

ASH WEDNESDAY

MARCH 5, 2025

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Sunday Worship

Service

9:00 AM

Adult Bible Class

Sunday School

10:30 am

Holy Communion:

Every Sunday

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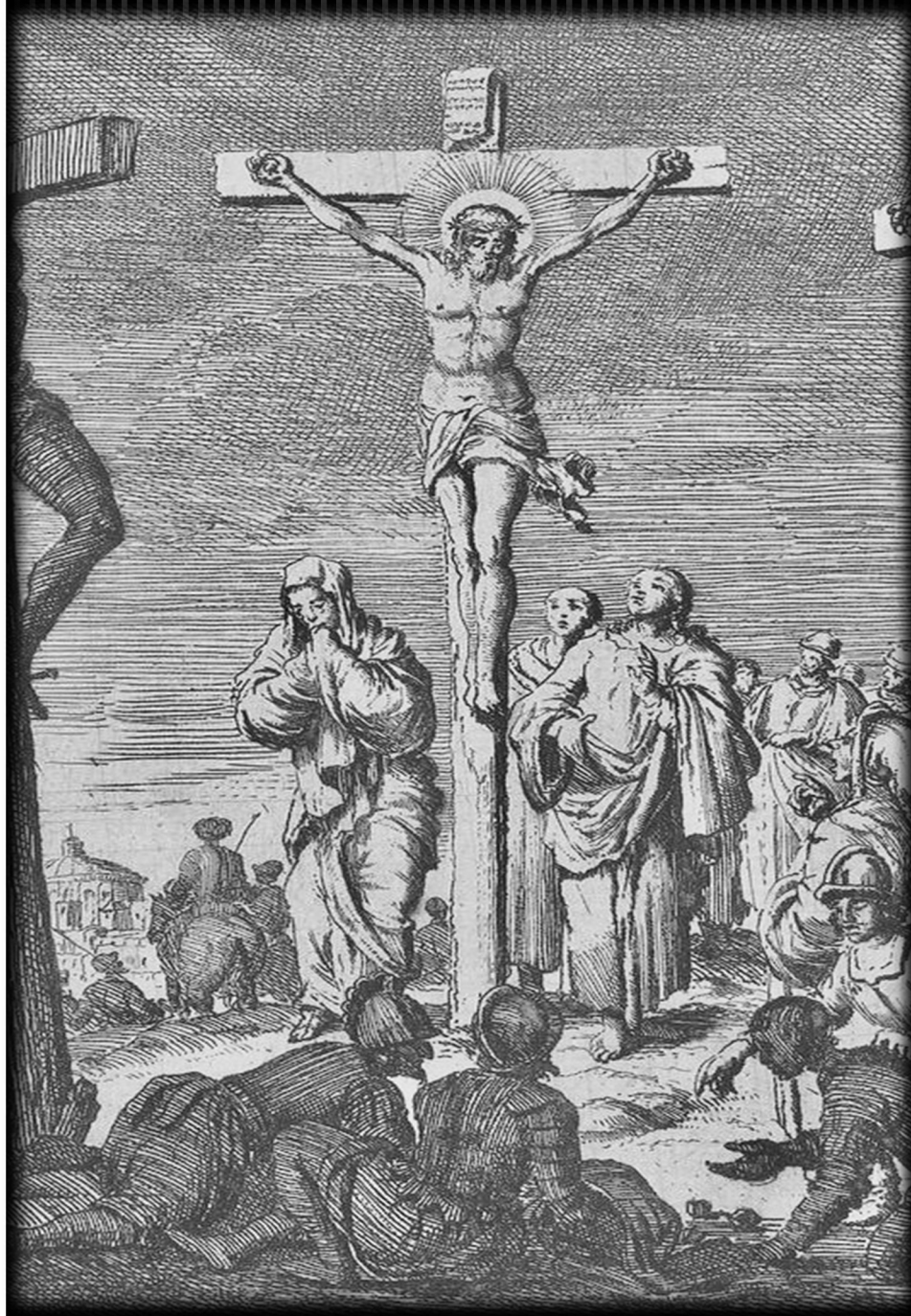
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WELCOME to IMMANUEL LUTHERAN CHURCH

We wish to extend a warm welcome to all our visitors here today. It is our hope that you will benefit by your worship here with us, and that you will return again soon. We would greatly appreciate it if everyone would fill out an Attendance/Communion card so that we can keep track of our attendance. They are located in the pew racks in front of you.

