

Jesus, the Very Thought of Thee

For TTBB *a capella*

Words attributed to
Bernard of Clairvaux

music by **John B. Dykes**
arranged by **Liz Graden**

Joyfully, not slow, ca. ♩ = 120

**see note regarding tenor parts*

mp

Tenor 1

1. Je-sus, the ve - ry thought of thee With sweet-ness

mp

Tenor 2

1. Je-sus, the ve - ry thought of thee With sweet-ness

mp

Baritone

1. Ooo _____ With sweet-ness

mp

Bass

1. Ooo _____ With sweet-ness

Piano (for rehearsal only)

*Tenor 1 and 2 parts have been assigned for ease of learning rather than range: tenor 2 has the melody through most of the piece, while the tenor 1 part on the second verse is mostly the same as it is in the first verse but an octave higher. You are welcome to switch the tenor 1 and 2 parts for the first verse if that works better for the range of your singers.

mp
fills my breast; But sweet-er far thy face to see And in thy pres-ence
mp
fills my breast; But sweet-er far thy face to see And in thy pres-ence
mp
fills my breast; Ooo And in thy pres-ence
mp
fills my breast; Ooo And in thy pres-ence

mp
rest. 2. Nor voice can sing, nor heart can frame, Nor can the mem - 'ry
mp
rest. 2. Nor voice can sing, nor heart can frame, Nor can the mem - 'ry
mp
rest. 2. Ooo Nor can the mem - 'ry
mp
rest. 2. Ooo Nor can the mem - 'ry

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find A sweet-er sound than thy blest name, O Sav-ior of man-kind!

find A sweet-er sound than thy blest name, O Sav-ior of man-kind!

find O Sav-ior of man-kind!

find O Sav-ior of man-kind!

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O joy of all the meek, To those who

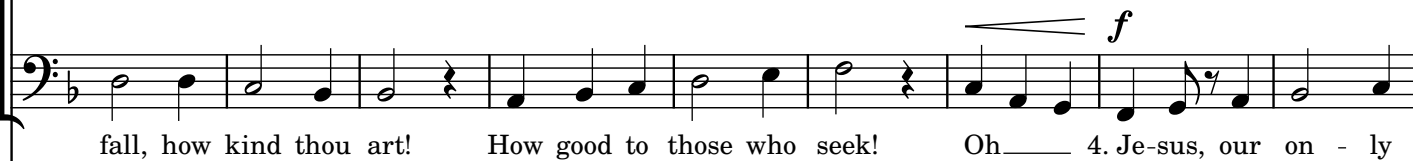
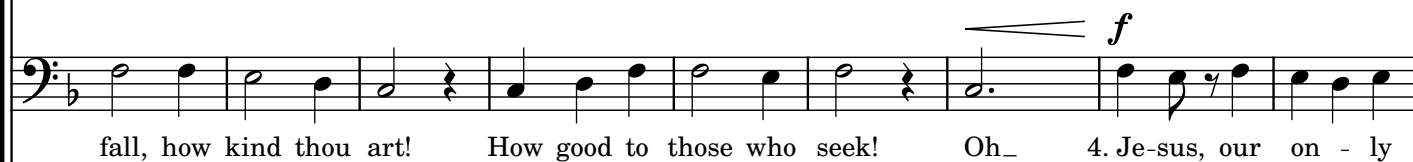
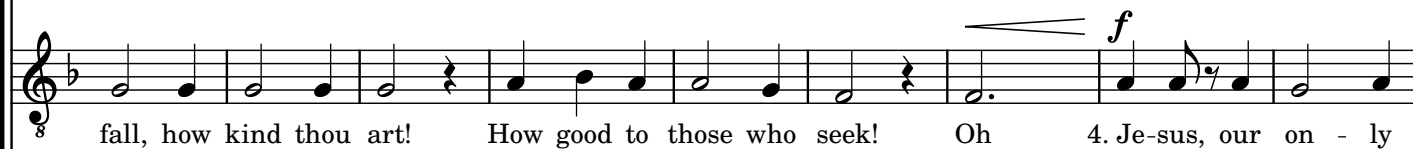
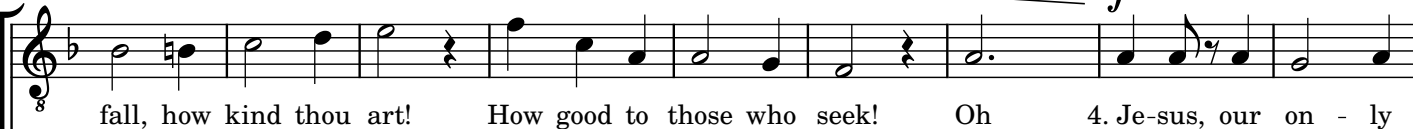
3. O hope of ev - 'ry con - trite heart, O joy of all the meek, To those who

O joy of all the meek, To those who

O joy of all the meek, To those who

a little slower, ca. ♩ = 90

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a little slower, ca. ♩ = 90



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rit. a tempo

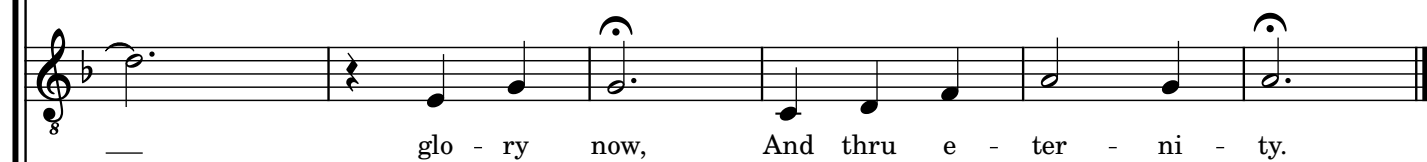
joy be thou, As thou our prize wilt be; is Je - sus

joy be thou, As thou our prize wilt be; our joy and our prize is Je - sus

joy be thou, As thou our prize wilt be; our joy and our prize is Je - sus, be

joy be joy be thou As thou our prize wilt be; our joy and our prize is Je

rit. a tempo

rit.**rall.****rit.****rall.**