35 Praise Ye the Lord, the Almighty

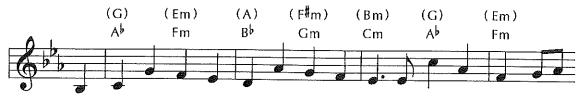


This very strong 17th-century German hymn employs many phrases from the psalms, especially Psalms 150 and 103:1–6. It did not receive an effective English translation until the mid-19th century, but has remained popular ever since, thanks in part to its stirring tune.

How Clear Is Our Vocation, Lord 432



- 1 How clear is our vo ca tion, Lord, when once we heed your call
- 2 But if, for-get ful, we should find your yoke is hard to bear;
- 3 We mar vel how your saints be-came in hin-dranc-es more sure:
- 4 In what you give us, Lord, to do, to geth er or a lone,



to live ac-cord-ing to your word and dai-ly learn, re-freshed, re-if world-ly pres-sures fray the mind and love it-self can-not un-whose joy-ful vir-tues put to shame the ca-sual way we wear your in old rou-tines or ven-tures new, may we not cease to look to

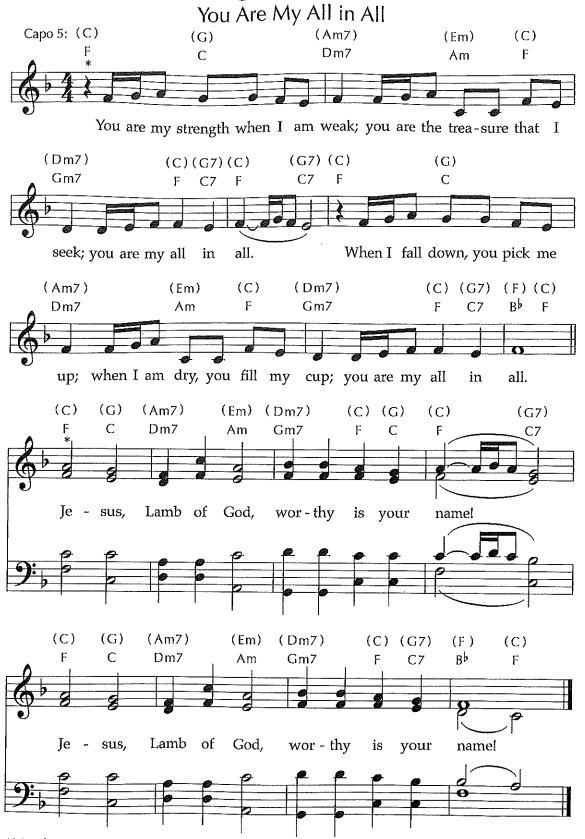


stored, that you are Lord of all and will not fall. let wind its tan-gled skein of care: our in-ward life re - pair. by our faults ob - scure your power to cleanse and cure. name, and cross you hung up - on, you: you en - deav-ored, done. all

Guitar chords do not correspond with keyboard harmony.

This reflection on Christian vocation was written to provide a new text for a pre-existing tune, and the poet has crafted his words so well that the two parts mesh smoothly. The tune is named for a noted British boarding school, whose music director was a friend of the composer.

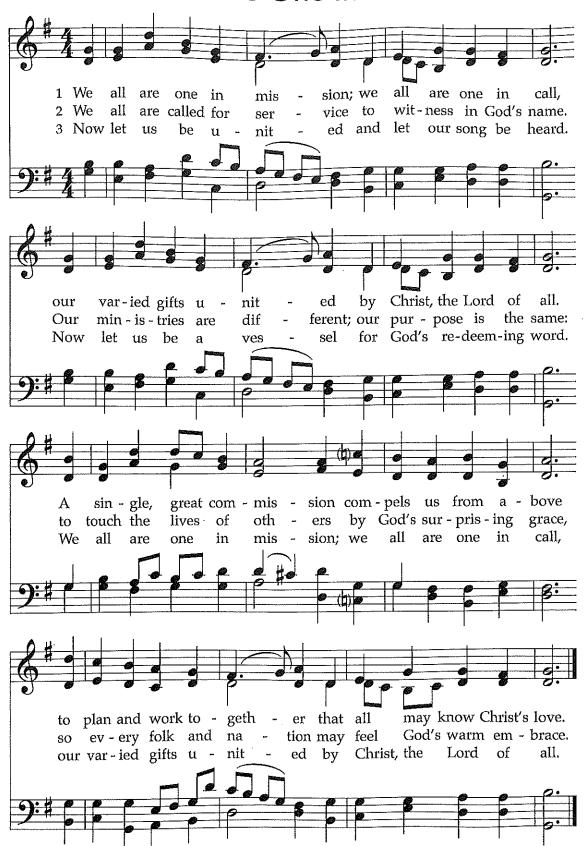
You Are My Strength When I Am Weak 519



*May be sung as a canon.

The expression "all in all," meaning "everything," owes much of its endurance in English usage to its appearance in 1 Corinthians 15:28, though many phrases leading up to it here have parallels in Hebrew Scripture. The second section echoes the song to the Lamb in Revelation 5:12.

733 We All Are One in Mission



A Lutheran pastor wrote this text in response to a bishop's letter that said, "Our mission is to touch the lives of others with Christ's love." This theme is made stronger by recognizing that shared purposes do not require the denial of diversity but are enriched by it.