

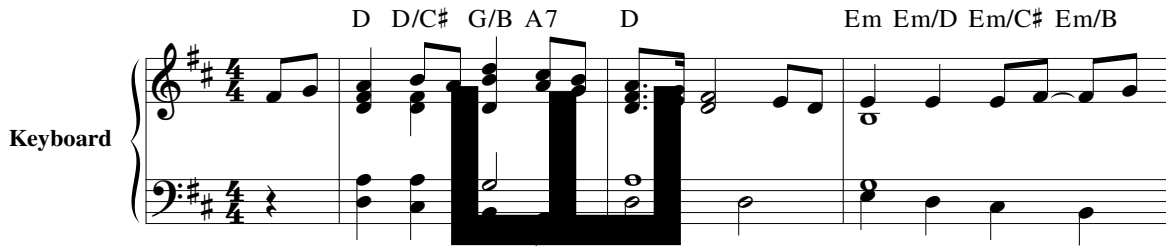
The Gift of Our Friends

Jack Miffleton
Keyboard accompaniment by Janet Vogt

INTRO *Joyfully, proudly* (♩ = ca. 100)

Keyboard

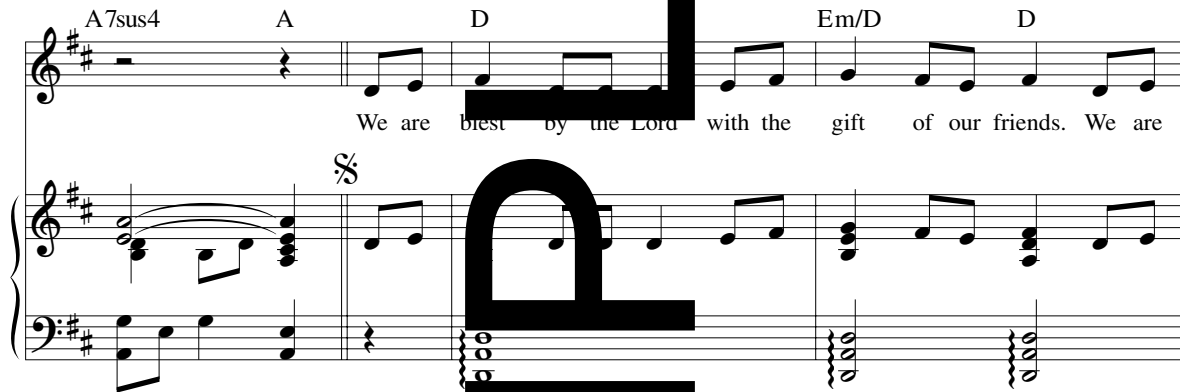
D D/C# G/B A7 D Em Em/D Em/C# Em/B



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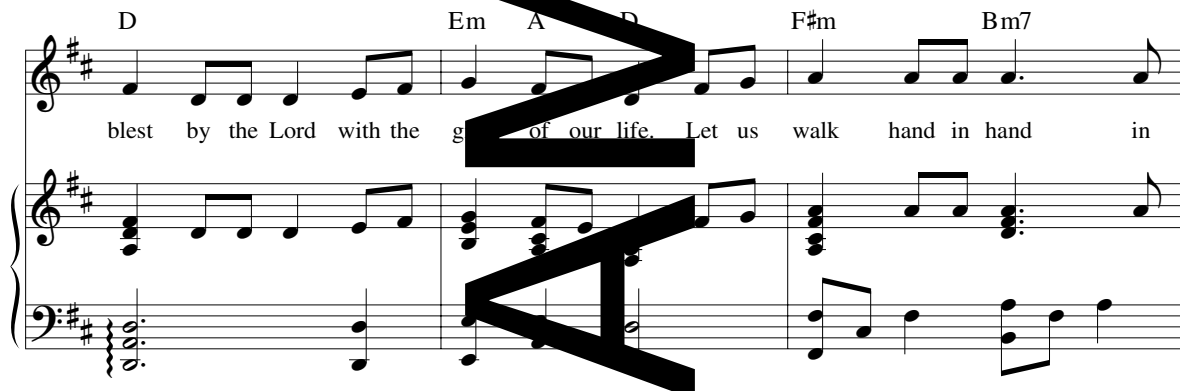
A7sus4 A D Em/D D

