

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Visitors Welcome! We extend a warm welcome to all who are visiting with us today. We are delighted that you have chosen to worship with us at Sovereign Grace. **Please fill in the Guest Card located in the pew rack in front of you and place it in the offering plate, so that we have a record of your visit.**

The Lord’s Supper: We will be celebrating the Lord’s Supper during our evening service tonight at 6pm.

Missions Moment: We will begin our evening worship service tonight by hearing from Dr. Falko Drijfhout from Solihull Presbyterian Church.

Wednesday Night activities resume this week! See the e-newsletter for more details.

The Sovereign Grace Arts Committee will be hosting a group discussion of Francis A. Schaeffer's *Art and the Bible* on Saturday, January 24 at 7pm in the Great Hall! Artists and non-artists of all ages are welcome to attend, and cookies will be provided as well as tea and coffee. Copies of this short book will be available at a discounted price from the book table in the Great Hall. Please contact Eilidh Anderson (eilidh.e.anderson@outlook.com) if you would like to help with this event!

Our two Women’s evening studies restart on Thursday January 22nd, 7 -8:30pm. In South Charlotte, we will meet at Mary Nash’s home to continue our study in the Psalms, and in East Charlotte (close to 485) we will meet at Michelle Ballou’s home to study Joshua. Contact Mary Nash (marynash818@gmail.com) or Michelle Ballou (joseph_ballou@yahoo.com) for more information.

Register now for the Marriage Conference, January 30-February 1! We look forward to welcoming Dr. Chad and Emily Van Dixhoorn as they speak on “Gospel-Shaped Marriage”. Visit the church website to learn more and register. Childcare is available.

Honduras Mission Trip - July 18-25, 2026. This summer, we're partnering with Iglesia Presbiteriana Gracia Soberana in Tegucigalpa, Honduras, to support their vision of growing the local church, planting new churches, and establishing a seminary to train future pastors. Join our team! Contact Brian Brown (bbrownc@gmail.com) to learn more.

Greeters

January 18th: Ron & Cindy White

January 25th: Bill & Laura Cooper

Deacons on Duty:

January 18th: Jon Drye & Brian Brown

January 25th:

Brighton Gardens:

January 18th: Will Keyton (lead) & Nathan Burkhalter (piano)

January 25th: Bill Cooper (lead) & Catriona Anderson (piano)

Sermon Notes



Glorifying God

Growing Together

Going to the Nations



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Rev. Dr. Carlton Wynne

Rev. Will Keyton

Rev. Ricky Johnson

Senior Pastor

Assistant Pastor

Assistant Pastor of Youth and Families

<h1>Morning Worship</h1> <p>January 18th, 2026 10:55 am</p>	
<h2>The Preparation for Worship</h2>	
<h3>Welcome and Announcements</h3>	
<h3>Missions Moment</h3> <p>Dr. Falko Drijfhout, EPCEW</p>	
<h3>Prelude</h3>	
<h2>The Adoration of God</h2>	
<h3>The Call to Worship</h3> <p>Rev. Will Keyton</p> <p>God is our refuge and strength, a very present help in trouble. Therefore we will not fear though the earth gives way, though the mountains be moved into the heart of the sea, though its waters roar and foam, though the mountains tremble at its swelling. Come, behold the works of the LORD! The LORD of hosts is with us; the God of Jacob is our fortress.</p> <p>Ps 46:1—2, 8, 11</p>	
<h3>*Hymn #40</h3> <p>“God Is Our Refuge and Strength”</p>	
<h3>*Prayer of Adoration & Invocation</h3>	
<h3>*Confession of Faith</h3> <p>Scotch Confession of Faith, Art. 1</p> <p><i>We confess and acknowledge one only God, to whom only we must cleave, whom only we must serve, whom only we must worship, and in whom only we put our trust. Who is eternal, infinite, immeasurable, incomprehensible, omnipotent, invisible, one in substance and yet distinct in three persons, the Father, the Son, and the Holy Ghost.</i></p>	
<h2>The Means of Grace</h2>	
<h3>Scripture Reading</h3> <p>1 Kings 11:1—40</p> <p>p. 299</p>	
<h3>Confession of Sin</h3> <p><i>O eternal God and merciful Father, we humble ourselves before your great majesty against which we have frequently and grievously sinned. We acknowledge that our sin has defaced your image in man and without your saving grace we deserve your judgment. The whole head is sick, the whole heart is faint; from the sole of the foot even to the head, there is no soundness in us. But you, O LORD, are a shield about us, our glory, and the lifter of our head. Forgive all our sins for Christ’s sake, and let your blessing rest upon us forever. AMEN.</i></p>	

