

We Gather Together



1. We gath - er to - geth - er to ask the Lord's bless - ing;
2. Be - side us to guide us, our God with us join - ing,
3. We all do ex - tol you our lead - er tri - um - phant,



He chas - tens and has - tens his will to make known;
Whose king - dom calls all to the love which en - dures.
And pray that you still our de - fend - er will be.



The wick - ed op - press - ing now cease from dis - tress - ing:
So from the be - gin - ning the fight we were win - ning:
Let your con - gre - ga - tion es - cape trib - u - la - tion:



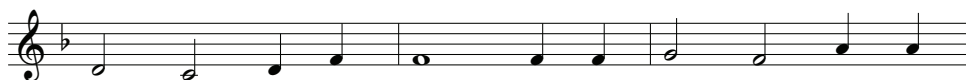
Sing prais - es to his name; he for - gets not his own.
You, Lord, were at our side; all glo - ry be yours!
Your name be ev - er praised! O Lord, make us free!

Text: *Wilt heden nu treden*, Netherlands folk hymn; tr. by Theodore Baker, 1851–1934, alt.
Tune: KREMSER, 12 11 12 11; *Nederlandsch Gedencck-clanck*, 1626; harm. by Edward Kremser, 1838–1914

God of Day and God of Darkness



1. God of day and God of dark - ness, Now we
2. Still the na - tions curse the dark - ness, Still the
3. You shall be the path that guides us, You the
4. Praise to you in day and dark - ness, You our



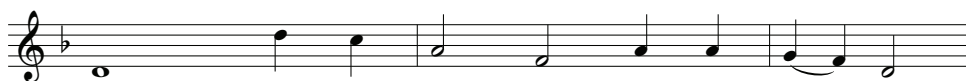
stand be - fore the night; As the shad - ows stretch and
rich op - press the poor; Still the earth is bruised and
light that in us burns; Shin - ing deep with - in all
source and you our end; Praise to you who love and



deep - en, Come and make our dark - ness bright. All cre -
bro - ken By the ones who still want more. Come and
peo - ple, Yours the love that we must learn. For our
nur - ture As a fa - ther, moth - er, friend. Grant us



a - tion still is groan - ing For the dawn - ing of your
wake us from our sleep - ing, So our hearts can - not ig -
hearts shall wan - der rest - less 'Til they safe to you re -
all a peace - ful rest - ing, Let each mind and bod - y



might, When the Sun of peace and jus - tice
nore All your peo - ple lost and bro - ken,
turn; Find - ing you in one an - oth - er,
mend, So we rise re - freshed to - mor - row,



Fills the earth with ra - diant light.
All your chil - dren at our door.
We shall all your face dis - cern.
Hearts re - newed to King - dom tend.

Psalm 34: The Cry of the Poor

Refrain



The Lord hears the cry of the poor. Bless-ed be the Lord.

Verses

1. I will bless the Lord at all times, with praise ever in my mouth.
Let my soul glory in the Lord, who will hear the cry of the poor.
2. Let the lowly hear and be glad: the Lord listens to their pleas;
and to hearts broken, God is near, who will hear the cry of the poor.
3. Every spirit crushed, God will save; will be ransom for their lives;
will be safe shelter for their fears, and will hear the cry of the poor.
4. We proclaim your greatness, O God, your praise ever in our mouth;
every face brightened in your light, for you hear the cry of the poor.

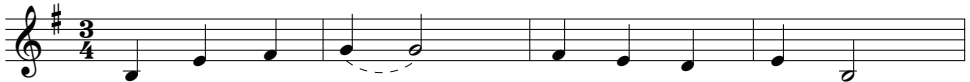
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Music: John Foley, SJ

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Christ, Be Our Light!

Verses



1. Long - ing for light, we wait in dark - ness.
2. Long - ing for peace, our world is trou - bled.
3. Long - ing for food, man - y are hun - gry.
4. Long - ing for shel - ter, man - y are home - less.
5. Man - y the gifts, man - y the peo - ple,



Long - ing for truth, we turn to you.
Long - ing for hope, man - y de - spair.
Long - ing for wa - ter, man - y still thirst.
Long - ing for warmth, man - y are cold.
man - y the hearts that yearn to be - long.



Make us your own, your ho - ly peo - ple,
Your word a - lone has pow'r to save us.
Make us your bread, bro - ken for oth - ers,
Make us your build - ing, shel - ter - ing oth - ers,
Let us be ser - vants to one an - oth - er,



light for the world to see.
Make us your liv - ing voice.
shared un - til all are fed.
walls made of liv - ing stone.
mak - ing your king - dom come.

Refrain



Christ, be our light! Shine in our hearts.



Shine through the dark - ness. Christ, be our light!



Shine in your Church gath - ered to - day.

Sing of the Lord's Goodness



1. Sing of the Lord's good - ness, Fa - ther of all wis - dom,
2. Pow - er he has wield - ed, hon - or is his gar - ment,
3. Cour - age in our dark - ness, com - fort in our sor - row,
4. Praise him with your sing - ing, praise him with the trum - pet,



come to him and bless his name. Mer - cy he has shown us,
ris - en from the snares of death. His word he has spo - ken,
Spir - it of our God most high; sol - ace for the wea - ry,
praise God with the lute and harp; praise him with the cym - bals,



his love is for - ev - er, faith - ful to the end of days.
one bread he has bro - ken, new life he now gives to all.
par - don for the sin - ner, splen - dor of the liv - ing God.
praise him with your danc - ing, praise God till the end of days.



Come, then, all you na - tions, sing of your Lord's good - ness,



mel - o - dies of praise and thanks to God.



Ring out the Lord's glo - ry, praise him with your mu - sic,



wor - ship him and bless his name.