

## 2021 LENTEN VESPERS

*Open Our Hearts to  
Your Justice*

*“Jesus does not speak about a change of activities, a change of contacts, or even a change of pace. He speaks about a change of heart.”*

Henri Nouwen

# AD MAIOREM DEI GLORIAM

(FOR THE GREATER GLORY OF GOD)

Dan Schutte

Refrain

The musical score is written on a single treble clef staff in G major (one sharp) and 4/4 time. It consists of three lines of music. The first line starts with a treble clef, a sharp sign, and a 4/4 time signature. The melody begins with a quarter note G4, followed by quarter notes A4, B4, and C5. The second line continues with quarter notes D5, E5, and F5, followed by a quarter note G5. The third line starts with a quarter note G5, followed by quarter notes F5, E5, and D5. The piece concludes with a double bar line.

Ad ma - ió - rem De - i gló - ri - am. God of all things,  
in great and small things, so we la - bor to set all  
hearts on fire for your great - er glo - ry, O God.

- 1 Be the passion in our soul as we fight for justice and long for the reign of peace.
- 3 Be the wonder in our mind as we seek for wisdom and walk in the way of truth

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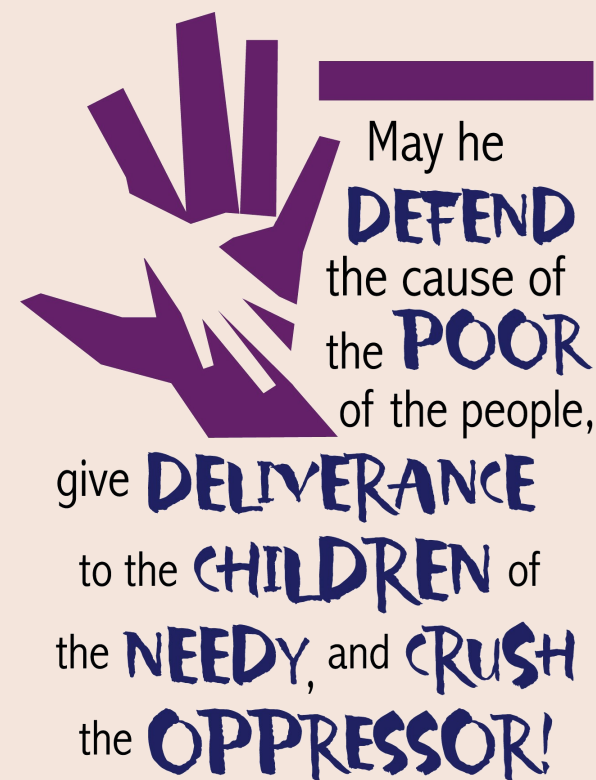
## PSALM 72 (PARAPHRASED) (alternating sides)

Side 1: Teach us to judge with Your  
righteousness, O God;  
share with us Your own justice,  
so we will treat Your people rightly.

Side 2: May we care for the stranger and the needy  
May we speak out for those who are oppressed  
May we confront their oppressors  
with knowledge of Your righteousness.

Side 1: May we shelter the alien and the homeless  
Find peace in our land and our hearts  
In our days, may justice and peace grow  
May our hearts be open to your ways.

Side 2: In our days, let peace flower and  
justice flow  
Like a river to transform our hearts  
Let your justice and peace come  
Down upon us like the rain  
On the meadow, the dew on the grass.



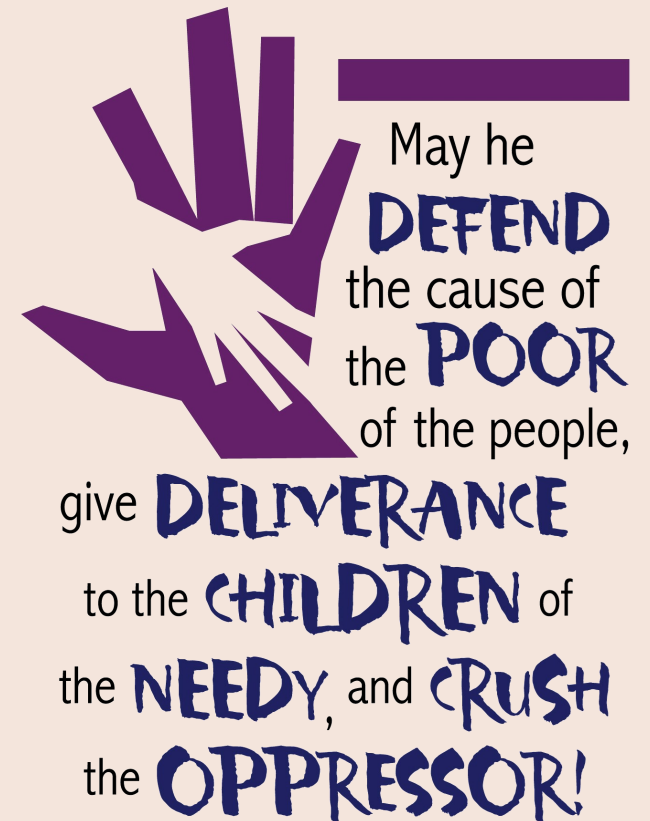
Side 1 You, Lord, hear all who are lonely, poor and estranged  
You have pity on the outcast and the migrant  
You save those who are in distress.

