

God Of Wonder

Contemplation

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The musical score is written for piano in 3/4 time, with a key signature of three sharps (F#, C#, G#). It consists of four systems of two staves each (treble and bass clef). The first system shows the beginning of the piece with a series of chords and a melodic line in the treble. The second system features a long, flowing melodic line in the treble that spans across the bar lines, with a corresponding bass line. The third system continues the melodic development with more complex chordal textures. The fourth system concludes the piece with a final, sustained melodic phrase in the treble and a supporting bass line.

1
Give us a sense of wonder, God,
perceptive child-like eyes
that seeing beauty fresh revealed
blend marvel with surprise.

2
Give us the gift of laughter, God,
spontaneous, generous, shared,
the vital spark that kindles warmth,
your joy in us declared.

3
Give us the gift of peace profound,
that listening we perceive
eternal truths, unspoken words;
enlightenment receive.

4
We see you in the billowing clouds,
the stamen of a flower,
reflections on a tranquil lake,
a mighty river's power.

5
We hear you in a thrush's song,
the surging of the sea,
the wind which makes the tree tops dance:
– a world of harmony.

6
Enlarge our vision, glorious God,
with expectations new;
give us the grace to see afresh;
bring wonder to our view