

Becoming Liturgy

The songs on Becoming Liturgy are organized into four services. Within each service there are songs to fit the four parts of worship:
Gather, Word, Meal, Send.

The service music is easily used as organized here, but it is also intended to be part of your existing worship resources. By using the chart you can quickly locate songs to fit throughout your service.

With this in mind, the first and third services (1-7 & 14-22) work well with folk and rock instrumentation. The second service (8-13) has a missional focus and lends itself to more percussion and global instrumentation. The fourth service (23-28) is intended as an evening service and can be played simply on folk instruments. It can easily be adapted for home devotion use as well.

Keep up the good work and let me know how it goes,

Nate Houge
www.natehouge.com

Track	Song Title	G	W	M	S
1	Gather Us In	x			
2	To the Lamb and To the Lord	x		x	
3	Faith Renew		x		
4	Tell Me, Tell Me		x		
5	Rid Us of Our Wants			x	
6	Holy Mystery			x	
7	Comfort Your Hearts 2 Thess 2:16-17				x
8	We All Need Your Mercy	x			
9	What Does The Lord Require, Micah 6:8		x	x	
10	Hear Our Prayer			x	
11	Blessed Is the One *	x		x	
12	The Work of God			x	x
13	May Your Kingdom Come			x	x
14	Have Mercy On Us	x			
15	For All the Wonders	x			
16	Lord Your Words		x		
17	Return to The Lord Hosea 6:1-3 **		x		
18	A Simple Service		x	x	x
19	God Over Everything			x	
20	Be Merciful			x	
21	Bread of Life			x	
22	We Go Out				x
23	You Are The Light***	x		x	
24	Chant Kyrie	x			
25	Forevermore****		x	x	x
26	I Always Thank My God Phil. 4			x	
27	On The Poor			x	
28	Restful Song				x
Gather, Word, Meal, Send					
*Palm Sunday					
**Lent					
***Epiphany					
****Christmas					

Gather Us In

Words and Music by Nate Houge

D G

Ga - ther us in. Ga - ther us in. God on - ly knows

7 D

where we have been. Ga - ther us in. Ga - ther us in.

13 A G D A G D

1. We have come for mer - cy. We have come for peace.
2. God is God of mer - cy. God is God of peace.

17 A G D Em D/F# G

We have come with hea - vy hearts look - ing for re - lease.
God has felt our hea - vy hearts God has set them free.

To The Lamb and To The Lord

Words and Music by Nate Houge

E B E E A E

Mer - cy, mer - cy, mer - cy, mer - cy.

Detailed description: This is the first line of music, measures 1-4. It is written on a treble clef staff in the key of D major (two sharps) and common time. The melody consists of quarter notes: D4, E4, F#4, G4, A4, B4, C5, B4, A4, G4, F#4, E4. Chords are indicated above the staff: E (measures 1-2), B (measure 3), E (measure 4), E (measures 5-6), A (measure 7), and E (measure 8).

5 E B E E A E

Lord have Mer - cy Christ have mer - cy.

Detailed description: This is the second line of music, measures 5-8. It begins with a repeat sign. The melody continues with quarter notes: D4, E4, F#4, G4, A4, B4, C5, B4, A4, G4, F#4, E4. Chords are indicated above the staff: E (measures 9-10), B (measure 11), E (measure 12), E (measures 13-14), A (measure 15), and E (measure 16).

9 E B E E B E

L: Al - le - lu - ia ev - er - more! C: Al - le - lu - ia ev - er - more!

Detailed description: This is the third line of music, measures 9-12. The melody continues with quarter notes: D4, E4, F#4, G4, A4, B4, C5, B4, A4, G4, F#4, E4. Chords are indicated above the staff: E (measures 17-18), B (measure 19), E (measure 20), E (measures 21-22), B (measure 23), and E (measure 24).

13 E A E E A E

L: To the Lamb and to the Lord. C: To the Lamb and to the Lord.

