

PSALM 57

'Be Merciful unto me, O Lord'

for Soprano or Tenor Solo, Mixed Choir and Organ

Adagio espressivo e legato

The score is written in G minor (one flat) and common time (C). It consists of three systems of music. The first system is for the Organ, with a dynamic marking of *mp*. The second system includes a Solo part (Soprano or Tenor) and an Organ part. The Solo part begins at measure 7 and has lyrics: "Be mer - ci - ful un - to". The Organ part continues from measure 7 and has a dynamic marking of *p*. The third system includes a Solo part and an Organ part. The Solo part begins at measure 14 and has lyrics: "me, O God, Be mer - ci - ful un - to me, For my soul trus - teth in". The Organ part continues from measure 14.

mp

p

A

mp Be mer - ci - ful un - to

p

me, O God, Be mer - ci - ful un - to me, For my soul trus - teth in

Solo

Thee.

Sop. *mf* Be mer - ci - ful, be mer - ci - ful, be mer - ci - ful un - to

Alto

Ten. *mf* Be mer - ci - ful, be mer - ci - ful, be mer - ci - ful un - to

Bass

Org. *mf*

Sop. me, O God. Be mer - ci - ful, be

Alto

Ten. me, O God. *f* Be mer - ci - ful, be mer - ci - ful, be mer - ci - ful un - to

Bass

Org.

B *un poco piu Andante*

Solo
28 29 30 31 32 33
mf Yea, in the shad-ow of Thy wings shall I

Sop.
28 29 30 31 32 33
mer - ci - ful, my soul trust-eth in Thee.

Alto
28 29 30 31 32 33

Ten.
28 29 30 31 32 33
me, my soul trust-eth in Thee.

Bass
28 29 30 31 32 33

B *un poco piu Andante*

Org.
28 29 30 31 32 33

Solo
34 35 36
seek my ref - uge, in the shad - ow of Thy

Ten.
34 35 36
mf in the shad - ow

Bass
34 35 36
in the shad - ow

Org.
34 35 36
6

Solo
wings shall I seek my

Ten.
8 of Thy wings shall I seek

Bass
of Thy wings shall I seek

Org.
37 38

Solo
39 ref - uge, 40 seek my

Ten.
8 my ref - uge, seek

Bass
my ref - uge, seek

Org.
39 40

41 42

Solo ref - uge in the shad - ow of Thy wings shall I

Ten. my ref - uge, in the

Bass my ref - uge, in the shad - ow of Thy

Org.

43 44

Solo seek my ref - uge.

Ten. shad - ow of Thy wings shall I seek my ref -

Bass wings shall I seek my ref - uge

Org.

Solo *45* un - til these cal - am - it - ies

Ten. *8* uge un - til these cal - am - it - ies be

Bass un - til these cal -

Org. *45* *46*

Solo *47* be ov - er - past; *48* seek my

Ten. *8* ov - er-past; seek my

Bass am - it - ies be ov - er - past; seek my

Org. *47* *48*

Solo
Ten.
Bass

Org.

49 ref - uge, 50 seek my

ref - uge seek my

ref - uge, seek my

Solo
Ten.
Bass

Org.

51 ref - uge, 52 seek my 53 ref - uge,

ref - uge.

ref - uge.

un poco meno mosso

rallentando *mp*

Solo *un-til these cal - am - it-ies be ov-er - past.*

Org. *molto rallentando*

C tempo primo

Org. *rallentando*

Solo *I shall cry un-to God most high, un-to God that per-for-meth all things for me; — He shall*

Org. *Andante sostenuto*

D *Andante sostenuto*

Solo *send from heav-en — and save me from the rep - roach of him who would swal-low me up;*

Org. *f*

74 75 76 77 78 79

Solo *ff* God shall send forth His mer-cy and His truth;

Sop. *f* God shall send forth His mer-cy and His truth;

Alto

Ten.

Bass *f* God shall send forth His mer-cy and His truth;

74 75 76 77 78 79

Org. *rallentando* *poco a poco piu animato*

80 81 82 83 84 85

Org. *sempre piu mosso*

86 87 88 89 90 91

Solo *f* My soul is am-ong

Org. *ritardando* *E Energico* *f*

Solo
li - ons — And I lie ev - en am - ong them that are set on

Org.