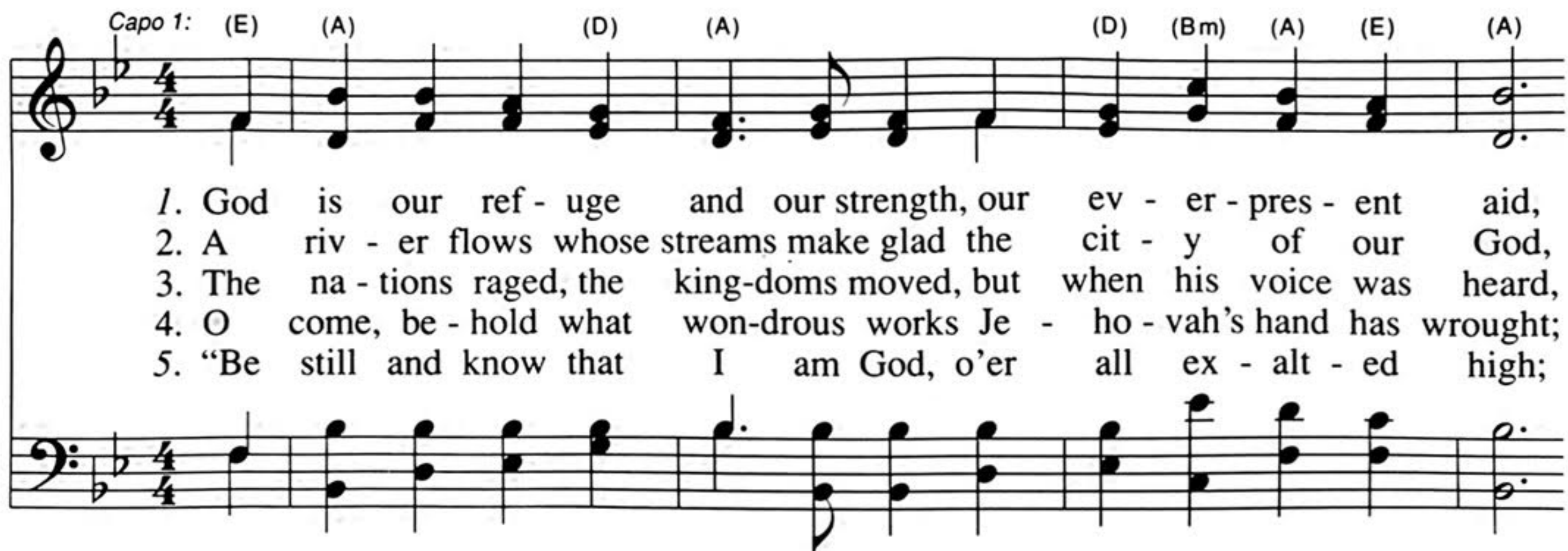
<h3>Words of Pardon and Assurance</h3> <p>Romans 8:31, 34</p> <p>If God is for us, who can be against us? Who is to condemn? Christ Jesus is the one who died—more than that, who was raised—who is at the right hand of God, who indeed is interceding for us.</p>	
<h3>*Hymn 503</h3> <p>“Out of My Bondage, Sorrow, and Night”</p>	
<h3>Adult Choir</h3> <p>“Amazing Grace” Craig Courtney</p>	
<h3>The Presentation of Tithes and Offerings</h3>	
<h3>*Doxology</h3> <p><i>Praise God from whom all blessings flow; praise him, all creatures here below; praise him above, ye heav’nly host: praise Father, Son and Holy Ghost. A-men.</i></p>	
<h3>Prayer of Intercession</h3>	
<h3>*Hymn 95</h3> <p>“Though Troubles Assail Us”</p>	
<h3>The Reading of God’s Word</h3> <p>Psalm 3</p> <p>p. 448</p>	
<h3>Sermon</h3> <p>“Surrounded on All Sides”</p> <p>Rev. Dr. Wynne</p>	
<h2>The Response and Benediction</h2>	
<h3>*Trinity Psalter, Psalm 3</h3> <p>p. 2</p>	
<h3>*Benediction</h3>	
<h3>*Congregational Response</h3> <p>New Britain CM (3)</p> <p><i>Deliverance is from the Lord Salvation His alone! O let your blessing evermore, Be on Your people shone.</i></p>	
<p>*Indicates Congregation Standing</p>	

