Everlasting Joy

Any or all of Verses 1-3 may be allotted to soloists or to a chosen group, the entire choir entering with the refrain. The congregation or audience may participate in the final refrain, the text being duplicated or projected. In this eventuality, ensure that there are sufficient people singing the melody in order to give a good "lead".

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Andantino con moto \( \frac{1}{4} = 57 \)

1. God of all cheerful-ness and ju-bi-la-tion, Praise and thanks-giv-ing we of-fer each day. Won-drous the mer-cies of Your first cre-a-tion;

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Love was un-end-ing in that vast dis-play. Joy-ful the bless-ings that You pour up-on us.
Joyful the people receiving Your grace, Sorrow is tempered by Your holy

Poco meno mosso

Spirit, If in our lives we allow, You the space.

2. Sadly for us that great joy became tarnished. Sin had its way in man's early first fall. Great was Your grief at man-

* A dotted slur here implies that an organist may choose to sustain the note, whilst a pianist may prefer to repeat it.
kind's disobedience, Which, consequently, affected us all.

blessings that You pour upon us. Joyful the people receiving Your grace.

Sorrow is tempered by Your holy Spirit, If in our lives we allow...
3. When, all around us, the world seems in darkness, Light of our life, Lord, illumine our way. When trouble brings us intense desolation, Have mercy on us O dear Lord, we pray. Joyful the blessings that You pour upon us. Joyful the people receive.
ceiv-ing Your grace. Sor-row is tem-pered by Your ho-ly Spi-rit. If in our lives we al-

low. You the space. Your love is limi-tless now and for e-ver. You sent us

Je-sus t'a-tone for that Fall. Now our des-pair is e-ter-nal-ly ba-nished. Joy is re-stored to us
once and for all. Joyful the blessings that You pour upon us. Joyful the

people receiving Your grace. Sorrow is tempered by Your holy Spirit. If in our

lives we allow. You the space. Amen

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