THE ASCENSION OF THE LORD

INTROIT

Viri Galilei

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Psalm 47 (46)

1. All peoples, * clap your hands. *
   Cry to God with shouts of joy!
   For the LORD, the Most High, * is awesome,
   the great king over all the earth.

2. He humbles peoples * under us *
   and nations under our feet.
   Our heritage he * chose for us,
   the pride of Jacob whom he loves.
3. God goes up with *shouts of joy.*
   The LORD goes up with *trumpet blast.*

   Sing praise for *God; sing praise!* *
   Sing praise to our king; *sing praise!*

   Glory be to the Father ...

OFFERTORY

*Viri Galilæi*  
\textit{Acts 1: 11}

EN of Galil-ee, * why do you gaze at the sky in
as-tonish-ment? * This same Je-sus who was taken up from
you in-to heaven, will come by the ve-ry way in which
you saw him go in-to hea-ven, al-le-lu-ia.

Psalm 47 (46)

1. God goes up with *shouts of joy.* *
   The LORD goes up with *trumpet blast.*

   Sing praise for *God; sing praise!* *
   Sing praise to our king; *sing praise!*
2. **God is king of all the earth.** *
   Sing praise with all your skill.
   God reigns **over the nations.** *
   God sits upon his **holy throne.**

3. The princes of the peoples **are assembled** *
   with the people of the God of Abraham.
   The rulers of the earth **belong to God,** *
   who is greatly **exalted.**

COMMUNION (Year A)

*Data est mihi*

*Mt 28: 18, 19*

**ALL power has been given to me** *in heaven and on earth al-le-lu-ia; go therefore and teach all the nations,**

**baptizing them in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit, al-le-lu-ia, al-le-lu-ia.**
Psalm 78 (77)

1. Give ear, my people, to my teaching; *
   incline your ear to the words of my mouth.
   The things we have heard and understood, *
   the things our fathers have told us,
   these we will not hide from their children *
   but will tell them to the next generation:

2. Yet he commanded the clouds above, *
   and opened the gates of heaven.
   He rained down manna to eat, *
   and gave them bread from heaven.

3. Man ate the bread of angels. *
   He sent them abundance of food;
   He rained flesh upon them like dust, *
   winged fowl like the sands of the sea.

Glory be to the Father ...
Hese signs will accompany those who believe: * they will cast out demons, and when they lay their hands up-on the sick, these will recover, al-le-lu-ia.

Psalm 34 (33)

1. I will bless the LORD at all times; *
   praise of him is always in my mouth.
   In the LORD my soul shall make its boast; *
   the humble shall hear and be glad.

2. Glorify the LORD with me; *
   together let us praise his name.
   I sought the LORD, and he answered me; *
   from all my terrors he set me free.

3. Look towards him and be radiant; *
   let your faces not be abashed.
   This lowly one called; the LORD heard, *
   and rescued him from all his distress.
   The angel of the LORD is encamped *
   around those who fear him, to rescue them.
4. When the just cry out, *the LORD hears,*
   and rescues them in all their *distress.*

   The LORD is close to the *brokenhearted;*
   those whose spirit is crushed he *will save.*

   The LORD ransoms the souls *of his servants.*
   All who trust in him shall not be *condemned.*

Glory be to the Father ...

COMMUNION (Year C)

Psallite Domino  
Ps 68 (67): 33, 34

1. Ing to the Lord *who has ascended the highest heav-
   ens, towards the East, al-le-lu-ia.

Psalm 68 (67)

1. Let God arise; let his *foes be scattered.*
   Let those who hate him flee from *his presence.*

   O sing to God; make music to his name. †
   Extol the One who rides *on the clouds.*
   The LORD is his name; exult at *his presence.*

2. Father of orphans, defender *of widows:*
   such is God in his *holy place.*

   You have ascended on high; leading captivity captive †
   as tribute receiving *prisoners, O God,*
   so that even rebels may dwell near the *LORD God.*
3. Day after day, may the LORD be blest. *
   He bears our burdens; God is our savior.
   This God of ours is a God who saves. *
   The LORD our LORD provides an escape from death.
   They see your solemn procession, O God, *
   the procession of my God, of my king, to the holy place:

4. Summon forth your might, O God; *
   your might, O God, which you have shown for us.
   From your temple high in Jerusalem, *
   kings will come to you bringing their tribute.

5. You kingdoms of the earth, sing to God, praise the LORD *
   who rides on the heavens, the ancient heavens.
   Behold, he thunders his voice, his mighty voice. *
   Come, acknowledge the power of God.

   Glory be to the Father ...
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