
MISERERE MEI, DEUS

HAVE MERCY UPON ME, O GOD

English Words

Psalm 51

Music

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SSATB choir and SSAB Soli (or Double Choir)

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Miserere Mei Deus

Have mercy upon me, O God

Choir SSATB
Soli SSAB (or Choir 2)

Gregorio Allegri

Soprano 1
Have mer - cy up - on me, O God, O God

Soprano 2
Have mer - cy up - on me, O God, O

Alto
Have mer - cy up - on me, O God, O

Tenor
Have mer - cy up - on me, O God, O

Bass
Have mer - cy up - on me, O God, O

Solo Soprano 1

Solo Soprano 2

Solo Alto

Solo Bass

Rehearsal

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God af-ter thy great good-ness, af-ter thy great
 God af-ter thy great good-ness,
 God af-ter thy great good-ness, af-ter thy great good-ness,
 God af-ter thy great good-ness, af-ter thy great good-ness
 God af-ter thy great good-ness, af-ter thy great good-

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good-ness, a-fter thy great good-ness.
 af-ter thy great good-ness, af-ter thy great good-ness.
 af-ter thy great good-ness.
 - af-ter thy great good-ness.
 -ness, thy great good-ness.

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Choir Tenor Bass

Ac-cord-ing to the mul-ti-tude of thy mer-cies: do a-way mine of-fenc-es.

14

Soli

Wash me through - ly from my wick-ed-ness from

Wash me through - ly from my wick - ed - ness;

Wash me through - ly from my wick - ed-ness, from

Wash me through - ly from my wick - ed - ness, from my

18

my wick - ed - ness; and cleanse me from my

from my wick-ed - ness; and cleanse me from my

my wick - ed - ness; and cleanse me from my

wick - ed - ness; and cleanse me from my

22 * See Appendix

sin, from, from my sin. sin, from my sin. sin, from my sin. sin, from my sin. sin, from my sin.

28 *Choir Tenor Bass*

8 For I ack - now - lege my faults: and my sin is ev - er be - fore me.

29

Choir

A-against thee on - ly have I sinned, and done this ev - il in
 A-against thee on - ly have I sinned, and done this ev - il in
 Ag-ainst thee on - ly have I sinned, and done this ev - il in
 A-against thee on - ly have I sinned, and done this ev - il in
 A-against thee on - ly have I sinned, and done this ev - il in