Detailed description: This is the fourth line of music, measures 13-16. The melody continues with quarter notes: D4, E4, F#4, G4, A4, B4, C5, B4, A4, G4, F#4, E4. Chords are indicated above the staff: E (measures 25-26), A (measure 27), E (measure 28), E (measures 29-30), A (measure 31), and E (measure 32).

17 E B E E B E

L: Ce - le-brate God's vic - to - ry! C: Ce - le-brate God's vic - to - ry!

Detailed description: This is the fifth line of music, measures 17-20. The melody continues with quarter notes: D4, E4, F#4, G4, A4, B4, C5, B4, A4, G4, F#4, E4. Chords are indicated above the staff: E (measures 33-34), B (measure 35), E (measure 36), E (measures 37-38), B (measure 39), and E (measure 40).

21 E A E E A E

L: Ce - le-bra - tion all are free! C: Ce - le-bra - tion all are free!

Detailed description: This is the sixth line of music, measures 21-24. The melody continues with quarter notes: D4, E4, F#4, G4, A4, B4, C5, B4, A4, G4, F#4, E4. Chords are indicated above the staff: E (measures 41-42), A (measure 43), E (measure 44), E (measures 45-46), A (measure 47), and E (measure 48).

Faith Renew

Words and Music by Nate Houge

C F G Am F G F G



1. What have we to learn from You? God of wis - dom God of truth.
2. What have we to learn from You? God of wis - dom God of truth.

5 C F G Am F G C



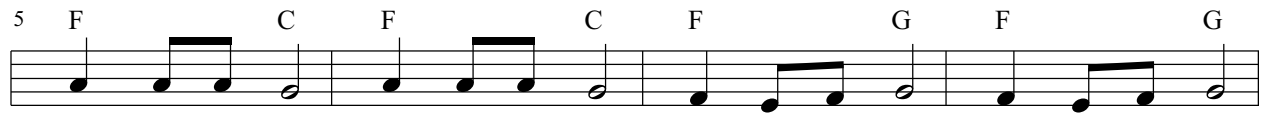
All our doubts re - vealed to You. What have we to learn from You?
Calm our hearts and faith re - new What have we to learn from You?

Tell Me, Tell Me

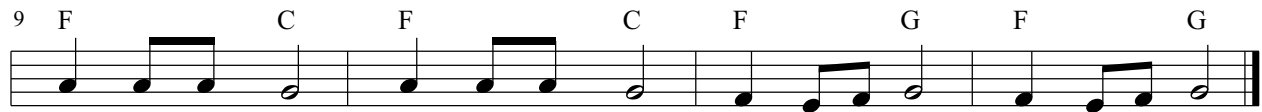
Words and Music by Nate Houge



Refrain: Tell me, tell me, what the Lord has done; what the Lord has done for us.



1. Where there was death (Where there was death) Now there is life (Now there is life)
2. Where we were lonely (Where we were lonely) Now a wel-come place. (Now a wel-come place)



Where there was darkness (Where there was darkness) Now there is light (Now there is light)
Where we were shamed (Where we were shamed) Now there is grace (Now there is grace)

Rid Us Of Our Wants

Words and Music by Nate Houge

Group 1

Oh, rid us of our wants, and pro - vide all our needs,

Group 2

By your mer - - - cy

G 1

Fill us with your love and streng - then our be - lief. Oh,

G 2

we live free - - - ly.

