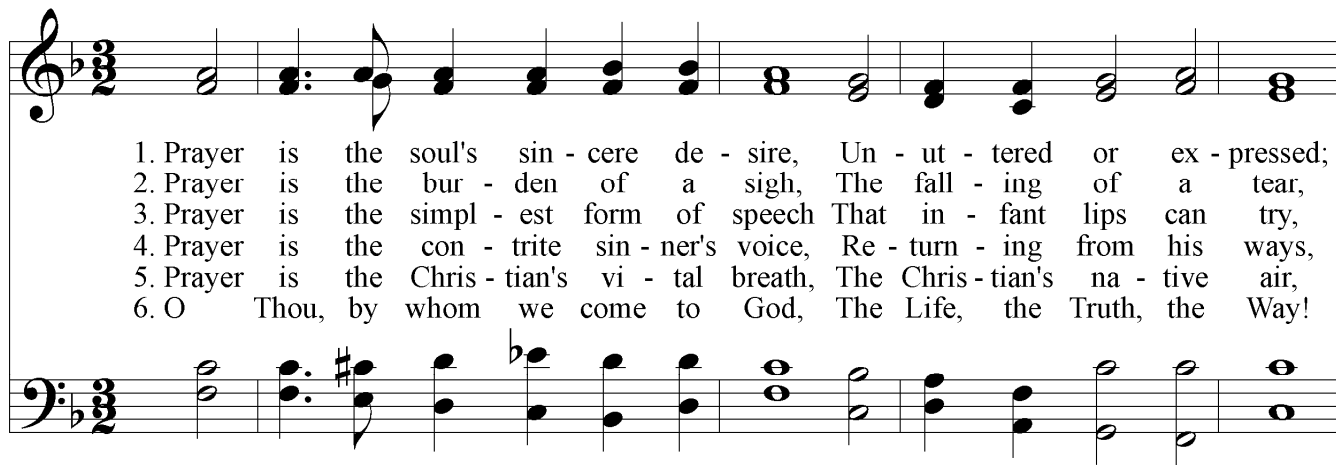
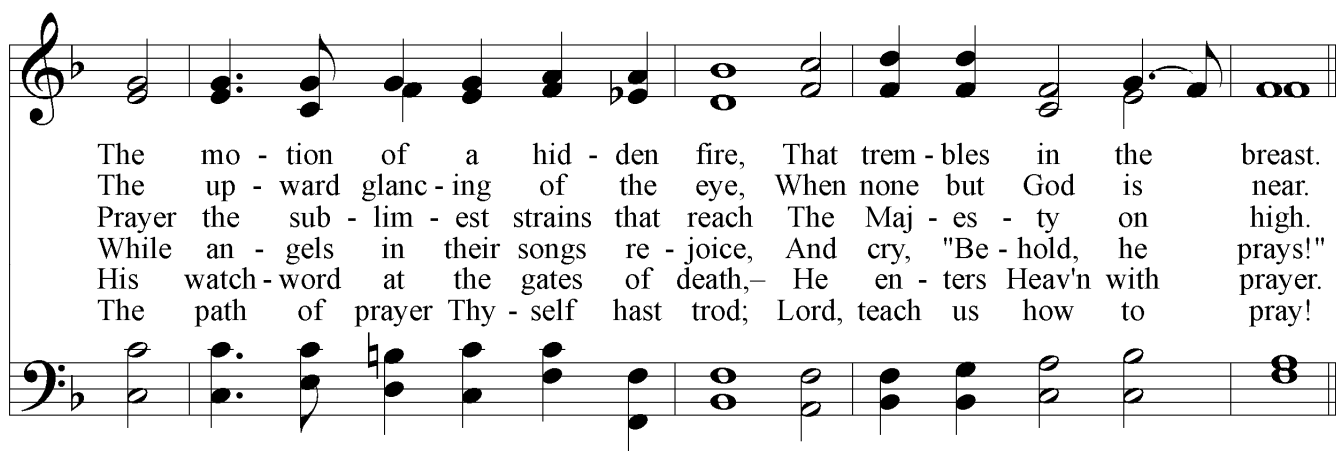


Prayer Is The Soul's Sincere Desire

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1. Prayer is the soul's sin - cere de - sire, Un - ut - tered or ex - pressed;
2. Prayer is the bur - den of a sigh, The fall - ing of a tear,
3. Prayer is the simpl - est form of speech That in - fant lips can try,
4. Prayer is the con - trite sin - ner's voice, Re - turn - ing from his ways,
5. Prayer is the Chris - tian's vi - tal breath, The Chris - tian's na - tive air,
6. O Thou, by whom we come to God, The Life, the Truth, the Way!



The mo - tion of a hid - den fire, That trem - bles in the breast.
The up - ward glanc - ing of the eye, When none but God is near.
Prayer the sub - lim - est strains that reach The Maj - es - ty on high.
While an - gels in their songs re - joice, And cry, "Be - hold, he prays!"
His watch - word at the gates of death, - He en - ters Heav'n with prayer.
The path of prayer Thy - self hast trod; Lord, teach us how to pray!

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