

# Psalm 23

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4th Sunday of Lent, Year A • 4th Sunday of Easter, Year A • Christ the King, Year A •  
16th Sunday in Ordinary Time, Year B • Sacred Heart, Year C •  
All Souls, 1st Mass (*for alternate response, turn the page*)

The Lord is my shep - herd; there is noth - ing I shall want.

This block contains the musical notation for the first part of Psalm 23. It consists of a vocal line on a single staff and a piano accompaniment on two staves (treble and bass clef). The lyrics are: "The Lord is my shep - herd; there is noth - ing I shall want." The music is in a simple, homophonic style.

4th Sunday of Easter, Year A, *alternate response*

Al - le - lu - ia.

This block contains the musical notation for the alternate response "Alleluia". It consists of a vocal line on a single staff and a piano accompaniment on two staves (treble and bass clef). The lyrics are: "Al - le - lu - ia." The music is in a simple, homophonic style.

SAMPLE

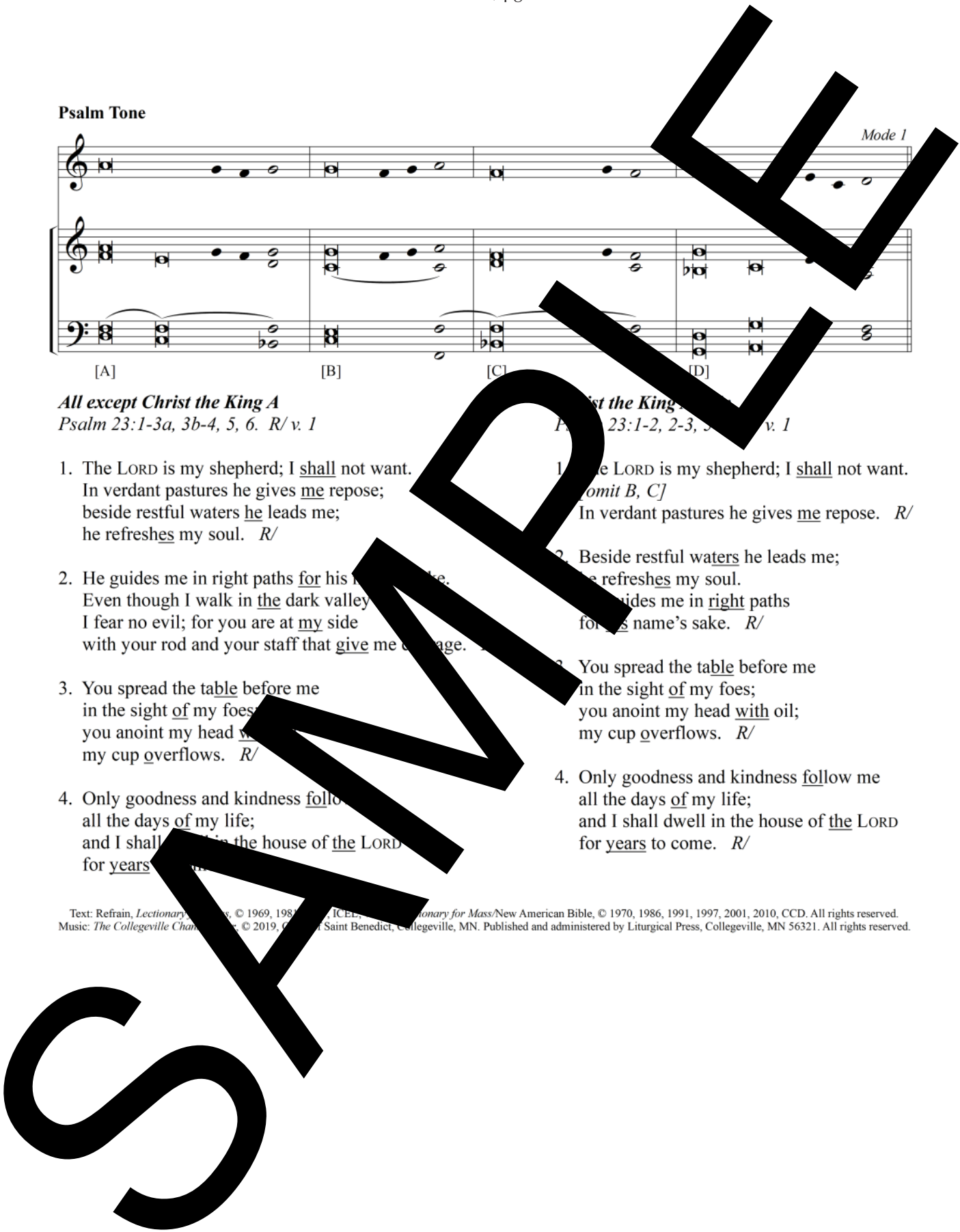
Psalm Tone

*All except Christ the King*  
 Psalm 23:1-3a, 3b-4, 5, 6. R/ v. 1

*Christ the King*  
 Psalm 23:1-2, 2-3, 5, 6. R/ v. 1

1. The LORD is my shepherd; I shall not want.  
 In verdant pastures he gives me repose;  
 beside restful waters he leads me;  
 he refreshes my soul. R/
2. He guides me in right paths for his name's sake;  
 Even though I walk in the dark valley  
 I fear no evil; for you are at my side  
 with your rod and your staff that give me courage.
3. You spread the table before me  
 in the sight of my foes;  
 you anoint my head with oil;  
 my cup overflows. R/
4. Only goodness and kindness follow me  
 all the days of my life;  
 and I shall dwell in the house of the LORD  
 for years to come.

1. The LORD is my shepherd; I shall not want.  
 In verdant pastures he gives me repose. R/  
 (omit B, C)
2. Beside restful waters he leads me;  