AS WE GATHER The season of the Church Year that starts with Ash Wednesday is known by differing terms in various nations. The official term that dates back to the sixth century AD is Quadragesima, from the Latin word for “fortieth.” This term is carried forward in Latin-based languages such as Spanish (cuaresma) and Italian (Quaresima). Central Europeans reflect the self-denial aspect of the Lenten time using the term Fastenzeit (fasting time) in Germany and Nagy-bost (great fast) in Hungary. That naming tradition is also kept in Arabic-speaking countries, where the term Sawm al-Kabir (big fast) is used. Northern Europeans and related countries refer to the season of the year, relating back to the old Anglo-Saxon word Lengtentide (springtime), which described when the days lengthened light-wise. Although the terms for the forty days of Lent may differ, the spiritual importance of “the forty” remains constant and powerful. May keeping this time of penance and prayer with “sincerity and truth” (1 Corinthians 5:8) lead us to observe a blessed and holy Lent!

PRELUDE *(A Quiet Time for Prayer and Meditation)*

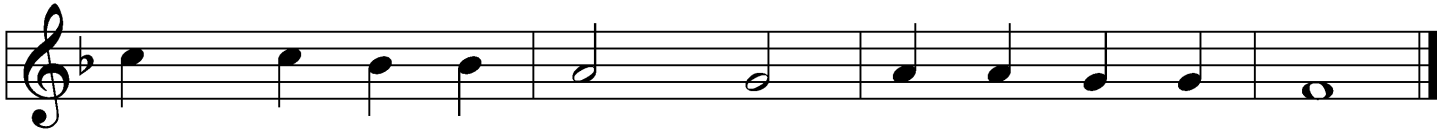
OPENING HYMN

Glory Be to Jesus

LSB 433



1 Glo - ry be to Je - sus, Who in bit - ter pains
2 Grace and life e - ter - nal In that blood I find;
3 Blest through end - less a - ges Be the pre - cious stream
4 A - bel's blood for ven - geance Plead - ed to the skies;



Poured for me the life - blood From His sa - cred veins!
Blest be His com - pas - sion, In - fi - nite - ly kind!
Which from end - less tor - ment Did the world re - deem!
But the blood of Je - sus For our par - don cries.

- 5 Oft as earth exulting
Wafts its praise on high,
Angel hosts rejoicing
Make their glad reply.
- 6 Lift we, then, our voices,
Swell the mighty flood;
Louder still and louder
Praise the precious blood!

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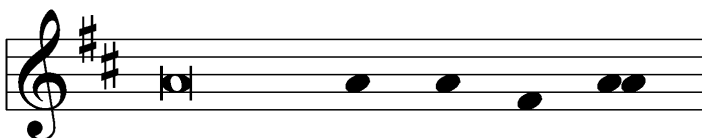
VESPERS

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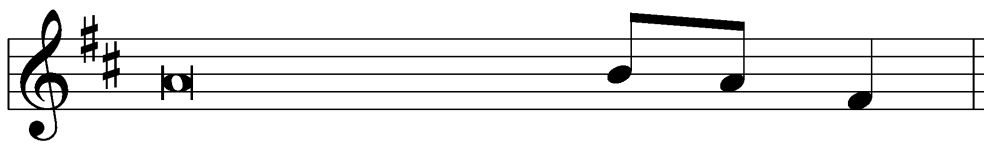
INVOCATION

P In the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit
C Amen.

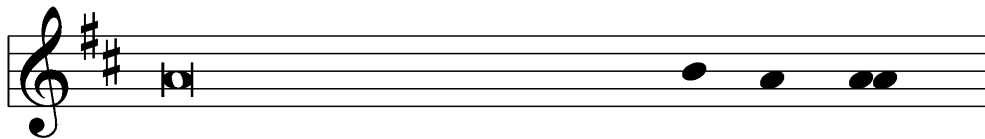
RESPONSE



[L] O Lord, o - pen my lips,



C and my mouth will de - clare Your praise.



