

**Responsorial
Psalms
for the
celebration
of Confirmation**



The Responsorial Psalms in this little album are all recommended in the Rite of Confirmation. The antiphons have been written specifically with children in mind, with melodies that are easy to sing and opportunities for actions such as clapping to be included. The verses have been set to simple psalm tones, for a cantor or small group of singers. The accompaniment can be played either on a keyboard (piano or organ) or a guitar, or using both together.

It is highly recommended that the Responsorial Psalm be sung and that the Antiphon be taught to the parents of the children celebrating Confirmation, so that they can fully participate in the liturgy.

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Psalm 22: When the Holy Spirit Comes

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Antiphon:

C Dm C G C G

Voice: When the Ho - ly Spi - rit comes to you,

Piano:

Dm G C

Voice: you will be my wit - ness.

Piano:

Verses:

C Am F C

Voice: 1. I will tell of your name to my brethren and praise you where they are as-sembled.
2. You are my praise in the great as-sembly. My vows I will pay before those who fear him.
3. All the earth shall all families of the nations
remember and return to the Lord, wor - ship be - fore him.

Piano:

Em Am F C

1. "You who fear the Lord, give him praise; all children of Jacob give him glory,
 2. The poor shall eat and have their fill. They shall praise the Lord, those who seek him
 3. They shall tell of the Lord declare his faithfulness
 to generations yet to come, to peoples yet un - born.

Dm C

1. revere him, descend - ants of Israel."
 2. May their hearts live for ev - er and ever.
 3. "Thises things the Lord has done."

Psalms 23: The Lord is my Shepherd

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Antiphon:

Chord symbols: C, G, F, G, C

Voice: The Lord is my Shep - herd, there is
no - thing I shall want.

Verses:

Chord symbols: C, Em

Voice: 1. The Lord is my Shepherd, there is nothing I shall want;
2. He guides me along the raight path, he is true to his name.
3. You have prepared a banquet for me in the sight of my foes.
4. Surely goodness and kindness shall fol - low me

Dm **G**

1. fresh and green are the pastures where he gives me re - pose.
 2. If I should walk in the valley of darkness, no evil would I fear.
 3. My head you have anoint ed with oil,
 4. In the Lord's own house shall I dwell

G **C**

1. Near restful waters he leads me to revive my droop - ing spirit.
 2. You are there with your crook and your staff, with these you give me comfort.
 3. my cup is o - ver - flowing.
 4. for ev - er and ever.

Psalm 96: Proclaim God's marvellous deeds

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Antiphon:

The musical score is written in 4/4 time and consists of three systems. The first system begins with a C major chord and an F major chord. The lyrics are "Pro - claim God's mar - vell - ous". The second system continues with C, F, and Dm chords, with lyrics "deeds; pro - claim God's mar - vell - ous deeds, pro -". The third system concludes with C, Am, F, G, and C chords, with lyrics "claim God's mar - vell - ous deeds to all the na - tions. *Fine.*".

Verses:

C Em Dm G

1. O sing a new song to the Lord, sing to the Lord all the earth.
 2. Proclaim God's help day by day, tell among the nation God's glory
 3. Worship the Lord in his temple, O earth, tremble be - fore him.
 4. Let the heavens rejoice and the earth be glad, let the sea and all within it thun-der praise,

G C

1. O sing to the Lord, bless his name.
 2. and his wonders among all the peoples.
 3. Proclaim to the nations, "God is king."
 4. Let the land and all it bears rejoice, and the trees of the wood shout for joy.

Psalm 104: Lord, send out your Spirit

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Antiphon:

Chord markings: D, F#m, Bm, G, A, G, D

Voice: Lord, send out your Spi - rit, and re -

Piano: new the face of the earth.

Verses:

Chord markings: D, Bm

Voice: 1. Bless the Lord, my soul! Lord God, how great you are.
2. All of these look to you
3. You send forth your spirit, they are cre - ated

Piano: Accompaniment for the verses.

Psalm 145: I will praise your name

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Antiphon:

Chords: D A D A Bm F#m G A D

Voice: I will praise your name, praise your name for e - ver, Lord.

Piano

Verses:

Chords: D Bm Em D

1. I will bless you day af - ter day and praise your name for eve
2. Age to age shall pro - claim your works, shall declare your might - y deeds
3. The Lord is kind and full of com - passion, slow to anger, abound - ing in love.
4. The eyes of all creatures look to you and you give them their food in due time.

Piano

Psalm 117: You will be my witnesses

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Antiphon:

Chords: D, A, F#m, Bm, G, A, D

Lyrics: You will be my witnesses, my witnesses to all the world.

Verses:

Chords: D, F#m, A, D

Lyrics: 1. O praise the Lord, all you nations, acclaim him, all you peoples!
2. Strong is God's love for us; he is faithful for ever.

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