Side 2: You, O Lord, love the poor  
Their lives are precious to you.  
You save the lives of the brokenhearted  
You welcome the stranger home.

Side 1: May Your name, Lord, be forever blessed.  
May Your praise and glory be forever!

Side 2: You, alone, work wonders for us.  
Open our hearts to Your righteous ways  
You are our God! We praise Your name.

All: Glory be to the Father.....



# CANTICLE: ISAIAH: 45

(selected verses)

Side 1: Thus says the Lord, the Creator of the heavens—  
I am your God, who shaped the earth and made it,  
Who set it firm.

Side 2: I did not create it to be chaos  
I formed it to be lived in:  
I am God: I proclaim saving justice,  
I say what is true.

Side 1: Listen to me, you hard-hearted people  
Far removed from My saving justice:  
I am bringing My justice nearer,  
It is not far away.

Side 2: My salvation will not delay  
I shall place My salvation in Zion (Ankeny)  
And My glory in Israel (OLIH)

**All:** Glory be to the Father.....

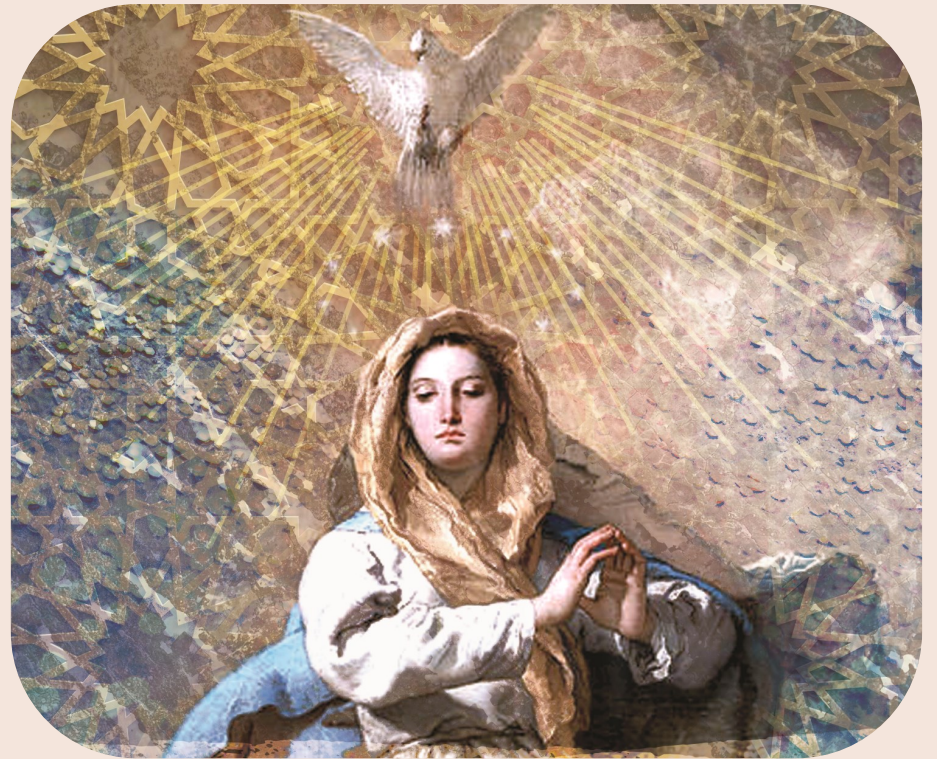


## MAGNIFICAT (recite all together)

My soul proclaims the greatness of the Lord  
My spirit rejoices in God my Savior  
For he has looked with favor on His lowly servant.

From this day all generations will  
call me blessed:  
The Almighty has done great  
things for me,  
And holy is His Name.

He has mercy on those who  
fear Him  
In every generation.