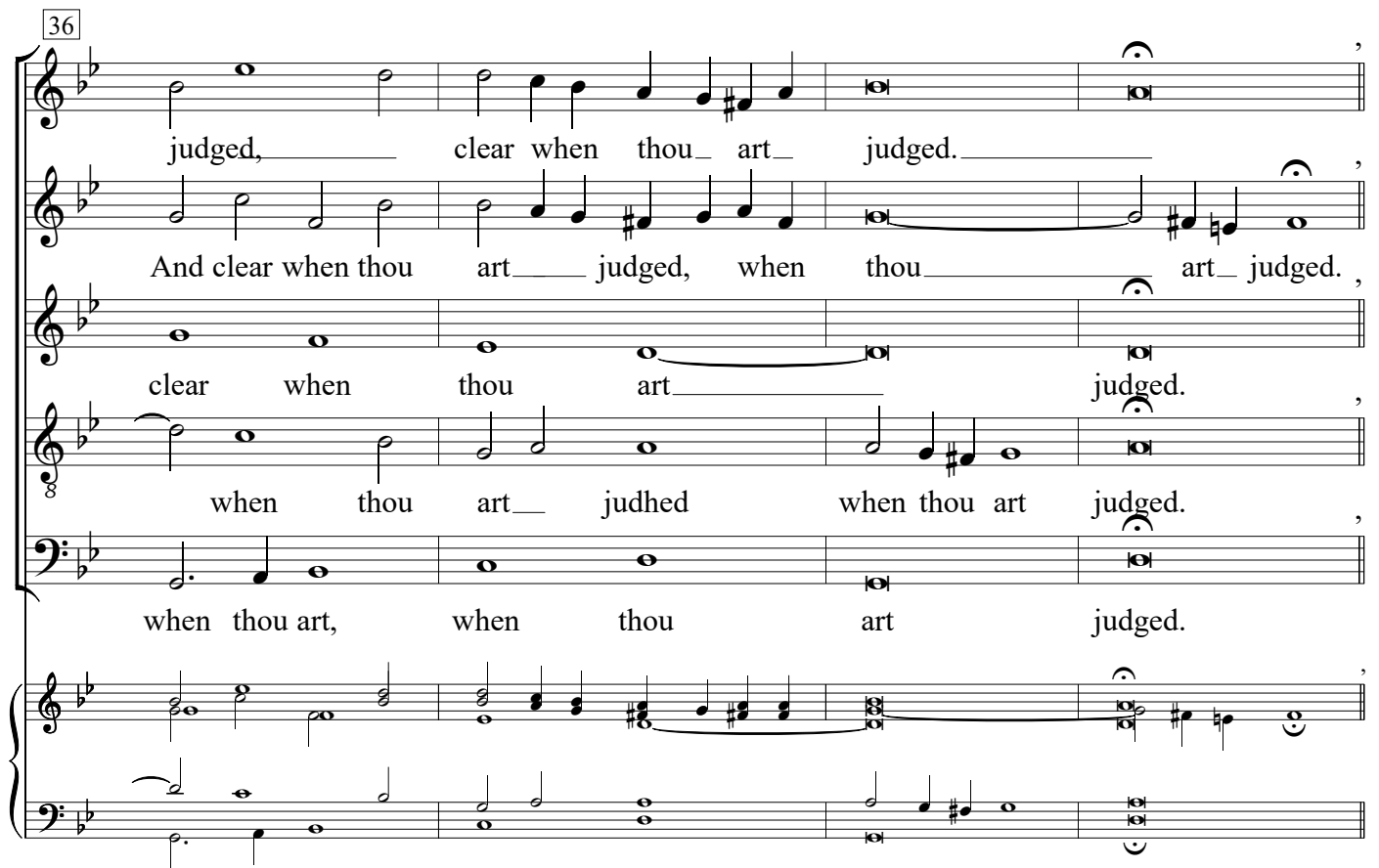
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thy sight. That thou might-est be just - i - fied in thy
 thy sight. That thou might-est be just - i - fied in thy
 thy sight. That thou might-est be just - i - fied in thy
 thy sight. That thou might-est be just - i - fied in thy
 thy sight. That thou might-est be just - i - fied in thy

33

say - ing, And clear when thou art
 say - ing,
 say - ing, and clear when thou art judged. and
 say - ing, and clear when thou art judged
 say - ing, and clear when thou art judged,
 say - ing, and clear when thou art judged,

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judged, clear when thou art judged.

And clear when thou art judged, when thou art judged.

clear when thou art judged.

when thou art judged when thou art judged.

when thou art, when thou art judged.

40 *Choir Tenor Bass*



Be-hold, I was shap-en in wick-ed-ness: and in sin hath my mo-ther con-ceiv-ed me.

41



But lo, thou re - quire - est truth in the in - ward

But lo thou re - quire - est truth

But lo thou re - quire - est truth in the in

But lo thou re - quire - est truth in the

44

Parts: and shalt make me to un-der-stand
 truth in the in-ward parts: and shalt make me to un-der-stand
 - ward parts: and shalt make me to un-der-stand
 in - ward parts: and shalt make me to un-der-stand

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** See Appendix*

wis - dom, wis - dom se - cret - ly.
 wis - dom, wis - dom, wis - dom se - cret - ly.
 wid - dom, wis - dom, wis - dom se - cret - ly.
 wis - dom, wis - dom se - cret - ly.

53

Choir Tenor Bass

Thou shalt purge me with hys - sop and I shall be clean:

53

8 thou shalt wash me, and I shall be whit - er than snow.

