

# Prepare ye the way of the Lord

The Bible: Isaiah 40:3-9  
From Boyce's "Cathedral Music"

Michael Wise (c1648 - 1687)

Treble  $\text{C}$   $\text{b}$   $\text{b}$   $\text{C}$

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Counter-tenor  $\text{C}$   $\text{b}$   $\text{b}$   $\text{C}$

Tenor  $\text{C}$   $\text{b}$   $\text{b}$   $\text{C}$

Bass  $\text{C}$   $\text{b}$   $\text{b}$   $\text{C}$

Continuo  $\text{C}$   $\text{b}$   $\text{b}$   $\text{C}$

Pre - pare, pre - pare yethe way of the Lord, make straight in the  
Pre - pare, pre -

(Figured bass may be by Boyce)

6 6 6 $\sharp$   $\flat$  6 4 3

Tr  $\text{C}$   $\text{b}$   $\text{b}$   $\text{C}$

Tr  $\text{C}$   $\text{b}$   $\text{b}$   $\text{C}$

C  $\text{C}$   $\text{b}$   $\text{b}$   $\text{C}$

de - sert a high - way for our God,  
pare ye the way of the Lord, make straight in the de - sert a  
Pre - pare, pre - pare ye the

6 6 43 4/2

Tr  $\text{C}$   $\text{b}$   $\text{b}$   $\text{C}$

Tr  $\text{C}$   $\text{b}$   $\text{b}$   $\text{C}$

C  $\text{C}$   $\text{b}$   $\text{b}$   $\text{C}$

make straight in the de - sert a high - way for our God.  
high - way for our God, make straight in the de - sert a high - way for our God.  
way of the Lord, make straight in the de - sert a high - way for our God.

$\flat$ 3 6/4 5/4 $\flat$ 3 4/2 6 4/3 6 6 6 4/3

15 Verse

B

Ev' - ry val - ley shall be ex - al - ted and ev' - ry moun - tain and hill shall be made low,

20

B

and the crook - ed shall be made straight and the rough pla - ces shall be made plain.

25 Chorus

Tr

C

Te

B

And the glo - ry of the Lord shall be re - veal - ed and all flesh shall see it to

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32 Verse

Tr

Tr

C

Te

B

ge - ther. And the voice said cry, all flesh is grass,

What shall I cry? All flesh is

ge - ther.

ge - ther.

ge - ther.

38

Tr and the good - li - ness there - of is as a flow - er that is

Tr grass, and the good - li - ness there - of

42

Tr in\_\_ the field, is as a flow - er that is in\_\_ the field that is in\_\_ the field.

Tr is as a flow - er that is in\_\_ the field, is as a flow - er that is in\_\_ the field.

46 Chorus

Tr The grass with - er - eth, the flow - er fad - eth,

C The grass with - er - eth, the flow - er fad - eth,

Te The grass with - er - eth, the flow - er fad - eth,

B The grass with - er - eth, the flow - er fad - eth,

52

Tr  
C  
Te  
B

but the word of the Lord shall stand fast for e - - - ver.

but the word of the Lord shall stand fast for e - - ver.

but the word of the Lord shall stand fast for e - - ver.

but the word of the Lord shall stand fast for e - - ver.

6 6 7 5 4 3

58 Verse

Tr  
Tr  
C  
B

O Zi - on, O Zi - on, that bring - est glad ti - dings, get thee up in - to the moun -

O Zi - on, O Zi - on that bring - est glad ti - dings, get thee

O Zi - on, O Zi - on, that bring - est glad ti - dings, get thee up in - to the moun -

O Zi - on, O Zi - on, that bring - est glad ti - dings, get thee

6 7 $\flat$  6

64 Verse

Tr  
Tr  
C  
B

- - tains. O Je - ru - sa - lem, Je - ru - sa - lem, that bring - est glad ti - dings lift

up in - to the moun - tains. O Je - ru - sa - lem, Je - ru - sa - lem, that bring - est glad ti - dings

- - tains. O Je - ru - sa - lem, Je - ru - sa - lem, that bring - est glad ti - dings lift

up in - to the moun - tains. O Je - ru - sa - lem, Je - ru - sa - lem, that bring - est glad ti - dings

7 5 3 6 7  $\flat$  6

70

Tr — up thy voice with strength lift up thy voice with strength and say un-to

Tr lift up thy voice with strength, lift up thy voice with strength

C — up thy voice with strength, lift up thy voice, lift up thy voice with strength and say

B lift up thy voice, lift up thy voice with strength

6 7 9 5 7 76 5 34 43

75

Tr Ju - dah be - hold thy God and say

Tr and say un - to

C un - to Ju - dah, be - hold thy God, and

B and say un - to Ju -

6 7 6 6 5 4 # 6 7 3 b 3 b

78

Tr un - to Ju - dah be - hold thy God.

Tr Ju - dah, be - hold thy God.

C say un - to Ju - dah, be - hold thy God

B - dah, be - hold, be - hold thy God.

6 7 6 6 5 4 # 6 7 3 b 3 b

6 3 7 6 3 4 6 6 5 4 3 7

81 Chorus

O Je - ru - sa - lem, Je - ru - sa - lem, that bring - est glad ti - dings lift up thy voice with strength lift up thy voice with strength and say un - to Ju - dah be - hold thy God, and say un - to Ju - dah, be - hold thy God.

6 7 $\sharp$ 6 6 9 7 5

87

strength lift up thy voice with strength and say un - to Ju - dah be - hold thy God, and say un - to Ju - dah, be - hold thy God.

7 6 4 5 3 4 6 # 3 4 5

92

hold thy God, and say un - to Ju - dah, be - hold thy God.

4 # 3 6 7  $\flat$ 3  $\flat$ 3 7 6 3 4 6 6 5 4 3 7