

Lord and Teacher You Have Called Us

A Hymn for Gatherings of Priests and Presbyterates

I

Lord and Teacher, you have called us
to proclaim your saving Word.
May its roots grow deep within us;
through us may your voice be heard.
One together with our Bishop,
we profess our loyalty
to the preaching of the Kingdom,
to your priestly ministry.

II

Lord and Servant, you have sent us
to be brothers in this call,
sent to bear the weight and struggle
for the victory of all.
Make us worthy of this service
in a bond of charity
that together we may labor
for the Church's unity.

III

Lord and Shepherd, you have joined us
to your unrelenting search
for the lost, the hurt, the sinner,
gath'ring them into your Church.
Grant us mercy and compassion;
heal us, Lord, that we may heal.
Reconcile us to each other;
seal us with the Spirit's zeal.

IV

Lord and High Priest, you have charged us
to be faithful, holy priests
and to offer at the altar
your great sacrifice and feast.
May this celebration draw us
through the priesthood that we share
ever closer to your Person,
to your saving work and prayer.

V

Lord and Savior, go before us,
for by You have we been sent:
bearers of your Holy Gospel
and your Holy Sacraments.
In communion with the Bishops,
faithful to your Great Command,
may we find a fruitful harvest
for the Church in every land.

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Recommended hymn tune: BEACH SPRING, but it may be
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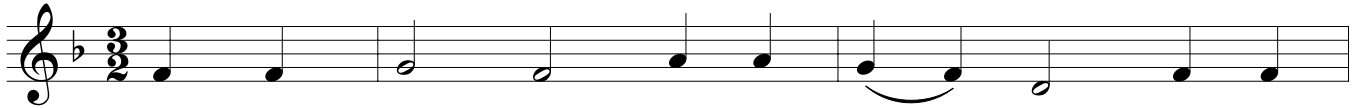
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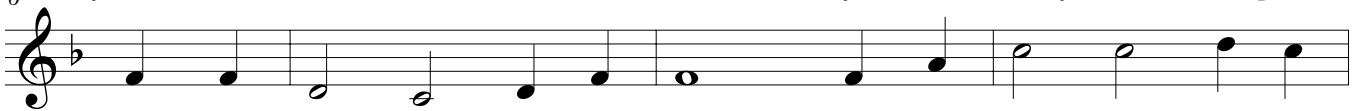
BEACH SPRING 87.87.D
by B.F. White, *Sacred Harp*, 1844



1. Lord and Teach - er you have called us to pro -
2. Lord and Ser - vant, you have sent us to be
3. Lord and Shep - herd, you have joined us to your
4. Lord and High Priest, you have charged us to be
5. Lord and Sa - vior, go be - fore us, for by



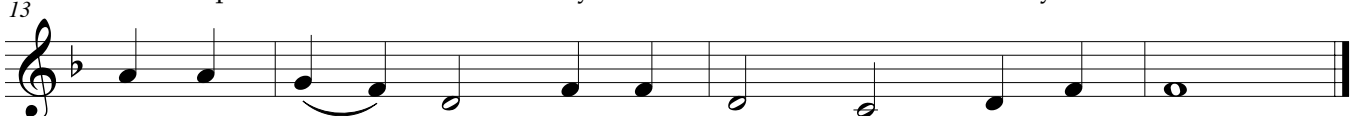
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of the King - dom, to your priest - ly min - is - try.
we may la - bor for the Church - 's u - ni - ty.
to each oth - er; seal us with the Spir - it's zeal.
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