

8. Thanks to God Throughout the World

Gott sei Dank durch alle Welt

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Sop.

1. Thanks to God _____ through-out all lands,
4. So we greet - - - You, Sav - ior, Lord,
7. Com - fort, com - - - fort my poor mind,

Alto

1. Thanks to God, _____ thanks _____ to God through-
4. So we greet, _____ so _____ we greet You
7. Com - fort, then, _____ com - - - - fort, com - fort

Bar.

1. Thanks to God through -
4. So we greet You,
7. Com - fort, com - fort

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— through-out _____ all lands, whose sweet Word, _____
— we greet _____ You Lord, Sav - ior, Lord, _____
— O my _____ poor mind, I am blind, _____

out _____ all lands, whose sweet Word, whose _____
Sav - - - - ior, Lord, Sav - ior, Lord, Hail! _____
my _____ poor mind, I am blind, I _____

out _____ all lands, whose sweet
Sav - - - - ior, Lord, Hail! my
my _____ poor mind, I am

The composer's lengthening of the phrases assigned to each line of the text in this setting requires adjustments to the underlay that are occasionally awkward both the English (and in the German) in verses 2-9. Ed.

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— whosesweet Word un-chang-ing stands, to each sin -
 — Hail! my por - tion has come forth. To my heart
 — I am fool - ish, I am blind, and by Sa -

—sweet Word un - chang - - - ing stands, to each sin-
 — my por - tion has _____ come forth. To my heart
 — am fool - ish, I _____ am blind, and by Sa -

Word un - chang - - - ing stands, to each sin -
 por - tion has come forth. To my heart
 fool - ish, I am blind, and by Sa -

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ner, Coun - se - lor, to us all, _____
 a way pre - pare You may en - - -
 tan's cun - ning craft I may be _____

ner, Coun - se - lor, to _____ us, _____ to _____
 a way pre - pare, en - ter, _____ You _____
 tan's cun - ning craft, I _____ may be, _____ I _____

ner, Coun - se - lor, to
 a way pre - pare. You
 tan's cun - ning craft I

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the Com - fort - er, our Com - fort - er.
 ter to dwell there, may en - ter there.
 de - ceived at last, de - ceived at last.

— us all, the Com - - - fort - er.
 — may en - ter to _____ dwell there.
 — may be de - ceived _____ at _____ last.

us all, the Com - - - fort - er.
 may en - ter to _____ dwell there,
 my be de - ceived _____ at last.

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2. What the saints _____ of long a - go, _____ of long _____ a -
 5. En - ter there _____ ma - jes - tic King, _____ ma - jes - tic
 8. Tread up - on _____ the ser - pent's head, _____ the ser - pent's

2. What the saints, _____ what _____ the saints of long _____ a -
 5. En - ter there, _____ en - - - ter there, ma - jes - tic
 8. Tread up - on, _____ tread _____ up - on the ser - pent's

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 5. En - ter there, ma - jes - tic
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go, most de - sired, _____ most de - sired _____ and longed to hold,
 King, all is Yours, _____ all my heart _____ and ev - 'ry - thing.
 head so that I, _____ so that I _____ be free from dread,

go most de - sired, most _____ de - sired and longed _____ to
 King, all is Yours, all _____ my heart and ev - - - 'ry -
 head, so that I, so _____ that I be free _____ from

go most de - sired and longed to
 King, all my heart and ev - - - 'ry -
 head so that I be free from

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what their proph - e - sies _____ in - stilled now is
 Mold me, fash - ion as _____ You will, pure and
 that with faith a - round, _____ a - bove, I may

hold, what their proph - e - sies in - stilled now is _____
 thing. Mold me, fash - ion as You will, pure and _____
 dread, that with faith a - round, a - bove, I _____ may _____

hold, what their proph - e - sies _____ in - stilled
 thing. Mold me, fash - ion as _____ You will,
 dread, that with faith a - round, _____ a - bove,

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glo - - - rious-ly ful - filled, ___ is now ___ ful - filled.
 free _____ from sin and guilt, ___ from sin ___ and guilt.
 live _____ with - in Your love, ___ with - in ___ Your love.

— glo - - - rious-ly ful - filled, ___ ful - filled.
 — free _____ from sin, from sin _____ and ___ guilt.
 — live, _____ may live with - in _____ Your love.

now is glo - rious - ly _____ ful - filled.
 pure and free from sin _____ and guilt.
 I may live with - in _____ Your love.

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3 Zi - on's help _____ and A - bra'm's wage,
 6. And, as was _____ Your Ad - vent here,
 9. that, when You, _____ O Prince of Life,

3. Zi - on's help, ___ Zi - - - - on's help and
 6. And as was, ___ and _____ as was Your
 9. that, when You, ___ that _____ when You, O

3. Zi - on's help and
 6. And as at Your
 9. that, when You, O

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— and A - - - bra'm's wage, Ja - cob's boon, ___
 — Your Ad - - - vent here, with - out fear, ___
 — O Prince _____ of Life, come a - gain, ___

A - - - - bra'm's wage, Ja - cob's boon, Ja -
 Ad - - - - vent here, with - out fear, filled ___
 Prince _____ of Life, come a - gain, come ___

A - - - - bra'm's wage, Ja - cob's
 Ad - - - - vent here, filled with
 Prince _____ of Life, come a -

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— Ja - cob's boon, — the vir - gin's babe, who by dou -
 — filled with meek - ness, with - out fear, may Your meek -
 — come a - gain — in splen - dor bright, I may meet

— cob's boon, the vir - - - gin's babe, who by dou -
 — with meek - ness, with - - - out fear, may Your meek -
 — a - gain in splen - - - dor bright, I may meet

boon, the vir - - - gin's Son, who by dou -
 meek - ness, with - - - out fear, may Your meek -
 gain in splen - - - dor bright, I may meet

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ble lin - - - eage blessed, tru - ly does _____
 ness ev - - - er be read - y as _____
 You face _____ to face, take in right - - -

ble lin - eage blessed, tru - ly _____ does _____
 ness ev - er be read - y _____ as _____
 You face to face and _____ take, _____ take _____

ble lin - - - eage blessed, tru -
 ness ev - - - er be read -
 You face _____ to face, take

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Him - self en - list, — Him - self — en - list.
 Your gift to me, — Your gift — to me.
 eous - ness my place, — and take — my place.

— Him - self, Him - self — en - list.
 — Your gift, Your gift — to — me.
 — in right - eous - ness — my — place.

ly does Him - self — en - list.
 y as Your gift — to me.
 in right - eous - ness — my place.