

The background of the entire image is a close-up of a dark, weathered wooden door. Two vertical metal handles, possibly brass or bronze, are mounted on the door. The handles have a textured, aged appearance with some darker spots and a slightly rounded top and bottom. The wood grain is clearly visible, running vertically.

# READ PRAY SING

*The Psalms as  
an Entryway to  
the Scriptures*

**PSALMFEST 2013**

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“to do this [sing the Psalms]  
beautifully is the heart’s  
desire and joy”  
— *Athanasius* —

<b>PRELUDE</b>	Union University Singers
“Come and Sing!” (Psalms 47 and 66) – Dan Musselman	
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<b>PROVIDING REDEMPTION</b>	
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# Psalm 34 | A Responsorial Setting 34A

*Refrain* C Em F Am G2 Cmaj7

Taste and see, taste and see the good-ness of the Lord.

- Refrain*
- 1 I will bless the LORD at all times;  
the praise of God shall ever be in my mouth.
  - 2 I will glory in the LORD;  
let the lowly hear and rejoice.
  - 3 Proclaim with me the greatness of the LORD;  
let us exalt God's name together. *Refrain*
  - 4 I sought the LORD, who answered me  
and delivered me from all my terrors.
  - 5 Look upon the LORD and be radiant,  
and let not your faces be ashamed.
  - 6 I called in my affliction, and the LORD heard me  
and saved me from all my troubles.
  - 7 The angel of the LORD encamps around those who fear the LORD  
and delivers them.
  - 8 Taste and see that the LORD is good;  
happy are they who take refuge in God! *Refrain*
  - 9 Fear the LORD, you saints of the LORD,  
for those who fear the LORD lack nothing.
  - 10 The lions are in want and suffer hunger,  
but those who seek the LORD lack nothing that is good.
  - 11 Come, children, and listen to me;  
I will teach you reverence for the LORD.
  - 12 Who among you takes pleasure in life  
and desires long life to enjoy prosperity?
  - 13 Keep your tongue from evil  
and your lips from lying words.
  - 14 Turn from evil and do good;  
seek peace and pursue it. *Refrain*

- 15 The eyes of the LORD are upon the righteous,  
and God's ears are open to their cry.
- 16 The face of the LORD is against those who do evil,  
to erase the remembrance of them from the earth.
- 17 The righteous cry, and the LORD hears them,  
and delivers them from all their troubles.
- 18 The LORD is near to the brokenhearted  
and saves those whose spirits are crushed. *Refrain*
- 19 Many are the troubles of the righteous,  
but the LORD delivers them from every one.
- 20 God will keep safe all their bones;  
not one of them shall be broken.
- 21 Evil will bring death to the wicked  
and those who hate the righteous will be punished.
- 22 O LORD, you redeem the life of your servants,  
and those who put their trust in you will not be punished. *Refrain*

*Tone*

*Lectionary: vv. 1-10, 22 All Saints' Day (A); vv. 1-8 Ordinary Time after Pentecost (B); vv. 1-8 (19-22) Ordinary Time after Pentecost (B); vv. 9-14 Ordinary Time after Pentecost (B); vv. 15-22 Ordinary Time after Pentecost (B).*

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# 511 Create in Me a Clean Heart

G Gmaj7 C/G G2

Cre - ate in me a clean heart, O God,

G/D Dsus2 D7 1 G C/G G C/G

and re-new a right spir-it with-in me. Cre-

2 G C/G G Am7 D2 Gmaj7

me. Cast me not a - way from your pres-ence, O

Em Am7 D2 Gmaj7

Lord, and take not your Ho - ly Spir - it from me.

G2 G7 Am7 D2 Gmaj7 Em

Re-store un-to me the joy of your sal - va-tion,

Am7 D7 G

and re-new a right spir-it with-in me.

## Psalm 4

“O Righteous God, Hear When I Call” – Randall Bush  
To CLEANSING FOUNTAIN (“There Is a Fountain”)

O Righteous God, hear when I call,  
Relieve my soul’s distress  
In mercy, on Thine ears let fall  
The prayer my lips confess.  
How long will those around me turn  
My glory into shame?  
How long for falsehoods will they yearn  
False deities proclaim?

Know fully that the Lord has claimed  
The godly for Himself.  
He hears them when they call His name  
And gives them needed help.  
So in your anger do not sin,  
But silently reflect.  
Search hard your heart and have toward Him  
A posture of respect.

