

## 20. Thanks be to God

From "Elijah"

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(1809-1847)

Soprano      Alto      Tenor      Bass      Accomp.

*Allegro moderato*  
*ma non fuoco*

*f* Thanks be to God! He  
*f* Thanks be to God! lav-eth the thir-sty land!  
*f* Thanks be to God! He

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*sf* Thanks be to God,  
*sf* thanks be to God!  
*sf* Thanks be to God,  
*sf* thanks be to God!  
*sf* Thanks be to God,  
*sf* thanks be to God!  
*sf* Thanks be to God,  
*sf* Thanks be to God, be to God!

*sf* *ff* *sf*

Soprano (S)      Alto (A)      Tenor (T)      Bass (B)

**25**

The wa-ters ga - ther, they rush a-long;  
they are  
The wa-ters ga - ther, they rush a-long;  
they are  
The wa-ters ga - ther, they rush a-long;  
they are  
The wa-ters ga - ther, they rush a-long;  
they are

*sforzando*      *sforzando*      *sforzando*      *sforzando*      *sforzando*      *sforzando*

**lift-ing their voi-\_\_\_\_ces!**      the wa - ters ga - ther, they rush a-long,  
lift-ing their voi - ces!      the  
lift-ing their voi - ces!      the wa - ters ga - ther, they  
lift-ing their voi - ces!      the wa - ters ga - ther, they

*sforzando*      *sforzando*      *sforzando*

**30**

they rush a-long,      the wa-ters ga - ther, they rush a-long,  
wa-ters ga - ther, they, rush a-long,      they rush a - long,      they  
rush a-long,      the wa-ters ga - ther, they rush a-long,      they rush a-long;  
rush a-long,      the wa - -ters ga - ther, they\_\_\_\_ rush a -

*sforzando*      *sforzando*      *sforzando*

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S see, they rush a-long; Thanks be to  
 A wa-ters ga - ther, they rush a-long, the wa - ters ga - ther, they  
 T 8 Thanks be to God! He lav - eth the thir - sty  
 B long, the wa-ters ga - ther, they rush a-long;

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S God! the wa-ters ga - ther, they rush a-long, the wa-ters ga - ther, they  
 A rush a-long, they rush a-long; Thanks be to God! He  
 T 8 land! the wa-ters ga - ther, they rush a-long, they  
 B Thanks be to God! He lav - eth the thir - sty land!

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S rush a - long; He lav - eth the thir - sty land! The  
 A lav - eth the land! Thanks be to God,  
 T 8 rush a - long, the wa - ters ga - ther, they rush a-long;  
 B Thanks be to God, be to God!  
*sforzando*

S God! He lav - eth the thir- sty land! *f* The

A rush a - long; He lav - eth the thir - sty land! *f* The

T 8 God, be to God! He lav - eth the thir - sty land! *f* The

B Thanks be to God! He lav - eth the thir - sty land! *f* The

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S high, their fu-ry is migh - ty, migh-ty their fu-ry.

A high, their fu-ry is migh - ty, migh-ty their fu-ry.

T 8 high, their fu-ry is migh - ty, migh-ty their fu-ry.

B high, their fu-ry is migh - ty, migh-ty their fu-ry. **f** But the

**ff** **ff** **ff** **ff**

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S **f** But the Lord is a - bove them\_\_ and al - migh - ty!

A **f** But the Lord\_\_\_\_ is a - bove them\_\_ and al - migh - ty!

T 8 **f** But the Lord\_\_\_\_ is a - bove them\_\_ and al - migh - ty!

B Lord\_\_\_\_ is a - bove them\_\_ and al - migh-ty! Thanks be to

**ff**

75

S Thanks be to God! He\_\_\_\_ lav-eth the thir-sty land! The storm-y bil-lows are high, their

A Thanks, thanks be to God! The storm-y bil-lows are high, their

T 8 Thanks be to God, to\_\_\_\_ God! The storm-y bil-lows are high, their

B God! He\_\_\_\_ lav-eth the thir-sty land! The storm-y bil-lows are high, their

**ff** **sf**

S 80 fu - ry is migh-ty. *f* But the Lord is a - bove them,

A fu - ry is migh-ty. *f* But the Lord \_\_\_\_\_ is a - bove them,

T 8 fu - ry is migh-ty. *f* But the Lord \_\_\_\_\_ is a - bove them,

B fu - ry is migh-ty. *f* But the Lord \_\_\_\_\_ is a - bove them,

S 90 and al - migh - ty, but the Lord, *f* but the Lord is a -

A and al - migh - ty, but the Lord, *f* but the Lord is a -

T 8 and al - migh - ty, but the Lord, *f* but the Lord is a -

B and al - migh - ty, *f* but the Lord \_\_\_\_\_ is a -

S 100 boye them, \_\_\_\_\_ and al - migh-ty! Thanks be to God! He lav - eth the thir-sty

A boye them, \_\_\_\_\_ and al - migh - ty! Thanks be to

T 8 boye them, \_\_\_\_\_ and al - migh - ty! Thanks be to God! He

B boye them, \_\_\_\_\_ and al - migh - ty! Thanks,

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S                          land!                          Thanks                          be to God!                          He                          laves the thir - sty

A                          God!                          He                          lav - eth the thir-sty land!                          He                          lav - eth the

T                          8                          lav - eth the thir-sty land!                          He                          lav - eth,                          lav - eth the land!

B                          Thanks                          be to God!                          He                          laves                          the

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S                          land!                          Thanks                          be to                          God!                          Thanks!                          He

A                          land!                          Thanks be to                          God!                          Thanks!                          He

T                          8                          Thanks                          be to                          God!                          Thanks                          be to                          God!                          He

B                          land!                          Thanks                          be to                          God!                          He                          lav - eth, he

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S                          lav - eth the                          thir-                          sty land!                          Thanks                          be to God,                          to

A                          lav - eth the                          land,                          the                          thir - sty land!                          Thanks                          be to

T                          8                          lav - eth the                          land,                          the                          thir-                          sty land!

B                          lav - eth the                          thir-                          sty land!                          Thanks

S God, Thanks be to Thanks be to God,  
A God! Thanks be to God, Thanks be to  
T 8 Thanks be to God! Thanks be to God,  
B Thanks,

120 S Thanks be to God, Thanks! **ff** The wa-ters ga-ther, they  
A God, Thanks be to God! **ff** The wa-ters ga-ther, they  
T 8 Thanks be to God, to God! **ff** The wa-ters ga-ther, they  
B Thanks be to God! **ff** The wa-ters ga-ther, they

125 S rush a-long, the wa-ters ga-ther, they rush a-long, the rush a-long, they  
A rush a-long, the wa-ters ga-ther, they rush a-long, they rush a-long, they  
T 8 rush a-long, the wa-ters ga-ther, they rush a-long, they rush a-long, they  
B rush a-long, the wa-ters ga-ther, they rush a-long, they rush a-long, they

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S                      rush a-long,                      ***ff*** Thanks be to God! He lav-eth the thir-sty  
A                      rush a-long,                      ***ff*** Thanks be to God! He lav-eth the thir-sty  
T                      8                      rush a-long,                      ***ff*** Thanks be to God! He lav-eth the thir-sty  
B                      rush a-long,                      ***ff*** Thanks be to God! He lav-eth the thir-sty

***ff***                      ***ff***

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S                      land!                      Thanks be to God! He lav-eth the thir - sty land!  
A                      land!                      Thanks!                      He lav-eth the thir - sty land!  
T                      8                      land!                      Thanks be to God! He lav-eth the thir - sty land!  
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