Solo
fi - re; — *mf* Ev - en the sons of men whose teeth are spears and

Ten.
mf Ev - en the sons of men whose teeth are spears and

Bass
mf Ev - en the sons of men whose teeth are spears and

piu Adagio

Org.

mf

piu Adagio

Solo
ar - rows And their tongue — a sharp sword:

Ten.
ar - rows And their tongue a sharp sword;

Bass
ar - rows And their tongue a sharp sword;

Org.

quasi alla timpani

F *Andante sostenuto*

Solo 108 109 110 111 112 113 114
mp Be Thou ex - al - ted O God ab - ove the heav - ens, *mf* Be Thou ex - al - ted O

Sop. 108 109 110 111 112 113 114
mp Be Thou ex - al - ted O God ab - ove the heav - ens, *mf* Be Thou ex - al - ted O

Alto 108 109 110 111 112 113 114

Ten. 108 109 110 111 112 113 114
mp Be Thou ex - al - ted O God ab - ove the heav - ens, *mf* Be Thou ex - al - ted O

Bass 108 109 110 111 112 113 114

F *Andante sostenuto*

Org. 108 109 110 111 112 113 114
mp *mf*

Solo 115 116 117 118 119 120
 God ab - ove the *f* heav - ens Let Thy glor - y be ab - *ff* ove all the earth!

Sop. 115 116 117 118 119 120
 God ab - ove the *f* heav - ens Let Thy glor - y be ab - *ff* ove all the earth!

Alto 115 116 117 118 119 120

Ten. 115 116 117 118 119 120
 God ab - ove the *f* heav - ens Let Thy glor - y be ab - *ff* ove all the earth!

Bass 115 116 117 118 119 120

Org. 115 116 117 118 119 120
f *ff* *fff*

G *a tempo*

Solo 121 122 123 *ff* Ab - ove the earth

Sop. 121 122 123 *ff* Ab - ove the earth

Alto 121 122 123 *ff* Ab - ove the earth

Ten. 123 *ff* Ab - ove the

Bass 123 *ff* Ab - ove the

G *a tempo*

Org. *poco ritardando* *f*

Solo 124 125 be Thou ex - al - ted

Sop. 124 125 be Thou ex - al - ted,

Alto 124 125 be Thou ex - al - ted,

Ten. 124 125 earth

Bass 124 125 earth

Org. 124 125

126

Solo

Ab - ove the earth

Sop.

126

127

3

Ab - ove the earth

Alto

127

3

Ten.

8

be Thou ex - al - ted, Ab - ove the

Bass

3

126

127

Org.

128

Solo

be Thou ex - al - ted

Sop.

128

129

be Thou ex - al - ted,

Alto

129

Ten.

8

earth

Bass

128

129

Org.

Solo ¹³⁰ Ab - ove the earth

Sop. ¹³⁰ Ab - ove the earth,

Alto ¹³⁰ Ab - ove the earth,

Ten. ⁸ be Thou ex - al - ted, Ab -

Bass ⁸ be Thou ex - al - ted, Ab -

Org. ¹³⁰ ¹³¹

Solo ¹³² Ab - ove the earth ¹³³ *fff* Le - t Thy

Sop. ¹³² Ab - ove the earth ¹³³ *fff* Le - t Thy

Alto ¹³² Ab - ove the earth ¹³³ *ff* Le - t Thy

Ten. ⁸ ove the earth, *ff* Ab - ove the ear - th, Le - t Thy

Bass ⁸ ove the earth, *ff* Ab - ove the ear - th, Le - t Thy

Org. ¹³² ¹³³ ¹³⁴

Solo
Sop.
Alto
Ten.
Bass

135 136 137 138 139 140 141

glor - y be ab - ove the earth!

glor - y be ab - ove the earth.

glor - y be ab - ove the earth.

glor - y be ab - ove the earth.

Org.

135 136 137 138 139 140 141

ff

Solo
Org.

142 143 144 145 146 147

H *Lento deciso* *f* They have prep-

Solo
Ten.
Bass

148 149 150 151 152

ared a net for my steps, My soul is bowed down,

mf Prep-ared a net for my steps, My soul is bow-ed

Org.

148 149 150 151 152

Solo
Ten.
Bass
Org.

153 154 155 156

They have digged a pit bef-ore me, In - to the midst of
down, They digged a pit bef-ore me, In - to the

Solo
Ten.
Bass
Org.

157 158 159 160 161

which they have fal - len them - selves. My heart is stead-fast, O
midst of which they have fal - len them - selves. *mf* My heart is

poco piu mosso

Solo
 Ten.
 Bass
 Org.

162 163 164 165

God, my heart is stead-fast, I will sing and give praise!

stead-fast, O God, my heart is stead-fast, I will sing and give praise!

My heart is stead-fast, O God, *f* I will

162 163 164 165

Solo
 Sop.
 Alto
 Ten.
 Bass
 Org.

