

# ANCIENT GROOVE MUSIC

## SHORT SERVICE

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# THOMAS TALLIS (1505 - 1585)

## VENITE

Full

Medius

O come let us sing un - to the Lord, let us heart - i - ly re - joice in the

Contratenor

Full

O come let us sing un - to the Lord, let us heart - i - ly re - joice in the strength

Full

Tenor

O come let us sing un - to the Lord, let us heart - i - ly re - joice in the

Full

Bassus

O come let us sing un - to the Lord, let us heart - i - ly re - joice in the

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strength of our sal - va - ti - on. Let us come be - fore his pre - sence with \_\_\_ thanks-giv -

— of our sal - va - ti - on. Let us come be - fore his pre - sence with \_\_\_ thanks-giv -

strength of our sal - va - ti - on. Let us come be - fore his pre - sence with \_\_\_ thanks-giv -

strength of our sal - va - ti - on. Let us come be - fore his pre - sence with \_\_\_ thanks-giv -

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Dec.

- ing; and shew— our-selves glad in him with psalms. For the Lord is

Dec.

- ing; and shew— our-selves glad in him with psalms. For the Lord is

Dec.

- ing; and shew— our-selves glad in him with psalms. For the Lord is

Dec.

- ing; and shew— our-selves glad in him with psalms. For the Lord is

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Can. Dec.

earth; and the strength of the hills is his also. The sea is his and he made

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earth; and the strength of the hills is his also. The sea is his and he made

Can. Dec.

earth; and the strength of the hills is his also. The sea is his and he made

Can. Dec.

earth; and the strength of the hills is his also. The sea is his and he made

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Can.

— your hearts; as in the pro - vo - ca - ti - on and as in the day of temp-ta - ti-on in the wil - der -

Can.

— your hearts; as in the pro - vo - ca - ti - on and as in the day of temp-ta - ti-on in the wil - der -

Can.

— your hearts; as in the pro - vo - ca - ti - on and as in the day of temp-ta - ti-on in the wil - der -

Can.

— your hearts; as in the pro - vo - ca - ti - on and as in the day of temp-ta - ti-on in the wil - der -

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Dec. Can. Dec.

-ness; when your fa - thers tempt - ed me, prov - ed me and saw my works. For - ty years

Dec. Can. Dec.

-ness. when - your fa - thers tempt - ed me, prov - ed me and saw my works. For - ty years

Dec. Can. Dec.

-ness. when your fa - thers tempt - ed me, prov - ed me and saw my works. For - ty years

Dec. Can. Dec.

-ness. when your fa - thers tempt - ed me, prov - ed me and saw my works. For - ty years

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long was I griev - ed with this ge-ne - ra - ti - on, and said: It is a peo - ple that do

Can.

long was I griev - ed with this ge-ne - ra - ti - on, and said: It is a peo - ple that do

Can.

long was I griev - ed with this ge-ne - ra - ti - on, and said: It is a peo - ple that do

Can.

long was I griev - ed with this ge-ne - ra - ti - on, and said: It is a peo - ple that do

Can.

63

err in their hearts; for they have not known my ways. Un - to whom I swear

Dec.

err in their hearts; for they have not known my ways. Un - to whom I swear in

Dec.

err in their hearts; for they have not known my ways. Un - to whom I swear in

Dec.

err in their hearts; for they have not known my ways. Un - to whom I swear

68

Can. Full

in my wrath that they should not enter in - to my rest. Glo - ry be to the

Can. Full

— my wrath that they should not en - ter in - - to my rest. Glo - ry be to the

Can. Full

— my wrath that they should not en - ter in - to my rest. Glo - ry be to the

Can. Full

in my wrath that they should not en - ter in - to my rest. Glo - ry be to the

74

Fa - ther, and to the Son, and to the Ho - ly Ghost. As it was in the

Fa - ther, and to the Son, and to the Ho - ly Ghost. As it was in the

Fa - ther, and to the Son, and to the Ho - ly Ghost. As it was in the

Fa - ther, and to the Son, and to the Ho - ly Ghost. As it was in the

80

be - gin - ning is \_\_\_\_\_ now; and ev - er shall be, world with - out \_\_\_\_\_ end. A - men.

be - gin - ning is \_\_\_\_\_ now; and ev - er shall be, world with - out \_\_\_\_\_ end. A - men.

be - gin - ning is \_\_\_\_\_ now; and ev - er shall be, world with - out \_\_\_\_\_ end. A - men.

be - gin - ning is \_\_\_\_\_ now; and ev - er shall be, world with - out \_\_\_\_\_ end. A - men.

