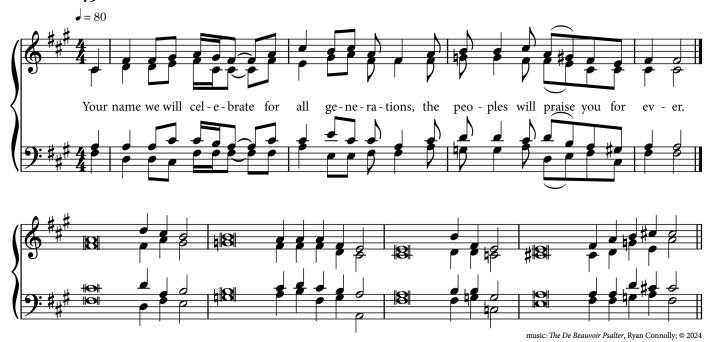
## PSALM 45



- 1 My heart overflows with a goodly theme; I address my verses | to the | king : my tongue is like the pen | of a | ready | scribe.
- 2 You are the most handsome of men; grace is poured up- | on your | lips: therefore God has | **blessed** | you for | ever.
- 3 Gird your sword on your thigh, O | mighty | one :— | in your | glory ⋅ and | majesty.
- 4 In your majesty ride on victoriously \*
  for the cause of truth and to de- | fend the | right :
  let your right hand | teach you | **dread** | deeds. **R**√
- 5 Your arrows are sharp in the heart of the | king's | enemies : the | peoples · fall | under | you.
- 6 Your throne, O God, endures for | ever ⋅ and | ever : Your royal sceptre | is a | sceptre ⋅ of | equity;
- you love righteousness | and hate | wickedness :
  Therefore God, your God, has anointed you
  with the oil of gladness be- | yond | your com- | panions;
- 8 your robes are all fragrant with myrrh and | aloes · and | cassia : From ivory palaces stringed | instru-· ments | make you | glad; **R**∕

## PSALM 45



- 9 daughters of kings are among your | ladies · of | honour : at your right hand stands the | queen in | gold of | Ophir.
- Hear, O daughter, consider and in- | cline your | ear : forget your people | and your | father's | house,
- and the king will de- | sire your | beauty : Since he is your | **lord**, | bow to | him;
- 12 the people of Tyre will seek your | favour  $\cdot$  with | gifts : the | richest | of the | people  $\mathbb{R}$ /
- with all | kinds of | wealth :
  The princess is decked in her chamber with | **gold** | woven | robes;
- in many-coloured robes she is led | to the | king : behind her the virgins, | her com- | panions, | follow.
- 15 With joy and gladness they are | led a- | long : as they enter the | palace | of the | king.
- In the place of ancestors you, O king, | shall have | sons : you will make them | princes  $\cdot$  in | all the | earth.
- †17 I will cause your name to be celebrated in all | gener- | ations : therefore the peoples will praise | you for | ever · and | ever. R/

Glory be to the Father | and to  $\cdot$  the | Son : and | to the | Holy | Spirit; as it was in the be- | ginning  $\cdot$  is | now and shall be for | ever. A | -- | men.