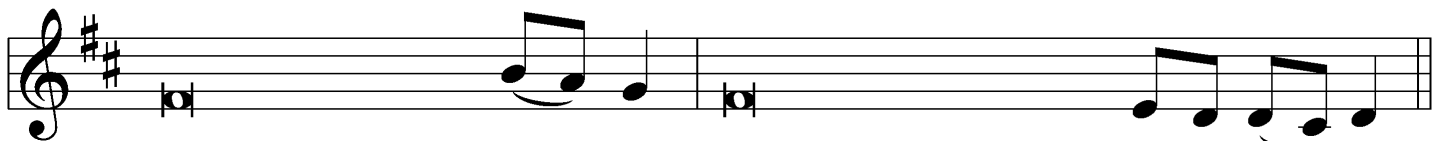
L Make haste, O God, to de - liv - er me;



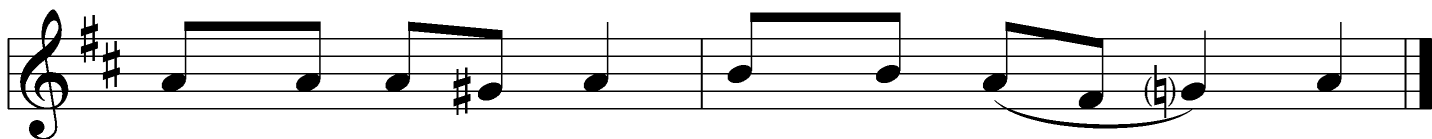
C make haste to help me, O Lord.



C Glo-ry be to the Father and to the Son and to the Holy Spir - it;



as it was in the be - gin - ning, is now, and will be for-ev-er. A - men.



Praise to You, O Christ. Lamb of our sal—va—tion.

PSALM *Psalm 36*

P An oracle within my heart concerning the transgression of the wicked: There is no fear of God before his eyes.

C **For he flatters himself in his own eyes, when he finds out his iniquity and when he hates.**

P The words of his mouth are wickedness and deceit; he has ceased to be wise and to do good.

C **He devises wickedness on his bed; he sets himself in a way that is not good; he does not abhor evil.**

P Your mercy, O Lord, is in the heavens; Your faithfulness reaches to the clouds.

- C Your righteousness is like the great mountains; Your judgments are a great deep; O Lord, You preserve man and beast.**
- P How precious is Your lovingkindness, O God! Therefore the children of men put their trust under the shadow of Your wings.
- C They are abundantly satisfied with the fullness of Your house, and You give them drink from the river of Your pleasures.**
- P For with You is the fountain of life; in Your light we see light.
- C Oh, continue Your lovingkindness to those who know You, and Your righteousness to the upright in heart.**
- P Let not the foot of pride come against me, and let not the hand of the wicked drive me away.
- C There the workers of iniquity have fallen; they have been cast down and are not able to rise.**

Please sit

IMPOSITION OF ASHES

- P The pastor may apply ashes to the forehead or wrist of each worshiper who desires, while speaking to them the words: "Remember that you are dust, and to dust you shall return." (Genesis 3:19) Yet Jesus promised, "I am the resurrection and the life. He who believes in Me, though he may die, he shall live." (John 11:25)

The penitent responds, "Amen."

FIRST READING 1 Timothy 6:6-10

6 Now godliness with contentment is great gain. 7 For we brought nothing into this world, and it is certain we can carry nothing out. 8 And having food and clothing, with these we shall be content. 9 But those who desire to be rich fall into temptation and a snare, and into many foolish and harmful lusts which drown men in destruction and perdition. 10 For the love of money is a root of all kinds of evil, for which some have strayed

from the faith in their greediness, and pierced themselves through with many sorrows.

P O Lord, have mercy on us.

