

# Prayer Is the Soul's Sincere Desire



1. Prayer is the soul's sin - cere de - sire, un -
2. Prayer is the bur - den of a sigh, the
3. Prayer is the simpl - est form of speech that
4. Prayer is the con - trite sin - ners' voice, re -
5. Prayer is the Chris - tians' vi - tal breath, the
6. O Thou, by whom we come to God, the



ut - tered or ex - pressed, the mo - tion of a  
fal - ling or a tear, the up - ward glan - cing  
in - fant lips can try; prayer the su - blim - est  
tur - ning from their way, while an - gels in their  
Chris - tians' na - tive air; their watch - word at the  
Life, the Truth, the Way: the path of prayer thy -



hid - den fire that trem - bles in the breast.  
of an eye, when none but God is near.  
strains that reach the Ma - je - sty on high.  
songs re - joice and cry, "Be - hold, they pray!"  
gates of death; they en - ter heaven with prayer.  
self hast trod; Lord, teach us how to pray!