<h1>Evening Worship</h1> <p>January 18th, 2026 6:00 pm</p>	
<h3>Call to Worship</h3> <p>Rev. Will Keyton</p> <p>The Lord takes pleasure in his people; he adorns the humble with salvation. Let the godly exult in glory; let them sing for joy, let the high praises of God be in your throats. Praise the Lord!</p> <p>Ps 149:4-5, 6, 9</p>	
<h3>*Trinity Psalter, Psalm 146</h3> <p>p. 123</p>	
<h3>*Prayer of Adoration and Invocation</h3>	
<h3>Hymn 498</h3> <p>“Jesus! What a Friend for Sinners!”</p>	
<h3>Prayer of Thanksgiving</h3>	
<h3>Presentation of Tithes and Offerings</h3>	
<h3>Reading of God’s Word</h3> <p>1 Samuel 17:55—18:16</p> <p>Rev. Ricky Johnson</p> <p>p. 240</p>	
<h3>Sermon</h3> <p>“Friends and Foes of the Anointed King”</p> <p>Rev. Ricky Johnson</p>	
<h3>*Hymn 559</h3> <p>“Father, I Know That All My Life”</p>	
<h3>The Lord’s Supper</h3> <p>Bread+</p> <p>Cup</p>	
<h3>*Hymn 247</h3> <p>“O Sacred Head, Now Wounded”</p>	
<h3>*Benediction</h3> <p>+The cup in the center of the tray contains gluten free bread</p>	

God Is Our Refuge and Our Strength

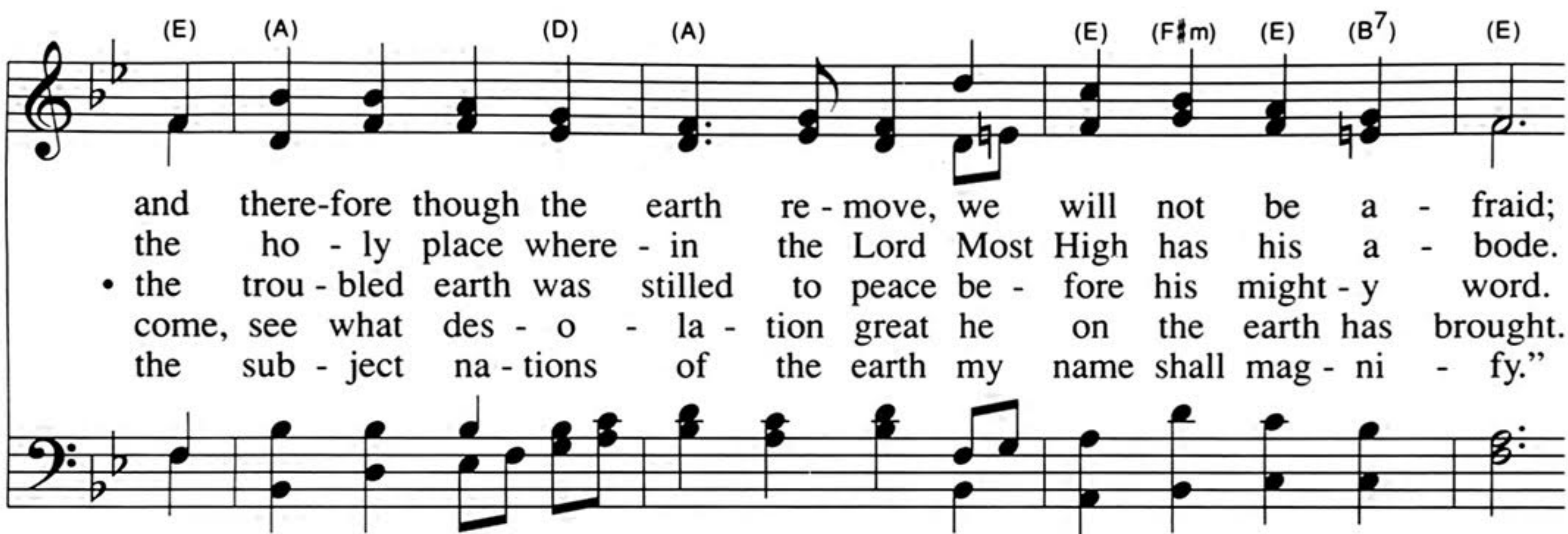
God is our refuge and strength, an ever-present help in trouble. Ps. 46:1

