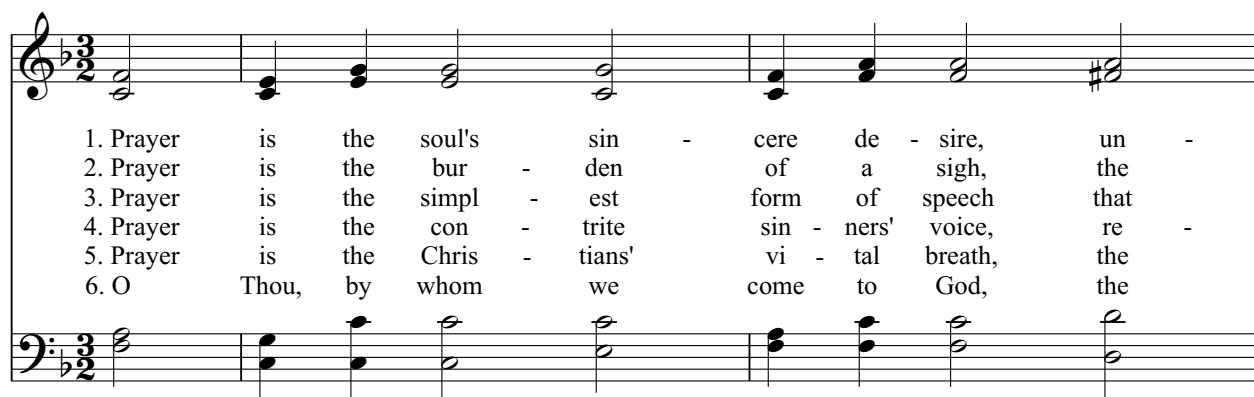
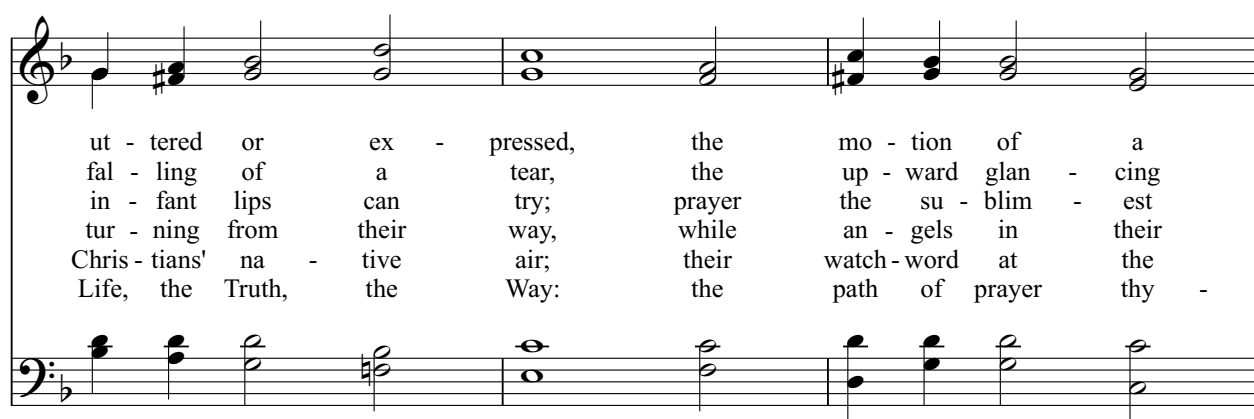


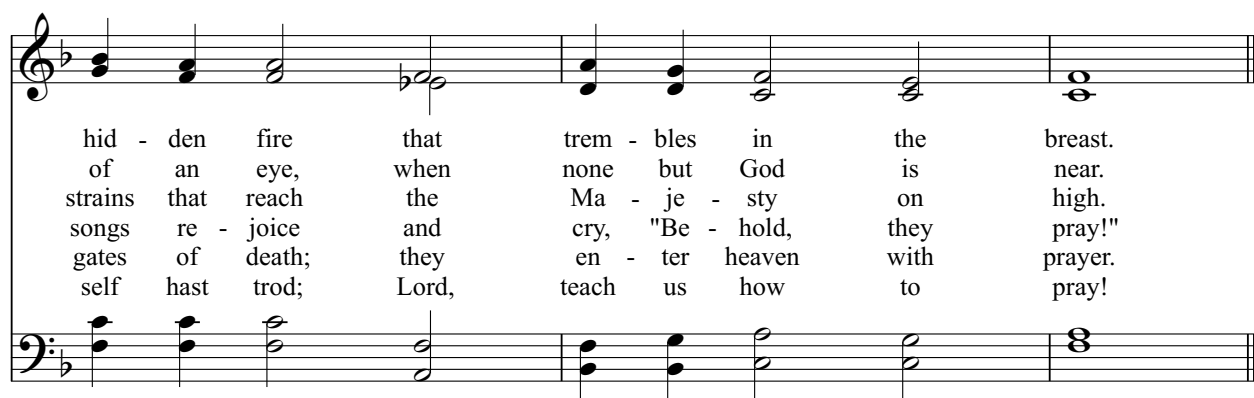
# Prayer Is the Soul's Sincere Desire



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 of 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!

Text: James Montgomery, 1818  
 Tune: USA campmeeting melody;  
 harm. Robert G. McCutchan, 1935



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