

# Lamp of our feet, whereby we trace

Hymnal 1982 no. 627, Melody: Nun danket all

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Melody from  
Praxis pietatis melica, 1647

The musical score is written for a two-part setting, likely for soprano and bass voices. It features a treble clef on the top staff and a bass clef on the bottom staff, both with a key signature of one flat (B-flat). The melody is simple and hymn-like, with a clear cadence at the end of each line. The lyrics are arranged in two columns, with the first column containing five lines and the second column containing two lines. The lyrics are: 1. Lamp of our feet, where - by we trace our path when wont to stray; 2. bread of our souls, where - on we feed, true man - na from on high; 3. pil - lar of fire, through watch - es dark, and ra - diant cloud by day; 4. word of the ev - er - liv - ing God, will of his glo - rious Son; 5. Lord, grant us all a - right to learn the wis - dom it im - parts; stream from the fount of heav'n - ly grace, brook by the trav - ler's way; our guide and chart, where - in we read of realms be - yond the sky; when waves would whelm our toss - ing bark, our an - chor and our stay; with - out thee how could earth be trod, or heav'n it - self be won? and to its heav'n - ly teach - ing turn, with sim - ple, child - like hearts.

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