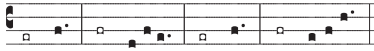


are filled with joy.



1. When the Lord brought back the captives of **Zion**,
we were *like men* **dreaming**.

Then our mouth was filled with **laughter**,
and our tongue *with rejoicing*. ℣.

2. Then they said among the **nations**,
“The Lord has done *great things for them*.”

The Lord has done great things for us;
we are *glad indeed*. ℣.

3. Restore our fortunes, O **Lord**,
like the torrent in the *southern desert*.

Those that sow in **tears**
shall *reap rejoicing*. ℣.

4. Although they go forth **weeping**,
carrying the seed *to be sown*,

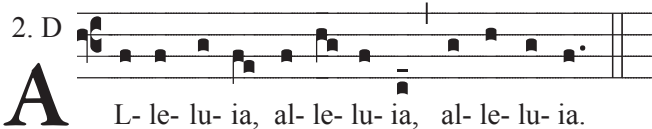
They shall come back **rejoicing**,
carrying *their sheaves*. ℣.

SECOND READING

Hebrews 5

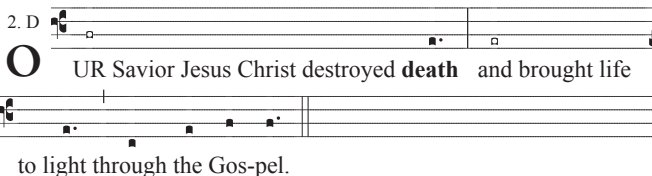
A reading from the Letter to the Hebrews

Brothers and sisters: Every high priest is taken from among men and made their representative before God, to offer gifts and sacrifices for sins. He is able to deal patiently with the ignorant and the erring, for he himself is beset by weakness and so, for this reason, must make sin offerings for himself as well as for the people. No one takes this honor upon himself but only when called by God, just as Aaron was. In the same way, it was not Christ who glorified himself in becoming high priest, but rather the one who said to him: *You are my Son: this day I have begotten you*; just as he says in another place: *You are a priest forever according to the order of Melchizedek*.



VERSE

2 Corinthians 5 : 19



A reading from the Holy Gospel
according to Mark

As Jesus was leaving Jericho with his disciples and a sizeable crowd, Bartimaeus, a blind man, the son of Timaeus, sat by the roadside begging. On hearing that it was Jesus of Nazareth, he began to cry out and say, “Jesus, Son of David, have pity on me.” And many rebuked him, telling him to be silent. But he kept calling out all the more, “Son of David, have pity on me.” Jesus stopped and said, “Call him.” So they called the blind man, saying to him, “Take courage; get up, Jesus is calling you.” He threw aside his cloak, sprang up, and came to Jesus. Jesus said to him in reply, “What do you want me to do for you?” The blind man replied to him, “Master, I want to see.” Jesus told him, “Go your way; your faith has saved you.” Immediately he received his sight and followed him on the way.

O Salutaris. LM OFFERTORY HYMN

Psalm 118

Thy word is to my feet a lamp,
And to my path it is a light.
I am thy servant, wisdom give
To keep and love thy judgments right.

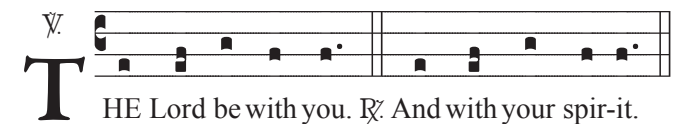
I am with troubles sore beset
And overwhelmed, O loving Lord:
In mercy rise and give me life,
According to thy gracious word.

The free-will-off'rings of my mouth
Accept, I humbly thee beseech:
And unto me thy servant, Lord,
Thy judgments just now clearly teach.

O Lord, both great and manifold
Thy many tender mercies be:
According to thy judgments just,
Revive and give new life to me.

Motet by choir: *Bow Down and Hear Me*. G. F. Handel.

THE EUCHARISTIC PRAYER



℣ Lift up your hearts. ℣ We lift them up to the Lord.

