

## Psalm 41

Blessèd is the one who consid- ers the poor!\*

In the day of trouble the Lord de- | livers him;

2the Lord protects him and keeps him alive;

he is called blessèd | in the land;\*

you do not give him up to the will of his | enemies.

3The Lord sustains him on his | sickbed;\*

in his illness you restore him to | full health.

4As for me, I said, "O Lord, be gra- | cious to me;\*

heal me, for I have sinned a- gainst you!"

<sub>5</sub>My enemies say of me in | malice,\*

"When will he die and his name | perish?"

6And when one comes to see me, he utters empty words,

while his heart gathers in- | iquity;\*

when he goes out, he tells | it abroad.

7All who hate me whisper together a- | bout me;\*

they imagine the | worst for me.

They say, "A deadly thing is poured out on him;\*

he will not rise again from | where he lies."

Even my close friend in whom I | trusted,\*

who ate my bread, has lifted his heel a- | gainst me.

<sub>10</sub>But you, O Lord, be gra- | cious to me,\*

and raise me up, that I may re- pay them!

11By this I know that you de- | light in me:\*

my enemy will not shout in triumph | over me.

But you have upheld me because of my in- | tegrity,\*

and set me in your presence for- ever.

Blessèd be the Lord, the God of | Israel,\*

from everlasting to everlasting!

Amen and Amen.