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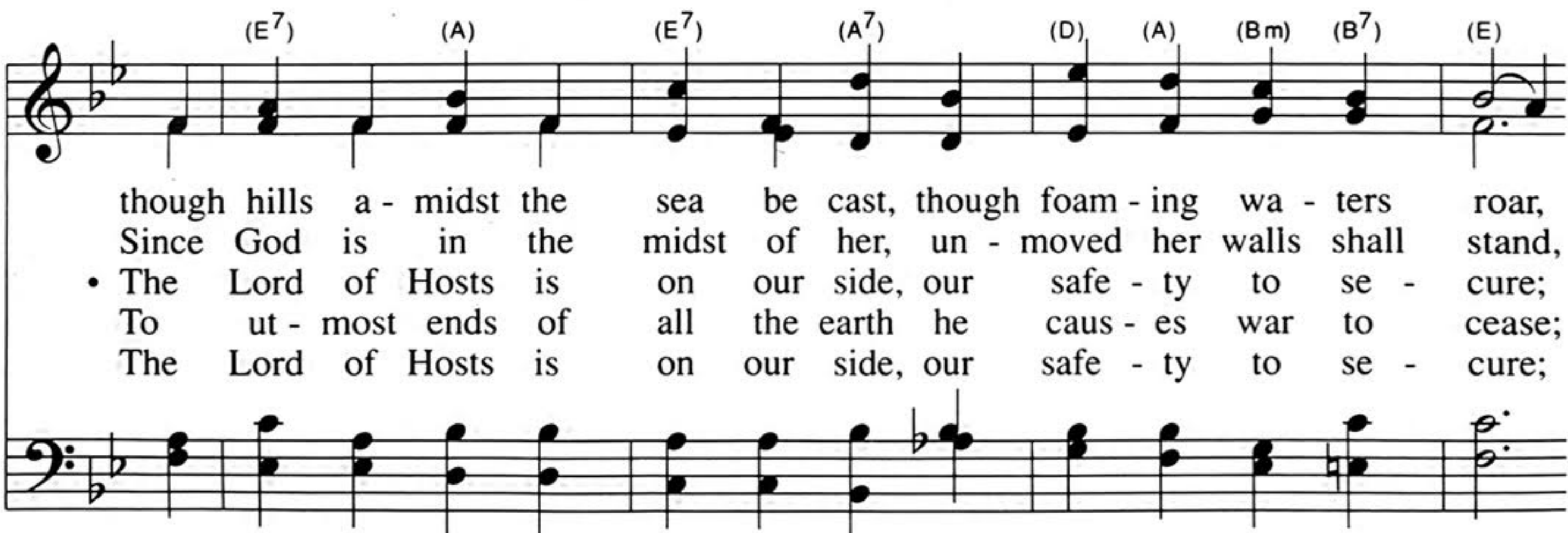
1. God is our ref - uge and our strength, our ev - er - pres - ent aid,
 2. A riv - er flows whose streams make glad the cit - y of our God,
 3. The na - tions raged, the king - doms moved, but when his voice was heard,
 4. O come, be - hold what won - drous works Je - ho - vah's hand has wrought;
 5. "Be still and know that I am God, o'er all ex - alt - ed high;

(E) (A) (D) (A) (E) (F#m) (E) (B⁷) (E)



and there - fore though the earth re - move, we will not be a - fraid;
 the ho - ly place where - in the Lord Most High has his a - bode.
 • the trou - bled earth was stilled to peace be - fore his might - y word.
 come, see what des - o - la - tion great he on the earth has brought.
 the sub - ject na - tions of the earth my name shall mag - ni - fy."