Chords: F, C, G, C, G, F, C, G, F

Holy Mystery

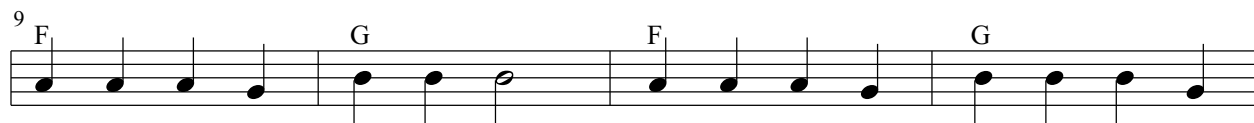
Words and Music by Nate Houge



1. We may ne - ver see the far - mer who has har - ves - ted the wheat
2. All the wounds and words that bind us though they may re - main un - seen, -
3. Christ who lived a - mong all peo - ple, Christ who taught with his own life
4. All a - round the world this ho - ur, gath - er - ing at God's ta - ble.



nor the wor - kers in the vine - yard who has picked the ri - pened grape.
fal - ter in the scars of Je - sus heal - er who has set us free.
draw us to your life of ser - vice in your suff - ring glor - i - fied.
strength - ened by God's ve - ry pre - sence so pro - claim - ing the gos - pel.



In the Ho - ly mys - te - ry, wine and blood and bread and bo - dy



Be re - newed - re - cieve for - give - ness share in suff - 'ring be God's - wit - ness.

Comfort Your Hearts

2 Thessalonians 2:16-17

Music by Nate Houge

The musical score is written for guitar in the key of E major (indicated by three sharps: F#, C#, G#) and common time (C). It consists of five staves of music, each with a corresponding line of lyrics and guitar chords indicated above the staff. The chords are E, B, A, B, A, B, E, B, E, A, B, E, A, B, E, A, B.

Now may the Lord Je - sus Christ him - self and God our Fa - ther

5 who loves us and through grace gives us e - ter - nal com - fort and good hope,

9 Com - fort your hearts and streng - then them Com - fort your hearts and streng - then them,

13 Com - fort your hearts and streng - then them in ev - 'ry good work and word; In

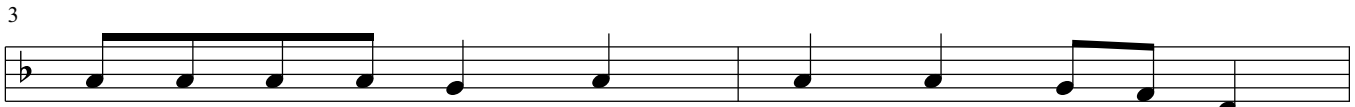
17 ev - 'ry good work and word.

We All Need Your Mercy

Words and Music by Nate Houge



L: We all need your mer - cy C: Lord have mer - cy.

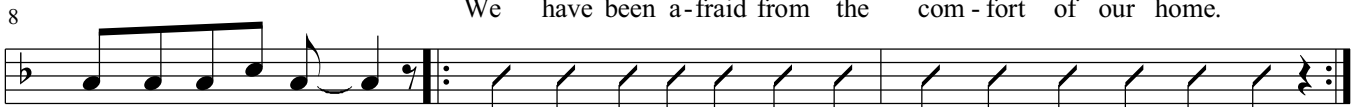


L: We all need for - give - ness. C: Lord for - give us.



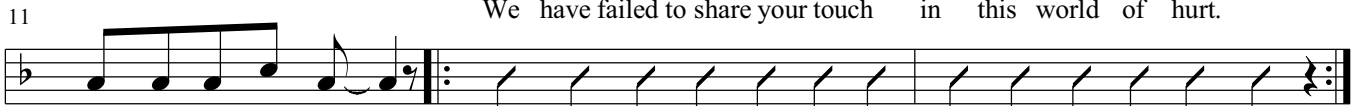
First Petition:

L: We con-fess our fears C: We have been a-fraid of a peo - ple that are diff - rent
We have been a-fraid of a lang-uage still un-known;
We have been a-fraid of things that are un - fa - mi - liar
We have been a-fraid from the com - fort of our home.



