Lord, Make Us Turn to You Ps. 80

for Soloist/Small Group

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Thank you for choosing Cher & Gene Klosner's psalm series!

All of our psalms are written in comfortable "congregational keys" and presented in SATB(+), but have been written so that all music ministry groups can use them, from soloist to duo, to contemporary praise teams (SAT), to full choirs. For SATB/choir, look up our octavo versions.

The vocals in this Small Group version are presented in treble clef, but can be sung by TB an octave lower. Typically, the higher harmony notes can be either Soprano or Tenor, and the lower harmony notes can be Alto or Bass. These harmonies can sometimes cross each other in some of our psalm settings.

This PDF contains the following versions:

- Refrain P/G/V (w/two harmonies) + Verse chords (for cantor, singers, guitar/piano accompanists)
- Verses P/G/V (for cantor, accompanist)
- Refrain Assembly (for director, worship aid makers)

Format:

- Solo cantor refrain melody
- Choir and congregation respond in unison (melody) refrain
- Solo cantor verse
- Choir and congregation refrain with harmonies
- [Continue thru multiple verses and harmonized refrains]
- End with repeat of harmonized refrain (optional)

Verses are by ONE cantor, chant-style (non-metered, free rhythm) using either of the two melodies, depending on their vocal range. Verses are not designed for multiple singers or harmonies.

For the accompanist, the rhythm resumes (a tempo) on the last word of each verse to bring choir and congregation in for the refrain, which then has **choir** harmonies from there on out.

We like to do a double refrain after the last verse to "close out" the song, so we use the turnaround accompaniment for repeating the refrain, then the Final ending at the very end.

Note to accompanist:

Follow the "turnaround" chords when repeating the refrain (refer to recording). Use the "interlude into verses" when going into verses.

Psalm Tones:

Overall, we have 16 different melodies of psalm tones for the verses that get "mixed and matched" with all the hundreds of different psalm refrains throughout the 3-year cycle, one per psalm refrain. We give two options from which the cantor can choose, depending on the cantor's vocal range. Choose the smaller notes for the lower melody.

This way, a cantor doesn't have to learn hundreds of different verse melodies over the three-year cycle.

The particular psalm tones assigned to this refrain are Psalm Tone 6 in F, which starts up a fifth from the end of the refrain (Sol in solfege), and Psalm Tone 5 in F, which instead starts up a third from the end of the refrain (Mi in solfege). As an option, though, this psalm setting also has a full song version available with metered (non-psalm tone) verbatim verses in a tune of its own.

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Other tips on "Lord, Make Us Turn to You":

Solo Cantor: Use with Psalm Tone 5 or 6 (in F). Also can be used in Full Song format (in separate package from this). Melody and Harmony 1 both start on the same note (could be two octaves) - Do in solfege.

Melody and Harmony 2: there's a rest on m. 6 after "turn" (different from m. 2) to allow for a breath, since there's no rest on m. 5. These harmonies can seem tricky, unless all parts simply think of their part as "their own counter-melody."

The feel for this piece is à la 5th Dimension's "Up, Up and Away" or Cowsills' "We Can Fly."

Accompanists: whether using full song version (metered verses) or psalm tone version,

go to V chord as last chord whenever going into chorus; the IV chord otherwise; ... and the IV chord is when:

- so the V chord is:
- *1) at end of intro* 2) at end of verses

2) going to final chord

1) going into verses

3) just before repeating chorus

Also see chord diagrams and commentary on alternate chord names on p.3 of Full Score.

We strongly recommend listening to the recordings of this psalm.

Musically yours,

Cher & Gene

DIFFICULTY LEVEL		
(easy/medium/advanced)		
melody	harmony	accompaniment
m	m	m

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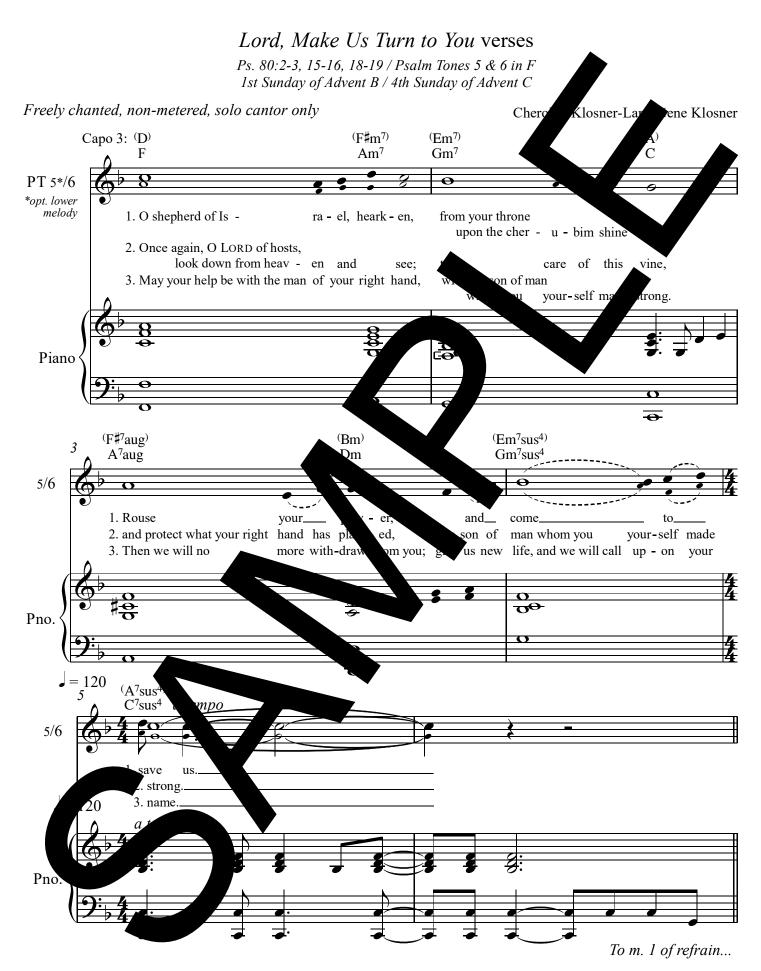


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D | F#m7 | Em7 | A | F#7aug* | Bm | Em7sus4 | A7sus4 |



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