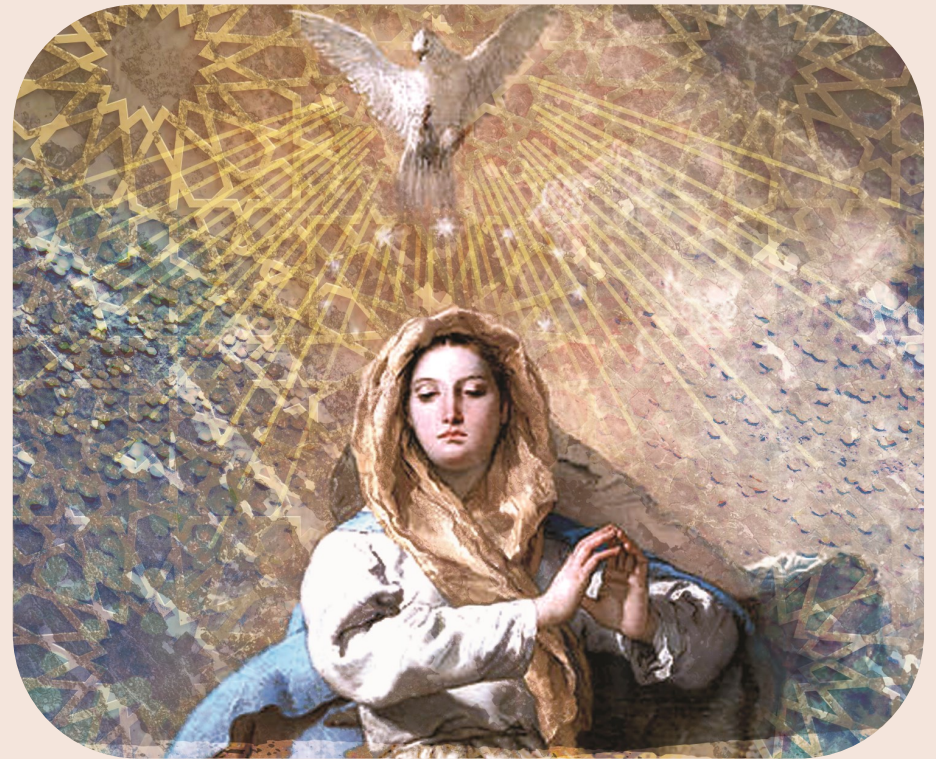
He has shown the strength of His arm,  
He has scattered the proud in their conceit.

He has cast down the mighty from their thrones,  
And has lifted up the lowly.

He has filled the hungry with good things,  
And the rich He has sent away empty.

He has come to the help of His  
servant Israel  
For He has remembered His promise  
of mercy,  
The promise He made to our fathers,  
To Abraham and his children forever.

Glory Be to the Father.....



## INTERCESSIONS:

**Leader:** Lord, too many people in our world suffer from injustice, open our hearts, teach us to care

**Response:** Lord, help us to live justly.

**Leader:** Lord, reveal to us our own blind spot biases.

**Response:** Lord, help us to live justly.

**Leader:** Lord, strengthen our government leaders and ourselves in our political process to bring about a world where all are created and treated equally.

**Response:** Lord, help us to live justly.

**Leader:** Lord, assist your church, this diocese, and this parish community to find ways to reach out to all the disenfranchised and the alienated.

**Response:** Lord, help us to live justly.



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**Leader:** Lord, teach us to be a welcoming people. No one should be a stranger in our community.

**Response:** Lord, help us to live justly.

**Leader:** Lord, help us to find ways to reconcile with those we have wronged in the past either through ignorance, fear or hatred.

**Response:** Lord, help us to live justly.

**Leader:** Transform our hearts into Your loving heart, O Christ.

**Response:** Lord, help us to live justly.



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## FINAL BLESSING:

Leader: May God bless you with discomfort at easy answers, half truths and superficial relationships... so that Christ will live deep in your hearts. Let the church say, AMEN

**All:** AMEN

Leader: May God bless you with anger at injustice, oppression and exploitation of people and the earth... so that you will work for justice, equity and peace. Let the church say, AMEN

**All:** AMEN

Leader: May God bless you with tears to shed for those who suffer so you will reach out your hand to comfort them.... and change their pain to joy. Let the church say, AMEN

**All:** AMEN

Leader: And, may God bless you with the foolishness to think that you can make a difference in the world....so you will do the things which others say cannot be done. Let the church say, AMEN

**All:** AMEN



# TRANSFIGURE US, O LORD

Bob Hurd

Refrain



Trans - fig - ure us, O Lord, trans - fig - ure us, O Lord.  
Break the chains that bind us; speak your heal - ing word, and  
where you lead we'll fol - low. Trans - fig - ure us, O Lord.

The image shows three staves of musical notation in 2/4 time. The first staff is labeled 'Refrain' and contains the melody for the first line of lyrics. The second staff contains the melody for the second line of lyrics. The third staff contains the melody for the third line of lyrics. The lyrics are written below the notes.

- 1 Down from the heights of glory into the depths below, the love of God self-emptied, the love of God to show. You light the path before us, the way that we must go.
2. Light for those in darkness, the hungry have their fill, glad tidings for the humble, the healing of all ills; in these we glimpse your glory, God's promises fulfilled.