

Old Testament Scripture

Each proclamation is to be spoken by a different member of the choir, assembly, or specific choral reading ensemble. THEY must be scattered throughout the church or performance area and acclaim each invocation with a loud voice. The choir responds with increasingly urgent and more powerful exclamations.

1. The earth was a wasteland without form and covered with darkness while a mighty wind swept over the waters. (Gen. 1:2)

Ruah!

(After each spoken or proclaimed section throughout the cantata, the choir whispers in increasing intensity the names given the Holy Spirit throughout salvation history.)

2. Out of clay and mud the Lord God formed beings, blowing into them the breath of life. (Gen. 2:7)

Ruah!

3. I will give you new hearts. (Ex. 36:36)

Ruah!

4. Not by an army, nor by strength, but by my Spirit, says the Lord. (Zec. 4:66)

Ruah!

5. A clean heart create for me, O Lord; a ready and able Spirit build up in me. (Ps. 51:12)

Ruah!