

PROCESSIONAL HYMN 506

*Praise the Spirit in creation*

FINNIAN



1 Praise the Spi - rit in cre - a - tion, breath of God, life's  
 2 Praise the Spi - rit, close com - pan - ion of our in - most  
 3 Praise the Spi - rit, who en - light - ened priests and pro - phets  
 4 Tell of how the a - scend - ed Je - sus armed a peo - ple  
 5 Pray we then, O Lord the Spi - rit, on our lives de -  
 6 Praise, O praise the Ho - ly Spi - rit, praise the Fa - ther,



1 or - i - gin: Spi - rit, mov - ing on the wa - ters,  
 2 thoughts and ways; who, in show - ing us God's won - ders,  
 3 with the word; his the truth be - hind the wis - doms  
 4 for his own; how a hun - dred men and wo - men  
 5 scend in might; let your flame break out with - in us,  
 6 praise the Word, Source, and Truth, and In - spi - ra - tion,




1 quick - ening worlds to life with - in, source of breath to  
 2 is him - self the power to gaze; and God's will, to  
 3 which as yet know not our Lord; by whose love and  
 4 turned the known world up - side down, to its dark and  
 5 fire our hearts and clear our sight, till, white - hot in  
 6 Trin - i - ty in deep ac - cord: through your voice which

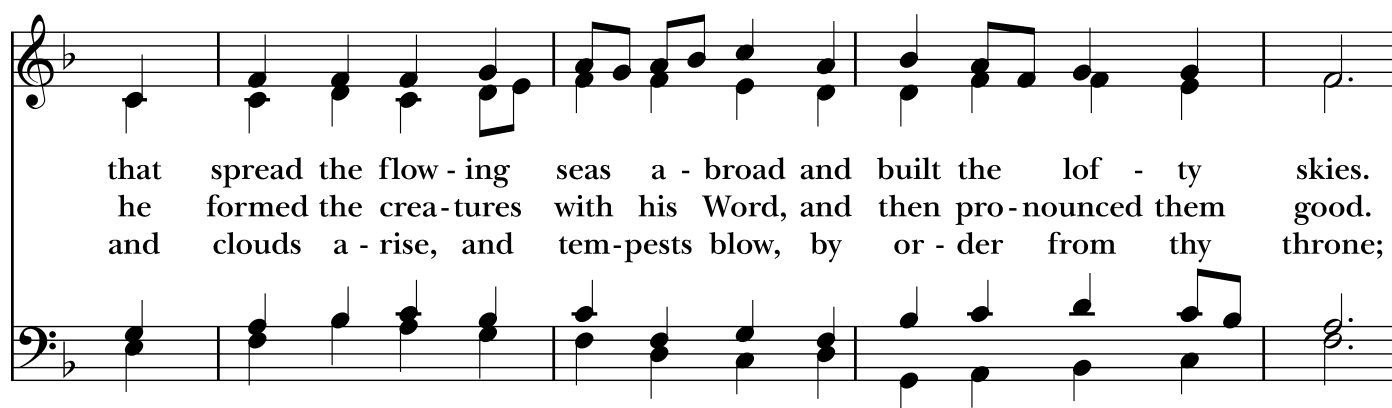


1 all things breath - ing, life in whom all lives be - gin.  
 2 those who lis - ten by a still small voice con - veys.  
 3 power, in Je - sus God him - self was seen and heard.  
 4 fur - thest cor - ners by the wind of hea - ven blown.  
 5 your pos - ses - sion, we, too, set the world a - light.  
 6 speaks with - in us we, your crea - tures, call you Lord.

