure of kings and of the provinces: I gat me men singers and women singers, and the delights of the sons of men, as musical instruments, and that of all sorts.

⁹ So I was great, and increased more than all that were before me in Jerusalem: also my wisdom remained with me.

¹⁰ And whatsoever mine eyes desired I kept not from them, I withheld not my heart from any joy; for my heart rejoiced in all my labour: and this was my portion of all my labour.

¹¹ Then I looked on all the works that my hands had wrought, and on the labour that I had laboured to do: and, behold, all was vanity and vexation of spirit, and there was no profit under the sun.

¹² And I turned myself to behold wisdom, and madness, and folly: for what can the man do that cometh after the king? even that which hath been already done.

¹³ Then I saw that wisdom excelleth folly, as far as light excelleth darkness.

¹⁴ The wise man's eyes are in his head; but the fool walketh in darkness: and I myself perceived also that one event happeneth to them all.

¹⁵ Then said I in my heart, As it happeneth to the fool, so it happeneth even to me; and why was I then more wise? Then I said in my heart, that this also is vanity.

¹⁶ For there is no remembrance of the wise more than of the fool for ever; seeing that which now is in the days to come shall all be forgotten. And how dieth the wise man? as the fool.

¹⁷ Therefore I hated life; because the work that is wrought under the sun is grievous unto me: for all is vanity and vexation of spirit.

¹⁸ Yea, I hated all my labour which I had taken under the sun: because I should leave it unto the man that shall be after me.

¹⁹ And who knoweth whether he shall be a wise man or a fool? yet shall he have rule over all my labour wherein I have laboured, and wherein I have shewed myself wise under the sun. This is also vanity.

²⁰ Therefore I went about to cause my heart to despair of all the labour which I took under the sun.

²¹ For there is a man whose labour is in wisdom, and in knowledge, and in equity; yet to a man that hath not laboured therein shall he leave it for his portion. This also is vanity and a great evil.

²² For what hath man of all his labour, and of the vexation of his heart, wherein he hath laboured under the sun?

²³ For all his days are sorrows, and his travail grief; yea, his heart taketh not rest in the night. This is also vanity.

²⁴ There is nothing better for a man, than that he should eat and drink, and that he should make his soul enjoy good in his labour. This also I saw, that it was from the hand of God.

²⁵ For who can eat, or who else can hasten hereunto, more than I?

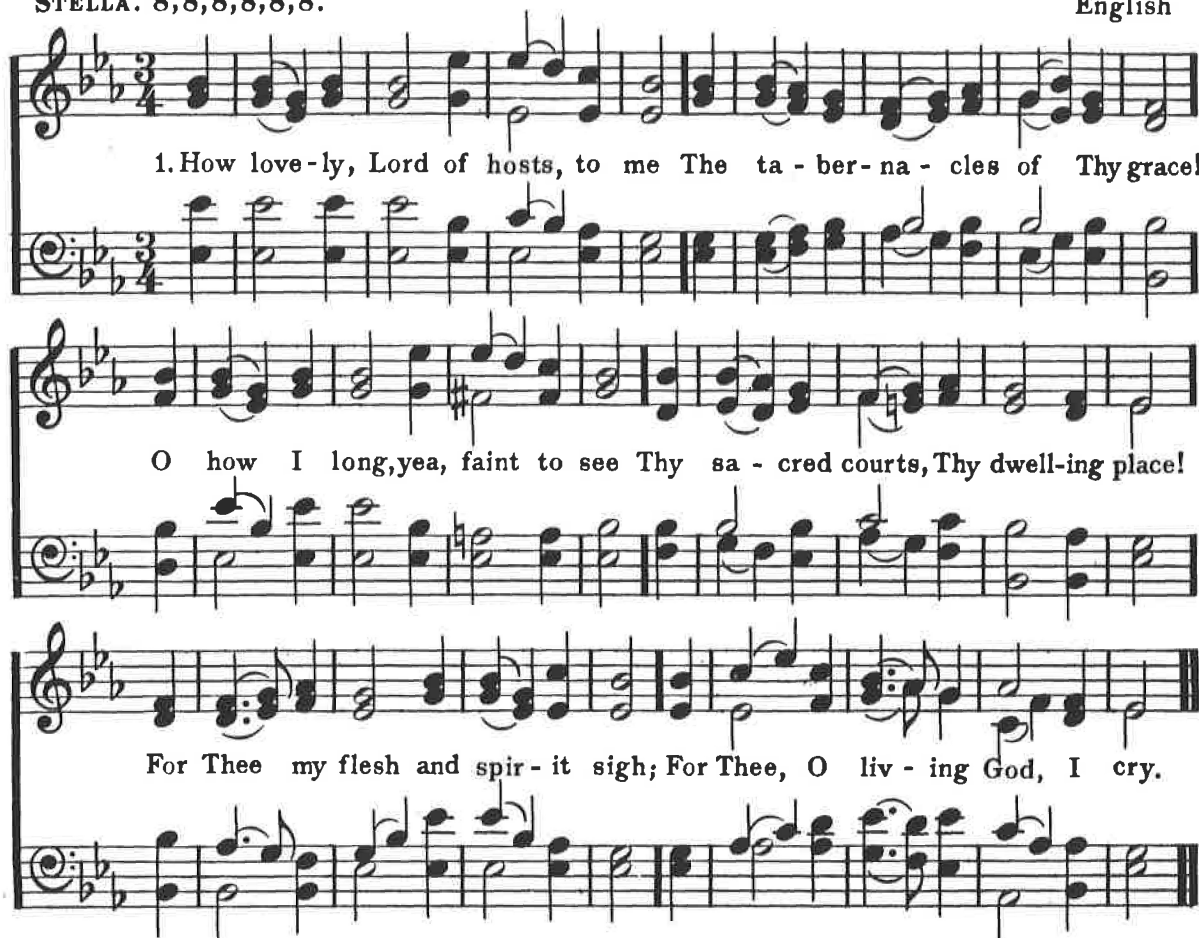
²⁶ For God giveth to a man that is good in his sight wisdom, and knowledge, and joy: but to the sinner he giveth travail, to gather and to heap up, that he may give to him that is good before God. This also is vanity and vexation of spirit.

THE BOOK OF PSALMS
PSALM 84

PAGE
205

STELLA. 8,8,8,8,8,8.

English



1. How love-ly, Lord of hosts, to me The ta-ber-na-cles of Thy grace!
O how I long, yea, faint to see Thy sa-cred courts, Thy dwell-ing place!
For Thee my flesh and spir-it sigh; For Thee, O liv-ing God, I cry.

2. The sparrow hath her place of rest;
The swallow through Thy kindly care
Hath found where she may build her nest
And brood her young in safety there.
Thine altars as my rest I sing,
O Lord of hosts, my God, my King.
3. Blessed they who in Thy house abide;
They still to Thee shall render praise.
Blessed they who in Thy strength confide
And in whose heart are Zion's ways.
Though through the vale of tears they
go, [flow.
Ev'n there they make the springs to
4. Advancing still from strength to
strength,
They forward go where saints have
Till ev'ry one appears at length [trode,
In Zion's courts before his God.
Jehovah, God of hosts, give ear;
O Jacob's God, in mercy hear.
5. Behold and look, O God, our Shield;
The face of Thine Anointed see.
A thousand other days can yield
No gladness like one day with Thee.
I'd rather keep Thy door, O God,
Than dwell in tents of sin abroad.
6. For God the Lord's a shield and sun;
The Lord will grace and glory give;
No good will He withhold from one
Who doth before Him rightly live.
O Lord of hosts, that man is blessed,
Whose trust on Thee alone doth rest.