

Let there be light

Text: William M. Vories, 1909, alt.

Music: Charles H. C. Zeuner, 1832

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The musical score is written on two staves in 3/4 time, with a key signature of three flats (B-flat, E-flat, A-flat). The melody is simple and hymn-like. Chord symbols are placed above the notes: A-flat, B-flat major, E-flat, F major, A-flat, E-flat, A-flat on the first staff; and A-flat, D-flat, A-flat, E-flat7, A-flat on the second staff. The lyrics are arranged in two columns, with line numbers 1-4 on the left and the rest of the text on the right.

1 Let there be light, O God of hosts! Let there be wis-dom on the earth!
2 With-in our pas-sioned hearts in - still the calm that end-eth strain and strife.
3 Give us the peace of vi - sion clear to see each oth-er's good, our own,
4 Let woe and waste of war-fare cease, that use - ful la - bor yet may build

Let broad hu-man - i - ty have birth! Let there be deeds in-stead of boasts.
Make us your min - is - ters of life. Drive out the urge to curse and kill.
to joy and suf - fer not a - lone: the love that casts a - side all fear.
its homes with love and laugh-ter filled! God, give your way-ward chil - dren peace!