

AMNS 264 We pray thee, heavenly Father

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Melody: Offertorium

Melody adapted from
Michael Haydn (1737-1806)

1. We pray thee, heav'n - ly Fa - ther, to hear us in thy love,
2. Be thou our guide and help - er, O Je - sus Christ, we pray;
3. And thou, cre - a - tor Spi - rit, look on us, we are thine;
4. O Tri - ni - ty of Per - sons, O U - ni - ty most high,

and pour up - on thy child - ren the unc - tion from a - bove;
so may we well ap - proach thee, if thou wilt be the Way:
re - new in us thy gra - ces, up - on our dark - ness shine;
on thee a - lone re - ly - ing thy ser - vants would draw nigh:

that so in love a - bid - ing, from all de - file - ment free,
thou, ve - ry Truth, hast prom - ised to help us in our strife,
that, with thy be - ne - dic - tion up - on our souls out - poured,
un - wor - thy in our weak - ness, on thee our hope is stayed,

we may in pure - ness of - fer our Euch - a - rist to thee.
food of the wear - y pil - grim, e - ter - nal source of life.
we may re - ceive in glad - ness the bo - dy of the Lord.
and blessed by thy for - give - ness we will not be a - fraid.