

8TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

March 2, 2025

Opening Hymn

Open My Eyes #651

Responsorial Psalm #1115

Psalm 92: Lord, it is good to give thanks to you, to give thanks to you.

Communion Hymns

Center of My Life #679

Purify My Heart #2063

O Breathe on Me, O Breath of God #902

Closing Hymn

Lead Me, Lord #2056

Gloria

Glory to God in the highest, and on earth peace to people of good will. We praise you, we bless you, we adore you, we glorify you, we give you thanks for your great glory, Lord God, heavenly King, O God, almighty Father.

Lord Jesus Christ, Only Begotten Son, Lord God, Lamb of God, Son of the Father, You take away the sins of the world, have mercy on us; You take away the sins of the world, receive our prayer; You are seated at the right hand of the Father, have mercy on us.

For you alone are the Holy One, you alone are the Lord. You alone are the Most High, Jesus Christ, with the Holy Spirit, In the glory of God the Father. Amen.

The Apostles' Creed

I believe in God,
the Father Almighty,
Creator of heaven and earth,
and in Jesus Christ, His only Son, our Lord,
who was conceived by the Holy Spirit,
born of the Virgin Mary,
suffered under Pontius Pilate,
was crucified, died and was buried;
He descended into hell;
on the third day He rose again from the dead;
He ascended into heaven,
and is seated at the right hand of God the Father Almighty;
from there He will come to judge the living and the dead.

I believe in the Holy Spirit,
the Holy Catholic Church,
the communion of Saints,
the forgiveness of sins,
the resurrection of the body,
and life everlasting.
Amen.

Readings

#1115

First Reading:

Sirach 27:4-7

Second Reading:

1 Corinthians 15:54-58

Gospel:

Luke 6:39-45



St. Michael the Archangel

St. Michael the Archangel, defend us in battle. Be our protection against the wickedness and snares of the Devil. May God rebuke him, we humbly pray, and do thou, O prince of the heavenly hosts, by the power of God, cast into hell Satan, and all evil spirits, who prowl about the world seeking the ruin of souls.

Amen.

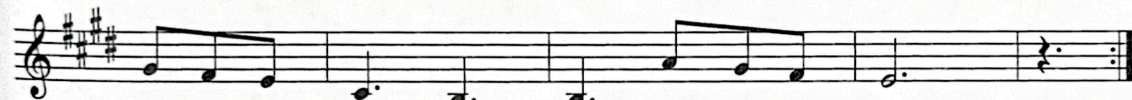
Opening Hymn

Open My Eyes 651

Verses

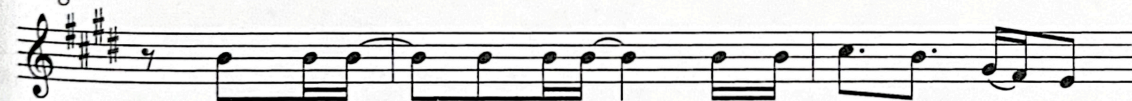


1. O - pen my eyes, Lord. Help me to see your face.
2. O - pen my ears, Lord. Help me to hear your voice.
3. O - pen my heart, Lord. Help me to love like you.
4. I live with - in you. Deep in your heart, O Love.



- O - pen my eyes, Lord. Help me to see. *(To verse 2)*
O - pen my ears, Lord. Help me to hear. *(To verse 3)*
O - pen my heart, Lord. Help me to love. *(To bridge)*
I live with - in you. Rest now in me.

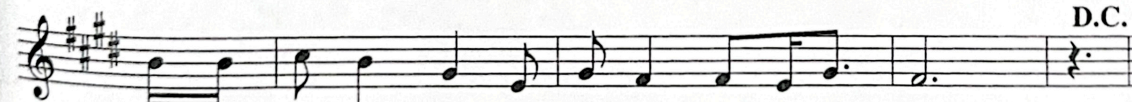
Bridge



And the first shall be last, and our eyes are o - pened,



and we'll hear like nev-er be - fore. And we'll speak in new ways,



and we'll see God's face in plac-es we've nev-er known.

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First Reading

Sirach 27:4-7

When a sieve is shaken, the husks appear;
so do one's faults when one speaks.
As the test of what the potter molds is in the furnace,
so in tribulation is the test of the just.
The fruit of a tree shows the care it has had;
so too does one's speech disclose the bent of one's mind.
Praise no one before he speaks,
for it is then that people are tested.

Responsorial Psalm

RESPONSORIAL PSALM

Psalm 92:2-3, 13-14, 15-16



Lord, it is good to give thanks to you, to give thanks to you.

It is good to give thanks to the LORD,
to make music to your name,
O Most High,
to proclaim your loving mercy in the
morning,
and your truth in the watches of
the night. *R.*

The just will flourish like the palm tree,
and grow like a Lebanon cedar.

Planted in the house of the LORD,
they will flourish in the courts of
our God. *R.*

Still bearing fruit when they are old,
still full of sap, still green,
to proclaim that the LORD is upright.
In him, my rock, there is no
wrong. *R.*

Second Reading

1 Corinthians 15:54-58

Brothers and sisters:

When this which is corruptible clothes itself with incorruptibility
and this which is mortal clothes itself with immortality,
then the word that is written shall come about:

Death is swallowed up in victory.

Where, O death, is your victory?

Where, O death, is your sting?

The sting of death is sin,
and the power of sin is the law.

But thanks be to God who gives us the victory
through our Lord Jesus Christ.

Therefore, my beloved brothers and sisters,
be firm, steadfast, always fully devoted to the work of the Lord,
knowing that in the Lord your labor is not in vain.

Gospel

Luke 6:39-45

Jesus told his disciples a parable,

“Can a blind person guide a blind person?

