

# Benedictus in D minor

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*Full*

Treble  
Bles-sed be the Lord God of I-sra-el: for he hath vi-si-ted and re-deem-

Alto  
*Full*  
Bles-sed be the Lord God of I-sra-el: for he hath vi-si-ted and re -

Tenor Decani  
*Full*  
Bles-sed be the Lord God of I-sra-el: for he hath vi-si - ted and re-deem- ed

Tenor Cantoris  
*Full*  
Bles-sed be the Lord God of I-sra-el: for he hath vi-si-ted and re-deem - ed

Bass  
*Full*  
Bles-sed be the Lord God of I-sra-el: for he hath vi-si-ted and re -

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S  
*Dec.*  
ed his peo-ple. And hath rai-sed up a migh-ty sal-va- tion for us: in the house

A  
*Dec.*  
deem-ed his peo-ple. And hath rai-sed up a migh-ty sal-va - tion for us: in the house

T  
*Dec.*  
his peo-ple. And hath rai-sed up a migh-ty sal-va- tion for us: in the house

T  
his peo-ple.

B  
*Dec.*  
deem - ed his peo-ple. And hath rai-sed up a migh-ty sal-va- tion for us: in the house

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15 *Can.*

S of his ser - vant Da-\_\_\_\_ vid. As he spake by the mouth of \_\_\_\_ his ho-ly pro-phets: which have

A of his ser-vant Da-\_\_\_\_ vid. As he spake by the mouth of \_\_\_\_ his ho-ly pro-phets: which have

T of his ser - vant Da-\_\_\_\_ vid. As he spake by the mouth of \_\_\_\_ his ho-ly pro-phets: which have

B of his ser - vant \_\_\_\_ Da - vid. As he spake by the mouth of \_\_\_\_ his ho-ly pro-phets: which have

6 5 6 5 6 4 3 6 6

20 *Dec.* 25

S been since the \_\_\_\_ world be-gan. That we should be sa - ved from our e-ne - mies:

A been since the world be-gan. That we should be sa - ved from our e - ne-mies:

T been since the world be-\_\_ gan. That we should be sa - ved from our e-ne - mies: and

B been since the world be-\_\_ gan. That we should be sa - ved from our e-ne - mies:

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3 4 6

30 *Can.*

S and from the hands of all that hate us. To \_\_\_\_ per-form the mer-cy pro-

A and from the hands of all that hate us. To \_\_\_\_ per-form the mer-cy pro-

T from the hands of all that \_\_ hate \_\_\_\_ us. To \_\_\_\_ per-form the mer-cy pro-

B and from the hands of all that hate us. To \_\_\_\_ per-form the mer-cy pro-

6 7 6 6

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S mi-sed to our fore - fa - thers: and to \_\_\_ re - mem - ber his ho - ly co - ve - nant. To per - *Dec.*

A mi-sed to our fore - fa - thers: and to \_\_\_ re - mem - ber his ho - ly co - ve - nant. To per - *Dec.*

T mi-sed to our fore - fa - thers: and to \_\_\_ re - mem - ber his ho - ly co - ve - nant. To per - *Dec.*

B mi-sed to our fore - fa - thers: and to \_\_\_ re - mem - ber his ho - ly co - ve - nant. To per - *Dec.*

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S form the oath which \_\_\_ he sware to \_\_\_ our fore - fa - ther A - bra - ham that he would *Can.*

A form the oath which he sware to \_\_\_ our fore - fa - ther A - bra - ham that he would *Can.*

T form the oath which \_\_\_ he sware to \_\_\_ our fore - fa - ther A - bra - ham that he would *Can.*

B form the oath which he sware to \_\_\_ our fore - fa - ther A - bra - ham that he would *Can.*

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45 *Dec.* *Can.* 50

S give us. That we be - ing de - li - ver - ed out of the hand of our e - ne - mies: might *Dec.* *Can.*

A give \_\_\_ us. That we be - ing de - li - ver - ed out of the hand of our e - ne - mies: might *Dec.* *Can.*

T give us. That we be - ing de - li - ver - ed out of the hand of our e - ne - mies: might *Dec.* *Can.*

