

# GOD OF GLORY, KING OF NATIONS

PROCESSIONAL HYMN

FOR A FOUNDER'S DAY FESTIVAL

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The first system of musical notation consists of two staves. The top staff is in treble clef and the bottom staff is in bass clef. Both are in the key of D major (indicated by two sharps) and 2/2 time. The music is written in a homophonic, hymn style with block chords and simple melodic lines.

The second system of musical notation continues the two-staff format. It features similar chordal textures and melodic movement, maintaining the hymn's processional character.

The third system of musical notation continues the two-staff format. The melody in the upper staff moves through various intervals, while the bass staff provides a steady harmonic accompaniment.

The fourth system of musical notation concludes the hymn. It includes the text "A-men." at the end of the upper staff. The final chords are clearly marked with double bar lines.

\* This Hymn was written for use in St. George's Chapel, Windsor, for Obiit Sunday, the day on which Founders and Benefactors are commemorated.

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*"Lord, I have loved the habitation of Thy house : and the place where  
Thine honour dwelleth."*—Ps. xxvi. 8.

God of glory, King of nations,  
Giver of all gifts divine,  
Thou didst once in Zion's city  
Set Thine own appointed shrine ;  
Make with us Thy secret dwelling,  
Make this sacred Temple Thine.

[Scarred by storm and foeman's fury,  
Bathed in high serenest air,  
See our fortress-Church uprising,  
Based and buttressed strong and fair,  
Holds aloft the Cross of Jesus,  
Guards the faithful voice of prayer.]\*

Mighty names of King and Warrior,  
We in high remembrance say :  
Ev'n the humblest saint that served her  
Lives in grateful hearts to-day :  
We in hope and they in glory  
For her holy welfare pray.

Still through carven arches pealing  
Thrills and swells the solemn song ;  
Scaring vault and storied banner,  
Sacred voice and listening throng,  
Witness that Thou dwell'st in beauty,  
Witness that Thy love is strong.

We, the heirs of grace and glory,  
Standing in the ancient ways,  
We would keep undimmed her brightness  
Through the onward march of days ;  
Give us worthy hearts to offer  
Purest prayer and sweetest praise.

Father, throned in heavenly splendour,  
Bid Thine earthly shrines endure :  
Saviour, Who dost guide and guard us,  
Keep our faltering footsteps sure :  
Spirit of all grace and sweetness  
Make our inmost spirits pure. Amen.

\* This verse has special reference to St. George's Chapel, and may be omitted on ordinary occasions.

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