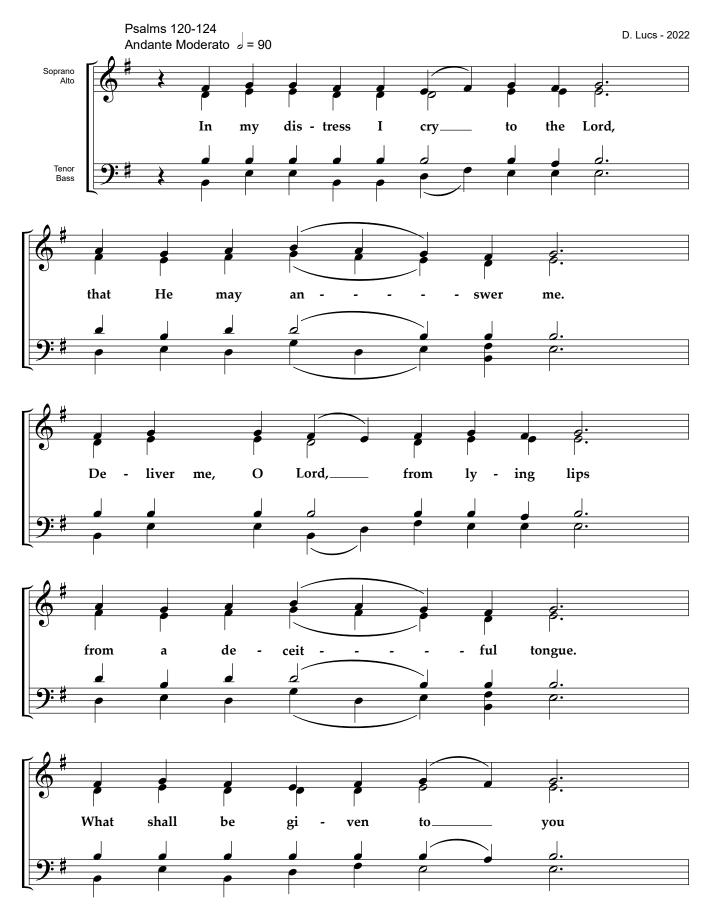
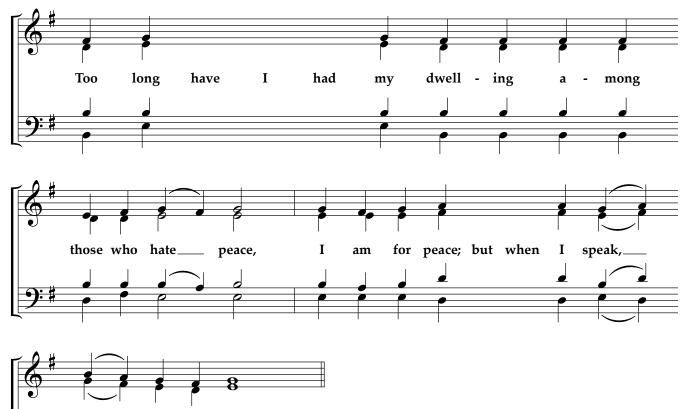
First Antiphon

Presanctified Liturgy



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* I lift up mine \underbrace{eyes} to the hills / from whence does \underbrace{my} help come.

My help <u>comes</u> from the Lord, / <u>who</u> made <u>heav</u>en and earth.

He will not let your foot be moved, / He who keeps you will not slumber.

Behold, He who keeps Israel / will neither slumber nor sleep.

The Lord is your keeper, / the Lord is your shade on your right hand.

The sun shall not <u>smite</u> you by day, / nor the moon by night.

The Lord will keep you from all evil, / He will keep your life.

The Lord will keep your going out and your coming in, / from this time forth and forever more.

* I was glad when they said to me, / let us go to the house of the Lord,

Our feet have been standing / within your gates, O Jerusalem.

Jerusalem, built as a city / bound firmly together,

To which the tribes go up, the tribes of the Lord, /

as was decreed for Israel, to give thanks to the name of the Lord.

There thrones for judgment were set, / the thrones of the house of David.

Pray for the peace of Jerusalem! / May they prosper who love you.

Peace be within your walls / and security within your towers.

For my brethren and companions' sake, / I will say, peace be within you.

For the sake of the house of the Lord our God, / I will seek your good.

* To Thee, I lift up mine eyes, / O Thou who art enthroned in the heavens.

Behold, as the eyes of the servants look to the hand of their master, /

as the eyes of a maid to the hand of her mistress.

So our eyes look to the Lord our God, / till He has mercy upon us.

Have mercy upon us, O Lord, have mercy upon us, / for we have had more than enough of contempt.

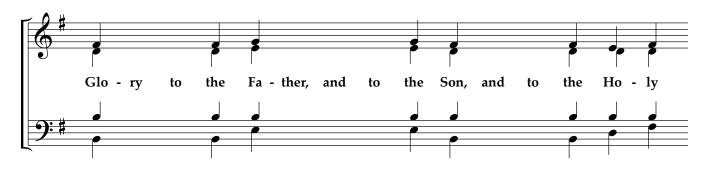
Too long our soul has been sated with the scorn of those who are at ease, / the contempt of the proud.

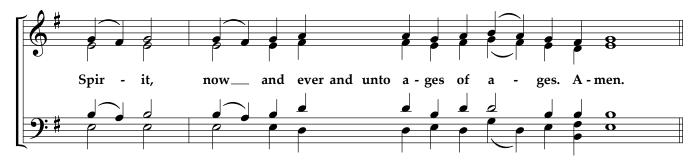
* If it had not been the Lord who was on our side, / let Israel now say:

If it had not been the Lord who was on our side, / when men rose up against us;

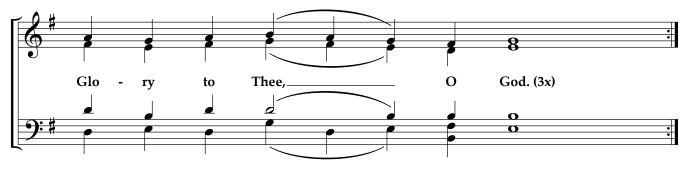
Then they would have swallowed us alive, / when their anger was kindled against us.











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