

# Now Is the Hour of Rejoicing

Based on Isaiah 35:1-10

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## INTRO (♩. = ca. 56)

C Csus4 C Csus4 C Csus4 C Csus4 C

(Pno)

## VERSES

C F

1. Lift up your hearts with re - joic - ing; \_\_\_\_\_ low - ly ones, rise up and
2. Riv - ers shall run in the dry lands, \_\_\_\_\_ streams of a - bun - dance shall
3. O - pen the path - way be - fore him, \_\_\_\_\_ the Ho - ly One prom - ised of

C F Am7

1. see \_\_\_\_\_ ♪ hope spring - ing up in the des - ert, a
2. flow: \_\_\_\_\_ ♪ waves of great joy for the jour - ney, and
3. old: \_\_\_\_\_ Em - man - u - el, "God who is with us," the

B♭ Gsus4 G C

1. gar - den be - fit - ting a king. \_\_\_\_\_ Waste - lands now blos - som in
2. lead - ing the ex - iled back home. \_\_\_\_\_ Wea - ry legs leap up to
3. sav - ior whom proph - ets fore - told. \_\_\_\_\_ Make wide and straight the king's

F C F

1. splen - dor, \_\_\_\_\_ shin - ing with beau - ty and grace; \_\_\_\_\_ lands once thought
2. greet them, \_\_\_\_\_ bur - dened hearts laugh with de - light, \_\_\_\_\_ mourn - ing turns
3. high - way; \_\_\_\_\_ lift up your heads, might - y gates. \_\_\_\_\_ Cry out with

C/G Gsus4 G C

1. lost and for - sak - en ♪ rise up in glor - ious praise!
2. swift - ly to danc - ing: no sor - row, no tears for the night!
3. joy and with glad - ness; ♪ all you who sleep come a - wake!

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\*Sing cue-sized notes as alternate melody.

REFRAIN

Melody

Tenor (8vb)  
Harmony

Praise to the Fa - ther, praise to the Son, praise to the Spi - rit: one

Detailed description: This system contains the first two staves of the refrain. The top staff is labeled 'Melody' and the bottom staff is labeled 'Tenor (8vb) Harmony'. The lyrics 'Praise to the Fa - ther, praise to the Son, praise to the Spi - rit: one' are written below the melody. Chord symbols 'F', 'C', and 'F' are placed above the melody staff.

F/G C F G Am

God who is love! Come, sing with joy, for now is the time:

Detailed description: This system contains the next two staves of the refrain. The top staff is labeled 'F/G C F G Am' and the bottom staff is labeled 'Tenor (8vb) Harmony'. The lyrics 'God who is love! Come, sing with joy, for now is the time:' are written below the melody.

F G C Csus4 C D.S. Final

Now is the hour of re - joi - cing!

Detailed description: This system contains the final two staves of the refrain. The top staff is labeled 'F G C Csus4 C D.S. Final' and the bottom staff is labeled 'Tenor (8vb) Harmony'. The lyrics 'Now is the hour of re - joi - cing!' are written below the melody. The system ends with a double bar line and a diamond symbol.