

First Sunday in Lent

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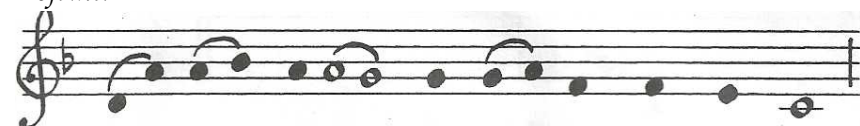
The Lesson

Genesis 9:8-17

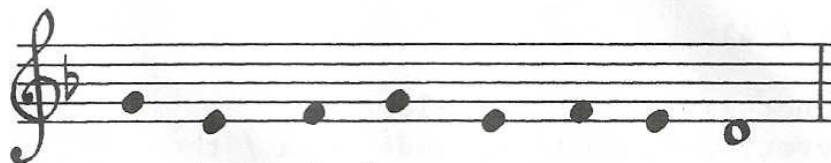
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Psalm 25:3-9

Refrain



All the paths of the LORD are mer - cy and truth



unto such as keep his cove - nant and his tes - ti mo - nies.

- ³ Show me thy ways, O LORD, *
and teach me thy paths.
- ⁴ Lead me forth in thy truth, and learn me; *
for thou art the God of my salvation;
in thee hath been my hope all the day long. (*Refrain*)
- ⁵ Call to remembrance, O LORD, thy tender mercies, *
and thy loving-kindnesses, which have been ever of old.
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The Epistle

I Peter 3:18-22

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The Holy Gospel

St. Mark 1:9-13

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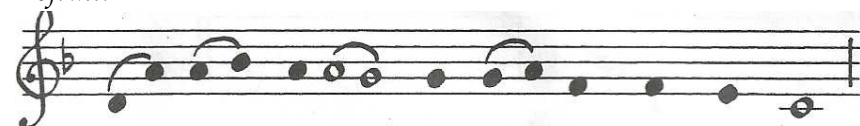
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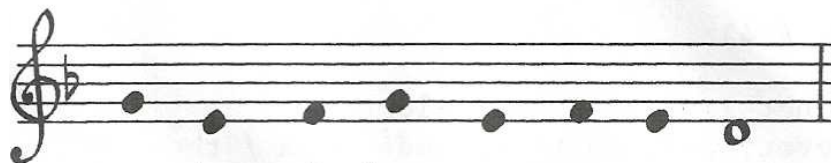
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