53

Choir

Thou shalt make me hear of joy and glad -

Thou shalt make me hear of joy and glad -

Thou shalt make me hear of joy and glad - ness,

Thou shalt make me hear of joy and glad - ness, and glad -

Thou shalt make me hear of joy and glad - ness, and

55

-ness: , that the bones

-ness: , that the bones

and glad - -ness: , that the bones which

- ness: , that the bones

glad - -ness: that the bones

59

which thou hast bro - ken
 which thou hast bro - ken
 thou hast bro - ken thou hast
 which thou hast bro - ken thou hast
 which thou hast bro - ken may

62

may re - jice may re - jice.
 may re - jice, may re - jice.
 bro - ken may re - jice.
 bro - ken may re - jice.
 re - jice.

65

Choir Tenor Bass

Turn my face from my sins: and put out all my mis - deeds.

66

Soli

Make me a clean heart, O

Make me a clean heart, O God,

Make me a clean heart, O God, O God,

Make me a clean, a clean heart

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* See Appendix

God, O God: and re - new a right spi

O God: and re - new a right spi -

O God and re - new a

O God and re - new a

74

- rit with - in me.

- rit with - in me.

right spi - rit with - in me.

right spi - rit with - in me.

78 *Choir Tenor Bass*

Cast me not a - way from thy pres-ence: and take not thy Ho - ly Spi - rit from me.

79

O give me the com-fort of thy help a - gain: gain: ,

O give me the com - fort of thy help a - gain: ,

O give me the com - fort of thy help a - gain: ,

O give me the com-fort of thy help a - gain: ,

O give me the com - fort of thy help a - gain: ,

83

and stab - lish me, stab - lish me;
 and stab - lish me, stab - blish me with thy free
 and stab - lish me, stab - lish me with thy,
 and stab - lish me, stab - lish me with thy,

86

me stab - lish me with thy free spir - it.
 stab - lish me with thy free spi - rit with thy free spir - rit.
 spir - it, with thy free spir - it.
 thy free spir - it, thy free spir - it.
 free spir - it, free spir - it.

90

Choir Tenor Bass

Then shall I teach thy ways un - to the wick - ed: and sin - ners shall be con - vert - ed un - to thee.

91

Soli

De - li - ver me from blood guilt - i - ness, O God, thou that

De - li - ver me from blood guilt - i - ness, O God, thou that

De - li - ver me from blood guilt - i - ness, O God, thou that

De - li - ver me from blood guilt - i - ness, O God, thou that

92

Soli

art the God of my health:

art the God of my health:

art the God, the God of my health:

art the God of my health:

96 ** See Appendix*

Soprano: and my tongue shall sing of thy, of _____

Alto: and my tongue shall sing of thy. sing _____ of thy

Tenor: and my tongue shall sing of thy, sing

Bass: and my tongue shall sing of thy, thy

Piano: Accompanying piano part with chords and melodic lines.

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Soprano: thy right eous - ness.

Alto: right - teous ness.

Tenor: of thy, sing of thy right - eous - ness.

Bass: right eous ness.

Piano: Accompanying piano part with chords and melodic lines.

102 *Choir Tenor Bass*

Thou shalt op - en my lips, O Lord: and my mouth shall shew thy praise.

103

Choir

For thou de - sir - est no sa - cri - fice else would I give it

For thou de - sir - est no sa - cri - fice else would I give it

For thou de - sir - est no sa - cri - fice else would I give it

For thou de - sir - est no sa - cri - fice else would I give it

For thou de - sir - est no sa - cri - fice else would I give it

105

give it thee: but thou, thou de-light-est not in burnt

give it, give it thee: but thou, but thou de - light - est not

thee, give it thee: but thou, but thou de - light - est not

it thee: but thou, but thou de - light - est not

give it thee: but thou, but thou de - light - est not

111

not in burnt of - fer-ings, of - fer - ings.
 burnt of-fer-ings, burnt of - fer-ings, of - fer - ings. ,
 of - fer - ings, in burnt of - fer - ings.
 in burnt of - fer - ings, in burnt of - fer - ings.
 in burnt of - fer - ings, of - fer - ings.

