

for Dr. Susan Jane Matthews and the Choirs of St. Paul's Episcopal Church, Burlingame, CA,
The Rev. Thomas Skillings, Rector, with thanks

Psalm 51 (Have Mercy Upon Me)*

*Have mercy upon me, according to your loving-kindness;
in your great compassion blot out my offenses.
You look for truth deep within me;
and will make me understand wisdom secretly.
Give to me the joy of your saving help again;
sustain me with your bountiful Spirit.*

Music by Patricia Van Ness (1951)
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*from MUSIC FOR THE PSALMS,
dedicated in its entirety to Peter Sykes

Adapted from *The Psalter,
The Book of Common Prayer*

$\text{♩} = 62$
sempre molto legato; senza vibrato
mf

Soprano 1
Have mer-cy up - on me, ac - cord - ing to your lov - ing kind -
sempre molto legato; senza vibrato

Soprano 2
Have mer-cy up - on me, ac - cord - ing to your(lov kind -
sempre molto legato; senza vibrato

Alto 1&2
Have mer - cy up - on me, ac - cord - ing to your lov-ing - kind -
sempre molto legato; senza vibrato

Tenor
Have (mer - on me, ac - cord - ing to your(lov kind -
sempre molto legato; senza vibrato

Bass
Have (mer on me, ac - cord - ing to your(lov kind -

9 A

S. ness; in your great, great, great com-pas-sion, blot out

S. ness; in great, great, great com-pas-sion, blot out

A. ness; in your great, great, great com-pas-sion, blot out

T. ness; in your great, great, great com-pas-sion,

B. ness; in your great, great com-pas-sion, blot out

17 B

S. my of-fens-es. You look for truth deep

S. my of-fens-es. You look for truth deep

A. my of-fens-es. You look for truth deep

T. my my of-fens-es. You look for truth deep

B. my my of-fens-es.

26 C

S. deep with-in me, and you will make me (un

S. deep with-in me, and you will make me un-der

A. deep with-in me, you will make make me (un

T. deep with-in me, you make make me un-der

B.

35 D

S. (wi se - cret-ly. Give, give, O give to

S. stand wis - dom se - cret-ly. Give, give O give

A. stand wis - dom (see Give, O give to

T. stand wis - dom (see Give, give to

B. Give, give to

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E

S. me, the joy of your help, help a - gain, sus - tain,

S. me, the joy of your sav - ing help (gain, sus - tain,

A. me, the joy your sav - ing help, a - gain, sus - tain, sus -

T. me the joy of your sav ing help, help a - gain, (suh sus -

B. me the joy of your sav ing help, help a - gain, sus - tain,

51

S. sus - tain me with your boun-ti - ful boun - t'ful spi -

S. sus - tain me with your bount-i - ful bount-i - ful spi -

A. - tain, me with your (boun boun-ti - ful spi -

T. - tain me, boun-ti - ful boun-ti - ful

B. me, with (boun (boun boun-ti - ful

58 rit.

S. rit, ___ with your boun-ti - ful boun - t'ful spi - rit.

S. rit, ___ with ___ your boun-ti - ful boun-ti - ful spi - rit.

A. - rit, ___ with your (boun boun-ti - ful_ spi - rit.

T. spi - rit, ___ boun-ti - ful_ boun-ti - ful_ spi - rit.

B. spi - rit, ___ with (boun (boun boun-ti - ful_ spi - rit.