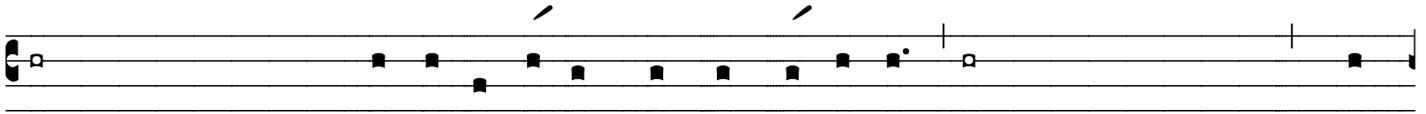


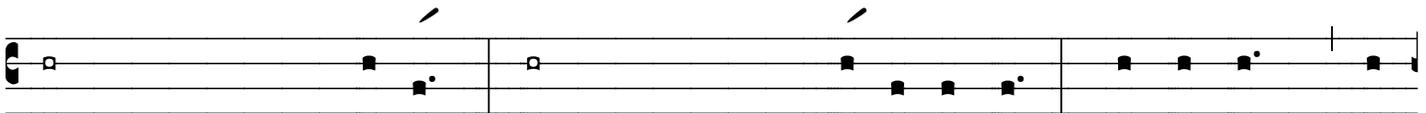
Lent 5 (Year C)  
John 12:1-8 (NRSV)



✠ The Holy Gospel of our Lord Je - sus Christ according to John. ✠ *Glory to you, Lord Christ.*



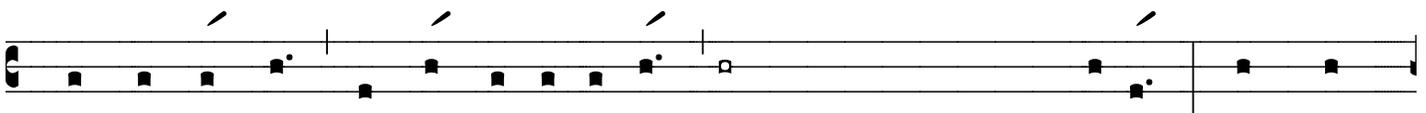
Six days before the Pass-o-ver Je-sus came to Beth-a - ny, the home of Lazarus, whom



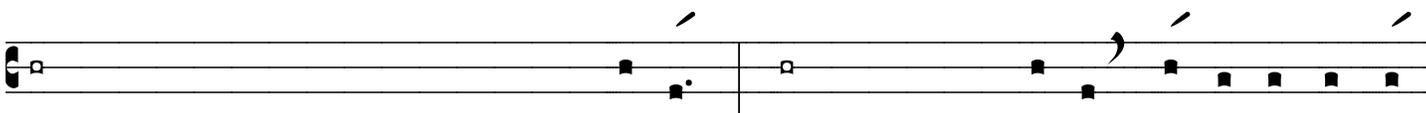
he had raised from the dead. <sup>2</sup> There they gave a din-ner for him. Mar-tha served, and



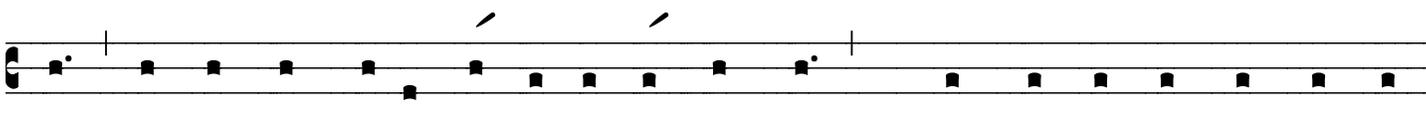
Lazarus was one of those at the table with him. <sup>3</sup> Mary took a pound of cost-ly per-fume



