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# OUR COMRADES

A CHILDREN'S DAY SERVICE

Processional. HAPPY SOLDIERS OF THE CROSS

Words and Music by A. F. LOUD

## INTRODUCTION

mf *Marcato* *cres.* *fz*

The introduction is written for piano in a key with one flat (B-flat) and common time. It consists of two staves. The right hand begins with a series of eighth notes, while the left hand plays a steady bass line. The piece starts with a mezzo-forte (mf) dynamic, marked *Marcato*, and gradually increases in volume through a *cres.* (crescendo) to a fortissimo (fz) dynamic by the end of the first measure.

*In a bold, marching tempo*

mf

The first system of the main piece is written for piano in B-flat major and common time. It features a bold, marching tempo. The right hand plays a melody of eighth notes, and the left hand provides a rhythmic accompaniment of eighth notes. The dynamic is mezzo-forte (mf).

*cres.*

The second system continues the piece with a crescendo. The right hand melody includes a triplet of eighth notes. The dynamic is *cres.* (crescendo).

*f*

The third system continues with a fortissimo (f) dynamic. The right hand melody features a triplet of eighth notes. The dynamic is *f* (fortissimo).

The fourth system concludes the piece. The right hand melody ends with a triplet of eighth notes. The dynamic is fortissimo (f).



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A CHILDREN'S DAY SERVICE

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UNISON FOR SOP. & ALTO, OR SOP., ALTO & TENOR

*mf*

1. We are hap-py sol-diers of the Cross, Marching on, marching on.  
2. you hap-py sol-diers of the Cross, Marching on, marching on? Are  
3. songs and thankful hearts we're march-ing on, Marching on, marching on, With

*mf*

*piu f*

We are hap-py sol-diers of the Cross, Marching on to vic-to-ry.  
you hap-py sol-diers of the Cross, Marching on to vic-to-ry?  
songs and thankful hearts we're marching on, Marching on to vic-to-ry.

*piu f*

ALL IN UNISON

Marching, Marching, Marching on to vic-to-ry. Marching,

*f*







4 Crowns and thrones may perish,  
Kingdoms rise and wane,  
But the Church of Jesus  
Constant will remain;  
Gates of hell can never  
'Gainst that Church prevail;  
We have Christ's own promise,  
And that cannot fail.  
Onward, etc.

5 Onward, then, ye people,  
Join our happy throng,  
Blend with ours your voices  
In the triumph-song, —  
Glory, laud, and honor  
Unto Christ the King!  
This through countless ages  
Men and angels sing.  
Onward, etc.

### Scripture Reading. CHRIST'S SOLDIERS. EPH. 6 : 1-4 ; 10-19.

PASTOR. — Children, obey your parents in the Lord : for this is right.

SUPERINTENDENT. — Honor thy father and mother, (which is the first commandment with promise,)

TEACHERS. — That it may be well with thee, and thou mayest live long on the earth.

PASTOR. — And, ye fathers, provoke not your children to wrath : but nurture them in the chastening and admonition of the Lord.

ALL. — Finally, be strong in the Lord, and in the strength of his might.

SUPERINTENDENT. — Put on the whole armor of God, that ye may be able to stand against the wiles of the devil.

SCHOLARS. — For our wrestling is not against 'flesh and blood, but against the principalities, against the powers, against the world-rulers of this darkness, against the spiritual hosts of wickedness in the heavenly places.

TEACHERS. — Wherefore take up the whole armor of God, that ye may be able to withstand in the evil day, and, having done all, to stand.

ALL. — Stand therefore, having girded your loins with truth, and having put on the breast-plate of righteousness, and having shod your feet with the preparation of the gospel of peace ; withal taking up the shield of faith, wherewith ye shall be able to quench all the fiery darts of the evil one.

TEACHERS. — And take the helmet of salvation, and the sword of the Spirit, which is the word of God :

PASTOR. — With all prayer and supplication praying at all seasons in the Spirit, . . . for all the saints, and on my behalf, that utterance may be given unto me in opening my mouth, to make known with boldness the mystery of the gospel.

### Song. VICTORY

ANNA BURNHAM BRYANT

W. A. Post

*Decisive*

1. Vic - to - ry ! be this our watchword as be - neath the col - ors three  
2. Vic - to - ry ! O val - iant com - rades, link - ing hands from shore to shore,  
3. Vic - to - ry ! O gal - lant com - rades, see it wave from palm to pine,



To the sad and sin-en-slav-ed we would go ; He who oft has crowned that banner  
We will sing with you the songs of li-ber -ty ; Till the Prince of Peace triumphant  
From the crested, snow-clad mountains to the sea ; 'Neath that flower-flag advancing

HARMONY

with the wreath of vic-to - ry Pledges us that no de-feat it e'er shall know.  
'neath his en - sign ev - er-more Gathers all who own this emblem of the free.  
we will con-quer in the sign Of the Cross that ever leads to vic - to - ry !

