

The Roman Gradual offers a unique option for the Solemnity of the Most Holy Trinity. In place of the Gradual (chant after the first reading), the hymn "Benedictus es Domine" may be sung. To my knowledge, this is the only time during the liturgical year that an official liturgical book offers this option. I have adapted this Latin hymn, from the book of Daniel, into a metered hymn, to the tune of LEONI (The God of Abraham Praise.)

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#### **Texts**

#### **Hymn Adaptation**

- 1. How Blessed, Lord, are you, Our fathers' God the same, All laud and praise is ever due Your holy name. How Blessed, Lord, are you, On Temple's mountain raised, And glorified and worthy to be ever praised.
- 2. You sit in majesty
  Upon your sacred throne,
  Your scepter of divinity
  And might is known;
  Upon the Cherubim,
  Into the depths you gaze;
  With all the blazing Seraphim
  we sing your praise.
- 3. All laud to you is giv'n,
  Who ride the wings of wind,
  While earth and sea and sky and heav'n
  And all therein,
  With all your angel host,
  for endless days adore
  And glorify your name the most,
  forevermore
- 4. All glory be to God
  The Father, and the Son,
  And equally to the Holy Ghost,
  The Three in One,
  For as it was, is now,
  And evermore shall be,
  World without end, Amen. Amen.
  All glory be!

Text: Benedictus es, Domine, Dan. 3:52-56, Gradual Hymn for Trinity Sunday, adapted Luke Massery © 2024. Tune: LEONI, from the Yigdal.

#### Original text, as translated in the Gregorian Missal

Blessed are you, O Lord, the God of our fathers. \* And worthy to be praised and glorified for ever.

And blessed is your glorious, holy name. \* And worthy to be praised and glorified for ever.

Blessed are you in the holy temple of your glory.\* And worthy to be praised and glorified for ever.

Blessed are you upon the sacred throne of your kingdom. \*

And worthy to be praised and glorified for ever.

Blessed are you through the mighty scepter of your divinity. \* And worthy to be praised and glorified for ever.

Blessed are you as you gaze into the depth, enthroned upon the Cherubim. \*And worthy to be praised and glorified forever.

Blessed are you as you tread upon the wings of the wind, and on the waves of the sea. \* And worthy to be praised and glorified for ever.

Let all your Angels and Saints bless you. \* And praise you and glorify you for ever.

Let the heavens, the earth, the sea, and all the things that dwell therein, bless you. \* And praise you and glorify you for ever.

Glory be to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Spirit. \*

Who is worthy to be praised and glorified for ever. As it was in the beginning, is now, and ever shall be, world without end. Amen. \* And worthy to be praised and glorified for ever

Blessed are you, O Lord, the God of our fathers. \* And worthy to be praised and glorified forever.

## Trinity Sunday Gradual Hymn

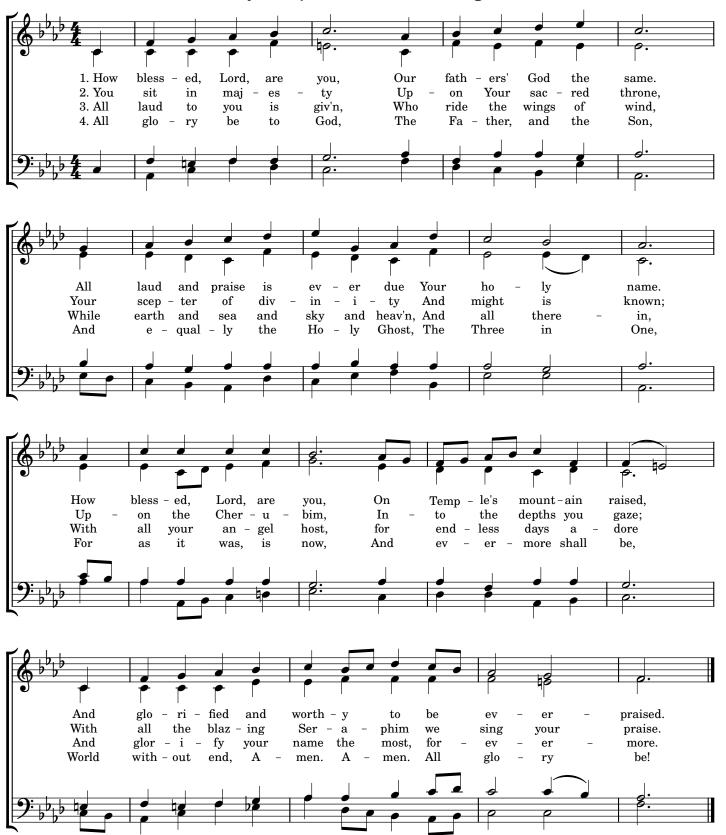
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# Trinity Sunday Gradual Hymn

Hymn after the First Reading (LOW KEY)

