

Be Glad Then America

An Anthem for Fast Day

The Continental Harmony (1794)

William Billings (1746 - 1800)

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Soprano *pp* ($\text{d} = 60$)

Alto

Tenor

Bass

For rehearsal only

This section of the musical score consists of five staves. The top four staves represent the Soprano, Alto, Tenor, and Bass voices. The bottom staff is labeled 'For rehearsal only'. The key signature is three flats, and the time signature is common time (indicated by a '3'). The vocal parts sing 'Mourn, mourn, mourn, mourn,' in unison. The bass part continues with 'Phar-oh and A-hab pre-' followed by a repeat sign. The 'For rehearsal only' staff shows a harmonic progression with various chords. Measure numbers 1 through 6 are present above the staves.

7

p

mourn, mourn, mourn, mourn,

p

mourn, mourn, mourn, mourn,

p

- vail in our land, mourn, mourn, mourn, mourn, *mf*

p

mourn, mourn, mourn, mourn, A-chans a-bound and

This section of the musical score continues from the previous one. It features the same four voices (Soprano, Alto, Tenor, Bass) and a 'For rehearsal only' staff. The key signature remains three flats. The vocal parts continue with 'mourn, mourn, mourn, mourn,'. The bass part then sings '- vail in our land, mourn, mourn, mourn, mourn,' followed by a dynamic marking 'mf'. The 'For rehearsal only' staff shows a harmonic progression with various chords. Measure number 7 is indicated above the staves.

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mf

mourn, mourn, mourn, mourn, mourn, mourn,
mf
mourn, mourn, mourn, mourn, mourn, mourn,
mf
mourn, mourn, mourn, mourn, mourn, mourn,
mf
mourn, mourn, mourn, mourn, mourn, mourn,
mf
trou - ble the land, mourn, mourn, mourn, mourn, mourn, mourn,

23

mf

dark-ness and clouds of aw - ful shade, hang pen-dant by a
mf
dark-ness and clouds of aw - ful shade, hang pen-dant by a
mf
dark-ness and clouds of aw - ful shade, hang pen-dant by a
mf
dark-ness and clouds of aw - ful shade, hang pen-dant by a

23

(piano accompaniment)

29

slen - der thread, wait - ing com-mis - sion from God the up-hold - er to
 slen - der thread, wait - ing com-mis - sion from God the up-hold - er to
 slen - der thread, wait - ing com-mis - sion from God the up-hold - er to
 slen - der thread, wait - ing com-mis - sion from God the up-hold - er to

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f
 fall, fall, fall, and dis-tress us, great God a - vert th'im -
f
 fall, fall, fall, and dis-tress us, great God a - vert th'im -
f
 fall, fall, fall, and dis-tress us, great God a - vert th'im -
f
 fall, fall, fall, and dis-tress us, great God a - vert th'im -

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- pend - ing doom, we plead no mer - it of our own, for mer - cy
- pend - ing doom, we plead no mer - it of our own, for mer - cy
- pend - ing doom, we plead no mer - it of our own, for mer - cy
- pend - ing doom, we plead no mer - it of our own, for mer - cy

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Lord we cry, bow down Thine ear to our com - plaints, and hear from
Lord we cry, bow down Thine ear to our com - plaints, and hear from
Lord we cry, bow down Thine ear to our com - plaints, and hear from
Lord we cry, bow down Thine ear to our com - plaints, and hear from

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[Allegro]

heav'n Thou king — of saints, O let__ Thine aid be nigh.
heav'n Thou king — of saints, O let__ Thine aid be nigh.
heav'n Thou king — of saints, O let__ Thine aid be nigh.
heav'n Thou king — of saints, O let__ Thine aid be nigh.

63 (♩ = 120)

mf

Then will the Lord be jeal-ous for His land, and __
Then will the Lord be jeal-ous for His
Then will the Lord be jeal-ous for His land, and pit - y His
Then will the Lord be jeal-ous for His land, and __