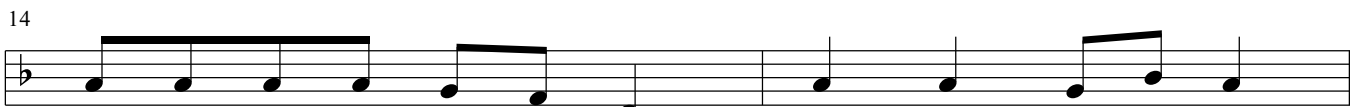
Second Petition:

L: We con-fess our fail - ures C: We have failed to re - cog - nize gifts of o - ther peo - ple, -
We have failed to un - der - stand ways your love is work - ing,
We have failed to put you first keep you in the cen - ter
We have failed to share your touch in this world of hurt.

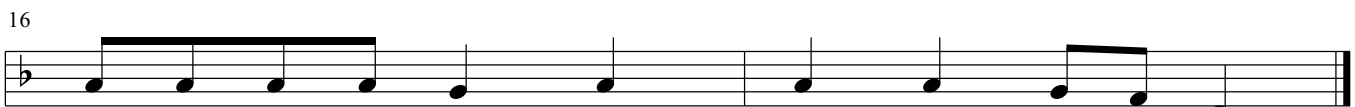


Third Petition:

L: You pro-fess your love C: You have heard our ev - 'ry word still you call it in - cense
You have giv - en us a taste of your life and bod - y
You have seen us swing a fist; heal - ing us by your hand
You love us for all of time re - con - ciled and Ho - ly.



L: We all need your mer - cy C: You show mer - cy.



L: We all need for - give - ness. C: You for - gave us.

What Does The Lord Require?

Micah 6:8
Music by Nate Houge

Am Em G Am Em G

What does the Lord re - quire of you? What does the Lord re - quire of you?

C G C G C G F

But to do jus - ti - ce And to love kind - ne - ss And to walk hum - bl - y with your God

C G C G C G F

But to do jus - ti - ce And to love kind - ne - ss And to walk hum - bl - y with your God

Hear Our Prayer

Words and Music by Nate Houge

Hear our prayer. Hear our prayer.

5

Hear our prayer. Hear our prayer.

9

peace a - mong peo - ple, for peace a - mong na - tions, For
those who seek work - us, may they be em - ployed Grant
our friends not with us, for those who are ill For
food that we eat For laugh - ter we share For


11

peace in our fam - ily and peace with cre - a - tion.
com - fort to fam - ilies with loved ones de - ployed.
all here who stru - ggle and search for your will.
prayers in our hearts we trust all in your care

Blessed Is The One

Music by Nate Houge

Voice 1



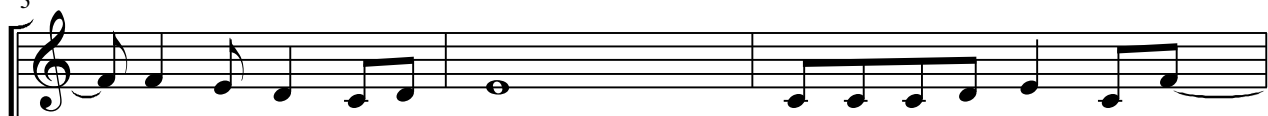
Bles-sed is the one who comes _____ in the name who comes ____

Voice 2




Ho - san - nah! Ho - san - nah! Ho

3




_____ in the name of the Lord. Bles-sed is the one who comes ____




san nah! Ho san nah! Ho san na! Ho -

6



_____ in the name who comes _____ in the name of the Lord.



san - nah! Ho - san - nah! Ho - san - nah! Ho

The Work of God

Words and Music by Nate Houge



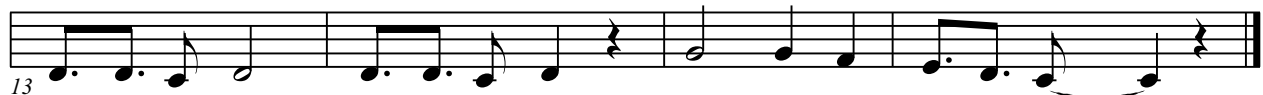
The work of God, The work of God, The work of God it is not done. The



5 work of God, The work of God, Oh may your king-dom come.