As sacrifices true and right  
Your hearts now offer up.  
Trust in the Lord both day and night  
To fill your empty cup.  
To fill it full with greater joy  
Than grain or wine can give,  
That peaceful rest you may enjoy  
And safely you may live.

## Psalm 32

*Of David. A Maskil.*

- <sup>1</sup> Happy are those whose transgression is forgiven,  
whose sin is covered.
- <sup>2</sup> Happy are those to whom the LORD imputes no iniquity,  
and in whose spirit there is no deceit.
- <sup>3</sup> **While I kept silence, my body wasted away  
through my groaning all day long.**
- <sup>4</sup> For day and night your hand was heavy upon me;  
my strength was dried up as by the heat of summer. *Selah*
- <sup>5</sup> **Then I acknowledged my sin to you, and I did not hide my iniquity;  
I said, “I will confess my transgressions to the LORD,”  
and you forgave the guilt of my sin.** *Selah*
- <sup>6</sup> Therefore let all who are faithful offer prayer to you;  
at a time of distress, the rush of mighty waters shall not reach them.
- <sup>7</sup> **You are a hiding place for me;  
you preserve me from trouble;  
you surround me with glad cries of deliverance.** *Selah*
- <sup>8</sup> I will instruct you and teach you the way you should go;  
I will counsel you with my eye upon you.
- <sup>9</sup> Do not be like a horse or a mule, without understanding,  
whose temper must be curbed with bit and bridle,  
else it will not stay near you.
- <sup>10</sup> **Many are the torments of the wicked,  
but steadfast love surrounds those who trust in the LORD.**
- <sup>11</sup> **Be glad in the LORD and rejoice, O righteous,  
and shout for joy, all you upright in heart.**

God of grace,  
when we keep silence in guilt or suffering, your saving love can free our hearts to sing.  
Help us each day to confess our sin, receive your grace,  
forgive one another, and live in peace.  
We pray in the name of the Prince of Peace, Jesus Christ our Savior. **Amen.**

Psalm 32, a testimony of gratitude for God’s forgiveness, is the second of the traditional seven penitential psalms. Of these, it is one of the psalms that focuses most intently on the psalmist’s own sinfulness and God’s abundant mercy. It concludes with a turn from testimony to moral injunction, teaching fellow worshippers to trust and rejoice in God (vv. 8-11) and exemplifying how the life of faith moves from guilt to grace and ultimately gratitude. *Use in Worship: in conjunction with the confession of sin and assurance of God’s pardon.*

## The Stars Declare His Glory **19A**

1 The stars de-clare his glo - ry; the vault of heav - en  
 2 The dawn re - turns in splen - dor, the heav-ens burn and  
 3 So shine the Lord's com - mand - ments to make the sim - ple  
 4 So or - der too this life of mine, di - rect it all my

springs mute wit - ness of the Mas - ter's hand in  
 blaze, the ris - ing sun re - news the race that  
 wise; more sweet than hon - ey to the taste, more  
 days; the med - i - ta - tions of my heart be

all cre - a - ted things, and through the si - lenc -  
 meas-ures all our days, and writes in fire a -  
 rich than an - y prize, a law of love with -  
 in - no - cence and praise, my rock and my re -

es of space their sound-less mu - sic sings.  
 cross the skies God's maj - es - ty and praise.  
 in our hearts, a light be - fore our eyes.  
 deem-ing Lord, in all my words and ways.

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## Psalm 2 | A Dramatized Reading **2B**

*The wise cantor:*

- 1 Why do the peoples of the world rage about like madmen?  
 Why in the world do the different nations keep on thinking up stupid schemes?
- 2 Earth kings get together “for a consultation”—  
 important rulers hold conferences all together  
 against the LORD God and against God’s anointed one (*mashiach*).  
 These earthly rulers say:
- 3 “Let us smash the chains of this God that hold us down!  
 Let us throw off the reins of God’s ‘anointed one!’”

*Another liturgete, perhaps a priest:*

- 4 The One who sits enthroned in heaven begins to laugh,  
 my LORD mimics their foolish bluster;
- 5 and then God turns to them in holy anger,  
 stops the upstarts short with God’s fierce outrage:
- 6 “It was I! It is I who have set up my anointed king  
 on Zion, my set-apart mountain.”