CHORUS

Hail we then the col - ors three Floating o - ver land and sea ! Red and white and

HARMONY *cres.*

blue en-twined Shall de-liv - er all man-kind ; Hail we now the col - ors three,

Pledging love and loy-al - ty Un - to Him who giv - eth us the vic - to - ry.

NOTE.—The melody in first eight measures of chorus being in lower notes, a good effect will be produced by having the same rendered by male voices, the upper notes by female voices.



## Recitation. CHRIST AND THE CHILDREN

## Song. 'TIS CHILDREN'S DAY

BELLE KELLOGG TOWNE *Unison*

A. F. LOUD

*f* *Con spirito*

'Tis Children's Day, 'Tis Children's Day, 'Tis Children's Day!

*mf* *fz* *f*

*mf* *In parts*

1. The breez - es soft that o'er us. blow, The ros - es bent in  
2. The Ban - ner Day of all the year; The chil - dren haste from

rich - est glow, The bird that trills its glad, sweet song, The child that wends its  
far and near To wor - ship One who is their own, Ere hard with sin their

way a - long, All seem with sweet ac - cord to say, "'Tis Chil - dren's Day! 'Tis  
hearts have grown; And all u - nite in prais - es sweet This flow'r - crowned day of

\* Small notes for Instrument, 1st stanza.



*rall.* *cres.*

Chil-dren's Day!" All seem with sweet ac - cord to say, "'Tis  
June to greet; Pray-ing as well that Christ may lay A

*ff* *rall.* *f* *rall.* FINE

Chil-dren's, Chil-dren's Day." bless-ing rare on Chil - dren's Day.  
(Omit 2nd time)

INST. INST.

### Responsive Reading.

PASTOR.—Then were there brought unto him little children, that he should lay his hands on them, and pray :

CONGREGATION.—And the disciples rebuked them.

PASTOR.—But when Jesus saw it, he was moved with indignation, and said unto them,

CONGREGATION.—Suffer the little children to come unto me ; forbid them not : for of such is the kingdom of God.

PASTOR.—Verily I say unto you, Except ye turn, and become as little children, ye shall in no wise enter into the kingdom of heaven.

CONGREGATION.—And he took them in his arms and blessed them, laying his hands upon them

### Baptism of Children. (If desired.)

#### Song. GOD BLESS THEE (As parents retire.)

SOLO OR QUARTET

ANNA BURNHAM BRYANT

A. F. LOUD

*mf* *Andante* *Very tenderly*

1. Lord, keep this lit - tle life from harm, That  
2. A - long the safe and nar - row way Guide



*pizz f*

now is given to thee; With-in the shel-ter of thine arm No  
Thou these lit-tle feet, With ten-der guard-ing night and day And

*mp* *poco rall.* **FINE**

e - vil thing can be. God bless thee, God bless thee And keep thee.  
cease-less help-ing sweet. God bless thee, God bless thee And keep thee.

**Presentation of Bibles.** (To children who during the year have reached the age of seven.)

**Song. THE KING'S HIGHWAY**

A. F. Loud

*mf Con spirito* *f*

Sub-bass.

**SOLO OR UNISON** *May be sung by boys*

*mf*

1. Wher-ev - er you may be, What-ev - er you may see That would  
2. Our God will guide us right, And walk - ing in the light, We shall



lead you in - to e - vil, Say you, "Nay," say you "Nay, we  
win a crown of glo - ry In the day, in the day, When

*rall.*

will not turn a - side; What - ev - er may be - tide, But we'll  
Je - sus calls his own To - geth - er round the throne, Who -

keep a - long the mid - dle of the King's high - way.  
keep a - long the mid - dle of the King's high - way.

*poco rall.*



CHORUS *Unison, or as indicated*

*f* MEN AND BOYS

WOMEN AND GIRLS

Keep a-long the mid-dle of the King's highway. Keep a-long the mid-dle of the

CHORUS IN PARTS

King's high-way. We will not turn a - side, Whatev - er may be - tide,

*ff* *ff* *ff*  
:§: or D.C. FINE

But we'll keep a-long the mid - dle of the King's high - way.

:§: or D.C. FINE



Recitation. SOLDIERS OF THE RIGHT

A Sunday-School Missionary Exercise.

WHAT'S THE NEWS?

Song. WATCHMAN, TELL US OF THE NIGHT (To be sung responsively solo and duet or congregation.)

JOHN BOWRING, 1825 (?)

Dr. LOWELL MASON, 1792-1872

1. Watch-man, tell us of the night, What its signs of prom - ise are.  
 2. Watch-man, tell us of the night, High - er yet that star as - cends,  
 3. Watch-man, tell us of the night, For the morn - ing seems to dawn.

Trav - eler, o'er yon moun-tain's height See that glo - ry-beam-ing star.  
 Trav - eler, bless - ed - ness and light, Peace and truth its course por - tends.  
 Trav - eler, dark-ness takes its flight, Doubt and ter - ror are with-drawn.