C **Thanks be to God.**

SECOND READING *Luke 22:1-23*

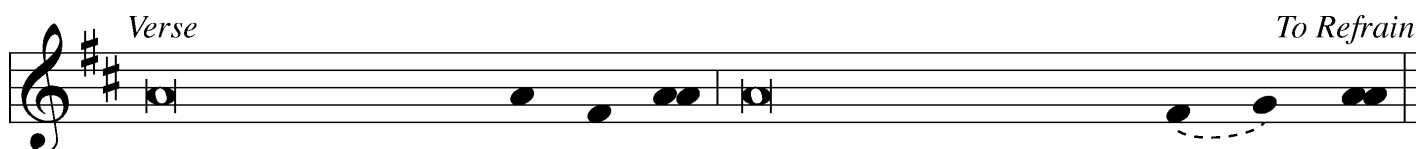
1 Now the Feast of Unleavened Bread drew near, which is called Passover. 2 And the chief priests and the scribes sought how they might kill Him, for they feared the people.

3 Then Satan entered Judas, surnamed Iscariot, who was numbered among the twelve. 4 So he went his way and conferred with the chief priests and captains, how he might betray Him to them. 5 And they were glad, and agreed to give him money. 6 So he promised and sought opportunity to betray Him to them in the absence of the multitude.

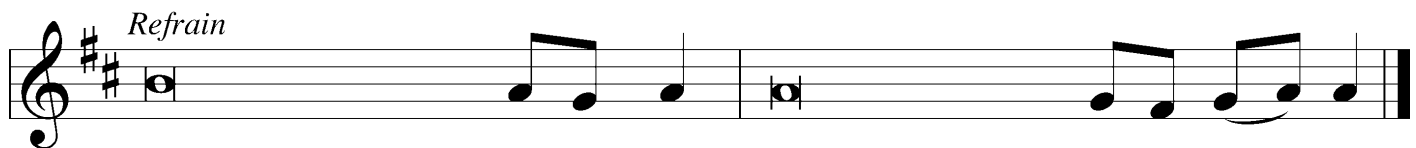
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C **Thanks be to God.**

RESPONSORY



- [L]** 1 Deliver me, O Lord, my God, for You are
the God of my sal - va - tion.
2 In You, O Lord, do I put my trust, leave me not, O Lord, my God.
3 Deliver me, O Lord, my God, for You are
the God of my sal - va - tion.



- [C]** Rescue me from my en - e - mies, protect me
from those who rise a - gainst me.

HYMN OF THE DAY

Lamb of God, Pure and Holy

LSB 434



1 Lamb of God, pure and ho - ly, Who on the cross didst suf - fer,
2 Lamb of God, pure and ho - ly, Who on the cross didst suf - fer,
3 Lamb of God, pure and ho - ly, Who on the cross didst suf - fer,



Ev - er pa - tient and low - ly, Thy - self to scorn didst of - fer.
Ev - er pa - tient and low - ly, Thy - self to scorn didst of - fer.
Ev - er pa - tient and low - ly, Thy - self to scorn didst of - fer.



All sins Thou bor - est for us, Else had de - spair reigned o'er us:
All sins Thou bor - est for us, Else had de - spair reigned o'er us:
All sins Thou bor - est for us, Else had de - spair reigned o'er us:



Have mer - cy on us, O Je - sus! O Je - sus!
Have mer - cy on us, O Je - sus! O Je - sus!
Thy peace be with us, O Je - sus! O Je - sus!

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SERMON *"Judas Scheming/Despairing"*

(Matthew 27:3-5)

OFFERING

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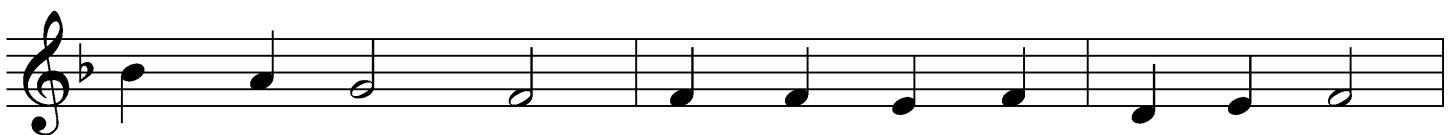
OFFERTORY