(E⁷) (A) (E⁷) (A⁷) (D) (A) (Bm) (B⁷) (E)



though hills a - midst the sea be cast, though foam - ing wa - ters roar,
 Since God is in the midst of her, un - moved her walls shall stand,
 • The Lord of Hosts is on our side, our safe - ty to se - cure;
 To ut - most ends of all the earth he caus - es war to cease;
 The Lord of Hosts is on our side, our safe - ty to se - cure;

Musical score for Psalm 46, featuring a treble and bass staff with chords and lyrics. The treble staff includes a key signature of one flat (Bb) and a common time signature (C). The bass staff also includes a key signature of one flat (Bb). The lyrics are written in a simple, sans-serif font, with line breaks corresponding to the musical phrases.

Chords indicated above the treble staff: (E⁷), (A), (D), (A), (D), (Bm), (A), (E⁷), (A).

Lyrics:

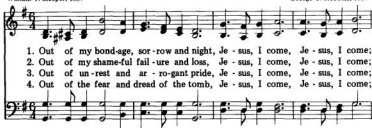
yea, though the might - y bil - lows shake the moun - tains on the shore.
 for God will be her ear - ly help, when trou - ble is at hand.
 • the God of Ja - cob is for us a ref - uge strong and sure.
 the weap - ons of the strong de - stroyed, he makes a - bid - ing peace.
 the God of Ja - cob is for us a ref - uge strong and sure.

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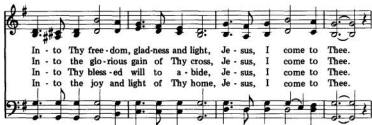
He hath sent Me . . . to proclaim liberty to the captives . . . Isa. 61:1

William T. Sleeper, 1887

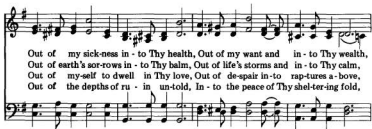
JESUS, I COME Irreg.
George C. Stebbins, 1887



1. Out of my bond-age, sor-row and night, Je - sus, I come, Je - sus, I come;
2. Out of my shame-ful fail-ure and loss, Je - sus, I come, Je - sus, I come;
3. Out of un-rest and ar-ro-gant pride, Je - sus, I come, Je - sus, I come;
4. Out of the fear and dread of the tomb, Je - sus, I come, Je - sus, I come;



In - to Thy free-dom, glad-ness and light, Je - sus, I come to Thee.
In - to the glo-rious gain of Thy cross, Je - sus, I come to Thee.
In - to Thy bless-ed will to a-bide, Je - sus, I come to Thee.
In - to the joy and light of Thy home, Je - sus, I come to Thee.



Out of my sick-ness in - to Thy health, Out of my want and in - to Thy wealth,
Out of earth's sor-rows in - to Thy balm, Out of life's storms and in - to Thy calm,
Out of my-self to dwell in Thy love, Out of de-spair in-to rap-tures a-bove,
Out of the depths of ru - in un-told, In - to the peace of Thy shel-ter-ing fold,



Out of my sin and in - to Thy-self, Je - sus, I come to Thee.
Out of dis-tress to ju - bi-lant psalm, Je - sus, I come to Thee.
Up-ward for aye on wings like a dove, Je - sus, I come to Thee.
Ev - er Thy glo-rious face to be-hold, Je - sus, I come to Thee.

Though Troubles Assail Us

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My God will meet all your needs according to his glorious riches in Christ Jesus.
Phil. 4:19

1. Though trou - bles as - sail us and dan - gers af - fright,
2. The birds, with - out gar - ner or store - house, are fed;
3. When Sa - tan as - sails us to stop up our path,
4. No strength of our own and no good - ness we claim;

though friends should all fail us and foes all u - nite,
from them let us learn to trust God for our bread.
and cour - age all fails us, we tri - umph by faith.
yet, since we have known of the Sav - ior's great name,

yet one thing se - cures us, what - ev - er be - tide,
His saints what is fit - ting shall ne'er be de - nied
He can - not take from us, though oft he has tried,
in this our strong tow - er for safe - ty we hide:

the prom - ise as - sures us, "The Lord will pro - vide."
so long as 'tis writ - ten, "The Lord will pro - vide."
this heart - cheer - ing prom - ise, "The Lord will pro - vide."
the Lord is our pow - er, "The Lord will pro - vide."

