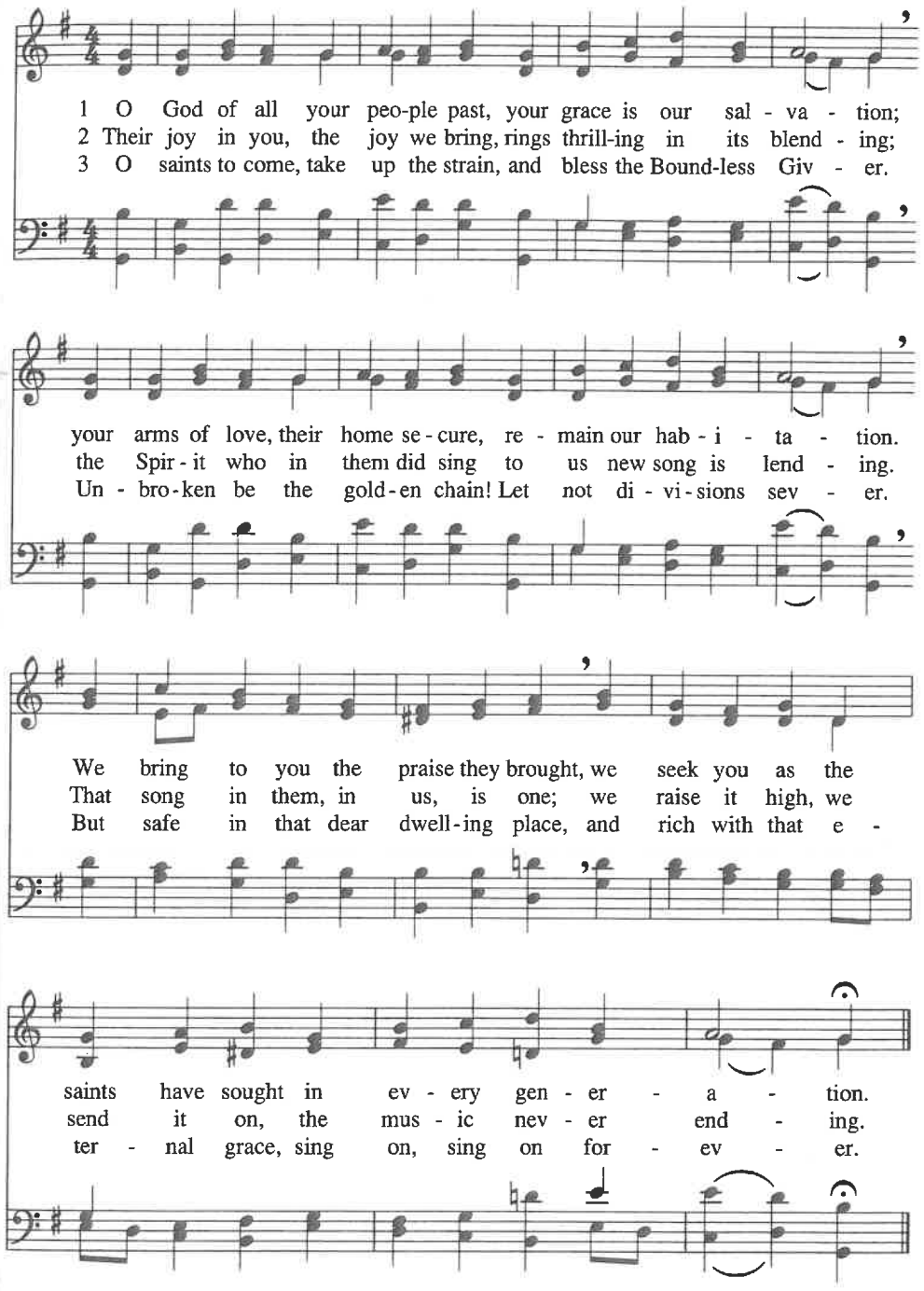
O God of All Your People Past 374

Thomas H. Gill, 1868; alt. *Ps. 90:1*



Barred from studies at Oxford University because of his Unitarian heritage, Thomas Gill pursued his own study of history and theology. He wrote several volumes of poetry and historical writings. Later in life, Gill associated with the evangelical branch of the Anglican church.

Tune: NUN FREUT EUCH 8.7.8.7.8.8.7.
Melody by Martin Luther
Klug's Geistliche Lieder, *1535*

Spirit of God, Descend upon My Heart 290

George Croly, 1854; alt. *Gal. 5:25; Matt. 22:37; John 1:32*

George Croly, ordained in the Church of Ireland, was well known in London literary circles and served a poor parish. This hymn is from a collection he compiled for that congregation.
Hellespont *was the original name for the tune* Morecambe.

Tune: MORECAMBE 10.10.10.10.
Frederick C. Atkinson, 1870

Christian, Rise and Act Your Creed

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Francis Albert Rollo Russell, 1893; alt.

Francis Albert Rollo Russell was a writer on scientific subjects and a Fellow of the Royal Meteorological Society. This hymn was first published in the Pilgrim Hymnal *(1904). The tune originated with a text used for the Feast of the Holy Innocents.*

Tune: INNOCENTS 7.7.7.7.
The Parish Choir, *1850*