Sing ye with praise unto the Lord The Whole Booke of Psalmes (1621) - Psalme 96

Thomas RAVENSCROFT (1590 - 1630



2. Yea, sing unto the Lord I say, praise ye his holy name: Declare and shew from day to day salvation by the same.

3. Among the heathen eke declare his honor round about: To shew his wonders do not spare in all the world throughout.4. For why ? the Lord is much of might, and worthy praise alway: And he is to be dread of right above all Gods I say.

5. For all the Gods of heathen folk, are Idols that will fade:But yet our God, he is the Lord that hath the heavens made.6. All praise and honor eke do dwell for aye before his face:Both pow'r and might likewise excell within his holy place.

 Ascribe unto the Lord alway, ye people of the world.
All might and worship eke, I say ascribe unto the Lord.
Ascribe unto the Lord also, the glory of his name:
And eke unto his courts do go with gifts unto the same.

9. Fall down and worschip ye the Lord, within his Temple bright: Let all the people of the world be fearful at his sight.10. Tell all the world, be not agast, the Lord doth reign above: Yea, he hath set the earth so fast, that it can never move. 11. And that it is the Lord alone that rules with princely might: To judge the nations every one, with equity and right.12. The heavens shall great joy begin, the earth shall eke rejoice: The sea with all that is therein, shall shout and make a noise.

13. The field shall joy and every thing that springeth on the earth:The wood and every tree shall sing with gladness and with mirth.14. Before the presence of the Lord and comming of his might:When he shall justly judge the world, and rule his folk aright.

Critical notes:

Cantus bar 2, note 2 is G in original (changed to $E\flat$ to avoid parallel 5th with Tenor); text somewhat modernised.