Ash Wednesday

He who ponders the law shall bear fruit in due season.

Mode III

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Psalm 1: 1,2,3ab,3cd,4,5,6

1. Blessed indeed is the man
   Who follows not the counsel of the wicked,
   Nor stands in the path with sinners,
   Nor abides in the company of scorners,

2. But whose delight is the law of the LORD,
   And who ponders his law day and night.

3. He is like a tree that is planted
   Beside the flowing waters,
   That yields its fruit in due season,

4. And whose leaves shall never fade;
   And all that he does shall prosper.

5. Not so are the wicked, not so!
   For they, like winnow-ed chaff,
   Shall be driven away by the wind.

6. When the wicked are judged they shall not rise,
   Nor shall sinners in the council of the just;

7. For the LORD knows the way of the just,
   But the way of the wicked will perish.

Dox. Glory to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Spirit,
   As it was in the beginning, is now,
   And will be forever. Amen.

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