166 167 168 169

f A - wake up my glor - y, A - wake

f I will sing and give praise!

mf A - wake my glor - y, A - wake;

O God, I will sing and give praise! A - wake;

sing and give praise! A - wake up my glor - y, A - wake

166 167 168 169

J

Solo
psal-ter-y and harp; *f* I, my - self, will a - wake ear - ly,

Sop.
Psal - ter and harp; I, my - self, will a - wake ear - ly,

Alto
ff I will sing and give praise! *f* I, my - self, *ff* I will sing and give praise!

Ten.
I will sing and give praise! *f* I, my - self, *ff* I will sing and give praise!

Bass
psal-ter-y and harp; *f* I, my - self, *ff* I will

Org.
ff

Solo
I will praise Thee, O Lord, am - ong the peop - le, I will

Sop.
I will praise Thee, O Lord, am - ong the peop - le, I will

Alto
ff I will sing and give praise! I will

Ten.
I will praise Thee, O Lord, am - ong the peop - le, I will

Bass
sing and give praise! I will praise Thee, O Lord, I will

Org.

Solo
Sop.
Alto
Ten.
Bass
Org.

179
180
181
182

sing un-to Thee am-ong the nat - ions;

sing un-to Thee am-ong the nat - ions;

sing un-to Thee am-ong the nat - ions;

sing, *ff* I will sing and give praise am-ong the nat - ions;

sing am-ong the nat - ions;

Solo
Sop.
Alto
Ten.
Bass
Org.

K *Allargando*

183
184
185
186

For Thy mer - cy is great un - to the

For Thy mer - cy is

For Thy mer - cy is great un - to the

For Thy mer - cy is great

For Thy mer - cy is great

Solo
Sop.
Alto
Ten.
Bass
Org.

K *Allargando*

183
184
185
186

poco ritardando

Solo
 heav - ens and Thy truth un-to the clouds;

Sop.
 great
 great
 And Thy truth un-to the

Alto
 heav - ens
 And Thy truth un-to the clouds,

Ten.
 And Thy truth un-to the clouds;

Bass
 un-to the heav - ens And Thy truth un-to the clouds,

Org.
 187 188 189 190

Solo
 clouds;
 clouds; un-to the clouds;
 un-to the clouds;
 un-to the clouds;

Sop.
 clouds;
 clouds; un-to the clouds;
 un-to the clouds;
 un-to the clouds;

Alto
 clouds;
 clouds; un-to the clouds;
 un-to the clouds;
 un-to the clouds;

Ten.
 clouds;
 clouds; un-to the clouds;
 un-to the clouds;
 un-to the clouds;

Bass
 clouds;
 clouds; un-to the clouds;
 un-to the clouds;
 un-to the clouds;

Org.
 191 192 193 194 195
L *Maestoso*
ff Be Thou ex - al - ted, O God, ab-ove the
ff Be Thou ex - al - ted, O God, ab-ove the
ff Be Thou ex - al - ted, O God, ab-ove the
ff Be Thou ex - al - ted, O god, ab-ove the
ff Be Thou ex - al - ted, O God, ab-ove the
ff *ritardando*

196 197 198 199 200 201

Solo
heav - ens! Be Thou ex - al - ted, O God, ab - ove the heav - ens!

Sop.
heav - ens! Be Thou ex - al - ted, O God, ab - ove the heav - ens!

Alto
heav - ens! Be Thou ex - al - ted, O God, ab - ove the heav - ens!

Ten.
heav - ens! Be Thou ex - al - ted, O God, ab - ove the heav - ens!

Bass
heav - ens! Be Thou ex - al - ted, O God, ab - ove the heav - ens!

Org.
196 197 198 199 200 201

M *Maestoso esultante*

202 203 204 205 206

Solo
Let Thy glor - y, *fff* Let Thy

Sop.
Let Thy glor - y; *fff* I will sing and give praise! be ab -

Alto
Let Thy, *fff* I will sing and give praise! glor - y

Ten.
Let, *fff* I will sing and give praise!, Thy glor - y

Bass
fff I will sing and give praise! Let Thy glor - y

Org.
202 203 204 205 206

Solo
Sop.
Alto
Ten.
Bass

207 208 209 210 211 212 213

glor - y be ab - ove all the earth!

ove all the earth!

be ab - ove all the earth!

be ab - ove all the earth!

be ab - ove all the earth!

Org.

207 208 209 210 211 212 213

fff

quasi alla timpani

Solo
Sop.
Alto
Ten.
Bass

214 215 216

Am en,

Am en,

Am en,

Am en,

Am en,

Am en,

Org.

214 215 216

poco a poco crescendo sempre al fin

f

Solo *ff* ^{Am} - en.

Sop. *ff* ^{Am} - en.

Alto *ff* ^{Am} - en.

Ten. *ff* ^{Am} - en.

Bass *ff* ^{Am} - en.

Org. *ff* *rallentando* *ffff*