*Princely ruler taking official part in the liturgy:*

- 7 Yes, I will recite the decisive appointment by the LORD God.  
 God said to me:  
 “You are my son. Today is the day I have borne you.
- 8 Ask it of me and I will give you peoples of the world for your heritage;  
 the most distant nations of the earth will be yours to tend.
- 9 You may have to break them with a rod of iron.  
 You may have to smash them for remodeling  
 as a sculpting potter reshapes her clay dish—”

*[The congregation stands]*

*Wise cantor again:*

- 10 So now, you small-time little rulers, you had better wise up!  
 You who only judge on the earth, hadn’t you better get the point?
- 11 Serve the LORD God with an attentive awe—  
 Take joy *in your task only* with trembling—  
 Give homage to this *adopted son of God too*—  
 lest he also get worked up, and you obliterate any way for you to walk,  
 for God’s anger can flash up like lightning. . . .

*Congregated chorus:*

- 12 Blessèd are all those who have run to take shelter with the anointed one.  
*Blessèd are all those who have run to take shelter with the anointed one.*  
*Blessèd are all those who have run to take shelter with the anointed one.*

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## 90B O God, Our Help in Ages Past

C Gsus G C Am D G

1 O God, our help in a - ges past, our hope for years to come,  
 2 Un - der the shad - ow of your throne your saints have dwelt se - cure;  
 3 Be - fore the hills in or - der stood or earth re - ceived its frame,  
 4 A thou - sand a - ges in your sight are like an eve - ning gone,

C Dm C/E G Dm G C

our shel - ter from the storm - y blast, and our e - ter - nal home:  
 suf - fi - cient is your arm a - lone, and our de - fense is sure.  
 from ev - er - last - ing you are God, to end - less years the same.  
 short as the watch that ends the night be - fore the ris - ing sun.

5 Time, like an ever-rolling stream,      6 O God, our help in ages past,  
 soon bears us all away;                      our hope for years to come,  
 we fly forgotten, as a dream              still be our guard while troubles last,  
 dies at the opening day.                      and our eternal home!

*Sing stanzas 1-3*

We are consumed by your anger  
 and terrified by your indignation.

**You have set our iniquities before you,  
 our secret sins in the light of your presence.**

If we only knew the power of your anger!

**Your wrath is as great as the fear that is your due.**

*Sing stanzas 4-5*

Teach us to number our days,  
 that we may gain a heart of wisdom.

**Relent, LORD! How long will it be?  
 Have compassion on your servants.**

Satisfy us in the morning with your unfailing love,  
 that we may sing for joy and be glad all our days.

**Make us glad for as many days as you have afflicted us,  
 for as many years as we have seen trouble.**

May your deeds be shown to your servants,  
 your splendor to their children.

**May the favor of the Lord our God rest on us;  
 establish the work of our hands for us—  
 yes, establish the work of our hands.**

*Sing stanza 6*

*Guitar chords do not correspond with keyboard harmony.*

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## 22C Psalm 22:1-11, 22-29 A Scripted Reading

*Psalm reading may begin with WONDROUS LOVE refrain played on an instrument or hummed by the congregation.*

*Voice 1:*

- <sup>1</sup> My God, my God, why have you forsaken me?  
Why are you so far from helping me, from the words of my groaning?  
<sup>2</sup> O my God, I cry by day, but you do not answer;  
and by night, but find no rest.

*Voice 2:*

- <sup>3</sup> Yet you are holy,  
enthroned on the praises of Israel.  
<sup>4</sup> In you our ancestors trusted;  
they trusted, and you delivered them.  
<sup>5</sup> To you they cried, and were saved;  
in you they trusted, and were not put to shame.

*All Sing*

**What wondrous love is this, O my soul, O my soul?  
What wondrous love is this, O my soul?**

*Voice 1:*

- <sup>6</sup> But I am a worm, and not human;  
scorned by others, and despised by the people.  
<sup>7</sup> All who see me mock at me;  
they make mouths at me, they shake their heads;  
<sup>8</sup> "Commit your cause to the LORD; let him deliver—  
let him rescue the one in whom he delights!"

*All Sing*

**When I was sinking down, sinking down, sinking down,  
When I was sinking down, sinking down . . .**

*Voice 2:*

- <sup>9</sup> Yet it was you who took me from the womb;  
you kept me safe on my mother's breast.  
<sup>10</sup> On you I was cast from my birth,  
and since my mother bore me you have been my God.  
<sup>11</sup> Do not be far from me, for trouble is near  
and there is no one to help.