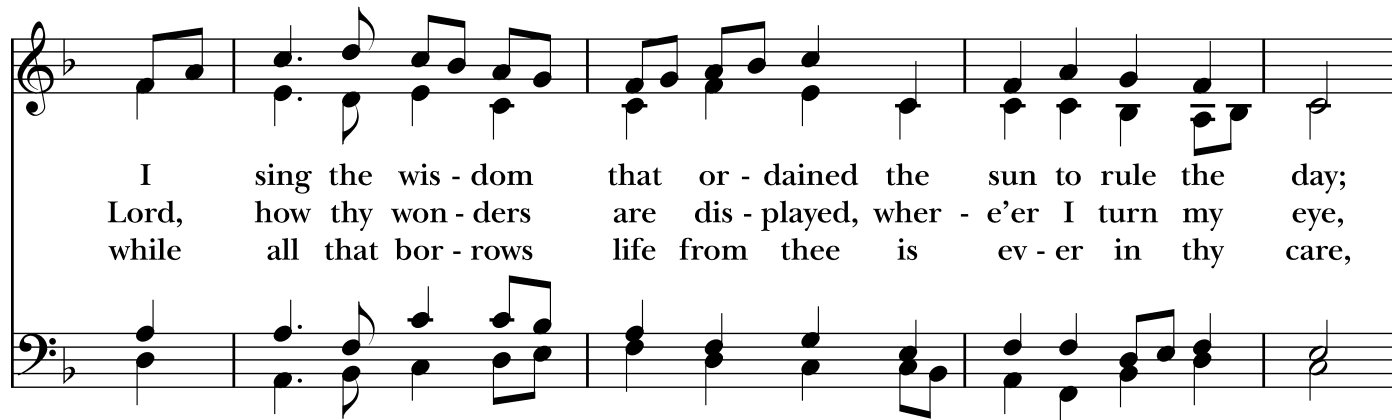
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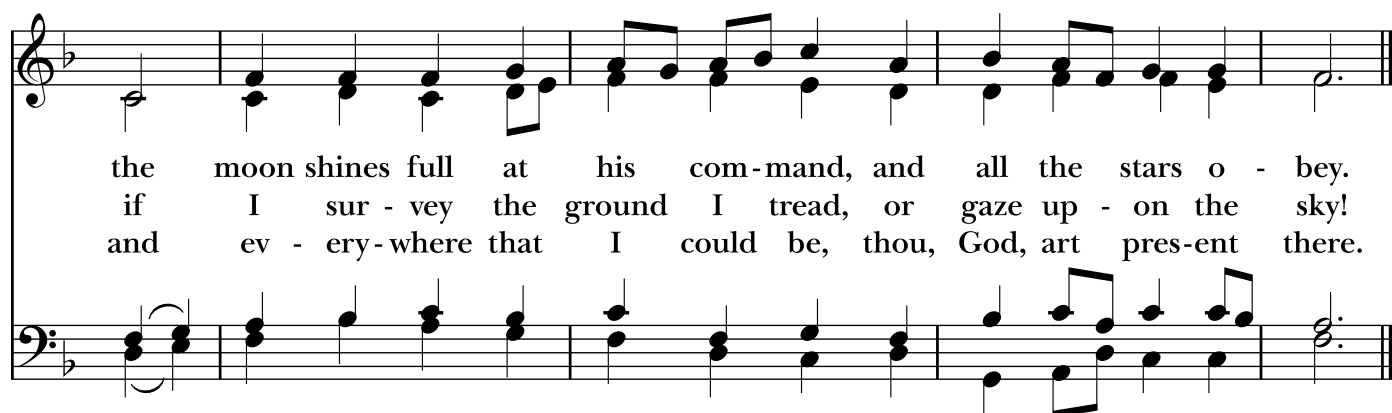
1 I sing the al-might - y power of God, that made the moun-tains rise,  
 2 I sing the good-ness of the Lord, that filled the earth with food;  
 3 There's not a plant or flower be - low, but makes thy glo - ries known;



that spread the flow - ing seas a - broad and built the lof - ty skies.  
 he formed the crea-tures with his Word, and then pro-nounced them good.  
 and clouds a - rise, and tem-pests blow, by or - der from thy throne;



I sing the wis - dom that or - dained the sun to rule the day;  
 Lord, how thy won - ders are dis - played, wher - e'er I turn my eye,  
 while all that bor - rows life from thee is ev - er in thy care,



the moon shines full at his com-mand, and all the stars o - bey.  
 if I sur - vey the ground I tread, or gaze up - on the sky!  
 and ev - ery-where that I could be, thou, God, art pres-ent there.

Words: Isaac Watts (1674-1748), alt. Music: *Forest Green*, English melody; adapt. and harm. Ralph Vaughan Williams (1872-1958).

*Descant*

5 "The soul that to Je - sus hath fled for re - pose,

1 How firm a foun - da - tion, ye saints of the Lord,  
 2 "Fear not, I am with thee; O be not dis - mayed!  
 3 "When through the deep wa - ters I call thee to go,  
 4 "When through fier - y tri - als thy path - way shall lie,  
 5 "The soul that to Je - sus hath fled for re - pose,

5 I will not, I will not de - sert to its foes;

1 is laid for your faith in his ex - cel - lent word!  
 2 For I am thy God, and will still give thee aid;  
 3 the riv - ers of woe shall not thee o - ver - flow;  
 4 my grace, all suf - fi - cient, shall be thy sup - ply;  
 5 I will not, I will not de - sert to its foes;

5 soul, to shake, no,

1 What more can he say than to you he hath said,  
 2 I'll strength - en thee, help thee, and cause thee to stand,  
 3 for I will be with thee, thy trou - bles to bless,  
 4 the flame shall not hurt thee; I on - ly de - sign  
 5 that soul, though all hell shall en - deav - or to shake,

5 I'll nev - er, no, nev - er, no, nev - er for - sake."

1 to you that for ref - uge to Je - sus have fled?  
 2 up - held by my right - eous, om - ni - po - tent hand.  
 3 and sanc - ti - fy to thee thy deep - est dis - tress.  
 4 thy dross to con - sume, and thy gold to re - fine.  
 5 I'll nev - er, no, nev - er, no, nev - er for - sake."

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