Will not both fall into a pit?

No disciple is superior to the teacher;

but when fully trained,

every disciple will be like his teacher.

Why do you notice the splinter in your brother’s eye,

but do not perceive the wooden beam in your own?

How can you say to your brother,

‘Brother, let me remove that splinter in your eye,’

when you do not even notice the wooden beam in your own eye?

You hypocrite! Remove the wooden beam from your eye first;

then you will see clearly

to remove the splinter in your brother’s eye.

“A good tree does not bear rotten fruit,

nor does a rotten tree bear good fruit.

For every tree is known by its own fruit.

For people do not pick figs from thornbushes,

nor do they gather grapes from brambles.

A good person out of the store of goodness in his heart produces good,

but an evil person out of a store of evil produces evil;

for from the fullness of the heart the mouth speaks.”

Communion Hymns

679 Center of My Life

Refrain



O Lord, you are the cen-ter of my life:



I will al-ways praise you, I will al-ways serve you,



I will al-ways keep you in my sight.

Verses 1-3



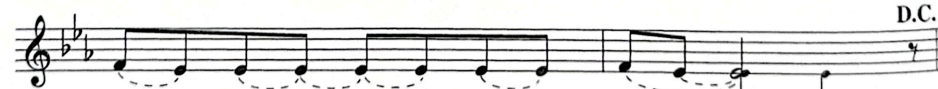
1. Keep me safe, O God, I take ref-uge in you. I
2. I will bless the Lord who gives me coun-sel, who
3. And so my heart re-joic-es, my soul is glad; 7



say to the Lord, "You are my God. My
e-ven at night di-rects my heart. I
e-ven in safe-ty shall my bod-y rest. For



hap-pi-ness lies in you a-lone; my
keep the Lord ev-er in my sight: since
you will not leave my soul a-mong the dead, nor



hap-pi-ness lies in you a-lone."
he is at my right hand, I shall stand firm.
let your be-lov-ed know de-cay.

Verse 4



4. You will show me the path of life, the



full-ness of joy in your pres-ence, at your right hand,



at your right hand hap-pi-ness for ev-er.

Purify My Heart (Refiner's Fire)

2063

Brian Doerksen

Verses

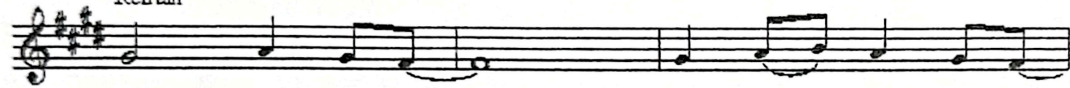


1. Pu - ri - fy_ my heart,_ let me be as gold and pre - cioussil ver.
2. Pu - ri fy_ my heart,_ cleanse me from with - in and make me ho - ly.



Pu - ri - fy_ my heart,_ let me be as gold, pure_ gold.
Pu - ri - fy_ my heart,_ cleanse me from my sin, deep within.

Refrain



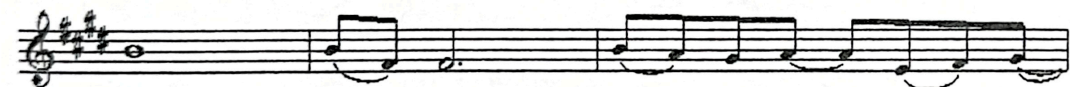
Re - fin - er's fire,_ my heart's one de - sire_



— is to be ho - ly,



set_ a - part_ for_ you,_ Lord. I choose to



be ho - ly, set_ a - part_ for_ you,_



— my mas - ter, rea - dy to do_ your will_

O Breathe on Me, O Breath of God 902



1. O breathe on me, O Breath of God, Fill
 2. O breathe on me, O Breath of God, Un -
 3. O breathe on me, O Breath of God, My
 4. O breathe on me, O Breath of God, So



me with life a - new, That I may love the
 til my heart is pure; Un - til my will is
 will to yours in - cline, Un - til this self - ish
 shall I nev - er die, But live with you the



things you love And do what you would do.
 one with yours, To do and to en - dure.
 part of me Glows with your fire di - vine.
 per - fect life Of your e - ter - ni - ty.

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Closing Hymn

2056

Lead Me, Lord

Matthew 5:3-12; 7:7, 13, John 14:6

John D. Becker

Verses



1. Bless-ed are the poor in spir - it, long - ing for their Lord,
2. Bless-ed are the mer - ci - ful, for mer - cy shall be theirs,
3. Blest are they who through their life - times sow the seeds of peace;



for God's com - ing king - dom shall be theirs. _____
and the pure in heart shall see their God. _____
all will call them chil - dren of the Lord. _____



Bless - ed are the sor - row - ing, for they shall be con - soled,
Blest are they whose hun - ger on - ly ho - li - ness can fill,
Blest are you, though per - se - cut - ed in your ho - ly life,



and the meek shall come to rule the world.
for I say they shall be sat - is - fied.
for in heav - en, great is your re - ward.

Refrain



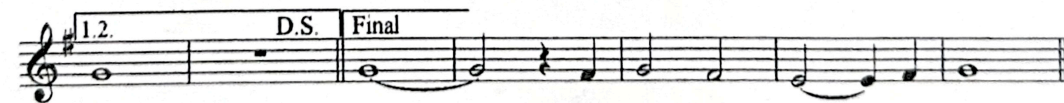
Lead me, Lord, - lead me, Lord, - by the light - of truth to



seek and to find - the nar - row way. _____ Be my way; -



- be my truth; - be my life, - my Lord, and lead me, Lord, - to -



day. _____ day. _____ And lead me, Lord, - to - day.