 he refreshes my soul.  
 He guides me in right paths  
 for his name's sake. R/
3. You spread the table before me  
 in the sight of my foes;  
 you anoint my head with oil;  
 my cup overflows. R/
4. Only goodness and kindness follow me  
 all the days of my life;  
 and I shall dwell in the house of the LORD  
 for years to come. R/



28th Sunday in Ordinary Time, Year A

I shall live in the house of the Lord all the days of my life.

Psalm Tone

Mode 2

Psalm 23:1-3a, 3b-4, 5, 6. R/v. 4ab

1. The LORD is my shepherd. I shall not want.  
In verdant pastures he gives me repose;  
beside restful waters he leads me,  
and he refreshes my soul. R/
2. He guides me in straight paths for his name's sake.  
Even though I walk in the dark valley  
I fear no evil, for you are with me,  
and your rod and your staff they comfort me. R/
3. You spread the table before me  
in the sight of my foes.  
You anoint my head with oil,  
and my cup overflows. R/
4. Only goodness and kindness follow me  
all the days of my life.  
and I shall dwell in the house of the LORD  
for the days to come. R/

All Souls, 1st Mass, *alternate response*

Though I walk in the val - ley of dark-ness, I fear no evil, for you are with me.

Psalm Tone

Mode 1

Psalm 23:1-3a, 3b-4, 5, 6. R/ v. 4ab

1. The LORD is my shepherd; I shall not want.  
In verdant pastures he gives me repose,  
beside restful waters he leads me,  
and he refreshes my soul. R/
2. He guides me in right paths for his name's sake.  
Even though I walk in the dark valley  
I fear no evil, for you are with me,  
and your rod and your staff give me courage. R/
3. You spread the table before me  
in the sight of my foes;  
you anoint my head with oil;  
and my cup overflows. R/
4. Only goodness and kindness follow me  
all the days of my life,  
and I will dwell in the house of the LORD  
for the days of my life.  
My tears are to come.