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PSALM 147

EXALTABO TE, DEUS

LAUDATE DOMINUM

O praise the Lord, for it is a good thing to sing praises unto our God: yea, a joyful and pleasant thing it is to be thankful. The Lord doth build up Jerusalem: and gather together the out-casts of Israel. He healeth those that are broken in heart: and giveth medicine to heal their sickness. He telleth the number of the stars: and calleth them all by their names. Great is our Lord, and great is his power: yea, and his wisdom is infinite. The Lord setteth up the meek: and bringeth the ungodly down to the ground. O sing unto the Lord with thanksgiving: sing praises upon the harp unto our God; Who covereth the heaven with clouds, and prepareth rain for the earth: and maketh the grass to grow upon the mountains, and herb for the use of men; Who giveth fodder unto the cattle: and feedeth the young ravens that call upon him. He hath no pleasure in the strength of an horse: neither delighteth he in any man's legs. But the Lord's delight is in them that fear him: and put their trust in his mercy. Praise the Lord, O Jerusalem: praise thy God, O Sion. For he hath made fast the bars of thy gates: and hath blessed thy children within thee. He maketh peace in thy borders: and filleth thee with the flour of wheat. He sendeth forth his commandment upon earth: and his word runneth very swiftly. He giveth snow like wool: and scattereth the hoar-frost like ashes. He casteth forth his ice like morsels: who is able to abide his frost? He sendeth out his word, and melteth them: he bloweth with his wind, and the waters flow. He sheweth his word unto Jacob: his statutes and ordinances unto Israel. He hath not dealt so with any nation: neither have the heathen knowledge of his laws.

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Glory be to the Father, and to the Son: and to the Holy Spirit; as it was in the beginning, is now, and ever shall be: world without end. Amen.

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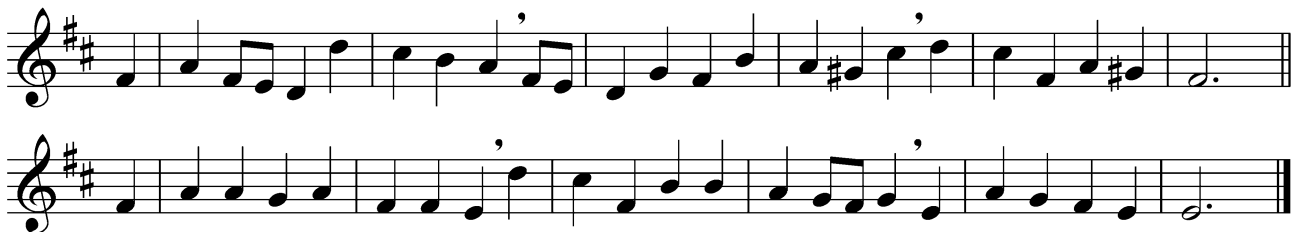
ANTHEM

My eyes for beauty pine, My soul for Goddës grace;
No other care nor hope in mine, to heaven I turn my face.
One splendour thence is shed from all the stars above:
'Tis named when God's name is said, 'tis Love, 'tis heavenly Love.
And every gentle heart that burns with true desire,
Is lit from eyes that mirror part of that celestial fire.

Robert Bridges (1844-1930)

Herbert Howells (1892-1983)

HYMN (NEH 424)



O love divine, how sweet thou art!
When shall I find my longing heart
all taken up by thee?
I thirst, I faint and die to prove
the greatness of redeeming love,
the love of Christ to me.

Stronger his love than death or hell;
its riches are unsearchable:
the first-born sons of light
desire in vain its depths to see;
they cannot reach the mystery,
the length and breadth and height.

God only knows the love of God;
O that it now were shed abroad
in this poor stony heart!
For love I sigh, for love I pine;
this only portion, Lord, be mine,
be mine this better part.

For ever would I take my seat
with Mary at the master's feet:
be this my happy choice;
my only care, delight, and bliss,
my joy, my heaven on earth, be this,
to hear the Bridegroom's voice.

Charles Wesley (1707-88)

FOR PEACE IN THE HOLY LAND

PSALM 122. 6 - 9

O pray for the peace of Jerusalem:

'May they prosper who love you.

'Peace be within your walls
and tranquillity within your palaces.'

For my kindred and companions' sake,
I will pray that peace be with you.

For the sake of the house of the Lord our God,
I will seek to do you good.

A PRAYER FOR UKRAINE

God of Compassion, we pray for Ukraine at this time. Hear the cries of the refugees, bring healing to those suffering from the violence, and bring comfort to those mourning the dead. Strengthen their neighbours in their care and welcome of refugees. Convert the hearts of those who have taken up arms, and protect those committed to peace. We ask this through Jesus Christ, the Prince of Peace and the Light of the World, who is Lord for ever and ever. **Amen.**