## TE DEUM

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Dec Can

ev - er - last - ing. To thee all an - gels cry a - loud, the heav'n's and all the pow'r's there - in. To thee Che - ru -

ev - er - last - ing. To thee all an - gels cry a - loud, the heav'n's and all the pow'r's there - in. To thee Che - ru -

ev - er - last - ing. To thee all an - gels cry a - loud, the\_ heav'n's and all the pow'r's there - in. To thee Che - ru -

ev - er - last - ing. To thee all an - gels cry a - loud, the heav'n's and all the pow'r's there - in. To thee Che - ru -

13

Dec Can

-bin and Se - ra - phin con-tin - u - al - ly do\_ cry: Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord God of Sa - ba -

Dec Can

-bin and Se - ra - phin con - tin - u-al - ly do\_ cry: Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord God of Sa - ba -

Dec Can

-bin and Se - ra - phin con - tin - u-al-ly\_ do\_ cry: Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord God of Sa - ba -

Dec Can

-bin and Se - ra - phin con-tin-u-al - ly do\_ cry: Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord God of Sa - ba -

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Dec Can

mar - tyrs praise\_\_\_\_ thee. The ho - ly Church through-out all the world doth know - ledge thee the Fa -

Dec Can

mar - tyrs praise\_\_\_\_ thee. The ho - ly Church through-out all the world doth know - ledge thee the Fa -

Dec Can

mar - tyrs praise\_\_\_\_ thee. The ho - ly Church through-out all the world doth know - ledge thee the Fa -

Dec Can

mar - tyrs praise\_\_\_\_ thee. The ho - ly Church through-out all the world doth know - ledge thee the Fa -

52

Can

son of the Fa - ther. When thou tookst up - on thee to de - liv - er man, thou didst not ab-hor the

Can

son of the Fa - ther. When thou tookst up - on thee to de - liv - er man, thou didst not ab-hor the

Can

son of the Fa - ther. When thou tookst up - on thee to de - liv - er man, thou didst not ab-hor the

Can

son of the Fa - ther. When thou tookst up - on thee to de - liv - er man, thou didst not ab-hor the

58

Dec

Vir - gin's womb. When thou hadst ov - er - come the sharp-ness of death, thou didst o - pen the

Dec

Vir - gin's womb. When thou hadst ov - er - come the sharp-ness of death, thou didst o - pen the

Dec

Vir - gin's womb. When thou hadst ov - er - come the sharp-ness of death, thou didst o - pen the

Dec

Vir - gin's womb. When thou hadst ov - er - come the sharp-ness of death, thou didst o - pen the

62

Can

king-dom of heav'n to all be - liev-ers. Thou sit-test at the right hand of God, in \_\_\_\_\_ the glo - ry

Dec

king-dom of heav'n to all be - liev-ers. Thou sit-test at the right hand of God, in \_\_\_\_\_ the glo - ry

Can

king-dom of heav'n to all be - liev-ers. Thou sit-test at the right hand of God, in \_\_\_\_\_ the glo - ry

Dec

king-dom of heav'n to all be - liev-ers. Thou sit-test at the right hand of God, in \_\_\_\_\_ the glo - ry

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Can

of the Fa - ther. We be - lieve that thou shalt come to be our judge. We there-fore pray thee,

Dec

of the Fa - ther. We be - lieve that thou shalt come to be our \_\_\_\_\_ judge. We there-fore pray thee,

Can

of the Fa - ther, We be - lieve that thou shalt come to be our judge. We there-fore pray thee,

Dec

of the Fa - ther, We be - lieve that thou shalt come to be our judge. We there-fore pray thee,

Can

of the Fa - ther, We be - lieve that thou shalt come to be our judge. We there-fore pray thee,

Dec

of the Fa - ther, We be - lieve that thou shalt come to be our judge. We there-fore pray thee,

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Can Dec

help thy ser - vants, whom thou hast re - deem - ed with thy pre - ci - ous blood. Make \_ them to be

Can Dec

help thy ser - vants, whom thou hast re - deem-ed with thy pre-ci - ous blood. Make \_ them to be

Can Dec

help thy ser - vants, whom thou hast re - deem - ed with thy pre - ci - ous blood. Make \_ them to be

Can Dec

help thy ser - vants, whom thou hast re - deem - ed with thy pre - ci - ous blood. Make \_ them to be

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Can Dec Can

num-ber'd with thy saints in glo - ry ev - er - last - - - ing. O Lord, save thy peo-ple, and

Can Dec Can

num-ber'd with thy saints in glo - ry ev - - - er - last - - ing. O Lord, save thy peo-ple and

