

Eternal ruler of the ceaseless round

NEH 355

text: John Chadwick (1840-1904)

SATB

music: Orlando Gibbons (1583-1625)

tune: SONG I

1 E - ter - nal Ru - ler of the cease-less round of cir-cling plan - ets
2 We are of thee, the chil-dren of thy love, the broth-ers of thy
3 We would be one in ha-tred of all wrong, one in our love of
4 O clothe us with thy heaven-ly ar-mour, Lord, thy trus - ty shield, thy

4 sing - ing on their way; guide of the na - tions from the night pro - found
well - be - lov - ed Son; descend, O Ho - ly Spir - it, like a dove,
all things sweet and fair, one with the joy that breaketh in - to song,
sword of love di - vine; our in - spi - ra - tion be thy con-stant word;

7 in - to the glo - ry of the per-fect day; rule in our hearts, that
in - to our hearts, that we may be as one: as one with thee, to
one with the grief that trembleth in - to prayer, one in the power that
we ask no vic - to - ries that are not thine: give or with-hold, let

10 we may ev - er be guid - ed and strengthened and up - held by thee.
whom we ev - er tend; as one with him, our Broth - er and our Friend.
makes thy chil-dren free to fol - low truth, and thus to fol - low thee.
pain or plea-sure be; e - nough to know that we are serv-ing thee.