

Father, To Us Thy Children

James Freeman Clarke, 1810 - 1888

John Bacchus Dykes, 1823 - 1876

The musical score consists of two staves of music in common time, key of G major (two sharps). The top staff is for soprano voice and piano, and the bottom staff is for bassoon and piano. The music is divided into 16 numbered measures. The lyrics are integrated into the music, appearing below the notes.

Measures 1-4:

1.) Fath - er, to us Thy child - ren hum - bly kneel - - ing,
 2.) That we may con - quer base de - sire and pas - - sion,
 3.) Let all Thy good - ness by our minds be heed - - ed,

Measures 5-8:

Con - scious of weak - ness, ig - n'rance, sin and shame,
 That we may rise from self - - ish thought and will,
 Let all Thy mer - cy on our souls be sealed;

Measures 9-12:

Give such a force of ho - ly thought and feel - - ing,
 O'er - come the world's al - lure - ment, threat, and fash - - ion,
 Thy pow'r, O Lord, can give the cleans - ing need - - ed;

Measures 13-16:

That we may live to glo - ri - fy Thy name.
 Walk hum - bly, gent - ly, lean - ing on still.
 O, speak the word, Thy ser - vants shall Thee be healed.