

Creature Sings to Creator

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Psalm 8

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Cre - a - tor, through the earth your name is great, your maj es - ty is praised above the heaven. The

The first system of musical notation is in G major (one sharp) and 4/4 time. It consists of a vocal line on a treble clef staff and a piano accompaniment on a bass clef staff. The vocal line begins with a quarter rest, followed by a series of quarter notes: G4, A4, B4, C5, B4, A4, G4, F#4, E4, D4, C4. The piano accompaniment features a steady eighth-note bass line in the left hand and chords in the right hand.

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wis - dom of the child, the ba - by's cry re - buke the might - y, teach your foes a les - son.

The second system of musical notation continues from the first. It is marked with a '8' at the beginning of the vocal line. The vocal line continues with quarter notes: D4, C4, B3, A3, G3, F#3, E3, D3, C3, B2, A2, G2, F#2, E2, D2, C2. The piano accompaniment continues with similar rhythmic patterns.

Creator, through the earth your name is great,
your majesty is praised above the heaven.
The wisdom of the child, the baby's cry
rebuke the mighty, teach your foes a lesson.

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When I survey the skies, your handiwork,
in which the moon and stars display your art,
I wonder why you keep me in your mind
and bear this child of Adam in your heart.

3

You made me little lower than the gods
and crowned my head with glory and with honour.
You made me steward over all your works
and to my care entrusted every creature:

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all sheep and cattle, wild and fiercesome beasts,
fine feathered birds, and fish from sprat to skate,
with seals and whales and monsters of the deep.
Creator, through the earth your name is great.