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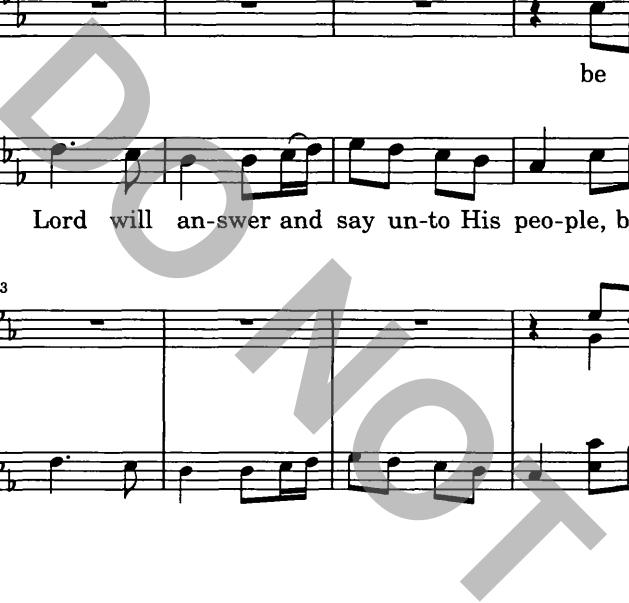
pit - y His peo - ple, and say, be - hold, be - hold, your Phar - 'ohs and
land, and pit - y His peo-ple, and say be - hold, your Phar - 'ohs and
peo - ple, and say be - hold, be - hold, be - hold your Phar - 'ohs and
pit - y His peo - ple, and say, be - hold, be - hold, your Phar - 'ohs and

75

A-chans and A-habs are no more, no more, no more, no more,
A-chans and A-habs are no more, no more, no more,
A-chans and A-habs are no more, no more, no more,
A-chans and A-habs are no more, no more, no more, Yea the

83

be - hold, be - hold I will
 be - hold, be - hold I will
 be - hold, be - hold I will
 Lord will an-swer and say un-to His peo-ple, be - hold, be - hold I will



90

send you - corn, and - wine, - and - oil,
 send you - corn, and wine, and oil, and ye - shall be sat - is - fied,
 send you - corn, and - wine, and - oil,
 send you - corn, and - wine, and oil, And,

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96

mf

And ye_ shall be sat-is-fied, be

be

And ye_ shall be sat-is-fied,

be

ye_ shall be sat-is-fied,

be

96

(♩ = ♩ = 120)

f

sat-is-fied, be sat - is - fied, be sat - is - fied there-with, be sat - is - fied, be

f

sat-is-fied, be sat - is - fied, be sat - is - fied there-with, be sat - is - fied, be

f

sat-is-fied, be_ sat - is - fied, be sat - is - fied there-with, be sat - is - fied, be _

f

sat-is-fied, be_ sat - is - fied, be sat - is - fied there-with, be sat - is - fied, be _

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107 [rallentando] (♩ = ♩ = 120)

sat - is-fied, be sat - is - fied there-with.

sat - is-fied, be sat - is - fied there-with.

sat - is-fied, be sat - is - fied there-with.

sat - is-fied, be sat - is - fied there-with. Be glad then A-mer - i-ca, be

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mf

Be glad then A-mer - i-ca, shout, ___

Shout, shout, shout, be

mf

Be glad then A-mer - i-ca, shout, shout

glad then A-mer - i-ca, shout, shout, shout and re - joice, be

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shout, shout, shout, _____ and re - joice, shout _____
glad then A-mer - i-ca, shout and re - joice, shout, shout, shout,
and re-joice, shout, shout and re - joice,
glad then A-mer - i-ca, shout, and re - joice, shout _____

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shout, _____ shout, shout,
shout, _____ shout, shout, _____ shout,
shout, _____ shout, _____ shout,
shout, shout, and re - joice shout, _____ shout, and re -
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shout, shout, shout,
shout and rejoice,
shout, shout, shout, shout, shout,
- joice, shout, shout, shout, shout, shout, and re - joice,

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(♩ = ♪ = 120)

shout, shout, shout, shout and re - joice,
Fear not O land, be -
shout, and re - joice,
shout, and re - joice,

shout, and re - joice,
Fear not O land, be -

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land, be glad be glad and re - joice, re - joice,
glad and re - joice, re - joice, re - joice, fear not O
fear not O land be glad and re - joice, fear not O
glad and re - joice, fear not O land, fear not O

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fear not O land be glad, be glad, be glad, be glad, and re-
land be glad, be glad, and re-
land be glad, be glad, and re-
land be glad, be glad, and re-

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(♩ = 80)

p Soft**f** Loud

- joice, re - joice.

Hal - le-lu - jah, hal - le-lu - jah, hal - le-lu - jah,

- joice, re - joice.

Hal - le-lu - jah,

- joice, re - joice.

Hal - le-lu - jah, hal - le-lu - jah, hal - le-lu - jah,

- joice, re - joice.

Hal - le-lu - jah, hal - le-lu - jah, hal - le-lu - jah,

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p Soft**f** Loud

praise the Lord, Hal - le-lu - jah, hal - le-lu - jah, hal - le-lu - jah, praise the Lord.

praise the Lord,

hal - le-lu - jah, praise the Lord.

praise the Lord, Hal - le-lu - jah, hal - le-lu - jah, hal - le-lu - jah, praise the Lord.

praise the Lord, Hal - le-lu - jah, hal - le-lu - jah, hal - le-lu - jah, praise the Lord.

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