

Let All Things Now Living (~769)

Vs 1 Let all things now living a song of thanksgiving
To God the Creator triumphantly raise;
Who fashioned and made us, protected and stayed us,
Who still guides us on to the end of our days.

God's banners are o'er us; His light goes before us-
A pillar of fire shining forth in the night-
'Til shadows have vanished and darkness is banished,
As forward we travel from light into light.

Vs 2 His law He enforces; the stars in their courses
And sun in its orbit obediently shine.
The hills and the mountains, the rivers and fountains,
The depths of the ocean proclaim Him divine.

We, too, should be voicing our love and rejoicing;
With glad adoration a song let us raise
'Til all things now living unite in thanksgiving:
"To God in the highest, hosanna and praise!"

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We Gather Together (~767)

Vs 1 We gather together to ask the Lord's blessing.
He chastens and hastens His will to make known.
The wicked oppressing now cease from distressing.
Sing praises to His name; He forgets not His own.

Vs 2 Beside us to guide us, our God with us joining.
Ordaining, maintaining His kingdom divine;
So from the beginning the fight we were winning.
Thou, Lord, was at our side – all glory be Thine!

Vs 3 We all do extol Thee, Thou Leader triumphant.
And pray that Thou still our Defender will be;
Let Thy congregation escape tribulation.
Thy name be ever praised; O Lord, make us free!

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