

383.The Lord Our Maker

The musical score is written for a four-part setting (Soprano, Alto, Tenor, Bass) in 3/4 time, with a key signature of three flats (B-flat, E-flat, A-flat). The melody is primarily in the Soprano and Alto parts, with the Tenor and Bass parts providing harmonic support. The lyrics are arranged in two systems, each with five verses. The first system of lyrics is aligned with the first two staves of music, and the second system is aligned with the third and fourth staves. The lyrics are as follows:

1.All that I am I owe to Thee, Thy wis-dom, Lord, hath fa-shioned me;
2.Ere in-to be-ing I was brought, Thy eye did see, and in Thy thought
3.Thy thoughts, O God, how ma-ni-fold, More pre-cious un-to me than gold!
4.The wick-ed Thou wilt sure-ly slay, From me let sin-ners turn a-way;
5.Search me, O God, my heart dis-cern, Try me, my in-most thought to learn;

I give my Ma-ker thank-ful praise, Whose won-drous works my soul a-maze.
My life in all its per-fect plan Was or-dered ere my days be-gan.
I muse on their in-fi-ni-ty, A-wa-king I am still with Thee.
They speak a-gainst the Name di-vine, I count God's e-ne-mies as mine.
And lead me, if in sin I stray, To choose the e-ver-las-ting way.