

# Union

## An Anthem

Based on  
Psalm 133

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C Major  
William Billings, 1786

Musical score for the first system of 'Union'. It features four staves: Treble, Counter, Tenor, and Bass. The Treble and Counter parts are mostly rests. The Tenor part begins with a melodic line starting on G4. The Bass part provides a harmonic accompaniment. The lyrics are: "Be - hold, how good and joyful a thing it is for brethren to dwell together in unity and peace. Be -". A measure number '5' is placed above the Treble staff.

Musical score for the second system of 'Union'. It features four staves: Treble, Counter, Tenor, and Bass. The Tenor part continues the melody. The Counter part has a more active line. The lyrics are: "hold, how good an joy - ful a thing it is for brethren to dwell to - geth - er in un - i - ty and peace." Measure numbers '10' and '15' are placed above the Treble staff.

Musical score for the third system of 'Union'. It features four staves: Treble, Counter, Tenor, and Bass. The lyrics are: "It is like the precious ointment up - on the head, that ran down un - to the beard of". Measure number '20' is placed above the Treble staff.

Tr. <sup>25</sup> - on the head, that ran down un - to the beard of Aa - ron,

C. that ran down, that ran down, ran down un - to the beard of Aa - ron,

T. <sub>8</sub> ran down, that ran down, that ran down un - to the beard of Aa - ron,

B. Aa - ron, that ran down, ran down, un - to the beard of Aa - ron, And went

Tr. <sup>30</sup> And went down to the skirts of his cloth - ing. 1. <sup>35</sup> 2.

C. And went down to the skirts of his clothing, to the skirts of his cloth - ing.

T. <sub>8</sub> And went down to the skirts of his clothing, down to the skirts of his cloth - ing.

B. down to the skirts of his clothing, of his cloth - ing, of his cloth - ing. And went

Tr. <sup>40</sup> Like as the dew of Hermon, which fell upon the hill of Zion, Like as the dew of Hermon which fell upon the hill of

C. Like as the dew of Hermon, which fell upon the hill of Zion, Like as the dew of Hermon which fell upon the hill of

T. <sub>8</sub> Like as the dew of Hermon, which fell upon the hill of Zion, Like as the dew of Hermon which fell upon the hill of

B. Like as the dew of Hermon, which fell upon the hill of Zion, Like as the dew of Hermon which fell upon the hill of

Tr. <sup>45</sup> Zion. For there the Lord prom-is-ed His blessing, His blessing, His bles - sing, and life for - ev - er <sup>50</sup>

C. Zion. For there the Lord prom-is-ed His blessing, His blessing, and life for-ev-er more. A -

T. <sub>8</sub> Zion. For there the Lord prom-is-ed His blessing, His blessing, His bles - sing, and life for -

B. Zion. For there the Lord prom-is-ed His blessing, His blessing, and life for-ev-er more, and

Tr. <sup>55</sup> more. A - men. And life for - ev - er, for - - ev - er, and life for - ev - er more. A -

C. - men, A - men, A - men, A - men. For there the Lord prom-is-ed His bles-sing, and

T. <sub>8</sub> - ev - er more, A - men. And life, and life for -

B. life, and life forever more. A - men. And life forever more, and life for -

Tr. <sup>60</sup> - men. And life for - ev - er more, and life, and life

C. life for - ev - er more. And life, and life for - ev - er more. A - men. For

T. <sub>8</sub> - ev - er more. A - men. And life

B. - ev - er more. A - men. For - ev - er, and life

1. | 2. |

Tr. <sup>65</sup>

C. Praise God from whom all blessings flow, Praise Him all creatures here below.

T. <sub>8</sub>

B. Praise Him above, ye an - gel - ic

Tr. <sup>75</sup> Praise Him above, ye an - ge - lic host, Praise the

C. Praise Him above, ye an - ge - lic host, Praise the Father, praise the Son, Praise the Ho - ly Ghost.

T. <sub>8</sub> Praise Him above, ye an - ge - lic host, Praise the Father, praise the Son, Praise

B. host, Praise the Fath - er, praise the Son, praise, Praise, praise the Ho - ly Ghost. Praise the

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Tr. Father, praise the Son, praise,

C. Praise the Father, praise the Son, Praise the Ho - ly Ghost. Praise the Father, praise the Son,

T. 8 Praise, praise, praise, praise, praise the Holy Ghost.

B. Fath - er, praise the Son, praise,