Psalm 3

- 1 O LORD, how are my foes increased!
Against me many rise.
- 2 How many say, "In vain for help
He on his God relies!"
- 3 You are my shield and glory,
LORD;
You lifted up my head.
- 4 I cried out, "LORD!" and from
His hill
To me His answer sped.
- 5 I lay down, slept, and woke again
The LORD is keeping me.
- 6 I will not fear ten thousand men
Entrenched surrounding me.
- 7 Arise, O LORD! Save me, my God!
You punish all my foes.
You smite the face of
wicked men,
Their teeth break with
your blows.
- 8 Deliverance is from the LORD,
Salvation His alone!
O let Your blessing evermore
Be on Your people shown!

TUNE: NEW BRITAIN CM (3)
("Amazing Grace")

Based on *Scottish Psalter*, 1650

Psalm 4

- 1 Answer when I call,
O God who justifies.
In my stress You freed me;
hear in grace my cries.
- 2 Sons of men, how long will
you my glory shame?
Will you love what's worthless?
Will lies be your aim?
- 3 Know the LORD His saints has
set apart in grace,
And the LORD will hear me
when I seek His face.
- 4 Tremble in your anger,
yet from sin depart.
On your bed in silence
speak within your heart.
- 5 May you sacrifice now
sacrifices just.
In Jehovah only
placing all your trust.
- 6 "Who will show us goodness?"
many people say;
The light of Your face, LORD,
lift on us, we pray.
- 7 You have given my heart
greater joy by far
Than when grain and new wine
most abundant are.
- 8 So in peace I lie down;
I will rest and sleep,
For, O LORD, You only
will me safely keep.

TUNE: PENITENCE 11.11.11.11. (4B)
("In the Hour of Trial")

- 13 Thy kingdom has no end at all;
It does through ages all remain.
- 14 The LORD upholdeth all that fall,
The cast down raises up again.
- 15 The eyes of all upon Thee wait;
Their food in season Thou
dost give;
- 16 Thine opened hand doth satisfy
The wants of all on earth that live.
- 17 The LORD is just in His ways all;
In all His works His grace
is shown;
- 18 The LORD is nigh to all that call,
Who call in truth on Him alone.
- 19 He will the just desire fulfill
Of such as do Him fear indeed;
Their cry regard and hear He will,
And save them in the time
of need.
- 20 The LORD doth safely keep
all those
Who bear to Him a loving heart,
But workers all of wickedness
Destroy will He and clean subvert.
- 21 Then with my mouth and
lips I will
Jehovah's name with praise adore,
And let all bless His holy name.
Forever and for evermore.

TUNE: DUKE STREET LM (145A)
("Jesus Shall Reign")

Based on John Craig and
Scottish Psalter, 1564,
the *Book of Psalms*, 1871 and
The Psalter, 1912

Psalm 146


- 1 Hallelujah! Praise Jehovah!
O my soul, Jehovah praise!
- 2 I will sing the glorious praises
Of my God through all my days.
- 3 Put no confidence in princes,
Nor for help on man depend;
- 4 He shall die, to dust returning,
And his purposes shall end.
- 5 Happy is the man that chooses
Jacob's God to be his aid;
He is blessed whose hope
of blessing
On the LORD his God is stayed.
- 6 He has made the earth
and heaven,
Seas, and all that they contain;
He will keep His truth forever,
- 7 Rights of those oppressed
maintain.
- Food Jehovah gives the hungry,
Sight Jehovah gives the blind,
Freedom gives He to the prisoner,
- 8 Cheer to those bowed down
in mind.
Well Jehovah loves the righteous
- 9 To the stranger is a stay,
Helps the fatherless and widow,
But subverts the sinner's way.

- 1 Hallelujah, praise Jehovah,
O my soul, Jehovah praise;
- 2 I will sing the glorious praises
Of my God through all my days.
- 10 Over all God reigns for ever,
Through all ages He is King;
Unto Him, thy God, O Zion,
Joyful hallelujahs sing.