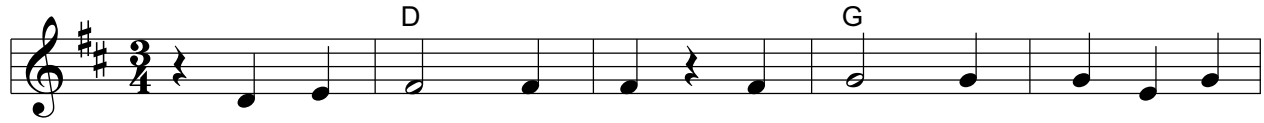
9
1. These are the hands, these are the hands, these are the hands of Je - sus. ___
2. These are the feet, these are the feet, these are the feet of Je - sus. ___
3. This is the body, this is the body, this is the body of Je - sus. ___
4. This is the blood, this is the blood, this is the blood of Je - sus. ___



13
These are the hands, these are the hands, Oh may your king-dom come. ___
These are the feet, these are the feet, Oh may your king-dom come. ___
This is the body, this is the body, Oh may your king-dom come. ___
This is the blood, this is the blood, Oh may your king-dom come. ___

May Your Kingdom Come

Words and Music by Nate Houge



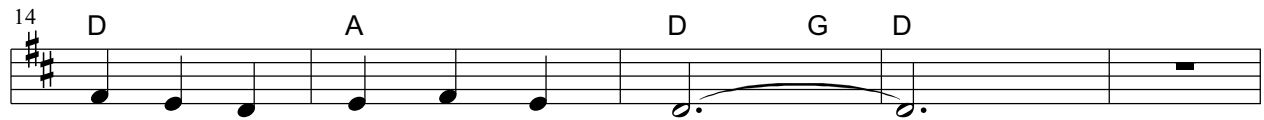
1. Take us plac - es that will test our doubt. Do not
2. Will you frus - trate all of the plans we've made in the
3. Free our voic - es of their tir - ed words, let them



lead - us by the safe - est route. May the
ab - ring - sence out of your the word wars of be grace. Re - dir -
ring sence out through the wars of be heard. Or should



chall - en - ges of serv - ing you give us
ect - our thoughts of growth - ing and fame, give and us
si - lence bring false lead - ers down in our



cour - age as we strug - gle through.
turn us to the the cross a - gain.
qui - et may peace still this ground.



4. May our lungs be filled with the spir - its breath; Our



feet re - main in the Sav - ior's steps; Our



minds cre - ate as our God has done; Re -



store your home may your king - dom come.

Have Mercy On Us

Words and Music by Nate Houge

C

L-o-rd have mer - cy on us L - o - rd have mer - cy on us.

Detailed description: This block contains the first line of music, measures 1 through 7. It is written on a single treble clef staff in common time (C). The melody consists of quarter and eighth notes. The lyrics are "L-o-rd have mer - cy on us" repeated twice.

8 G

We pray for peace from a - bove for us and ev - 'ry na - tion for the

Detailed description: This block contains the second line of music, measures 8 through 10. It is written on a single treble clef staff in common time. The melody continues with quarter and eighth notes. The lyrics are "We pray for peace from a - bove for us and ev - 'ry na - tion for the".

11 F G

church of God and our sal - va - tion for the u - ni - ty of all who

Detailed description: This block contains the third line of music, measures 11 through 13. It is written on a single treble clef staff in common time. The melody continues with quarter and eighth notes. The lyrics are "church of God and our sal - va - tion for the u - ni - ty of all who".

14 F G

wor - ship and praise help com - fort and de - fend us Keep us safe

Detailed description: This block contains the fourth line of music, measures 14 through 17. It is written on a single treble clef staff in common time. The melody continues with quarter and eighth notes. The lyrics are "wor - ship and praise help com - fort and de - fend us Keep us safe".

