

Sweet Hour of Prayer

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1 3 5 - 2 3 3 2 1 -

Sweet hour of pray'r, sweet hour of pray'r, that calls me

5 3 1 5 2 1

Detailed description: This system contains the first six measures of the piece. The treble clef staff has a 3/4 time signature. The melody starts on a whole note G4, followed by quarter notes A4, B4, and C5. There are rests in the second and fourth measures. The bass clef staff provides a simple accompaniment with quarter notes G3, A3, B3, and C4. Fingering numbers are placed above the treble staff and below the bass staff.

3 3 5 - 2

7 from a world of care, and bids me at my Fath - er's

7 2 1 2 2 2

Detailed description: This system contains measures 7 through 12. The melody continues with quarter notes D5, E5, and F5. There are rests in the eighth and tenth measures. The bass clef staff continues with quarter notes D3, E3, F3, and G3. Fingering numbers are placed above the treble staff and below the bass staff.

3 2 1 - 3 2 5

13 throne make all my wants and wish - es known. In sea - sons

13 3 5 3 1

Detailed description: This system contains measures 13 through 18. The melody features a dotted half note G4 in measure 13, followed by quarter notes A4, B4, and C5. There are rests in measures 14 and 16. The bass clef staff continues with quarter notes D3, E3, F3, and G3. Fingering numbers are placed above the treble staff and below the bass staff.

3 2 1 2 3

19 of dis - tress and grief, my soul has oft - en found re -

19 5 2 5 3 5 2

Detailed description: This system contains measures 19 through 24. The melody continues with quarter notes D5, E5, and F5. There are rests in measures 20 and 22. The bass clef staff continues with quarter notes D3, E3, F3, and G3. Fingering numbers are placed above the treble staff and below the bass staff.

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25 lief, and oft e - scaped the temp - ter's snare by

30 thy re - turn, sweet hour of prayer!

1. Sweet hour of prayer! sweet hour of prayer! that calls me from a world of care,
and bids me at my Father's throne make all my wants and wishes known.
In seasons of distress and grief, my soul has often found relief,
And oft escaped the tempter's snare by thy return, sweet hour of prayer!

2. Sweet hour of prayer! sweet hour of prayer! the joys I feel, the bliss I share
Of those whose anxious spirits burn with strong desires for thy return!
With such I hasten to the place where God my Savior shows his face,
And gladly take my station there, and wait for thee, sweet hour of prayer!

3. Sweet hour of prayer! sweet hour of prayer! thy wings shall my petition bear
To him whose truth and faithfulness engage the waiting soul to bless.
And since he bids me seek his face, believe his word, and trust his grace,
I'll cast on him my every care, and wait for thee, sweet hour of prayer!

4. Sweet hour of prayer! sweet hour of prayer! May I thy consolation share,
Till, from Mount Pisgah's lofty height, I view my home and take my flight.
This robe of flesh I'll drop and rise to seize the everlasting prize,
And shout, while passing through the air, "Farewell, farewell, sweet hour of prayer!"