TUNE: RIPLEY 87.87.D
(new *Trinity Hymnal*, p. 57)

Based on the *Book of Psalms*, 1871, and
The Psalter, 1912; altered 1993

A friend of ... "sinners." Matt. 11:19



1. Je - sus! what a Friend for sin - ners! Je - sus! lov - er of my soul;
 2. Je - sus! what a strength in weak - ness! Let me hide my - self in him;
 3. Je - sus! what a help in sor - row! While the bil - lows o'er me roll,
 4. Je - sus! what a guide and keep - er! While the tem - pest still is high,
 5. Je - sus! I do now re - ceive him, more than all in him I find;



friends may fail me, foes as - sail me, he, my Sav - ior, makes me whole.
 tempt - ed, tried, and some-times fail - ing, he, my strength, my vic - t'ry wins.
 • e - ven when my heart is break - ing, he, my com - fort, helps my soul.
 storms a - bout me, night o'er - takes me, he, my pi - lot, hears my cry.
 he hath grant - ed me for - give - ness, I am his, and he is mine.

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Hal - le - lu - jah! what a Sav - ior! Hal - le - lu - jah! what a Friend!



Sav - ing, help - ing, keep - ing, lov - ing, he is with me to the end.

Father, I Know That All My Life

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I have learned to be content whatever the circumstances. Phil. 4:11

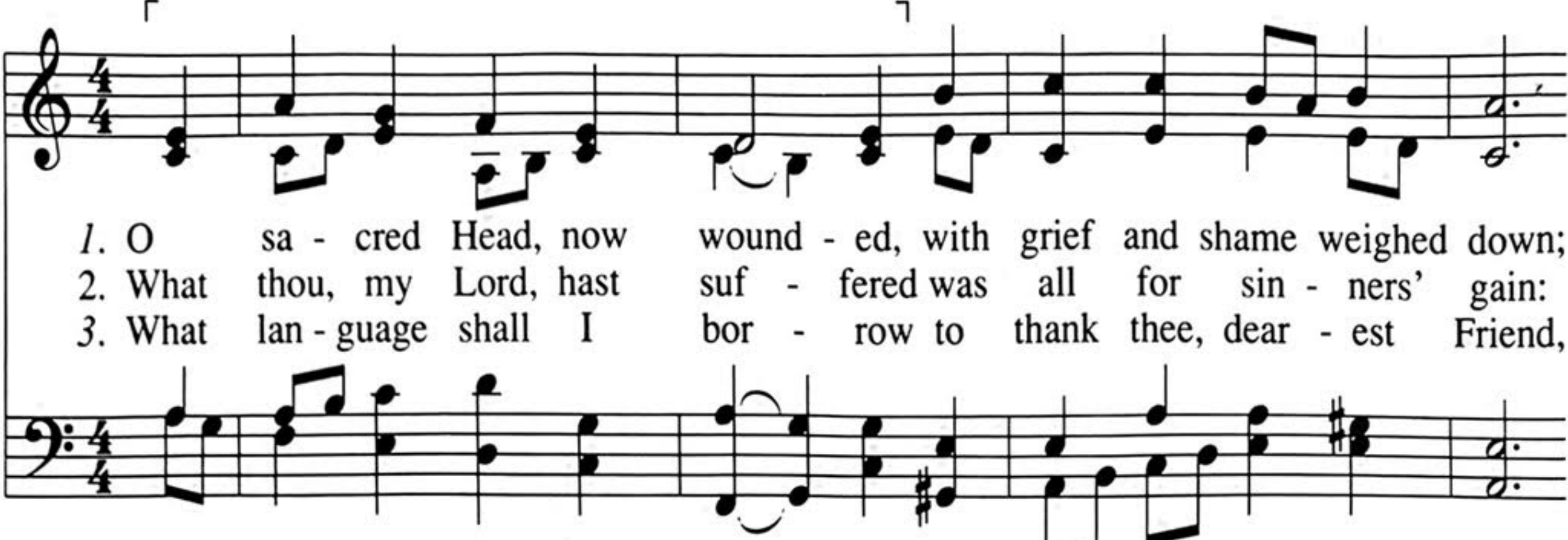
1. Fa - ther, I know that all my life is por - tioned out for me;
 2. I would not have the rest - less will that hur - ries to and fro,
 3. I ask thee for the dai - ly strength, to none that ask de - nied,
 4. In ser - vice which thy will ap - points there are no bonds for me;

the chang - es that are sure to come, I do not fear to see;
 seek - ing for some great thing to do, or se - cret thing to know;
 a mind to blend with out - ward life, while keep - ing at thy side,
 my se - cret heart is taught the truth that makes thy chil - dren free;