We are blest by the Lord with the gift of our friends. We are



D Em A D F#m Bm7

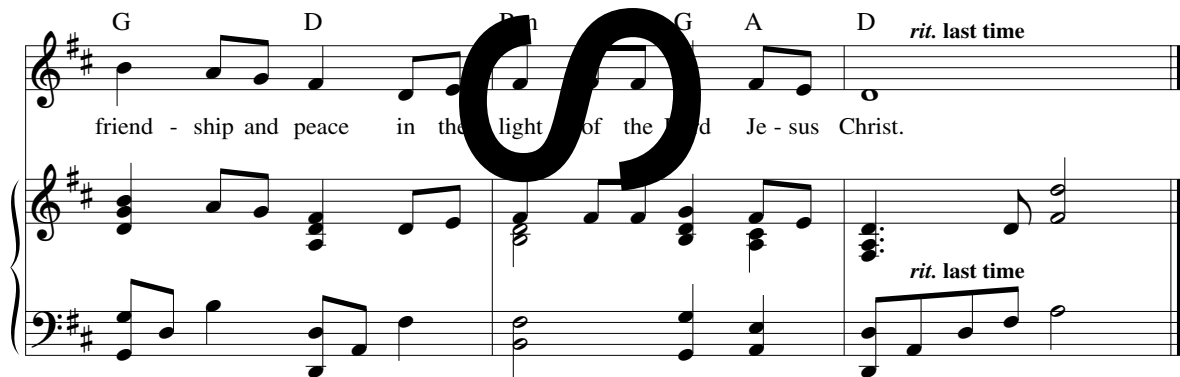
blest by the Lord with the gift of our life. Let us walk hand in hand in



G D Bm G A D *rit. last time*

friend - ship and peace in the light of the Lord Je - sus Christ.

rit. last time



VERSES

Em Em/D D D/C# Em7 A7 D Bm

1. We give thanks for friends who love us, who know our sor - rows and our pain;
 2. We give thanks for friends who hold us, who wipe our tear-drops when we cry;
 3. We give thanks for friends who help us, who in their need let us help, too;

Em Em/D D /C# Em Em/D Em/C# Em/B A7sus4 A7 *D.S.*

1. friends who bring us smiles and laugh-ter like sun - shine af - ter the rain. _____
 2. friends who teach us, friends who guide us and give us free - dom to fly. _____
 3. friends who praise us and for _____ are friends that are true. _____

D.S.

SAMSA

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SOLO INSTRUMENT

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- *Tacet note first time.
- **Play whole note final time.

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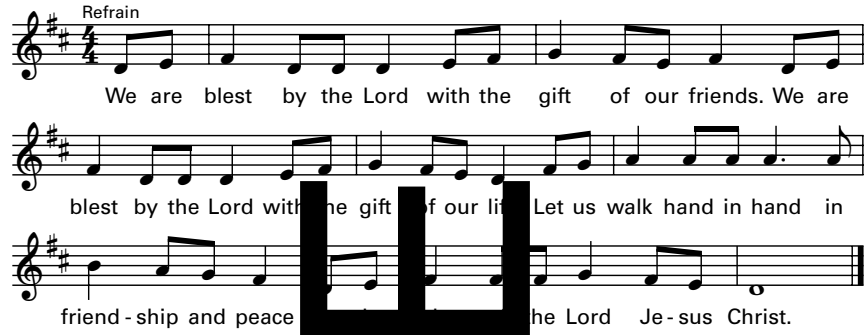
Grade school children are making friendships that may last a lifetime. It is important that children have opportunities to celebrate with their friends in the context of God's love and in the light of Jesus who gave his life for his friends. This is appropriate for beginning a new school year or for eighth grade graduation, or even for a prayer service on Valentine's Day, the liturgical calendar notwithstanding!

Assembly Edition

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Refrain



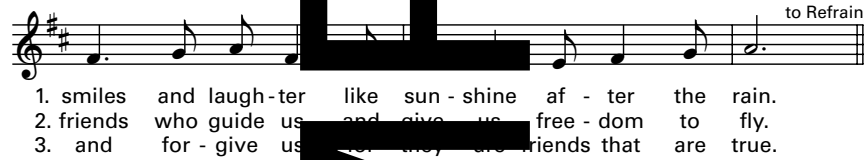
We are blest by the Lord with the gift of our friends. We are blest by the Lord with the gift of our life. Let us walk hand in hand in friend-ship and peace with the Lord Je-sus Christ.

Verses



1. We give thanks for friends who love us, who hold us, who help us, who know our sor-rows and our pain; friends who bring us
2. wipe our tear-drops when we cry; friends who teach us
3. in their need let us help, too; friends who praise us

to Refrain



1. smiles and laugh-ter like sun-shine af-ter the rain.
2. friends who guide us and give us free-dom to fly.
3. and for-give us for they are friends that are true.

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