

BE KIND TO ME O GOD AND SHOW MERCY

Responsorial Song from Psalm 51 for Ash Wednesday
for Psalmist (Cantor), Assembly & Descant
with Keyboard, Flute & Guitar

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*O God, show us your mercy,
and grant us peace in our day.*

Be kind to me, O God, and show mercy;
in your love blot out my offence.
Wash clean all the guilt within me,
and make pure the path I should follow.

Now I see how I drifted away from you,
every fault open now to my eyes.
You alone have I offended,
I have wandered away from your sight

Plant a new heart in me, O God,
and restore my strength within me.
Do not drive me away from your presence,
nor deprive me of your Spirit.

Yet again be my joy and my future,
keep my spirit alive and singing!
I shall sing your compassion and mercy,
and rejoice as the wanderer returns.

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music & text from Psalm 51 Tony Barr

Chords: Eb, Dm7, Gsus4

REFRAIN

Flute on selected Refrains

Descant on selected Refrains

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Eb

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Gsus4

VERSES Psalmist (Cantor) *from the ambo*
Steadily, observing the sprung rhythm

The image shows a musical score for the verses of Psalm 51. It consists of six systems of music. Each system includes a vocal line (treble clef) and a piano accompaniment (grand staff with treble and bass clefs). The lyrics are arranged in four lines per system, corresponding to the four verses. A large, bold, black 'SAMPLE' watermark is oriented diagonally across the entire page, from the bottom left to the top right.

1. Be kind to me, O God, and show mercy;
 2. Now I see how I drifted a way from you,
 3. Plant a new heart in me, O God,
 4. Yet a - gain be my joy and my future.

1. in your love blot out of my eyes.
 2. every fault open to my eyes.
 3. and re - store my strength with - in me,
 4. keep my spirit a - ve and singing!

1. Wash my guilt with - in me,
 2. You a - lone of - fended,
 3. Do not drive me - way from your presence,
 4. I shall sing your - passion and mercy,

1. and make pure the path I should follow
 2. nor de - prive me of your Spirit.
 4. and re - joyce as the wan - d'rer re - turns.

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O God, show us your mer - cy, and grant us peace in day.

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VERSES Psalmist (Cantor) from the ambo

Steadily, observing the sprung rhythm

1. Be kind to me, O God, show mercy;
2. Now I see how I have sinned, drive a way from you,
3. Plant a new heart in me, O God,
4. Yet again be merciful to my future,

1. in your love blot out all iniquity from my eyes.
2. every iniquity open now to my eyes.
3. and remove all unrighteousness from my strength with in me,
4. keep my spirit from lying in wait and singing!

1. You have forgiven all the guilt with in me,
2. You are a loving God, I of your mercies,
3. do not despise me as I have sinned, away from your presence,
4. I will confess your compassion and mercy,

1. Do not make paths of iniquity the path I should follow
2. For I have wandered away from your sight
3. nor do you deprive me of your Spirit.
4. and my heart will rejoice as the wan - d'rer returns.