

OCP Choral Series

Bread of Heaven

Assembly, Soprano, Tenor, Keyboard, and Guitar

Refrain based on Wisdom 16:20;
Psalm 81:17; 30:12–13
Verses based on Psalm 36:6–9; John 6:35–41

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Keyboard accompaniment by Rick Modlin

INTRO *With a gospel feel* (♩. = ca. 84)

Em7 D/F# G maj7 A Em7 D/F# G maj7 A

Keyboard

Em7 D/F# G maj7 A G/A

The musical score is written for keyboard in 12/8 time with a key signature of one sharp (F#). It consists of two systems of music. The first system has two staves: a treble clef staff with chords and a bass clef staff with a simple bass line. The second system also has two staves with similar notation. Chord symbols are placed above the treble staff. The music is marked 'With a gospel feel' and has a tempo of approximately 84 beats per minute.

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REFRAIN

Soprano
Alto
Tenor
Bass

Bread of heav-en you give us, O Lord, sweet-est hon-ey

G/A D Bm C Am D

from the rock. You have turned our mourn - ing in - to

Bm F#m G A/G

W
L
P
M
A
S

danc - ing; _____ end - less praise to you, _____

F#m Bsus4 B Em7 E# G#7 E/G# Asus4 A

end - less praise to you, _____

1-4 to Verses Final

1. Your
2. Your
3. With
4. I you, _____

Em D/F# Gmaj7 A D to Verses Final Bm

W
A
S

end - less praise to you.

rit. *Fine*

E7 D/F# Gmaj7 A G/D D

8vb

VERSES

Melody

1. (Your) kind - ness reach the heav - ens, your
2. (Your) love sur - rounds and - tects us, em -
3. (With) - in your house you pro - vide us a
4. (I) am the bread come from - en. I

S
A

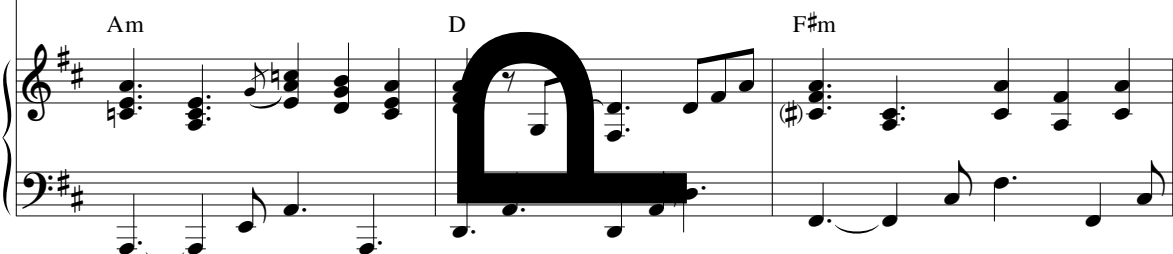
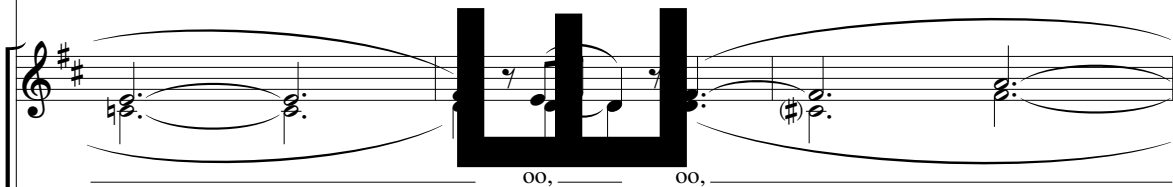
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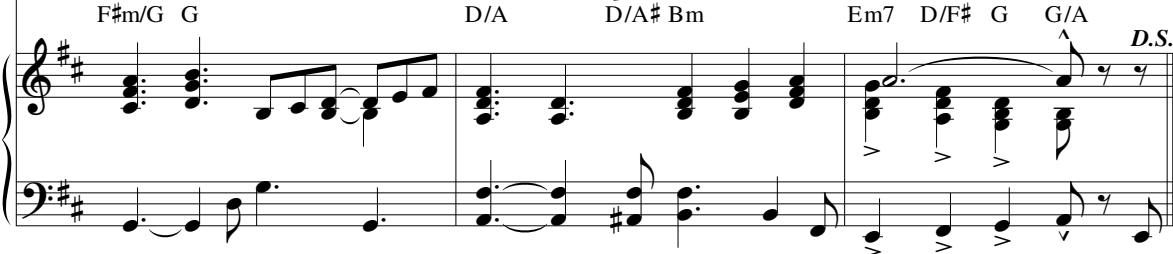
Am D. 4 D



1. truth and fi - del - i - ty. _____ Your righ - teous - ness like the
 2. brac - ing each liv - ing thing. _____ In you all hearts have their
 3. feast of love and de - light. _____ You give us to drink of sal -
 4. am the bread of life. _____ 7 Come and you shall not



1. moun - tains, your tice deep as the sea. _____ *D.S.*
 2. ref - uge, a n - der your wings. _____
 3. va - tion, for you are the foun - tain of life. _____
 4. hun - ger. 7 Come and you shall not thirst. _____



