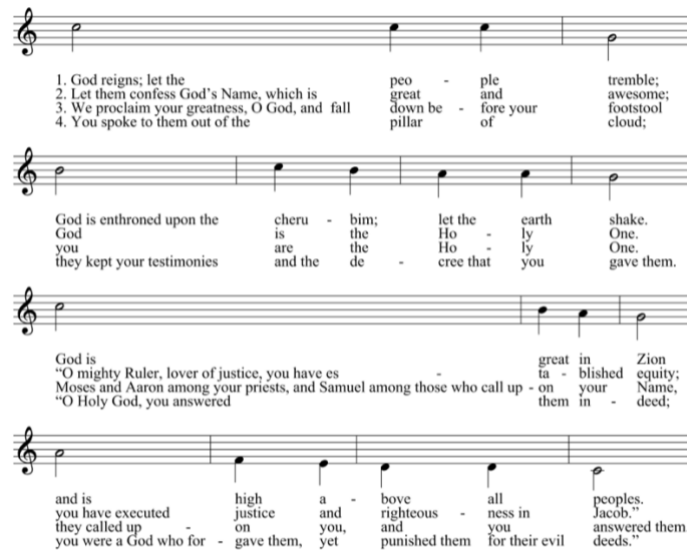


## Music Notes for October 22, 2023

Today's prelude, "Song of Peace," is by Craig Phillips, a distinguished and popular American composer and organist and Director of Music at All Saints' Episcopal Church, Beverly Hills, CA. The piece is to be played "with warmth and intensity," and it was chosen as a reflection on the times in which we live, so in need of the peace of God. The postlude is a jaunty dance, a bourrée, arranged from the collection "Terpsichore" arranged by German composer Michael Praetorius and published in 1612. Terpsichore was one of the nine Greek Muses and was the goddess of dance and chorus. Praetorius' work is a compendium of more than 300 instrumental dances, arranged today for organ.

The anthem, "Alas, and did my Savior bleed," features a haunting melody for unison choir accompanied by a flute obbligato, played by Barb Holland. The composer, Rachel Aarons, is a native of Laramie, Wyoming, born in 1984. She studied piano, voice, and composition in college and now works as a real estate agent in Virginia and sings alto in her church choir. Rachel is one of the up-and-coming women composers whose music we feature frequently at St. A's.

Today's Psalm will be sung by choir and congregation together to a chant setting based on the hymn tune, *Ein feste Burg*. Listen to it [here](#).



1. God reigns; let the peo - ple tremble;  
2. Let them confess God's Name, which is great and awesome;  
3. We proclaim your greatness, O God, and fall down be - fore your footstool;  
4. You spoke to them out of the pillar of of cloud;

God is enthroned upon the cheru - bim; let the earth shake.  
God is the Ho - ly One.  
you are the Ho - ly One.  
they kept your testimonies and the de - cree that you gave them.

God is great in Zion  
"O mighty Ruler, lover of justice, you have es - ta - blished equity;  
Moses and Aaron among your priests, and Samuel among those who call up - on your Name,  
"O Holy God, you answered them in - deed;

and is high a - bove all peoples.  
you have executed justice and righteous - ness in Jacob."  
they called up - on you, and you answered them.  
you were a God who for - gave them, yet punished them for their evil deeds."

The service music is the same for the remainder of the season of Pentecost. Listen to the [Presentation Hymn](#), [Sanctus](#), and [Fraction Anthem](#).