Can Dec Can

8 num-ber'd with thy saints in glo - ry ev - er - last - - - ing. O Lord, save thy peo-ple and

Can Dec Can

num-ber'd with thy saints in glo - ry ev - - - er - last - - ing. O Lord, save thy peo-ple and

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Dec Can Dec  
bless thine he - ri - tage. Gov-ern them and lift them up for ev-er. Day by day, we mag-ni - fy      thee, and we wor-

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bless thine he - ri - tage. Gov-ern them and lift them up for ev-er. Day by day, we mag-ni - fy\_ thee, and we wor-

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bless thine he - ri - tage. Gov-ern them and lift them up for ev-er. Day by day, we mag-ni - fy\_      thee, and we wor-

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bless thine he - ri - tage. Gov-ern them and lift them up for ev-er. Day by day, we mag-ni - fy      thee, and we wor-

92

Can Dec Can

- ship thy name, ev - er world with-out end. Vouch-safe, O Lord, to keep us this day with-out sin. O Lord, have

Can Dec Can

- ship thy name, ev - er world with-out end. Vouch-safe, O Lord, to keep us this day with - out sin. O Lord, have

Can Dec Can

- ship thy name, ev - er world with-out end. Vouch-safe, O Lord, to keep us this day with-out sin. O Lord, have

Can Dec Can

- ship thy name, ev - er world with-out end. Vouch-safe, O Lord, to keep us this day with-out sin. O Lord, have

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Dec Can Dec

mer - cy up - on us, have mer - cy up - on us. O Lord, let thy mer - cy ligh-ten up - on us, as

Dec Can Dec

mer - cy up - on us, have mer - cy up - on us. O Lord, let thy mer - cy ligh-ten up - on us. As

Dec Can Dec

mer - cy up - on us, have mer - cy up - on us. O Lord, let thy mer - cy ligh-ten up - on us. As

Dec Can Dec

mer - cy up - on us, have mer - cy up - on us. O Lord, let thy mer - cy ligh-ten up - on us. As

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Full

our trust is in thee. O Lord, in thee have I trust - ed. Let me ne - ver be con-found - ed.

Full

our trust is in thee. O Lord, in thee have I trust-ed. Let me ne - ver be con-found - ed.

Full

our trust is in thee. O Lord, in thee have I trust - ed. Let me ne - ver be con-found - ed.

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our trust is in thee. O Lord, in thee have I trust-ed. Let me ne - ver be con-found - ed.

## BENEDICTUS DOMINUS DEUS

Full

Medius

Bless - ed be the Lord God of Is - ra - el: for he hath vi-sit-ed and re-deem - ed

Full

Contratenor

Bless - ed be the Lord God of Is - ra - el: for he hath vi-sit-ed and re - deem - ed

Full

Tenor

Bless - ed be the Lord God of Is - ra - el: for he hath vi-sit-ed and re - deem -

Full

Bassus

Bless - ed be the Lord God of Is - ra - el: for he hath vi-sit-ed and re-deem-ed

7

Dec.

Can.

his peo-ple. And hath rais-ed up a migh-ty sal-va-ti - on for us: in the house of his ser - vant Da -

Dec.

Can.

his peo-ple. And hath rais-ed up a migh-ty sal-va-ti - on for us: in the house of his ser - vant Da -

Dec.

Can.

ed his peo-ple. And hath rais-ed up a migh-ty sal-va-ti - on for us: in the house of his ser - vant Da -

Dec.

Can.

his peo-ple. And hath rais-ed up a migh-ty sal-va-ti - on for us: in the house of his ser - vant Da -

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Dec.

vid. As he spake by the mouth of his ho - ly Pro - phets: which have been since the world be -

Dec.

vid. As he spake by the mouth of his ho - ly Pro - phets: which have been since the world be -

Dec.

vid. As he spake by the mouth of his ho - ly Pro - phets: which have been since the world be -

Dec.

vid. As he spake by the mouth of his ho - ly Pro - phets: which have been since the world be -

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Can. Dec.

gan. That we should be sav - ed from our e - ne-mies: and from the hands of all that hate us. To

Can. Dec.

gan. That we should be sav-ed from our e - ne - mies: and from the hands of all that hate\_\_ us. To

Can. Dec.

gan. That we should be sav-ed from our e - ne-mies: and from the hands of all that hate us. To

Can. Dec.

gan. That we should be saved from our e - ne-mies: and from the hands of all that hate us. To

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Can. Can.

per-form the mer - cy pro-mis-ed to\_\_our fa - thers, and\_\_ to re - mem - ber his ho - ly Cov'nant. To