18 C

Gra - cious L - o - rd have mer - cy on us

Detailed description: This block contains the fifth line of music, measures 18 through 22. It is written on a single treble clef staff in common time. The melody continues with quarter and eighth notes. The lyrics are "Gra - cious L - o - rd have mer - cy on us".

23 G

L - o - rd have mer - cy on us

Detailed description: This block contains the sixth line of music, measures 23 through 26. It is written on a single treble clef staff in common time. The melody continues with quarter and eighth notes. The lyrics are "L - o - rd have mer - cy on us".

27 C F C

L - o - rd have mer - cy on us. Have mer - cy on us.

Detailed description: This block contains the seventh line of music, measures 27 through 31. It is written on a single treble clef staff in common time. The melody continues with quarter and eighth notes. The lyrics are "L - o - rd have mer - cy on us. Have mer - cy on us.".

32 G Dm G

Have me - rcy on us. Have mer - cy on us. Have mer - cy on us.

Detailed description: This block contains the eighth line of music, measures 32 through 37. It is written on a single treble clef staff in common time. The melody continues with quarter and eighth notes. The lyrics are "Have me - rcy on us. Have mer - cy on us. Have mer - cy on us.".

38 C

Have mer - cy on us. A - - - - - men.

Detailed description: This block contains the ninth line of music, measures 38 through 42. It is written on a single treble clef staff in common time. The melody continues with quarter and eighth notes. The lyrics are "Have mer - cy on us. A - - - - - men.".

For All The Wonders

Words and Music by Nate Houge

C Em G F C F C G

We sing to You our songs of praise.

⁵C Em G F C F C G

For all the won - ders You have done.

⁹C Em G F C F C G

You've tak - en all our sin a - way

¹³C Em G F C F C G

by send - ing Je - sus Your own son.

¹⁷Em F

You a - lone are the Ho - ly One

²¹Em F C G

God of All the Spir - it and the Son we give You praise

²⁶C Em G F C F C G

A - le - lu - ia A - men

³⁰C Em G F C F C G

A - le - lu - ia A - men

³⁴C Em G F C

A - - le - lu - ia A - men.

Lord Your Words Give Us Life

Words and Music by Nate Houge

The musical score is written on two staves. The first staff is in treble clef with a common time signature (C). It contains two measures of music, each with a chord above it: F, G, C, F, G, C. The lyrics 'Lord your words give us life.' are written below the notes. The second staff is in bass clef with a key signature of one flat (Bb). It contains two measures of music, each with a chord above it: Bb, C, F, Em, Bb, F, G, C. The lyrics 'Al-le-lu-ia no where else can we find, Words of e - ter-nal life.' are written below the notes.

F G C F G C
Lord your words give us life. Lord your words give us life.

5 B \flat C F Em B \flat F G C
Al-le-lu-ia no where else can we find, Words of e - ter-nal life.

Return to the Lord

Hosea 6:1-3
Music by Nate Houge

C G F

refrain: Come let us re - turn to the Lord.

5 Dm G

1. For it is He who has torn us,
2. For it is He who has struck down,

9 Dm G

and it is He who will heal us (to refrain)
and it is He who will bind us up. (to verse 3)

13 Am F

3. Af - ter two days He will re - vive us.

17 Am F

On the third day, He will raise us

21 G F C G

up that we may live be - fore Him.

25 G F C G

(to refrain)

A Simple Service

Words and Music by Nate Houge

C **F**

1 The praise of our hearts, the words that we
2 Take all that we are; are; an ac - tion towards
3 Re - move from our past all e - vil and

C **Am** **F** **C**

share. Our ac - tions and thoughts the in - ways that we
You. Our With faith and our life in - sep' - ra - bly
wrong. With pure hearts we sing, and - join in - Your

9 **G** **C** **F**

care. Dear Say - ior You died. What more could You
fused. In In ev' - ry You good work. we lift up the
song of of un - end - ing love, not ceas - ing to

13 **C** **Am** **F** **G** **C**

give? You rose from the grave, so we too can live.
cross, that Your work in in us would reach to the lost.
give. So now in - this sim - ple ser - vice we live.

