The Light on the Hill

WALNUT LANE
Rebecca Oswald

INTRO  Warmly (♩ = ca. 72)

Soprano  mp  a tempo  5
Alto
Tenor
Bass  mp  a tempo

1. There is a place where love has always been the way, and always

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1. With open arms we bid you welcome to the light, to the

1. Light, to the light on the hill.

VERSE 2

2. A restless ship that sails the ocean seeks a harbor and a
2. goal; the bea - con shin - ing through the dark - ness shows the

2. way, shows the way for the trou - bled, wan - d’ring soul.

VERSE 3

3. Some - times the strong - est heart grows wea - ry and the sur - est feet can

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3. fail; as we forgive, we find forgiveness: it is love, it is love, it is love, it is love that will prevail.

VERSE 4

4. As thirsty deer will seek the water, hungry

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4. souls will seek the light; the light of Christ is there before you even in the darkest night.

5. A loving word, an act of kindness makes the light within us shine; and on the
5. hill the light grows stronger: we are part, we are part of the

5. Maker’s grand design. 6. We lift our voices in thanks giving and our

6. hearts with one accord; a place is set, if you would

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6. join us: there is room, there is room at the table of the Lord.

INTERLUDE
VERSE 7  a cappella

7. This is a place where love has always been the way and always

7. will; with open arms we bid you welcome to the

7. light, to the light, to the light on the hill.

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*Hymn Version*

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3. As thirsty deer will seek the water, hungry souls will seek the
4. A loving word, an act of kindness makes the light within us
5. This is a place where love has always been the way, and always

1. will; With open arms we bid you welcome to the light, to the
2. goal; The beacon shining through the darkness shows the way, shows the
4. light; The light of Christ is there before you even in, even
5. shine; And on the hill the light grows stronger: we are part, we are
7. will; With open arms we bid you welcome to the light, to the

1. light, to the light on the hill.
2. way for the troubled, wandering
4. in, even in the darkest night.
5. part of the Maker’s grand design.
7. light, to the light on the hill.

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Composer Notes

The Light on the Hill was commissioned in 2004 by the Rev. Mr. and Mrs. Norwood V. Brown, III. This song is dedicated to the glory of God in loving memory of Dr. Norwood V. Brown, Jr., a children’s dentist and lifelong Presbyterian, of Pine Bluff, Arkansas. The tune name, WALNUT LANE, honors the location of Westminster Choir College in Princeton, New Jersey, my alma mater.

—Rebecca Oswald


Assembly Edition

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1. There is a place where love has always been the way, and
2. A restless ship that sails the ocean seeks a harbor;
4. Seek the light; The light of Christ is there before you even
5. In us shine; And on the hill the light grows stronger: we are
7. Always will; With open arms we bid you welcome to the

1. Light, to the light, to the light on the hill
2. Way, shows the way for the troubled, wandering soul.
4. In, even in, even in the darkest night.
5. Part, we are part of the Maker's grand design.
7. Light, to the light, to the light on the hill.

3. Sometimes the strongest heart grows weary and the surest
6. We lift our voices in thanksgiving and our hearts with

3. Feet can fail; As we forgive, we find forgiveness; it is
6. One accord; A place is set, if you would join us; there is

3. Love, it is love, it is love that will prevail.
6. Room, there is room at the table of the Lord.

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