

ANCIENT GROOVE MUSIC

SHORT SERVICE

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THOMAS TALLIS
(1505 - 1585)

KYRIE

Medius

Contratenor

Tenor

Bassus

Lord, have mercy upon us, and incline our hearts to keep this law.

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Lord, have mercy upon us, and write all these thy laws in our hearts, we beseech thee.

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CREDO

Medius

The Fa - ther al-migh - ty, Ma - ker of heav'n and earth; And of all things vi - si - ble

Contratenor

The Fa - ther al-migh - ty, Ma - ker of heav'n and earth; And of all things vi - si - ble

Tenor

The Fa - ther al - migh - ty, Ma - ker of heav'n and earth; And of all things vi - si - ble

Bassus

The Fa - ther al-migh - ty, Ma - ker of heav'n and earth; And of all things vi - si - ble

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Dec. Can. Dec.

and in - vi - si - ble. And in one Lord Je - sus Christ, the on - ly be-got - ten Son of God, be -

and in - vi - si - ble. And in one Lord Je - sus Christ, the on - ly be-got - ten Son of God, be -

and in - vi - si - ble. And in one Lord Je - sus Christ, the on - ly be-got - ten Son of God, be -

and in - vi - si - ble. And in one Lord Je - sus Christ, the on - ly be-got - ten Son of God, be -

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Can. Dec. Can.

-got - ten of the Fa - ther be - fore all worlds. God of God, Light of Light, ve - ry God of ve - ry

-got - ten of the Fa - ther be - fore all worlds. God of God, Light of Light, ve - ry God of ve - ry

Dec.

-got - ten of the Fa - ther be - fore all worlds. God of God, Light of Light, ve - ry God of ve - ry

-got - ten of the Fa - ther be - fore all worlds. God of God, Light of Light, ve - ry God of ve - ry

19 Full

God; be - got - ten not made, be-ing of one sub - stance with the Fa - ther, by whom

Full

God; be - got - ten not made, be-ing of one sub - stance with the Fa - ther, by whom all things

Full

God; be - got - ten not made, be-ing of one sub - stance with the Fa - ther, by

Full

God; be - - - got - ten not made, be - - - ing of one sub - stance with the Fa - ther, by

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all things were made. Who for us men and for our sal - va - ti - on came down from

were made, were made. Who for us men and for our sal - va - ti - on, came down from

— whom all things were made. Who for us men and for our sal - va - ti - on, came

by whom all things were made. Who for us men and for our sal - va - ti - on,

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— heav'n, and was in - car - nate by the Ho - ly Ghost of the Vir - gin Ma - ry,

heav'n, and was in - car - nate by the Ho - ly Ghost, of the Vir - gin -

— down from heav'n, and was in - car - nate by the Ho - ly Ghost of the Vir -

came down from heav'n, and was in - car - nate by the Ho - ly Ghost of the Vir - -

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Dec.

and was made man. And was cruci - fied al - so for us un - der Pon -
 Ma - ry, and was made man. And was cruci - fied al - so for us un - der Pon -
 - gin Ma - ry, and was made man. And was cruci - fied al - so for us un - - der
 -gin Ma - ry, and was made man. And was cruci - fied al - so for us un - der Pon -

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-us Pi - - late. He suf - fer'd and was bu - ri - ed. And the third day he rose a -
 - ti - us Pi - late. He suf - fer'd and was bu - ri - ed. And the third day he rose a -
 8 Pon - ti - us Pi - - late. He suf - fer'd and was bu - ri - ed. And the third day he rose a -
 -ti - - us Pi - - late. He suf - fer'd and was bu - ri - ed. And the third day he rose a -

44

Can.

