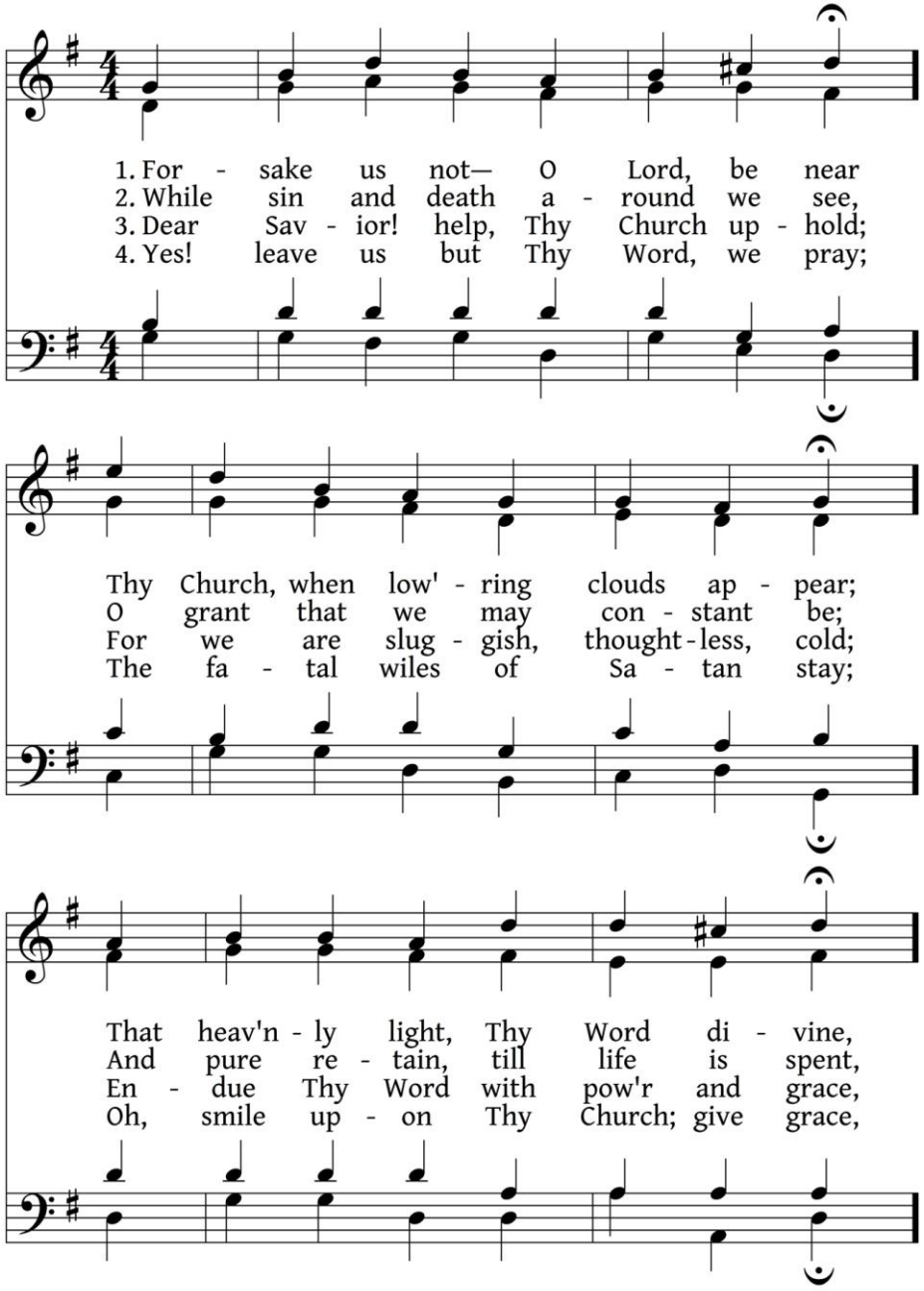
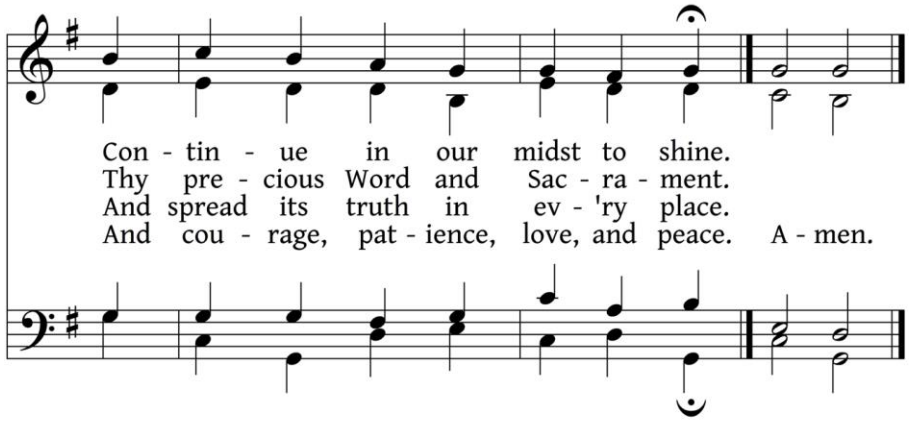
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##. Forsake Us Not—O Lord, Be Near

Herr Jesu Christ, dich zu uns wend
Nicolaus Selnecker, 1611
Tr., Louis Heyl, 1858

Weimar
"Pensum Sacrum"
Görlitz, 1648





5. O God! how sin's dread works abound;
Throughout the earth no rest is found;
And wide has falsehood's spirit spread,
And error boldly rears its head.

6. And ever is there something new
Devised to change Thy doctrine true;
Lord Jesus! as Thou still dost reign,
Those vain, presumptuous minds restrain.

7. And as the cause and glory, Lord,
Are Thine, not ours, do Thou afford
Us help and strength and constancy,
And keep us ever true to Thee.

8. Thy Word shall fortify us hence,
It is Thy Church's sure defense;
O let us in its power confide,
That we may seek no other guide.

9. Here on Thy Word in faith we lean,
There Thou shalt be forever seen;
And when our journey endeth here,
Receive us, Lord, in glory there.