ADORE THE LORD

Joyful, Joyful, We Adore Thee
My lips shall greatly rejoice when I sing unto Thee. Psalm 71:23

1. Joyful, joyful, we adore Thee, God of glory, Lord of love;
2. All Thy works with joy surround Thee, Earth and heav’n reflect Thy rays.
3. Thou art giving and forgiving, Ever blessing, ever blest,
4. Mortals, join the mighty chorus Which the morning stars began;

Hearts unfold like flow’rs before Thee, Opening to the sun above.
Stars and angels sing around Thee, Center of unbroken praise.
Well spring of the joy of living, Ocean depth of happy rest!
Love divine is reigning o’er us, Leading us with mercy’s hand.

Melt the clouds of sin and sadness; Drive the dark of doubt away.
Field and forest, vale and mountain, Flow’ry meadow, flash ing sea,
Thou our Father, Christ our Brother- All who live in love are Thine.
Ev’ry singing, march we onward, Victors in the midst of strife.

Giver of immortal gladness, Fill us with the light of day!
Chanting bird and flowing fountain Call us to rejoice in Thee!
Teach us how to love each other; Lift us to the joy divine!
Joyful music leads us sunward In the triumphant song of life!

TEXT: Henry van Dyke
MUSIC: Ludwig van Beethoven; melody from Ninth Symphony;
adapted by Edward Hodges; Last stanza setting and Choral ending by Dan Burgess
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Joyful music leads us sunward in the joyous triumph song of life!

Optional last stanza setting

Unison - (melody octave lower)

melody as written

melody octave lower

Optional choral ending