God Over Everything

Words and Music by Nate Houge

A G D G A



Ho - ly Ho - ly Ho - ly Lord. God ov - er ev - 'ry thing

5 A G D G A



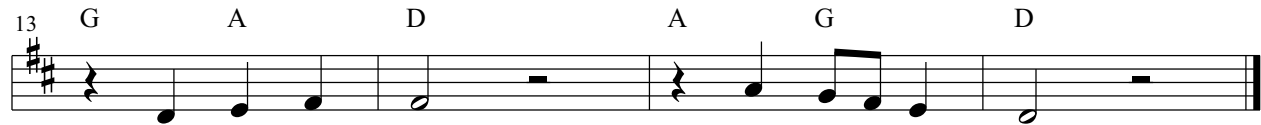
1. All cre - a - tion ra - di - ates with in your glo - ry name
2. Ble - sed is the one who comes in the Lord's name

9 G A D A G D



Ho sa - nna Ho - sa - nna

13 G A D A G D



Ho - sa - nna Ho - sa - nna.

Be Merciful

Words and Music by Nate Houge

Dm C G C F Dm

Be mer - ci - ful Please show us Your mer - cy

5 C G C F Dm

Be mer - ci - ful And give us Your pe - ace.

9 F C G F C G

Lord of all cre - a - tion Au - thor of Sal - va - tion

13 F G Dm C F Dm

Write us in - to Your sto - ry Write us in - to Your sto - ry

Bread of Life

Words and Music by Nate Houge

D C G
Bread of life. Wine of the Pro - mise.

5 D C G
Bo - dy and Blood of our ris - en Lord

9 D C G
Death has lost Pow er o ver us

13 D C G
Strength - ened by God's Spir - it and Word.

17 A G D
You take us in as part of Your Sto - ry

21 A G A
Now we will share and tell of Your Glo - ry

25 B A E
Glo - ry to God, Su - stain - er of all.

29 B A E
Glo - ry to God, Re - deem - er of all.

33 B A F#m B E
Glo - ry to God Cre - a - tor of all.

39 F#m B E
Glo - - - - ry to God.

We Go Out With The Spirit Of God

Words and Music by Nate Houge

The musical score is written in treble clef with a key signature of three sharps (F#, C#, G#) and a 3/4 time signature. It consists of six systems of music, each with a vocal line and a guitar chord line. The lyrics are provided below the notes. The first system includes two verses. The second system starts at measure 5. The third system starts at measure 9. The fourth system starts at measure 13. The fifth system starts at measure 17. The sixth system starts at measure 21. The final line of the score is a separate line of text: "last time: We go out with the Spir - it of God."

E A B E

1. We go out with the Spir - it of God
2. Lord keep us safe and pro - tect all our ways

5 A B C#m A

Guid - ing us in trou - ble ways we will go
In our trou - ble please be our strength

9 B C#m A

Show - ing us how stum - bling live what we know.
In our trou - bling show us your grace

13 E B

Lead - ing us on to God
That we may see your face

17 A E

Lead - ing us on to God.
That we may see your face.

21 E A B E

last time: We go out with the Spir - it of God.

You Are the Light

Words and Music by Nate Houge

C F Em G C G C

Je - sus Christ you are the light; Light of the Word.

⁵C F G C G C

Je - sus Christ you are the light; Light of the world.

Jesus Christ you are the peace... hope..

Chant Kyrie

Music and Chant by Nate Houge
Spoken Text by Seekers Church



Lord have mer - cy. Christ have mer - cy. Lord have mer - cy.
Last time: A - m - e - n. A - m - e - n. A - m - e - n.

(Lord have mercy...)

Reader 1:

Have mercy, tender God, forget that we defied you.
Wash away our sin, and cleanse us from our guilt.

