

Now, on land and sea descending

Text: Samuel Longfellow, 1859

Music: John A. Stevenson, 1818

VESPER HYMN 87.87.86.87

The musical score consists of three staves of music in 2/4 time, key of E♭ major. The top staff uses soprano and alto voices. The middle staff uses soprano and bass voices. The bottom staff uses bass and tenor voices. The lyrics are integrated with the music, appearing below the notes. Chords are indicated above the notes.

Top Staff (Soprano and Alto):

E♭ Fm B♭ E♭ B♭ E♭ Fm E♭ B♭ E♭

1 Now, on land and sea de-scend-ing, brings the night its peace pro-found.
2 Soon as dies the sun-set glo-ry, stars of heav'n shine out a - bove,
3 Now, our wants and bur-dens leav-ing to our God who cares for all,
4 As the dark-ness deep-ens o'er us, lo! E - ter - nal stars a - rise.

Middle Staff (Soprano and Bass):

E♭ Fm B♭ E♭ B♭ E♭ Fm E♭ B♭ E♭

Let our ves - per hymn be blend-ing with the ho - ly calm a - round.
tell - ing still the an - cient sto - ry- their Cre - a - tor's end - less love.
cease we fear - ing, cease we griev-ing; touched by God our bur - dens fall.
Hope and faith and love rise glo-rious, shin - ing in the Spir - it's skies.

Bottom Staff (Bass and Tenor):

E♭ B♭7 E♭ B♭7 E♭

Ju - bi - la - te! Ju - bi - la - te! Ju - bi - la - te! A - men!

Final Chorus (Bottom Staff):

Cm Fm B F E♭ Cm E♭ B♭ E♭

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