

THE PSALTER

OR, PSALMS OF DAVID

BOOK I.

THE FIRST DAY.

MORNING PRAYER.

Psalm I *Beatus vir qui non abiit* Tone I B 1

BLESS-ED is the man that hath not walk-ed in the counsel of the ungodly, † nor stood in the · way of sinners, * and hath not sat in the seat · of the scornful.

2 But his delight is in the · law of the LORD; * and in his law will he exercise · himself day and night.

3 And he shall be like a tree planted · by the water-side * that will bring forth his fruit · in due season.

4 His leaf also · shall not wither; * and look, whatsoever he doeth · it shall prosper.

5 As for the ungodly it · is not so with them; * but they are like the chaff which the wind scattereth away from the · face of the earth.

6 Therefore the ungodly shall not be able to · stand in the judgment, * neither the sinners in the congregation · of the righteous.

7 But the LORD knoweth the · way of the righteous; * and the way of the ungod-ly shall perish.

8 Glory be to the · Father and to the Son * and · to the Holy Ghost;

9 As it was in the beginning, † is now and · ever shall be, * world · without end. Amen.

Psalm 3 *Domine, quid multiplicati?* Tone II 1

LORD how are they increas-ed that • trouble me! * many are they that rise • against me.

2 Many one there be that say of my • soul, * There is no help for • him in his God.

3 But thou O LORD art my de-fender; * thou art my worship and the lifter up • of my head.

4 I did call upon the LORD with my • voice * and he heard me out of • his holy hill.

5 I laid me down and slept and rose • up again; * for the LORD • sustain-ed me.

6 I will not be afraid for ten thousands of the • people * that have set themselves against • me round about.

7 Up LORD and help me O my • God * for thou smitest all mine enemies upon the cheek-bone, thou hast broken the teeth of the • ungodly.

8 Salvation belongeth unto the • LORD; * and thy blessing is upon • thy people.

9 Glory be to the Father and to the • Son * and to • the Holy Ghost;

10 As it was in the beginn^{ing}, † is now and ever • shall be, * world with-out end. Amen.

Psalm 4 *Cum invocarem exaudivit me* Tone VIII 1

HEAR me when I call O God of my • righteousness: * thou hast set me at liberty when I was in trouble, have mercy upon me and hearken un-to my pray-er.

2 O ye sons of men how long will ye blaspheme mine • hon-our * and have such pleasure in vanity and seek • after falsehood?

3 Know this also that the LORD hath chosen to himself the man that is · godly; * when I call upon the LORD · he will hear me.

4 Stand in awe and sin · not; * commune with your own heart and in your · chamber and be still.

5 Offer the sacrifice of · righteousness * and put your · trust in the LORD.

6 There be many that · say, * Who will · show us any good?

7 LORD lift thou · up * the light of thy counte·nance upon us.

8 Thou hast put gladness in my · heart; * yea more than when their corn and · wine and oil increase.

9 I will lay me down in peace and take my · rest; * for it is thou LORD only that makest me · dwell in safety.

10 Glory be to the Father and to the · Son * and · to the Holy Ghost;

11 As it was in the beginning, † is now and ever · shall be, * world · without end. Amen.

Psalm 5 *Verba mea auribus percipe* Tone I A 4

PONDER my words · O LORD, * consider my · meditation.

2 O hearken thou unto the voice of my calling my King and · my God: * for unto thee · will I make my pray'r.

3 My voice shalt thou hear betimes · O LORD; * early in the morn·ing will I direct my prayer unto thee · and will look up.

4 For thou art the God that hast no pleasure in wick·edness; * neither shall any · evil dwell with thee.

5 Such as be foolish shall not stand in · thy sight; * for thou hat·est all them that · work iniquity.

6 Thou shalt destroy them that · speak lies: * the LORD will abhor both the blood·thirsty · and deceitful man.

7 But as for me, in the multitude of thy mercy I will come into · thine house; * and in thy fear will I worship toward thy · holy temple.

8 Lead me O LORD in thy righteousness because of mine enemies; * make thy way · plain before my face.

9 For there is no faithfulness in · their mouth; * their inward parts are · very wickedness.

10 Their throat is an open sep·ulchre; * they · flatter with their tongue.

11 Destroy thou them O Gōd; † let them perish through their own imagi·nations; * cast them out in the multitude of their ungodliness for they have rebel·led against thee.

12 And let all them that put their trust in thee rejoice; † they shall ever be giving of thanks, because thou defendest them; * they that love thy Name shall be joyful in thee;

13 For thou LORD wilt give thy blessing unto the · righteous, * and with thy favourable kindness wilt thou defend · him as with a shield.

14 Glory be to the Father and to · the Son * and · to the Holy Ghost;

15 As it was in the beginning, † is now and ever · shall be, * world · without end. Amen.

EVENING PRAYER.

Psalm 6 *Domine, ne in furore tuo* Tone VIII 5

O LORD rebuke me not in thine indig·nation, * neither chasten me in · thy displeasure.

2 Have mercy upon me O LORD for I am · weak; * O LORD heal me for my · bones are vex·ed.

3 My soul also is sore · trou·bl·ed: * but LORD how long · wilt thou punish me?

4 Turn thee O LORD and deliver my · soul; * O save me · for thy mercy's sake.

5 For in death no man remembereth · thee; * and who will give thee · thanks in the pit?

6 I am weary of my · groaning; * every night wash I my bed and water my · couch with my tears.