Can. Can.

per-form the mer - cy pro-mis-ed to\_\_our fa - thers, and\_\_ to re - mem - ber his ho - ly Cov'nant. To

Can. Can.

per-form the mer - cy pro-mis-ed to our fa - thers, and\_\_ to re-mem - ber his ho - ly Cov'nant. To

Can. Can.

per-form the mer - cy pro-mis-ed to\_\_our fa - thers, and\_\_ to re-mem - ber his ho - ly Cov'nant. To

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Dec. Dec.

per-form the oath which he sware to\_\_our fa-ther A - bra-ham; that\_\_ he would give us. That we be -

Dec. Dec.

per-form the oath which he sware to\_\_our fa-ther A - bra-ham; that he would give us. That we be -

Dec. Dec.

per-form the oath which he sware to our fa-ther A - bra-ham; that he would give us. That we be -

Dec. Dec.

per-form the oath which he sware to\_\_our fa-ther A - bra-ham; that he would give us. That we be -

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Can. Dec. Can. Dec. Can.

Can. Dec. Can. Dec. Can.

8 Can. Dec. Can. Dec. Can.

Can. Dec. Can. Dec. Can.

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Full Dec.

Full Dec.

8 Full Dec.

Full Dec.

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Can.

Can.

8 Can.

Can.

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Dec.

pare his ways. To give know-ledge of sal-va - ti - on un - to his peo-ple: for the re-mis - si-

Dec.

pre-pare his ways. To give know-ledge of sal-va-ti-on un-to his peo-ple: for the re-mis-si-on\_

Dec.

pare his ways. To give know-ledge of sal-va - ti - on un - to his peo-ple: for the re-mis - si-

Dec.

pare his ways. To give know-ledge of sal-va - ti - on un - to his peo-ple: for the re-mis - si-

60

Can.

on of their sins. Through the ten - der mer - cy of our God: where - by the Day-spring

Can.

— of their sins. Through the ten - der mer - cy of our God: where - by the Day-spring

Can.

on of their sins. Through the ten - der mer - cy of our God: where - by the Day-spring

Can.

on of their sins. Through the ten - der mer - cy of our God: where - by the Day-spring

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Dec.

from on high hath vi-sit-ed us. To give light to them that sit in dark-ness and in the

Dec.

from on high hath vi - sit-ed us. To give light to them that sit in dark-ness and in the

Dec.

from on high hath vi-sit-ed us. To give light to them that sit in dark - ness, and in the

Dec.

from on high hath vi-sit-ed us. To give light to them that sit in dark - ness and in the

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Can. Full

sha-dow of death: and to guide our feet in - to the way of \_\_\_\_\_ peace. Glo - ry be

sha-dow of death: and to guide our feet in - to the way \_\_\_\_\_ of peace. Glo - ry be

sha - dow of death: and to guide our feet in - to \_\_\_\_\_ the way of \_\_\_\_\_ peace. Glo - ry be

sha-dow of death: and to guide our feet in - to \_\_\_\_\_ the way of \_\_\_\_\_ peace. Glo - ry be

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to the Fa - ther, and to the Son, and to \_\_\_\_\_ the Ho - ly Ghost: as \_\_\_\_\_ it was in the be-

to the Fa - ther, and to the Son, and to \_\_\_\_\_ the Ho - ly Ghost: as \_\_\_\_\_ it was in the be-

to the Fa - ther, and to the Son, and to \_\_\_\_\_ the Ho - ly Ghost: as \_\_\_\_\_ it was in the be-

to the Fa - ther, and to the Son, and to \_\_\_\_\_ the Ho - ly Ghost: as \_\_\_\_\_ it was in the be-

to the Fa - ther, and to the Son, and to the Ho - ly Ghost: As \_\_\_\_\_ it was in the be-

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-gin - ning, is now, and e - - ver shall be, world \_\_\_\_\_ with-out end. A - men.

-gin - ning, is now, and e - - ver shall be, world \_\_\_\_\_ with-out end. A - men.

-gin - ning, is now, and e - ever shall be, world with - out end. A - men.

-gin - ning, is now, and e - ver \_\_\_\_\_ shall be, world with - out end. A - men.

-gin - ning, is now, and e - - ver shall be, world with - out end. A - men.

# ANCIENT GROOVE MUSIC

THOMAS TALLIS

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.

Cambridge, Peterhouse: Latter Caroline partbooks, c. 1635.

*The First Book of Selected Church Musick*, John Barnard (London, 1641)

London, RCM MSS 1045-1051: the Barnard partbooks. (Venite incomplete.)

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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