

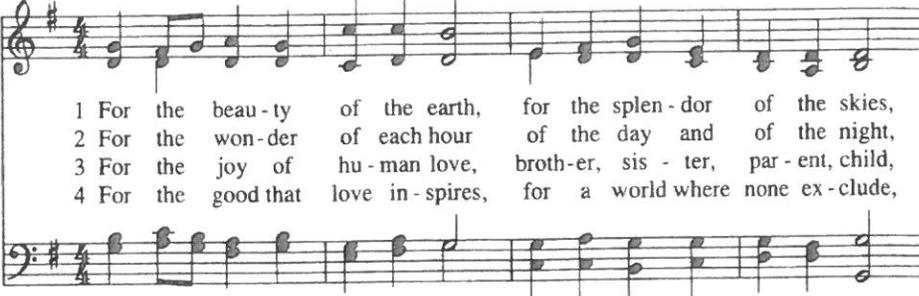
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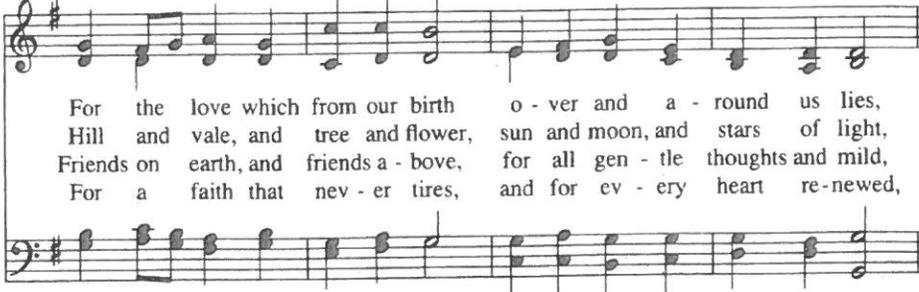
## For the Beauty of the Earth

*St. 1-3, Folliot S. Pierpoint, 1864; alt.*

*St. 4, Miriam Therese Winter, 1993*

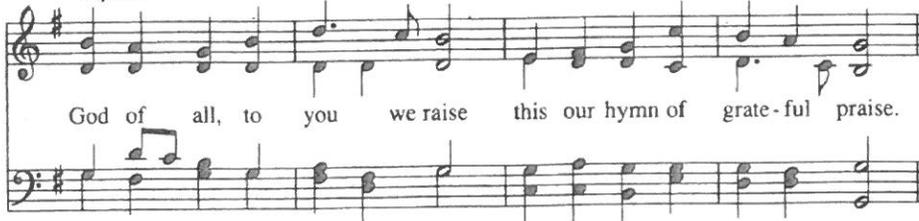


1 For the beau-ty of the earth, for the splen-dor of the skies,  
2 For the won-der of each hour of the day and of the night,  
3 For the joy of hu-man love, broth-er, sis-ter, par-ent, child,  
4 For the good that love in-spires, for a world where none ex-clude,



For the love which from our birth o-ver and a-round us lies,  
Hill and vale, and tree and flower, sun and moon, and stars of light,  
Friends on earth, and friends a-bove, for all gen-tle thoughts and mild,  
For a faith that nev-er tires, and for ev-ery heart re-newed,

*Refrain*



God of all, to you we raise this our hymn of grate-ful praise.

*Folliot S. Pierpoint, author of numerous hymns, penned these verses near his native city of Bath, England, on a late spring day when flowers were in full bloom and all the earth seemed to rejoice.*

Tune: DIX 7.7.7.7. with refrain  
Conrad Kocher, 1838  
Adapt. William H. Monk, 1861

## We Plant a Grain of Mustard Seed

Matt. 13:31-32; Mark 4:30-32; Luke 13:18-19;  
John 13:34-35; 15:12-17

Mary Bryan Matney, 1990

1 We plant a grain of mus - tard seed, and in our faith we find  
2 Our ac - tions, more than words, de - fine how love's ex - am - ple feeds,  
3 When stooped to lend a help - ing hand, we find a touch that heals,  
4 Make love our pur - pose, love our aim, for love en - dures all things,

the proof of God is love, in - deed, which blos - soms from its kind;  
a great - er love, for love di - vine bursts forth from small - est seeds;  
for love in - vest - ed will ex - pand to bear the fruit love yields;  
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We move for - ward in God's mis - sion with our faith to show the way.  
Lead us for - ward in the faith that gives us hope in test - ing's hour.  
We have faith that calls us ev - er toward this good earth's prom - ised land.  
For - ward with our faith's own ac - cess to the life of hope and love.  
Lead us in this faith un - swerv - ing for - ward as your pil - grim band.

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O Savior, Let Me Walk with You

Washington Gladden, 1879; alt.

1 O Sav - ior, let me walk with you in earth - ly  
 2 Help me the slow of heart to move by some clear  
 3 Teach me your pa - tience; let me be in clos - er,  
 4 In hope that sends a shin - ing ray far down the

paths of ser - vice true; Tell me your se - cret,  
 win - ning word of love. Teach me the way - ward  
 dear - er com - pa - ny, In work that keeps faith  
 fu - ture's broad - ening way, In peace that on - ly

help me bear the strain of toil, the fret of care.  
 feet to stay, and guide them in the home - ward way.  
 sweet and strong, in trust that tri - umphs o - ver wrong.  
 you can give, with you, O Sav - ior, let me live.

Washington Gladden was a Congregational minister, distinguished preacher and lecturer, and author of over thirty works. Gladden wrote extensively on civic and social affairs of his day. This hymn was penned in 1879 and published in his periodical, *The Sunday Afternoon*.

Tune: MARYTON L.M.  
 H. Percy Smith, 1874