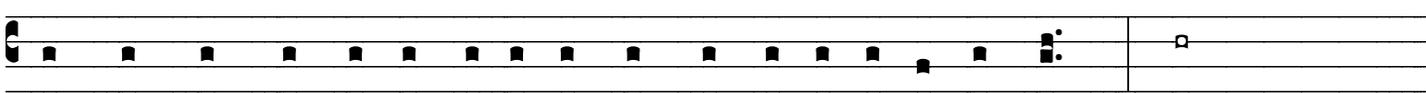
made of pure nard, a-noint-ed Je-sus' feet, and wiped them with her hair. The house



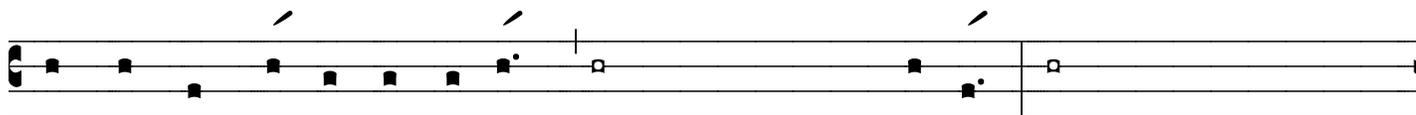
was filled with the fragrance of the per-fume. <sup>4</sup> But Judas Iscar-i - ot, one of his dis - ci -



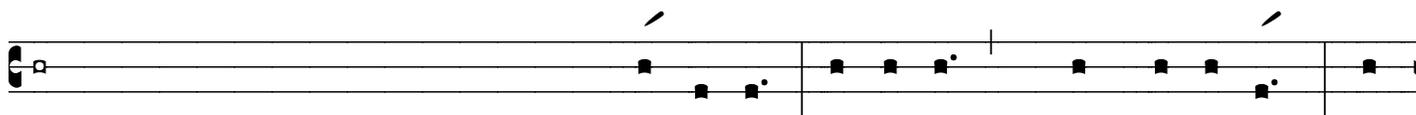
ples (the one who was a-bout to be-tray him), said, <sup>5</sup> "Why was this per-fume not sold



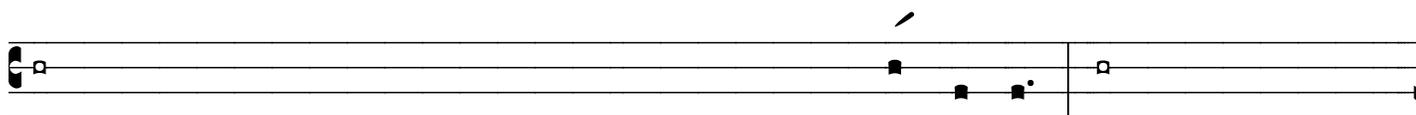
for three hun-dred de-nar - i - i and the mon-ey giv-en to the poor?" <sup>6</sup> (He said this not



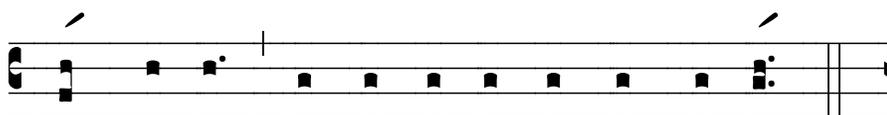
be-cause he cared a-bout the poor, but because he was a thief; he kept the common



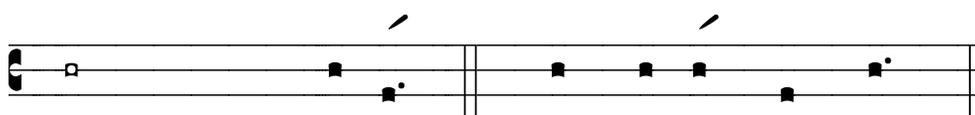
purse and used to steal what was put in - to it.) 7 Je-sus said, "Leave her a - lone. She



bought it so that she might keep it for the day of my bur - i - al. 8 You always have the



poor with you, but you do not al-ways have me."



✠ The Gospel of the Lord. ✠ Praise to you, Lord Christ.

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