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# Dirige me in veritate tua

for Choir (TTB) a cappella  
(2023)

Psalm 24: 5

*First Sunday of Advent Offertory verse*

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*Dirige me in veritate tua  
et doce me,  
quia tu es Deus salutaris meus:  
et te sustinui tota die.*

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*Direct me in Thy truth  
and teach me,  
for Thou art God my saviour;  
and on Thee have I waited  
all the day long.*

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Offert  
2  
Re = F

**A** D te Dómi- ne \* le- vá- vi á- nimam  
me- am : Deus me- us, in te confí- do, non e- ru- bé- scam : ne-  
que ir- rí- de- ant me in- i- mí- ci me- i : ét- e- nim u-  
ni- vér- si qui te expé- ctant, non confun- dén- tur.

*Di-*

To Thee, O Lord, have I lifted up my soul: in Thee, O my God, I put my trust,  
let me not be ashamed: neither let my enemies laugh at me:  
for none of them that wait for Thee shall be confounded. -Ps. 24: 1-3

Psalm 24:5

n. e. lemme  
(\* 1978)

Adagietto  
sempre legato & rubato  
mf

Tenor 1  
Dí - ri - ge me in\_\_ ve - ri - tá - te, in

Tenor 2  
Dí - ri ge me in\_\_ ver - ri - tá - - te

Bass  
Dí - ri - ge me in\_\_ ve - ri - tá - te, in

7 *poco rall.* *tempo 1<sup>o</sup>*

T1. ve - ri - tá - te tu - a et do - ce me, do -

T2. tu - - - a et do - - -

B. ve - ri - tá - te tu - a et do - ce me,

14 *rall.* *Lento as in the plainchant style*

T1. -ce me, do - ce me, qui - a tu es De -

T2. - ce, do - - - ce me, *p* staggered breathing

B. do - - - ce me, staggered breathing

20 *mp* *tenuto* *rall.*

T1. -us, qui - a tu es De - us, De - - us

T2. qui - a, tu es De - us, De - us

B. qui - a, tu es De - us, De - - us

tempo 1°

26 *mf*

T1. sa - lu - tá - ris me - us: et te su - stí - nu -

T2. sa - lu - tá - ris me - us: et te su - stí - nu -

B. sa - lu - tá - ris me - us et te su - stí - nu -

33 *rall.*

T1. i to - ta di - e, to - ta di -

T2. i to - ta di - e to - ta di - e

B. i to - ta di - e, to - ta di - e,

38 *p* *mp* *ad lib.* *mf* *p* *mf*

T1. - e, to - ta di - e, to - ta di - e,

T2. to - ta di - e, to - ta di - e,

B. to - ta di - e, to - ta di - e,

*Lento*  
*as in the plainchant style*

44 *mf* *rall. poco à poco* *mp*

T1. to - - - ta di - e, to - ta di -

T2. to - - - ta di - e, to - ta

B. to - - - ta di to - ta

\*staggered breathing is preferable

48 *p*

T1. - e, to - ta di - - e.

T2. di - e, to - ta di - - e.

B. di - e, to - ta di - - e.

Response Option 1

*Lower voices "hum" i-son (drone) on F3\*\* ("re"), staggered breathing*

Starting pitch = C4

**E** t- e- nim u- nivér-si qui te expé- ctant, non confun- dén- tur.

\* The melody at this pitch is given as the response in the Offertoriale 1935.  
\*\*F2 can be added if desirable.

Response option 2

*Some voices "hum" i-son (drone) on F3\*\* ("re"), staggered breathing*

Starting pitch = F3

**E** t- e- nim u- ni-vér-si qui te expé- ctant, non confun- dén- tur.

\* This melody should be sung as the response if one discerns that Option 1 is too high for the upper voices of the ensemble.  
\*\*F2 can be added if desirable.