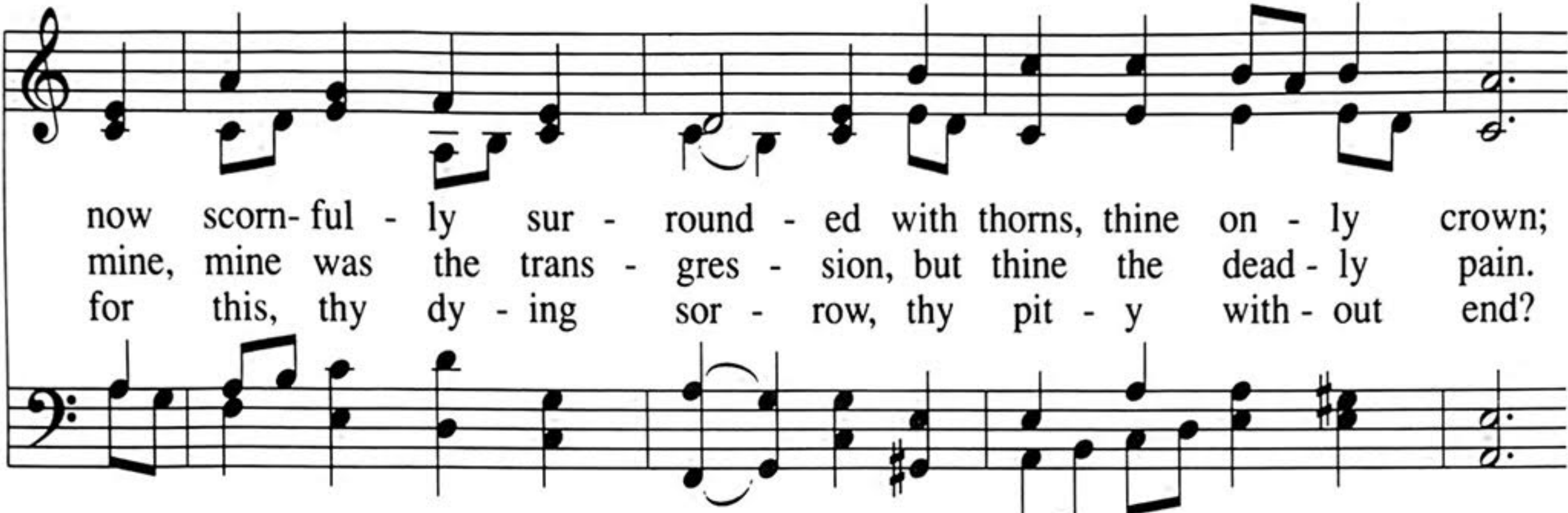
I ask thee for a pres - ent mind, in - tent on pleas - ing thee.
 I would be treat - ed as a child, and guid - ed where I go.
 con - tent to fill a lit - tle space, if thou be glo - ri - fied.
 a life of self - re - nounc - ing love is one of lib - er - ty.

O Sacred Head, Now Wounded

He was pierced for our transgressions, he was crushed for our iniquities. Is. 53:5



1. O sa - cred Head, now wound - ed, with grief and shame weighed down;
 2. What thou, my Lord, hast suf - fered was all for sin - ners' gain:
 3. What lan - guage shall I bor - row to thank thee, dear - est Friend,



now scorn - ful - ly sur - round - ed with thorns, thine on - ly crown;
 mine, mine was the trans - gres - sion, but thine the dead - ly pain.
 for this, thy dy - ing sor - row, thy pit - y with - out end?



O sa - cred Head, what glo - ry, what bliss till now was thine!
 Lo, here I fall, my Sav - ior! 'Tis I de - serve thy place;
 O make me thine for - ev - er; and should I faint - ing be,



Yet, though de - spised and gor - y, I joy to call thee mine.
 look on me with thy fa - vor, vouch - safe to me thy grace.
 Lord, let me nev - er, nev - er out - live my love to thee.