-gain, ac - cord - ing to the Scrip - tures. And a - scend - ed in - - to heav'n, and
 -gain, ac - cord - ing to the Scrip - - tures. And a - scend - ed in - to heav'n, and
 8 -gain, ac - cord - ing to the Scrip - - tures. And a - scend - ed in - to heav'n, and
 -gain, ac - cord - ing to the Scrip - - tures. And a - scend - ed in - to heav'n, and

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sit-teth on the right hand of the Fa - ther. And he shall come a - gain with glo - ry to
 sit-teth on the right hand of the Fa - ther. And he shall come a-gain with glo - ry to
 sit-teth on the right hand of the Fa - ther. And he shall come a-gain with glo - ry to
 sit-teth on the right hand of the Fa - ther. And he shall come a-gain with glo - ry to

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Dec.

judge both the quick and the dead, whose king-dom shall have no end. And I be - lieve in the
 judge both the quick and the dead, whose king-dom shall have no end. And I be - lieve in the
 judge both the quick and the dead, whose king-dom shall have no end. And I be - lieve in the
 judge both the quick and the dead, whose king-dom shall have no end. And I be - lieve in the

59

Can.

Dec.

Can.

Ho - ly Ghost, the Lord and giv - er of life; who pro - ceed - eth from the Fa-ther and the Son, who
 Ho - ly Ghost, the Lord and giv - er of life; who pro - ceed - eth from the Fa-ther and the Son, who
 Ho - ly Ghost, the Lord and giv - er of life; who pro - ceed - eth from the Fa-ther and the Son, who
 Ho - ly Ghost, the Lord and giv - er of life; who pro - ceed - eth from the Fa-ther and the Son, who

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Dec.

with the Fa - ther and the Son to - ge - ther is wor - ship-ped and glo - ri-fied. Who
 with the Fa - ther and the Son to - ge - ther is wor - ship-ped and glo - ri-fied. Who
 with the Fa - ther and the Son to - ge - ther is wor - ship-ped and glo - ri-fied. Who
 with the Fa - ther and the Son to - ge - ther is wor - ship-ped and glo - ri-fied. Who

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Can.

Dec.

spake by the Pro - phets. And I be - lieve one Ca - tho - lic and A - po - - sto - lic Church. I
 spake by the Pro - phets. And I be - lieve one Ca - tho - lic and A - po - - sto - lic Church. I
 spake by the Pro - phets. And I be - lieve one Ca - tho - lic and A - po-sto - lic Church. I
 spake by the Pro - phets. And I be - lieve one Ca - tho - lic and A - po-sto - lic Church. I

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Can.

ac - know - ledge one bap - tism for the re - mis - si - on of sins. And I look for the re - sur - -
 ac - know - ledge one bap - tism for the re - mis - si - on of sins. And I look for the re - sur - -
 ac - know - ledge one bap - tism for the re - mis - si - on of sins. And I look for the re - sur - -
 ac - know - ledge one bap - tism for the re - mis - si - on of sins. And I look for the re - sur - -

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Full

-re - cti - on of ____ the dead, and ____ the life of the world to come. A - - - - men.

-on of ____ the dead, and ____ the life of the world to come. A - - - - men.

-re - cti - on of the dead, and the life of the world to come. A - - - - men.

-re - cti - on of the dead, and the life of the world to come. A - - - - men.

SANCTUS

Medius

Ho - ly, Ho - ly, Ho - ly Lord God of hosts. Heav'n and earth

Contratenor

Ho - ly, Ho - ly, Ho - ly Lord God of hosts. Heav'n and earth

Tenor

Ho - ly, Ho - ly, Ho - ly Lord God of hosts. Heav'n and earth

Bassus

Ho - ly, Ho - ly, Ho - ly Lord God of hosts. Heav'n and earth

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are full of thy glo - ry, glo - ry be to thee, O Lord most high.

are full of thy glo - - ry, glo - ry be to thee, O Lord most high.

are full of thy glo - - ry, glo - ry be to thee, O Lord most high.

are full of thy glo - - ry, glo - ry be to thee, O Lord most high.

GLORIA

Medius

Dec.

And in earth peace, good - will to - wards men. We praise thee, we bless

Contratenor

And in earth peace, good-will to - wards men. We praise thee, we bless

Tenor

And in earth peace, good-will to - wards men. We praise thee, we bless

Bassus

And in earth peace, good - will to - wards men. We praise thee, we bless

6

Can.

