# All the Ends of the Earth Ps. 98

# for Soloist/Small Group

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# Thank you for choosing Cher & Gene Klosner's psalm series!

All of our psalms are written in comfortable "congregational keys" and presented in SATB(+), but have been written so that all music ministry groups can use them, from soloist to duo, to contemporary praise teams (SAT), to full choirs. For SATB/choir, look up our octavo versions.

The vocals in this Small Group version are presented in treble clef, but can be sung by TB an octave lower. Typically, the higher harmony notes can be either Soprano or Tenor, and the lower harmony notes can be Alto or Bass. These harmonies can sometimes cross each other in some of our psalm settings.

## This PDF contains the following versions:

- Refrain P/G/V (w/two harmonies) + Verse chords (for cantor, singers, guitar/piano accompanists)
- Verses P/G/V (for cantor, accompanist)
- *Refrain Assembly (for director, worship aid makers)*

#### Format:

- Solo cantor refrain melody
- Choir and congregation respond in **unison** (melody) refrain
- Solo cantor verse
- Choir and congregation refrain with harmonies
- [Continue thru multiple verses and harmonized refrains]
- End with repeat of harmonized refrain (optional)

*Verses are by ONE cantor, chant-style (non-metered, free rhythm) using either of the two melodies, depending on their vocal range. Verses are not designed for multiple singers or harmonies.* 

For the *accompanist*, the rhythm resumes (a tempo) on the last word of each verse to bring choir and congregation in for the refrain, which then has **choir** harmonies from there on out.

We like to do a double refrain after the last verse to "close out" the song, so we use the turnaround accompaniment for repeating the refrain, then the Final ending at the very end.

#### *Note to accompanist:*

Follow the "turnaround" chords when repeating the refrain (refer to recording). Use the "interlude into verses" when going into verses.

#### **Psalm Tones:**

Overall, we have 16 different melodies of psalm tones for the verses that get "mixed and matched" with all the hundreds of different psalm refrains throughout the 3-year cycle, one per psalm refrain. We give two options from which the cantor can choose, depending on the cantor's vocal range.

This way, a cantor doesn't have to learn hundreds of different verse melodies over the three-year cycle. The particular psalm tones being matched to this refrain are Psalm Tone 14 in A, which starts on the same note as the end of the refrain (Mi in solfege), and Psalm Tone 13 in A, which instead goes down a third (Do in solfege).

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#### Other tips for the vocalists on "All the Ends of the Earth":

Use with Psalm Tone 14 or 13 (in A).

This is one of our "double-refrains" (text is sung 2x each time, but two different endings). So when you are repeating the refrain with the congregation (after the cantor sings through) at the beginning AND if you choose to repeat at the very end, it feels like double-double. Cantor should not bring the congregation and choir in until the full "double-refrain" has been sung, then they all sing back that same refrain with both endings.

Altos: note that the "Joy to the world" section is the standard "scale down" the first time, but the word "to" in the second "Joy to the world" is a G-natural instead of G# (so, "Joy to" is same two notes as "have seen" in melody). Therefore, in solfege, "to" is "ti" then "te.";-)

We strongly recommend listening to the recordings of this psalm.

Musically yours,

Cher & Gene

DIFFICULTY LEVEL		
(easy/medium/advanced)		
melody	harmony	accompaniment
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Verse chorus, salm Tone 13/14), Piano, Guitar, no capo:

A | Em7 | D | A | Bm7sus4 | Aadd9/C# | Dadd9 | E7sus4 |

Verse chords (Psalm Tone 13/14), Guitar, capo 2:

 $G \mid Dm7 \mid C \mid G \mid$  Am7sus4  $\mid$  Gadd9/B  $\mid$  Cadd9  $\mid$  D7sus4  $\mid$ 



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