

Score

# Create a Clean Heart/Be Merciful

## Psalm 51

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Ash Wednesday and Lent Edition

♩ = 72

Piano

S

Be mer - ci - ful for us, O Lord, for we have

SA Acc.

Sing the psalm only if unaccompanied Ooh... Ooh...

TB Acc.

Pno.

On Ash Wednesday and the first Sunday of Lent in Cycle A, the lectionary specifies refrain text 1 (Be merciful) with verses 1, 2, 3, and 4A.

On the fifth Sunday of Lent in Cycle B, the lectionary specifies refrain text 2 (Create a Clean Heart) with verses 1, 3, and 4B.

For the Easter Vigil, use the Easter Vigil Edition instead.

This setting may be sung either accompanied or a capella. When sung a capella, a solo cantor or schola should sing the soprano line for the initial refrain, and the choir should sing the soprano accompaniment parts on "Ooh". When the refrain is repeated, the choir should sing in parts, as shown in the accompaniment parts, rather than in unison, as shown in the individual S/A/T/B lines

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2

S  
10  
sinned. Be mer ci - ful, O Lord, for we have sinned.  
God. Cre - ate a clean heart in me, O God.

SA Acc.  
10  
Ooh  
Ooh

TB Acc.  
10  
Ooh  
Ooh

Pno.  
10

S  
14  
Be mer ci - ful, O Lord, for we have sinned. Be mer ci - ful, O Lord, for we have  
Cre - ate a clean heart in me, O God. Cre - ate a clean heart in me, O God.

A  
Be mer ci - ful, O Lord, for we have sinned. Be mer ci - ful, O Lord, for we have  
Cre - ate a clean heart in me, O God. Cre - ate a clean heart in me, O God.

T  
8  
Be mer ci - ful, O Lord, for we have sinned. Be mer ci - ful, O Lord, for we have  
Cre - ate a clean heart in me, O God. Cre - ate a clean heart in me, O God.

B  
Be mer ci - ful, O Lord, for we have sinned. Be mer ci - ful, O Lord, for we have  
Cre - ate a clean heart in me, O God. Cre - ate a clean heart in me, O God.

SA Acc.  
14  
Ooh Be mer ci - ful, O Lord, for we have sinned. Be mer ci - ful, O Lord, for we have  
Cre - ate a clean heart in me, O God. Cre - ate a clean heart in me, O God.

TB Acc.  
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Ooh Be mer ci - ful, O Lord, for we have sinned. Be mer ci - ful, O Lord, for we have  
Cre - ate a clean heart in me, O God. Cre - ate a clean heart in me, O God.

Pno.  
14

20

S  
sinned. \_\_\_\_\_ 1. Have mer-cy on me, O God, in good-ness; in the  
God. \_\_\_\_\_

A  
sinned. \_\_\_\_\_ (sinned). \_\_\_\_\_  
God. \_\_\_\_\_ (God). \_\_\_\_\_

T  
8 sinned. \_\_\_\_\_ (sinned). \_\_\_\_\_ 2. For I ack-now-ledge my of-fen-  
God. \_\_\_\_\_ (God). \_\_\_\_\_

B  
sinned. \_\_\_\_\_  
God. \_\_\_\_\_

SA Acc.  
sinned God (have (O (sinned). Ooh Ooh  
God (O God). Ooh

TB Acc.  
20 sinned God (have (O (sinned). Ooh Ooh  
God (O God). Ooh

Pno.  
20

25

S  
great-ness com-pas-sion wipe out my in-fer-nal. Tho-rough-ly wash me from my guilt and

T  
8 and my \_\_\_\_\_ fore-me-al-ways: "A-gainst you on-ly have I sinned, and

SA Acc.  
\_\_\_\_\_

TB Acc.  
\_\_\_\_\_

Pno.  
\_\_\_\_\_

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4

30

S of my sin \_\_\_\_\_ cleanse me. \_\_\_\_\_ Be Cre -

A \_\_\_\_\_ Be Cre -

T 8 done what is e - vil in your sight." \_\_\_\_\_ Be Cre -

B \_\_\_\_\_ Be Cre -

SA Acc. Ooh \_\_\_\_\_ Ooh \_\_\_\_\_ To main choral part Be Cre -

TB Acc. 30 Ooh \_\_\_\_\_ Ooh \_\_\_\_\_ To main choral part Be Cre -

Pno. 30 \_\_\_\_\_ 7 \_\_\_\_\_ Be Cre -

Repeat if singing vs. 2

33

S mer ate a ci-ful, O Lord, for we have sinned. Be mer ate a ci-ful, O Lord, for we have sinned. God.

A mer ate a ci-ful, O Lord, for we have sinned. Be mer ate a ci-ful, O Lord, for we have sinned. (have God (O

T mer ate a ci-ful, O Lord, for we have sinned. Be mer ate a ci-ful, O Lord, for we have sinned. (have God (O

P mer ate a ci-ful, O Lord, for we have sinned. Be mer ate a ci-ful, O Lord, for we have sinned. God.

Pno. \_\_\_\_\_ Repeat if singing vs. 2