Watch-man, does its beau-teous ray Aught of hope or joy fore - tell?  
 Watch-man, will its beams a - lone Gild the spot that gave them birth?  
 Watch-man, let thy wan-d'rings cease, Hie thee to thy qui - et home.

Trav - eler, yes, it brings the day, Prom - ised day of Is - ra - el.  
 Trav - eler, a - ges are its own, See, it bursts o'er all the earth!  
 Trav - eler! lo! the Prince of Peace, Lo, the Son of God is come.



## News from the front

1. A COMRADE FROM TEXAS CANYON

2. A MOUNTAIN COMRADE

3. NEWS FROM THE SOUTHLAND

4. NEWS FROM THE AMERICAN HIGHLANDERS

Song. 5. OUT UPON THE PRAIRIES WIDE

ALBERT BRYANT<sup>1</sup>

GEORGE A. BURDETT

*With spirit*

1. Out up - on the prai-ries wide, Where the might - y riv - ers glide,  
 2. Round the mar-gins of the lakes, Where the vast Pa - cif - ic breaks,  
 3. Seek - ing such the Sav - iour came; Who will go in his dear name?

Hear the voi - ces of the chil-dren Nev - er called to Je - sus' side.  
 On the mount-ains, in the cab - ins, Still the chil-dren's cry a - wakes.  
 Who from wil - der - ness and des - ert Will his wan-d'ring flock re - claim?

## REFRAIN

Glad gifts to Christ the Lord, Bring now with one ac - cord;

Go, the scat - tered lambs to gath - er For his fold and ward.



## 6. A COMRADE FROM NEW ENGLAND

## 7. A COMRADE FROM NEW YORK

## 8. A COMRADE FROM CHICAGO

Recitation. AMERICA, THE BEAUTIFUL

A Primary Song. THE CHILDREN'S OFFERTORY

GIVE, OH GIVE

*Con grazia* French Air

1. "Give," said the lit - tle stream, "Give, oh, give! Give, oh, give!

2. "Give," said the lit - tle rain, "Give, oh, give! Give, oh, give!

Give," said the lit - tle stream, as it hur - ried down the hill. "I'm  
Give," said the lit - tle rain, as it fell up - on the flowers. "I'll

small, I know, but wher - ev - er I go The fields grow green - er still,"  
raise their droop - ing heads a - gain," As it fell up - on the flowers.

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## REFRAIN

Sing - ing, sing - ing, all the day, Give a - way, oh, give a - way!

*acc. leggiero*

Sing - ing, sing - ing, all the day, . . Give, give a - way.

Reading. A CHILD'S MINISTRY

Primary Class Exercise. A HANDFUL OF KNOWLEDGE

Recitation. WE GIVE THEE BUT THINE OWN

Brief Address by Pastor or Superintendent

Children's Day Offering

Collection envelopes and pledges for the Missionary Work of The Congregational Sunday-School and Publishing Society.



**Song. THE BANNER OF THE CROSS**

GEORGE W. DOANE

SAMUEL SMITH

1. Fling out the ban-ner! let it float Sky-ward and sea-ward, high and wide—  
 2. Fling out the ban-ner! an-gels bend In anx-ious si-lence o'er the sign,  
 3. Fling out the ban-ner! hea-then lands Shall see from far the glo-rious sight,  
 4. Fling out the ban-ner! wide and high, Sea-ward and sky-ward, let it shine:

The sun that lights its shin-ing folds, The cross on which the Sav-our died.  
 And vain-ly seek to com-pre-hend The won-der of the iove di-vine.  
 And na-tions, crowding to be born, Bap-tize their spir-its in its light.  
 Nor skill, nor might, nor mer-it ours; We con-quer on-ly in that sign.

**Recitation. NO FRONTIER TO HIS KINGDOM****SALUTING THE FLAG****Hymn. AMERICA**

S. F. SMITH

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| <p>1 My country, 'tis of thee,<br/>         Sweet land of liberty,<br/>         Of thee I sing;<br/>         Land where my fathers died,<br/>         Land of the pilgrims' pride,<br/>         From every mountain side<br/>         Let freedom ring!</p>      | <p>3 Let music swell the breeze,<br/>         And ring from all the trees<br/>         Sweet freedom's song:<br/>         Let mortal tongues awake,<br/>         Let all that breathe partake,<br/>         Let rocks their silence break,<br/>         The sound prolong.</p> |
| <p>2 My native country, thee,<br/>         Land of the noble free,<br/>         Thy name I love;<br/>         I love thy rocks and rills,<br/>         Thy woods and templed hills;<br/>         My heart with rapture thrills<br/>         Like that above.</p> | <p>4 Our fathers' God, to thee,<br/>         Author of liberty,<br/>         To Thee we sing:<br/>         Long may our land be bright<br/>         With freedom's holy light;<br/>         Protect us by thy might,<br/>         Great God, our King.</p>                     |

**Prayer and Benediction.**

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