B give us. That we be - ing de - li - ver - ed out of the hand of our e - ne - mies: might *Dec.* *Can.*

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55 *Dec.*

S serve him with- out fear. In ho-li-ness and right-eous-ness be - fore\_ him: all the

A serve him with - out fear. In ho-li-ness and right-eous-ness be - fore\_ him: all

T serve him with- out fear. In ho-li-ness and right-eous-ness be - fore\_ him: all the

B serve him with- out fear. In ho-li-ness and right-eous-ness be - fore\_ him: all the

*Can. Dec. Full*

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60 *Can.* 65

S days of our life. And\_ thou, Child, shalt be call-ed the Pro- phet of the High-est:

A the days of our life. And\_ thou, Child, shalt be call-ed the Pro- phet of the High-est:

T days of our life. And\_ thou, Child, shalt be call-ed the Pro- phet of the High-est:

B days of our life. And\_ thou, Child, shalt be call-ed the Pro- phet of the High-est:

*Can. Can. Can. Can.*

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*Dec.* 70 *Can.*

S for thou shalt go be - fore the face of the Lord to pre-pare\_ his ways. To\_ give know -

A for thou shalt go be - fore the face of the Lord to pre - pare his ways. To\_ give know -

T for thou shalt go be-fore the face of the Lord to pre - pare his ways. To\_ give know -

B for thou shalt go be - fore the face of the Lord to pre - pare his ways. To\_ give know -

*Dec. Dec. Dec. Dec. Can. Can. Can. Can.*

b 5 6 4 #3 b 6

75

S ledge of sal - va - tion un - to his peo - ple: for the re - mis - sion of their sins.

A ledge of sal - va - tion un - to his peo - ple: for the re - mis - sion of their sins.

T ledge of sal - va - tion un - to his peo - ple: for the re - mis - sion of their sins.

B ledge of sal - va - tion un - to his peo - ple: for the re - mis - sion of their sins.

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80

S *Dec.* Through the ten - der mer - cy of our God: where - by the Day - spring from on high

A *Dec.* Through the ten - der mer - cy of our God: where - by the Day - spring from on high

T *Dec.* Through the ten - der mer - cy of our God: where - by the Day - spring from on

B *Dec.* Through the ten - der mer - cy of our God: where - by the Day - spring from on high

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85

*Can.*

*Dec.*

90

S hath vi - si - ted us. To give light to them that sit in dark - ness,

A hath vi - si - ted us. To give light to them that sit in dark - ness,

T high hath vi - si - ted us. To give light to them that sit in dark - ness,

B hath vi - si - ted us. To give light to them that sit in dark - ness,

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S *Can.* and in the sha - dow of death: *Dec.* and to guide our feet in-to the

A *Can.* and in the sha-dow of death: *Dec.* and to guide our feet in-to the

T *Can.* and in the sha - dow of death: *Dec.* and to guide our feet in-to the

B *Can.* and in the sha-dow of death: *Dec.* and to guide our feet in - to

6 5 b3 9 8 4 6 5 b 4 3

S way of peace. Glo- ry be to the Fa - ther; and to the Son:

A way of peace. Glo- ry be to the Fa-ther; and to the Son:

A Glo- ry be to the Fa - ther; and to the Son: and

T way of peace. Glo- ry be to the Fa- ther; and to the Son:

B the way of peace. Glo- ry be to the Fa - ther; and to the Son:

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S and to the Ho - ly Ghost. As it was in the be - gin-ning, is now, and e-

A and to the Ho - ly Ghost. As it was in the be - gin-ning, is now, and e-

A to the Ho - ly Ghost. As it was in the be - gin-ning, is now, and e-

T and to the Ho - ly Ghost. As it was in the be - gin - ning, is now, and e-

B and to the Ho - ly Ghost. As it was in the be - gin - ning, is now, and e-

4 #3 # # # 4 #3 #

S ver shall be: world with out end. A - men, A - men.

A ver shall be: world with out end. A - men, A - men.

A ver shall be: world with out end. A - men, A - men.

T ver shall be: world with out end. A - men, A - men.

B ver shall be: world with out end. A - men, A - men.

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