

(HOLY CARE. 8.7.8.7)

The musical score consists of four systems of music, each with a treble clef and a bass clef, set in 2/4 time with a key signature of one sharp. The tempo is marked as 100. The lyrics are integrated into the music, appearing below the notes. The first system contains four stanzas of lyrics. The second system begins with 'Words of comfort, words of love,' followed by 'Ere He left this world of woe,' 'Keep, O keep them in Thy name ;' and 'To the Fa - ther's tend - er care,' with a melodic flourish over the last two lines. The third system continues with 'Cov - ering all our needs and long - ings,' 'Ask - ing Thee to guard and keep us,' 'As Thou lov - edst Me, O Fa - ther,' and 'Thus by God the Fa - ther lov - ed,' ending with a melodic flourish. The fourth system concludes with 'Till we reach our home a - bove !' 'Safe - ly all our path be - low.' 'Thou hast lov - ed them the same.' 'Can we doubt, or can we fear ?'

1. « Ab - ba, Fa - ther », words of mer - cy,
 2. Je - sus prayed for us, O Fa - ther,
 3. Ho - ly Fa - ther— such His plead - ing—
 4. Thus by God the Son com - mitt - ed

Words of com - fort, words of love,
 Ere He left this world of woe,
 Keep, O keep them in Thy name ;
 To the Fa - ther's tend - er care,

Cov - ering all our needs and long - ings
 Ask - ing Thee to guard and keep us
 As Thou lov - edst Me, O Fa - ther,
 Thus by God the Fa - ther lov - ed,

Till we reach our home a - bove !
 Safe - ly all our path be - low.
 Thou hast lov - ed them the same.
 Can we doubt, or can we fear ?

Alternate Tunes : Stuttgart, 14 ; Dijon, 179.