*All Sing*

**To God and to the Lamb, I will sing, I will sing.  
To God and to the Lamb, I will sing.**

*Voice 1:*

- <sup>22</sup> I will tell of your name to my brothers and sisters;  
in the midst of the congregation I will praise you:  
<sup>23</sup> You who fear the LORD, praise him!  
All you offspring of Jacob, glorify him;  
stand in awe of him, all you offspring of Israel!

*Voice 2:*

- <sup>24</sup> For he did not despise or abhor the affliction of the afflicted;  
he did not hide his face from me, but heard when I cried to him.  
<sup>25</sup> From you comes my praise in the great congregation;  
my vows I will pay before those who fear him.  
<sup>26</sup> The poor shall eat and be satisfied; those who seek him shall praise the LORD.  
May your hearts live forever!

*Voices 1 and 2 together:*

- <sup>27</sup> All the ends of the earth shall remember and turn to the LORD;  
and all the families of the nations shall worship before him.  
<sup>28</sup> For dominion belongs to the LORD,  
and he rules over the nations.  
<sup>29</sup> To him, indeed, shall all who sleep in the earth bow down;  
before him shall bow all who go down to the dust,  
and I shall live for him.

*All Sing*

**And when from death I'm free, I'll sing on, I'll sing on!  
And when from death I'm free, I'll sing on!**

*Optional Accompaniment*

Dm C Dm C Dm F C Am F C Am Em C Dm

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## 93D Joy to the World!

1 Joy to the world! the Lord is come: let earth re-  
 2 Joy to the earth! the Sav-ior reigns: let all their  
 3 No more let sin and sor-row grow nor thorns in-  
 4 He rules the world with truth and grace, and makes the

ceive her King. Let ev-ery heart pre-pare him  
 songs em-ploy, while fields and floods, rocks, hills, and  
 fest the ground; he comes to make his bless-ings  
 na-tions prove the glo-ries of his right-eous-

room, and heaven and na-ture sing, and heaven and na-ture  
 plains re-peat the sound-ing joy, re-peat the sound-ing  
 flow far as the curse is found, far as the curse is  
 ness and won-ders of his love, and won-ders of his  
*and heaven and na-ture sing,*

*and*  
 sing, and heaven, and heaven and na-ture sing.  
 joy, re-peat, re-peat the sound-ing joy.  
 found, far as, far as the curse is found.  
 love, and won-ders, won-ders of his love.

*heaven and na-ture sing,*

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 Music (ANTIOCH 8.6.8.6 with repeat): Lowell Mason (1792-1872), 1848, P.D.

## 67C Psalm 67 | A Responsorial Setting

**Refrain**  
*Solo voice* D G D Asus A  
 Let the peo-ples praise you, O God, let all the peo-ples praise you.

All D Bm F#m Bm A A/C# D G6 A D  
 Let the peo-ples praise you, O God, let all the peo-ples praise you.

- Refrain**
- 1 May God be merciful to us and bless us;  
 may the light of God's face shine upon us.
  - 2 Let your way be known upon earth,  
 your saving health among all nations.
  - 3 Let the peoples praise you, O God;  
 let all the peoples praise you. **Refrain**
  - 4 Let the nations be glad and sing for joy,  
 for you judge the peoples with equity and guide all the nations on earth.
  - 5 Let the peoples praise you, O God;  
 let all the peoples praise you. **Refrain**
  - 6 The earth has brought forth its increase;  
 God, our God, has blessed us.
  - 7 May God give us blessing,  
 and may all the ends of the earth stand in awe. **Refrain**

**Tone**  
 D Bm G A

Lectionary: Eastertide (C); Ordinary Time after Pentecost (A).  
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## Psalm 100

“All People That on Earth Do Dwell” – William Kethe  
To OLD 100th

All people that on earth do dwell,  
Sing to the Lord with cheerful voice;  
Him serve with mirth, His praise forthtell;  
Come ye before Him and rejoice.

The Lord, ye know, is God indeed,  
Without our aid He did us make;  
We are His folk, He doth us feed,  
And for His sheep He doth us take.

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.

For why? the Lord our God is good,  
His mercy is forever sure:  
His truth at all times firmly stood,  
And shall from age to age endure.

*Praise God, from whom all blessing flow;  
Praise Him, all creatures here below;  
Praise Him above, ye heav'nly host;  
Praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost.*

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