Dec.

thee, we wor - ship thee, we glo - ri - fy thee. We give thanks to thee for thy great glo -

thee, we wor - ship thee, we glo - ri - fy thee. We give thanks to thee for thy great glo -

thee, we wor - ship thee, we glo - ri - fy thee. We give thanks to thee for thy great glo -

thee, we wor - ship thee, we glo - ri - fy thee. We give thanks to thee for thy great glo -

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Can.

Dec.

ry. O Lord God, hea-ven - ly King; God the Fa - ther al - migh - ty. O Lord, the on - ly be -

ry. O Lord God, hea - ven - ly King; God the Fa - ther al - migh - ty. O Lord, the on - ly be -

ry. O Lord God, hea - ven - ly King; God the Fa - ther al - migh - ty. O Lord, the on - ly be -

ry. O Lord God, hea - ven - ly King; God the Fa - ther al - migh - ty. O Lord, the on - ly be -

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Can. Dec.

-got - ten Son, Je - - su Christ. O Lord God, Lamb of God, Son of the _____ Fa - ther, that

-got - ten Son, Je - - su Christ. O Lord God, Lamb of God, Son of the _____ Fa - ther, that

-got - ten Son, Je - - su Christ. O Lord God, Lamb of God, Son of the _____ Fa - ther, that

-got - ten Son, Je - - su Christ. O Lord God, Lamb of God, Son of the _____ Fa - - - ther, that

21

Can.

ta - kest a - way the sins of the world, have mer - cy up - on _____ us. Thou that

ta - kest a - way the sins of the world, have mer - cy up - on _____ us. Thou that

ta - kest a - way the sins of the world, have mer - cy up - on _____ us. Thou that

ta - kest a - way the sins of the world, have mer - cy up - on _____ us. Thou that

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Dec.

ta - kest a - way the sins of the world, re - - ceive _____ our pray'r. Thou that sit -

ta - kest a - way the sins of the world, re - - ceive _____ our pray'r. Thou that sit -

ta - kest a - way the sins of the world, re - - ceive _____ our pray'r. Thou that sit -

ta - kest a - way the sins of the world, re - - ceive _____ our pray'r. Thou that sit -

29

Can.

-test at the right hand of God the Fa-ther, have mer - cy up - on us. For thou on - ly art ho -
 -test at the right hand of God the Fa-ther, have mer - cy up - on us. For thou on - ly art ho -
 -test at the right hand of God the Fa-ther, have mer - cy up - on us. For thou on - ly art ho -
 -test at the right hand of God the Fa-ther, have mer - cy up - on us. For thou on - ly art ho -

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-ly; thou on - ly art the Lord; thou on - ly, O Christ, with the Ho - ly Ghost, art -
 -ly; thou on - ly art the Lord; thou on - ly, O Christ, with the Ho - ly Ghost, art -
 -ly; thou on - ly art the Lord; thou on - ly, O Christ, with the Ho - ly Ghost, art -
 -ly; thou on - ly art the Lord; thou on - ly, O Christ, with the Ho - ly Ghost, art

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Full

most high in____ the glo - ry of God the Fa - ther. A - - - - men.
 most high in the glo - ry of God____ the Fa - ther. A - - men.
 most high in the glo - - ry of God the Fa - - ther. A - - men.
 most high in____ the glo - - ry of God the Fa - - ther. A - - men.

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SHORT SERVICE

Tallis's Short Service, sometimes called the 'Dorian' Service, is likely the first music written for the English liturgy, along with his Litany and Responses.

Sources:

New York Public Library, MS Mus. Res. *MNZ(Chirk):

a set of partbooks from Chirk Castle, c. 1630.

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The music is presented up a tone in original note values. The edition is intended to be for performance, and represents a conflation of the sources.

The sources vary considerably, most notably in terms of note rhythm to accommodate the words, and the underlay itself.

All 'standard' accidentals to the left of the note reflect those found in any of the sources, though the treatment varies across the sources. Editorial accidentals are in square brackets.

Accidentals in parentheses are cautionary.

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