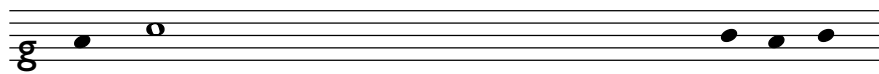


Proper Prefaces from The Book of Common Prayer

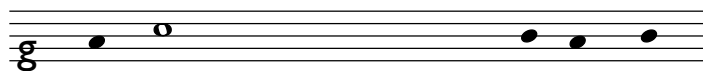
Christmas



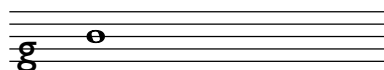
Be-cause thou didst give Jesus Christ thine on-ly Son



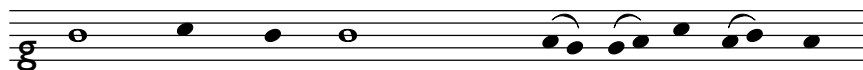
to be born as at this time for us;



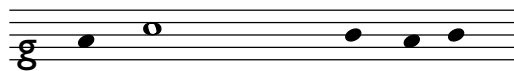
who, by the operation of the Ho-ly Ghost,



was made very man



of the sub-stance of the Virgin Ma-ry his mo-ther;

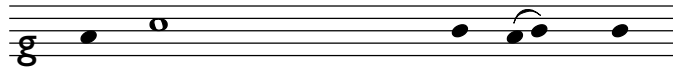


and that without spot of sin,



to make us clean from all sin.

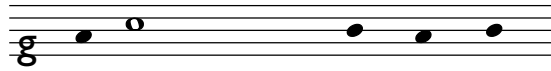
Easter



But chiefly are we bound to praise thee



for the glorious resurrection of thy Son Je-sus Christ our Lord:



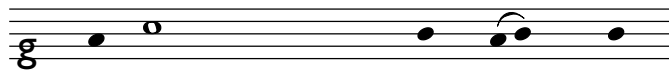
for he is the very pas-chal lamb,



which was of-fered for us,



and hath taken a-way the sin of the world;

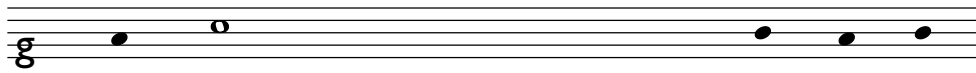


who by his death hath des-troyed death,

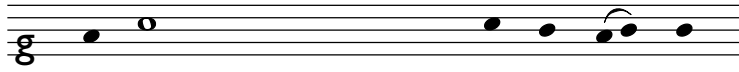


and by his rising to life a-gain hath re-stored to us ev-er-last-ing life.

Ascension



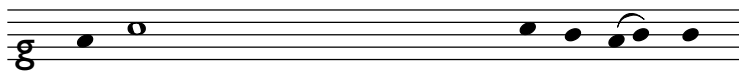
Through thy most dearly beloved Son Jesus Christ our Lord;



who after his most glorious re-sur-rec-tion



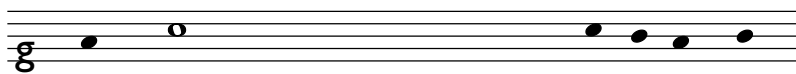
manifestly ap-peared to all his a-pos-tles,



and in their sight ascended up in-to hea-ven



to pre-pare a place for us;



that where he is, thither we might al-so as-cend,

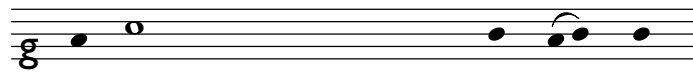


and reign with him in glo-ry.

Pentecost (Whitsun)



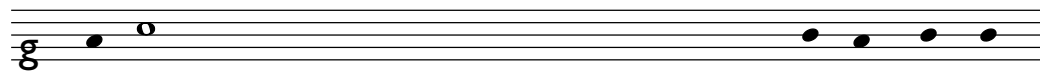
Through Je-sus Christ our Lord;



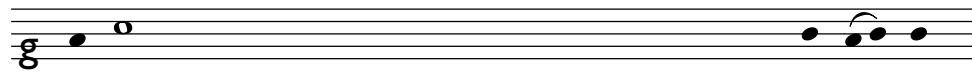
ac-cording to whose most true pro-mise,



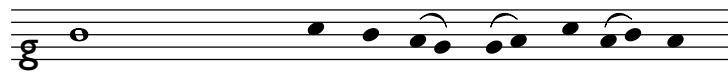
the Holy Ghost came down as at this time from hea-ven



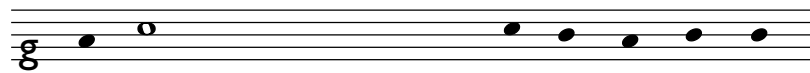
with a sudden great sound, as it might have been a migh-ty wind,



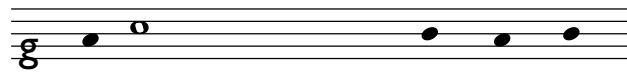
in the likeness of fiery tongues, lighting upon the ap-os-tles,



to teach them, and to lead them to all truth;



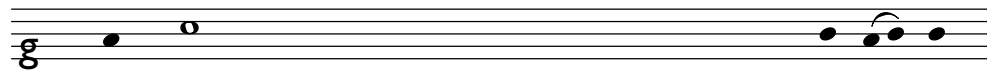
giv-ing them both the gift of di-vers lan-gua-ges,



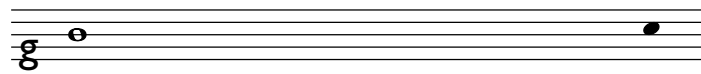
and also boldness with fer-vent zeal



constantly to preach the gos-pel un-to all na-tions;



where-by we have been brought out of darkness and er-ror



into the clear light and knowledge of thee,



and of thy Son Je-sus Christ.

Trinity Sunday

When this Preface is used, the words 'holy Father' must be omitted in the preceding paragraph.



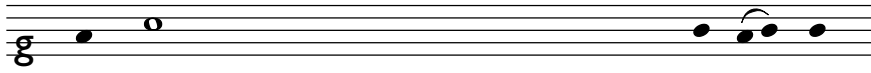
Who art one God, one Lord;



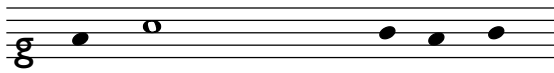
not one on-ly Per-son,



but three Per-sons in one Sub-stance.



For that which we believe of the glory of the Fa-ther,



the same we believe of the Son,



and of the Ho-ly Ghost,



without any dif-fer-ence or in - e - qual - i - ty.