

HYMNS FOR CONGREGATIONAL SINGING

O God, Our Help in Ages Past

*words by Isaac Watts
Music by William Croft*

*arranged by David Winkler
for Brass Quintet or Sextet
with Piano and optional Percussion*

INSTRUMENTATION

Piano
Trumpet 1
Trumpet 2
Horn
Trombone 1
Trombone 2
Tuba
Percussion (Timpani and Suspended Cymbal)

ADDITIONAL PARTS INCLUDED

Alto Saxophone (doubles Horn)
Baritone T.C. (doubles Trombone 2)
Choir

This arrangement takes the standard hymn and expands upon the basic harmony while keeping a traditional feel. It could actually be done with piano only ... everything else is in a sense optional. The brass parts are scored for a traditional brass quintet, or a sextet if the Trombone 2 part is added.

The choral part is optional, as the arrangement could easily be done with the congregation singing in unison. If a choir is desired for the performance, permission is hereby granted to the original purchaser of this music to make copies as needed.

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Majestically (♩ = 94)

The musical score is arranged for a Brass Quintet or Sextet, Piano, and optional Percussion. It is in 4/4 time with a tempo of 94 beats per minute. The key signature has two flats (B-flat and E-flat). The score includes parts for Choir, Piano, Trumpet 1, Trumpet 2, Horn (Alto Sax), Trombone 1, Trombone 2 (Baritone T.C.), Tuba, and Percussion (Timpani). The piano part begins with a dynamic marking of *f* and includes the instruction "opt. tacet until Verse 1". The brass parts also feature dynamic markings of *f*. The percussion part is marked *f* and includes the instruction "Timpani (F & B \flat)". The score is divided into six measures, numbered 1 through 6 at the bottom.

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VERSE 1

unison *f*

Choir

1. O God, our Help in ag - es past, our Hope for years to come, our

(play) *f*

Pno.

1. O God, our Help in ag - es past, our Hope for years to come, our

Tpt. 1

Tpt. 2

Hn.

Tbn. 1

Tbn. 2

Tuba

Perc.

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Choir *unison (opt. Men only)* **mf**
Shel - ter from the storm - blast, and our e - ter - nal Home. 2. Un -

Pno. **mf**
Shel - ter from the storm - y blast, and our e - ter - nal Home. 2. Un -

Tpt. 1

Tpt. 2

Hn.

Tbn. 1 *(melody)* **mf**

Tbn. 2

Tuba

Perc.

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VERSE 2

Choir
der the shad - ow of Thy throne Thy saints have dwelt se - cure; suf - fi - cient is Thine

Pno.
der the shad - ow of Thy throne Thy saints have dwelt se - cure; suf - fi - cient is Thine

Tpt. 1

Tpt. 2

Hn.
mf

Tbn. 1

Tbn. 2

Tuba
mf

Perc.

mp

18

19

20

21

22

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poco rit. *mp*

Choir
arm a - lone, and our de - fense is sure. 3. Be -

Pno.
arm a - lone, and our de - fense is sure. 3. Be -

Tpt. 1 *mf*

Tpt. 2

Hn.

Tbn. 1

Tbn. 2

Tuba

Perc.

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VERSE 3

Choir
fore the hills in or - der stood, or earth re - ceived its frame, from ev - er - last - ing Thou art God, to

Pno.
fore the hills in or - der stood, or earth re - ceived its frame, from ev - er - last - ing Thou art God, to

Tpt. 1

Tpt. 2

Hn.

Tbn. 1

Tbn. 2

Tuba

Perc.

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rit. *unison*

Choir
end - less years the same. 4. O

Pno.
end - less years the same. *f* 4. O

Tpt. 1 *f*

Tpt. 2 *f* (melody)

Hn. *f*

Tbn. 1 *f*

Tbn. 2 *f*

Tuba *f*

Perc. *f* Sus. Cym. Timpani *f* *sfp* *f*

34 35 36 37 38 39

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VERSE 4 *a tempo - Broadly*

The musical score is arranged in a grand staff format. It includes parts for a Choir, Piano (Pno.), Trumpets 1 and 2 (Tpt. 1, Tpt. 2), Horns (Hn.), Trombones 1 and 2 (Tbn. 1, Tbn. 2), Tuba, and Percussion (Perc.). The lyrics are: "God, our Help in ag - es past, our Hope for years to come, be Thou our Guard while". The score is marked with a large, semi-transparent watermark that reads "SAMPLE SCORE" and "ILLEGAL TO COPY OR DOWNLOAD".

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Choir
life shall last, and our e - ter - nal Home! A - men.

Pno.
life shall last, and our e - ter - nal Home! A - men.

Tpt. 1

Tpt. 2

Hn.

Tbn. 1

Tbn. 2

Tuba

Perc.

45 46 47 48 49 50

ff

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