

Cantate Domino 5 vocum

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Cantate Domino canticum novum :
cantate Domino omnis terra.

Cantate Domino et benedicte nomini ejus :

annuntiate in die de diem salutare ejus.

Annuntiate inter gentes gloriam ejus,
in omnibus populis mirabilia ejus.

Quoniam magnus Dominus, et laudabilis nimis :
terribilis est super omnes deos.

O sing unto the Lord a new song :
sing unto the Lord, all the whole earth.

Sing unto the Lord and praise his Name :
be telling of his salvation from day to day.

Declare his honour among the nations :
and his wonders among all peoples.

For the Lord is great, and cannot worthily be praised :
he is more to be feared than all gods.

Psalmus 95 (96) 1–4. Vulgata

Psalm 96: 1–4, Book of Common Prayer

The musical score consists of five staves, each representing a different voice: Cantus (soprano), Quintus (alto), Altus (tenor), Tenor (bass), and Bassus (bass). The music is in G major (two sharps) and common time. The vocal parts are separated by vertical bar lines, and the bassus part is in bass clef. The lyrics are written below the notes in a two-line staff system.

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Do - mi - no can - ti-cum no - - - vum, can - ta -
Do - mi - no can - ti-cum no - vum, can - ta - te,
Do - mi - no can - ti-cum no - - - vum, can - ta - te, can -
Do - mi - no can - ti-cum no - - - vum, can - ta - te,
Do - mi - no can - ti-cum no - - - vum, can - ta - te

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te Do - mi - no om - nis ter - - ra, can - ta -
Do - mi - no om - nis ter - - ra, can - ta - te
Do - mi - ta - te Do - mi - no om - nis ter - - ra, can - ta - te Do - mi -
can - ta - te Do - mi - no om - - nis ter - - ra, can - ta -
Do - mi - no om - - nis ter - - ra, _____

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te Do - mi - no, et be - ne - di - ci - te no - mi - ni
Do - - - mi - no, et be - ne - di - ci - te no - mi - ni
no, et be - ne - di - ci - te no - mi - ni
te Do - - - mi - no, et be - ne - di - ci - te no - mi - ni
et be - ne - di - ci - te no - mi - ni

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e - jus, et be - ne - di - ci - te no - mi - ni e -
e - jus, et be - ne - di - ci - te no - mi - ni e -
e - jus, et be - ne - di - ci - te no - mi - ni e -
e - jus, et be - ne - di - ci - te no - mi - ni e -
e - jus,

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jus: an - nun - ti - a - te de di -
jus: an - nun - ti - a - te de di -
jus: an - nun - ti - a - te, an - nun - ti - a - te de di -
jus: an - nun - ti - a - te, an - nun - ti - a - te de di -
an - nun - ti - a - te, an - nun - ti - a - te de di -

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e in di - em sa - lu - ta - re e - jus, an - nun - ti - a -
e in di - em sa - lu - ta - re e - jus,
e in di - em sa - lu - ta - re e - jus, an - nun - ti -
in di - em sa - lu - ta - re e - jus,
e in di - em sa - lu - ta - re e - jus, an - nun - ti - a -

* # provided on the basis of Johann Woltz's 1617 organ intabulation. See my edition including a transcription of the tablature for details

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te in - ter gen - tes, an - nun - ti - a - te in - ter gen - tes glo -
a - te in - ter gen - tes glo - ri -
te in - ter gen - tes,

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- ri - am e - jus, in om - ni - bus po - pu - lis mi -
- ri - am e - jus, in om - ni - bus po - pu - lis mi -
am e - - jus, in om - ni - bus po - pu - lis mi -
- ri - am e - jus, in om - ni - bus po - - pu -
in om - ni - bus po - pu - lis

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- - ra - bi - li - a e - - jus. Quo - ni - am
- ra - bi - li - a e - - jus.
ra - bi - li - a e - jus. Quo - ni - am ma - gnus Do -
lis mi - - ra - bi - li - a e - jus. Quo - ni - am ma -
mi - - ra - bi - li - a e - - jus.

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ma - gnus Do - mi - nus, ma - gnus Do - mi - nus et lau -
 Quo - ni-am ma - gnus Do - mi - nus et lau -
 mi - nus, *
 gnus Do - mi - nus, ma - gnus Do - mi - nus et lau -
 Quo - ni-am ma - gnus Do - mi - nus et lau -

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da - bi - lis ni - mis, ter - ri - bi -
 da - bi - lis ni - mis, ter - ri - bi - lis est
 et lau - da - bi - lis ni - mis, ter -
 da - bi - lis ni - mis, et lau - da - bi - lis ni - mis,
 et lau - da - bi - lis ni - mis,

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lis est su - per om - nes de - os, ter -
 su - per om - nes de - os,
 ri - bi - lis est su - per om - nes de - os, ter - ri - bi - lis
 ter - ri - bi -

* # found in Woltz, 1617.

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ri - bi - lis,
ter - ri - bi - lis est su - per om - nes de -
ter - ri - bi - lis est, ter - ri - bi - lis est su - per om - nes
est, ter - ri - bi - lis, ter - ri - bi - lis est su - per om -
lis est su - per om - nes de - os, ter - ri - bi - lis, ter - ri - bi -
ri - bi - lis est su - per om - nes de - os.

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de - os.
de - os.
nes, su - per om - nes de - os.
lis est su - per om - nes de - os.
de - os.

In this edition the music has been transposed down a minor third from its original position in order to provide a version suitable for performance for most SATB choirs. The low descent of the *Altus* part in mm. 62–8 may prove uncomfortable for some modern altos. Accordingly, I have prepared an alternative version of page 5 in which the *Altus* and *Tenor* parts have been exchanged in this passage.

For a full editorial discussion of this motet, see my primary edition, CPDL #39952.

alternative version of page 5

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magnus, dominus, magnus, dominus et lau-
mi-nus, Quo-ni-am magnus, dominus et lau-
mi-nus, gnus, dominus et lau-
Quo-ni-am magnus, dominus et lau-

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da-bi-lis ni-mis, ter-ri-bi-
da-bi-lis ni-mis, ter-ri-bi-lis est
et lau-da-bi-lis ni-mis,
da-bi-lis ni-mis, et lau-da-bi-lis ni-mis, ter-
et lau-da-bi-lis ni-mis,

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lis est su-per om-nes de- os, ter-
lis est su-per om-nes de- os, ter-
ri-bi-lis est su-per om-nes de- os, ter- ri-bi- ter-

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