115 *Choir Tenor Bass*

8 The sac-ri-fice of God is a trou-bled spi-rit: a bro-ken and con-trite heart, O God, thou shalt not dis-pise.

116

O be fa-vour-a-ble and gra - cious un - to, un - to
 O be fa-vour-a-ble and gra - cious to Si -
 O be fa-vour-a-ble and gra - cious un - to Si - on
 O be fa-vour-a-ble and gra - cious un - to

119

* See Appendix

Si - on: build thou the walls
 to si - on: build thou the walls of Je -
 Si - on: build thou the walls,
 Si - on: build thou the walls

123

of Je - ru - sa - lem.
 -ru - sa - lem, of Je - ru - sa - lem.
 the walls of Je - ru - sa - lem.
 of Je - ru - sa - lem.

Choir

Then shalt thou be pleased with the sac - ri - fice of right-eous-ness, with the burnt

Then shalt thou be pleased with the sac - ri - fice of right-eous-ness, with the burnt

Then shalt thou be pleased with the sac - ri - fice of right-eous-ness, with the burnt

Then shalt thou be pleased with the sac - ri - fice of right-eous-ness, with the burnt

Then shalt thou be pleased with the sac - ri - fice of right-eous-ness, with the burnt

Then shalt thou be pleased with the sac - ri - fice of right-eous-ness, with the burnt

Choir

of - fer - ings and ob - la - tions.

of - fer - ings and ob - la - tions.

of - fer - ings and ob - la - tions.

of - fer - ings and ob - bla - tions.

of - fer - ings and ob - la - tions.

Choir

Then shall they of - fer young bul - locks up -

Then shall they of - fer young bul - locks up -

Then shall they of - fer young bul - locks up -

Then shall they of - fer young bul - locks up -

Then shall they of - fer young bul - locks up -

Soli

Then shall they of - fer young bul - locks up -

Then shall they of - fer young bul - locks up -

Then shall they of - fer young bul - locks up -

Then shall they of - fer young bul - locks up -

on thine al - tar, thine al - tar.

on thine al - tar, thine al - tar.

on thine al - tar, thine al - tar.

on, up - on thine al - tar, up - on thine al - tar.

on thine al - tar.

on thine al - tar.

pon thine al - tar, thine al - tar.

on thine al - tar, up - on thine al - tar.

pon thine al - tar.

pon thine al - tar.

Appendix

If resources do not permit the top C to be sung, the following may be substituted for bars
22-27, 47-52, 72-77, 97-102, 122-127

22-27 sin. from, from
47-52 wis - dom wis -
72-77 -new a right spi -
97-102 sing of thy, of
122-127 walls of

22-27 sin from my sin,
47-52 wis - dom, wis - dom, wis -
72-77 -new a right spi -
97-102 sing of thy, sing of thy
122-127 walls of Je - ru - sa - lem,

22-27 sin from my
47-52 wis - dom, wis - dom,
72-77 -new a right
97-102 sing of thy, sing of
122-127 walls, the walls

22-27 sin. from my
47-52 wis - dom, wis - dom
72-77 -new a right
97-102 sing of thy, thy right -
122-127 walls of Je

22-27 my sin.
 47-52 dom se - cret - ly.
 72-77 rit with - in me.
 97-102 thy right - eous - ness.
 122-127 Je - ru - sa - lem.

22-27 from my sin.
 47-52 dom se - cret - ly.
 72-77 rit with - in me.
 97-102 right - eous - ness.
 122-127 of Je - ru - sa - lem.

22-27 sin, from my sin.
 47-52 wis - dom se - cret - ly.
 72-77 right spi - rit with - in me.
 97-102 thy, sing of thy right - eous - ness.
 122-127 of Je - ru - sa - lem.

22-27 sin, from my sin.
 47-52 se - cret - ly.
 72-77 spi - rit with - in me.
 97-102 eous - ness.
 122-127 ru - sa - lem.