

# When wilt Thou save the people?

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The first system of musical notation consists of a grand staff with a treble clef and a bass clef. The key signature has one sharp (F#) and the time signature is 2/4. The melody in the treble clef begins with a quarter note G4, followed by quarter notes A4, B4, and C5. The bass line starts with a half note G3, followed by quarter notes A3 and B3. The system concludes with a whole note G4 in the treble and a whole note G3 in the bass.

The second system of musical notation continues the grand staff. It begins with a measure rest in the treble clef, followed by quarter notes G4, A4, and B4. The bass line continues with quarter notes G3, A3, and B3. The system ends with a double bar line and repeat signs in both staves.

The third system of musical notation continues the grand staff. The treble clef begins with quarter notes C5, B4, and A4. The bass line continues with quarter notes G3, A3, and B3. The system ends with a double bar line and repeat signs in both staves.

The fourth system of musical notation continues the grand staff. The treble clef begins with quarter notes G4, A4, and B4. The bass line continues with quarter notes G3, A3, and B3. The system ends with a double bar line and repeat signs in both staves.

When wilt thou save the people?  
O God of mercy, when?  
The people, Lord, the people,  
Not thrones and crowns, but men!  
Flowers of thy heart, O God, are they;  
let them not pass like weeds away  
Their heritage a sunless day  
God save the people

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O God of mercy, when?  
The people, Lord, the people!  
Not thrones and crowns, but men!  
God save the people; thine they are,  
thy children as thy angels fair;  
from vice, oppression and despair,  
God save the people!

Shall crime bring crime forever,  
Strength aiding still the strong?  
Is it thy will, O Father,  
that men shall toil for wrong?  
No, say thy mountains; No, say thy skies;  
man's clouded sun shall brightly rise,  
and songs be heard, instead of sighs,  
God save the people!

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