Jesus Sinners Doth Receive

LSB 609



1 Je - sus sin - ners doth re - ceive; Oh, may all this



say - ing pon - der Who in sin's de - lu - sions live
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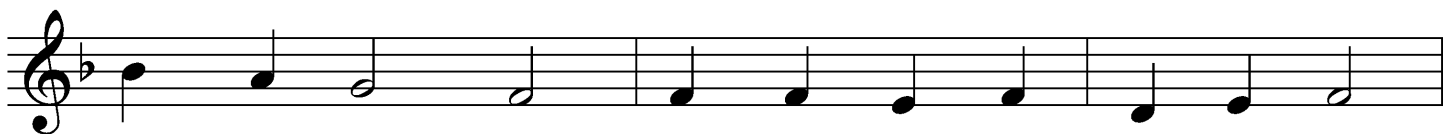
And from God and heav - en wan - der! Here is hope for



all who grieve: Je - sus sin - ners doth re - ceive.



2 We de - serve but grief and shame, Yet His words, rich
3 Sheep that from the fold did stray No true shep - herd
4 I, a sin - ner, come to Thee With a pen - i -
5 Oh, how blest it is to know: Were as scar - let



grace re - veal - ing, Par - don, peace, and life pro - claim;
e'er for - sak - eth; Wea - ry souls that lost their way
tent con - fes - sion. Sav - ior, mer - cy show to me;
my trans - gres - sion, It shall be as white as snow



Here our ills have per - fect heal - ing. Firm - ly in these
Christ, the Shep - herd, gent - ly tak - eth In His arms that
Grant for all my sins re - mis - sion. Let these words my
By Thy blood and bit - ter pas - sion; For these words I



words be - lieve: Je - sus sin - ners doth re - ceive.
they may live: Je - sus sin - ners doth re - ceive.
soul re - lieve: Je - sus sin - ners doth re - ceive.
now be - lieve: Je - sus sin - ners doth re - ceive.

6 Now my conscience is at peace;
From the Law I stand acquitted.
Christ hath purchased my release
And my ev'ry sin remitted.

Naught remains my soul to grieve:
Jesus sinners doth receive.

7 Jesus sinners doth receive;
Also I have been forgiven;
And when I this earth must leave,
I shall find an open heaven.
Dying, still to Him I cleave:
Jesus sinners doth receive.

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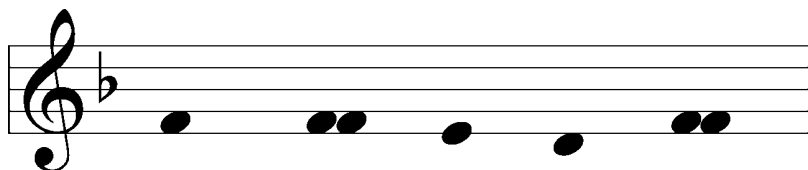


C Lord, have mer-cy; Christ, have mer-cy; Lord, have mer-cy.

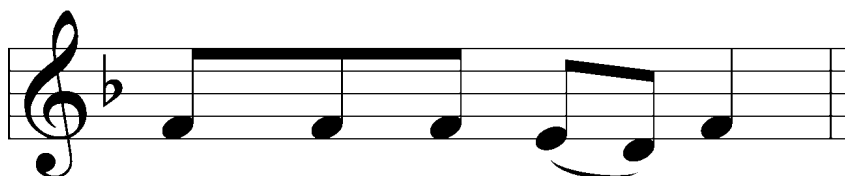
LORD'S PRAYER

**Our Father who art in heaven,
hallowed be Thy name,
Thy kingdom come,
Thy will be done on earth
as it is in heaven;
give us this day our daily bread;
and forgive us our trespasses
as we forgive those
who trespass against us;
and lead us not into temptation,
but deliver us from evil.
For Thine is the kingdom
and the power and the glory
forever and ever. Amen.**

COLLECTS



P The Lord be with you.



C And with your spir - it.

COLLECT OF THE DAY

P Let us pray. Gracious and merciful God, You forgive the sins of all who come to You with penitent and contrite hearts. Grant us the spirit of true repentance to acknowledge our sins and to find in You forgiveness and restoration, wholeness, and peace; through the merits of Jesus Christ, our Lord and our Redeemer.