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REFRAIN

G/A D Bm C Am D Bm

Bread of heav - en — you give us, O rd, sweet - est hon - ey — from the

F#m G A/G F#m Bsus4 B

rock. You have turne our morn - ing in - to danc - ing; —

Em D/F# Gmaj7 E/G# Em D/F# Gmaj7 A

end - less praise to end - less praise to

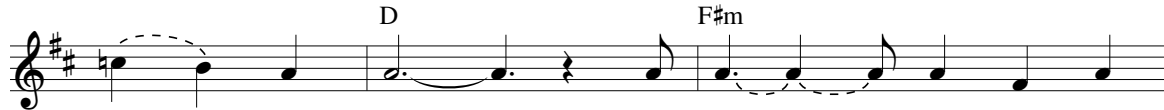
1-4 D to Verses Final Bm E7 Em D/F# Gmaj7 A G/D D Fine

you. — you, — end - less praise to you. —

VERSES

Am Dsus4 D Am

1. Your kind - ness reach - es the heav - ens, your truth and fi -
2. Your love sur - rounds and pro us, em - brac - ing —
3. With - in your house you pro vide us a feast of —
4. I am the bread com from heav en. I am the —



1. del - i - ty. _____ Your righ - teous - ness like the
 2. each liv - ing thing. _____ In you all _____ hearts have their
 3. love and de - light. _____ You give us to drink of sal -
 4. bread _____ of life. _____ 7 Come _____ and you shall not



1. moun - tains, your jus - tice _____ deep as the sea. _____
 2. ref - uge, a shelt - er _____ un - der your wings. _____
 3. va - tion, for you are the foun - tain of life. _____
 4. hun - ger. 7 Come _____ and you shall not thirst. _____

Composer Notes

The refrain of this Communion song combines several Old Testament eucharistic images (Wisdom 16:20: “bread from heaven;” Psalm 81:17 “honey from the rock”) with words of gratitude from Psalm 30:12–13: “You have changed my mourning into dancing...endless praise to you.” The verses carry this theme forward with words from Psalm 36 describing God’s providential care. The ultimate expression of this care is a feast in God’s house where we drink from the fountain of life. The final verse, from John 6:35, explicitly connects all of this to Jesus as the Bread of Life.

Uses: This song may be used throughout the year for Communion. At preparation of the gifts, Communion, or post-Communion, it complements the readings of the following celebrations:

Ordinary Time — Ord. Time 2 (C) [marriage feast at Cana]
 Ord. Time 17–21 (B) [Jesus, the Bread of Life]
 Ord. Time 18 (A) [feeding the five thousand]
 Most Holy Body and Blood of Christ

Ritual Masses — First Communion

Holy Week — Holy Thursday

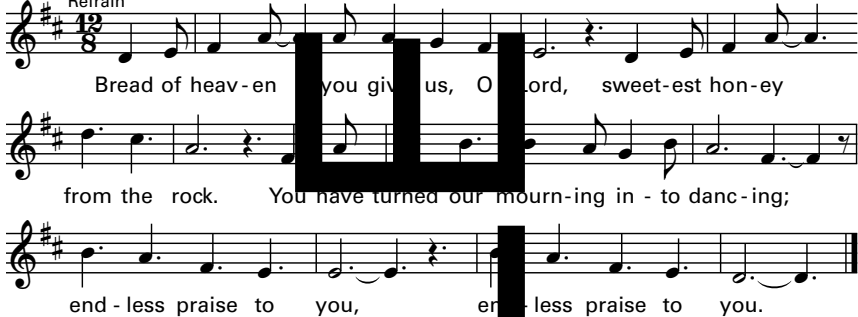
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Assembly Edition

BREAD OF HEAVEN

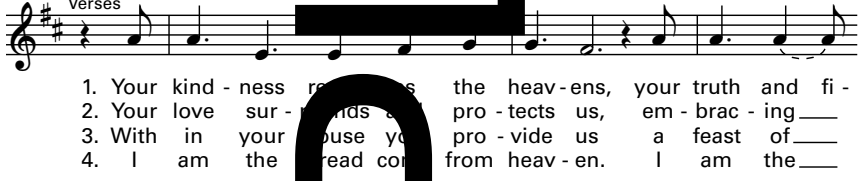
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Refrain

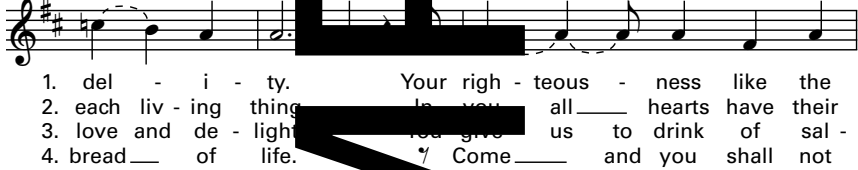


Bread of heav-en you give us, O Lord, sweet-est hon-ey
from the rock. You have turned our mourn-ing in - to danc-ing;
end - less praise to you, end - less praise to you.

Verses




1. Your kind - ness reaches the heav - ens, your truth and fi -
2. Your love sur - rounds and pro - tects us, em - brac - ing___
3. With in your house you pro - vide us a feast of___
4. I am the bread come from heav - en. I am the___



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2. each liv - ing thing praise you all___ hearts have their
3. love and de - light you give us to drink of sal -
4. bread___ of life. % Come___ and you shall not

to Refrain



1. moun - tains, your jus - tice___ deep as the sea.
2. ref - uge, a___ er___ un - der your wings.
3. va - tion, for___ n - tain of life.
4. hun - ger. % Come___ and you shall not thirst.

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