

My Faith, It Is an Oaken Staff

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Traditional Swiss Melody, Arr. by Wayne Hooper

1. My faith it is an oak - en staff, The trav-'ler's well-loved aid;

My faith, it is a weap - on stout, The sol - dier's trust - y blade.

I'll trav - el on and still be stirred By si - lent thought or

so - cial word; By all my per - ils un - de - terred,

A sol - dier pil - grim staid. 2. My faith it is an oak - en

My Faith, It Is an Oaken Staff (2)

staff, O let me on it lean!
 staff, _____ on it lean! My faith it is a trust - y

Slower

sword, May false - hood find it keen!
 sword, _____ find it keen! Thy Spir - it, Lord, to me im - part,

Ritard

O make me what Thou ev - er art, Of pa - tient

*Crescendo
 cresc.* *Ritard* *A tempo*

and cou - ra - geous heart, As all true saints have been.

f *f*

My faith it is an oak - en staff, * The sol - dier's trust - y blade!
 * trust - y blade!