(Lord have mercy...)

Reader 2:

You show us who we are.
We see what we have done,
and what we have failed to do.

(Lord have mercy...)

Reader 3:

We offer you our shattered spirits.
Have mercy and change our hearts.

(Lord have mercy...)

Reader 4:

God loves us and makes us lovely, teaching us this hidden wisdom:
In God's tender mercy, we are washed with fresh water, we are cleansed as bright as
snow.

(Amen...)

Forevermore

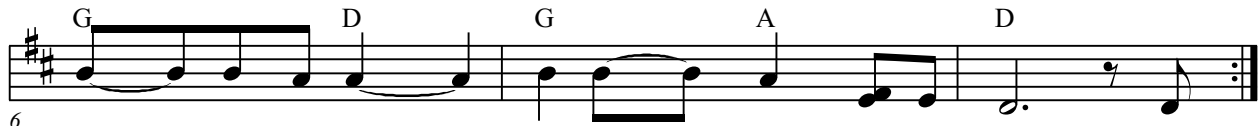
Words and Music by Nate Houge



1. One night, one night, stars shin - ing bright;
 (2. Oh) glo - ry, oh glo - ry, that first Christ - mas sto - ry;
 (3. Come) here, Come near, no long - er need we fear;
 (4. To) - night! To - night! Stars shin - ing bright;



3 Shep - herds and kings at your door. And oh what a sight that
 Part in - no - cent and part wild. And in - to that sto - ry
 Wel - come all peo - ple gath - er round. And List - en now and hear, God's
 Oh lead us all to your door. And Christ be our light on



6 glo - ri - ous night! Earth is changed for'v - er - more. 2. Oh
 the King of Glo - ry, En - ter - ing earth as a child. 3. Come
 prom - ise has come near. Raise now to God our joy - ful sound. 4. To
 this Ho - ly night; Shine in our lives for'v - er more.

I Always Thank My God

Philemon 4

Music by Nate Houge

The musical score is written on a single treble clef staff in common time (C). The melody consists of quarter and eighth notes. Chords are indicated by letters above the staff. The lyrics are written below the notes.

C G F F2/E C C/B
When I re - mem - ber you in my prayers I al - ways

F G F G
thank my God be - cause I hear of your love for

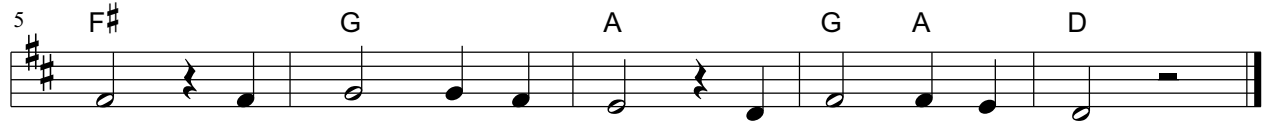
C G F F2/E F2/D C2/B C
all the saints and your faith toward the Lord Je - sus.

On The Poor

Words and Music by Nate Houge



1. On the poor, on the poor, show your mer - cy O
2. Show your face, show your face, so that all in this
3. So we give so we give in the ways that we
4. Poor in spirit poor in heart May your work in us im -



Lord. No one can af - ford the free gift of grace.
place may rec - og - nize grace and see that you live.
live. Now free to for - give, owe no - thing but love.
part The means to share with all we're all poor.

Restful Song

Words and Music by Nate Houge

D

1,4. Our days grow short the night grows long.
2. Come to us as rest - ful song

6 G A Bm G

Hold us as a child - ren in your arms
and take a way all fear and harm

10 D A D

Hold us as a child - ren in your arms.
And take a way all fear and harm.

15 A/C# Bm G

3. Stay with us as si - rens sound

19 A/C# Bm G

vio - lence comes a thorn - y crown. But

23 A/C# Bm G

vio - lence no more has its say

27 Em D/F# G A

we rise a - new with you each day