
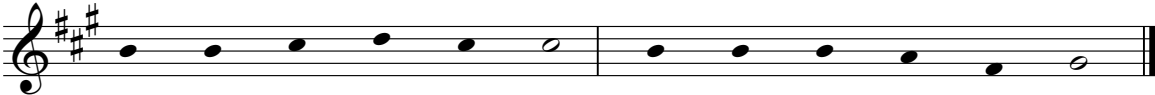




**R.**   
Bless'd are the poor in spir - it; the king-dom of heav'n is theirs!

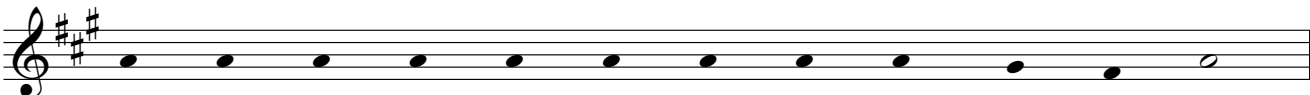

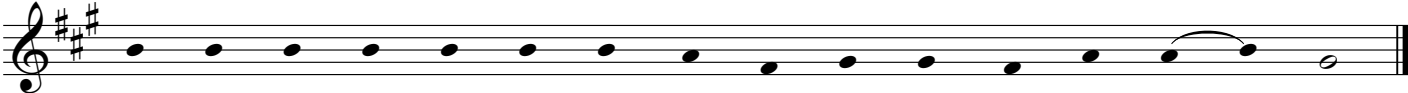
ALLELUIA can also be used as the REFRAIN

**R.**   
Al - le - lú - ia, al - le - lú - ia.

**1**   
The Lord keeps *faith* for - ev - er, se - cures jus - tice for *the* op - pressed,  
  
gives food *to* the hun - gry. The Lord sets *cap* - tives free.

**2**   
The Lord gives sight *to* the blind; the Lord rais - es up those who *were* bowed down.  
  
The Lord *loves* the just; the Lord *pro* - tects stran - gers.



**3**   
The fa - ther - less and the wid - ow the *Lord* sus - tains,  
  
but the way of the wick - *ed* he thwarts. The Lord shall *reign* for - ev - er;  
  
your God, O Zi - on, through all *gen* - er - a - tions. Al - le - lu - ia.