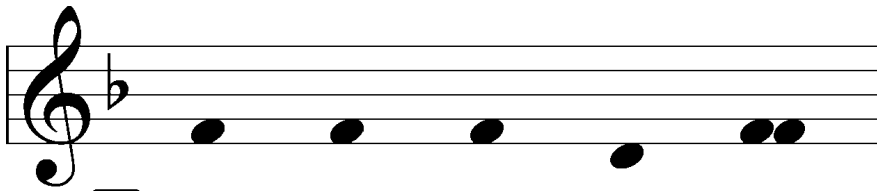
C Amen.

COLLECT FOR PEACE

P O God, from whom come all holy desires, all good counsels, and all just works, give to us, Your servants, that peace which the world cannot give, that our hearts may be set to obey Your commandments and also that we, being defended from the fear of our enemies, may live in peace and quietness; through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

C Amen

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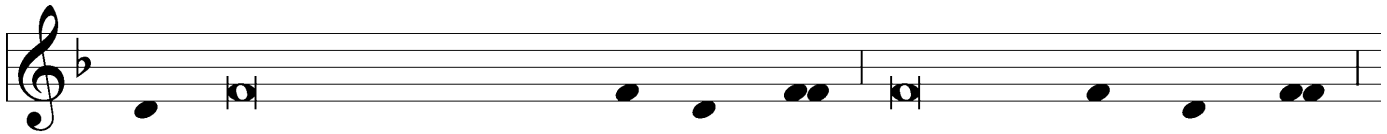


L Let us bless the Lord.

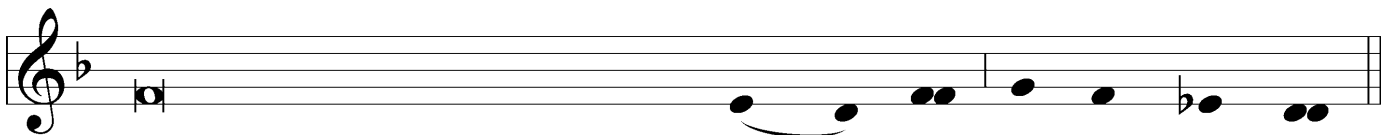


C Thanks be to God.

BENEDICTION



P The grace of our Lord ✠ Je - sus Christ and the love of God



and the communion of the Holy Spir - it be with you all.



C A - men.

Please sit

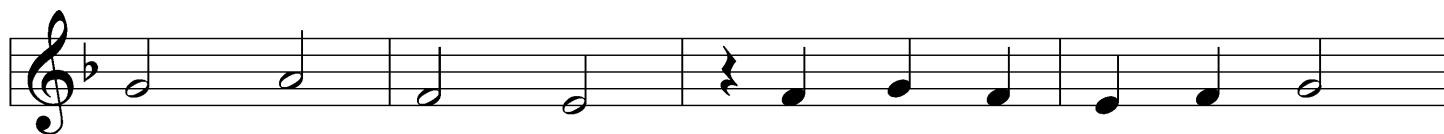
SENDING HYMN

Now Rest beneath Night's Shadow

LSB 880



1 Now rest be - neath night's shad - ow The wood - land,
2 The ra - diant sun has van - ished, Its gold - en
3 Now all the heav'n - ly splen - dor Breaks forth in
4 Lord Je - sus, since You love me, Now spread Your
5 My loved ones, rest se - cure - ly, For God this



field, and mead - ow; The world in slum - ber lies.
rays are ban - ished From dark - 'ning skies of night;
star - light ten - der From myr - iad worlds un-known;
wings a - bove me And shield me from a - larm.
night will sure - ly From per - il guard your heads.



But you, my heart, a - wak - ing And prayer and mu - sic
But Christ, the Sun of glad - ness, Dis - pel - ling all our
And we, this mar - vel see - ing, For - get our self - ish
Though Sa - tan would de - vour me, Let an - gel guards sing
Sweet slum - bers may He send you And bid His hosts at -



mak - ing, Let praise to your Cre - a - tor rise.
sad - ness, Shines down on us in warm - est light.
be - ing For joy of beau - ty not our own.
o'er me: This child of God shall meet no harm.
tend you And through the night watch o'er your beds.

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