

O Strength & Stay

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O strength and stay up -hol -ding all cre -a -tion,
Grant to life's day a calm un -clou -ded en -ding,
Hear us, O Fa -ther, gra -cious and for -gi -ving,

who e -ver dost thy -self un -moved a -bide,
an eve un -touched by sha -dows of de -cay,
through Je -sus Christ thy co -e -ter -nal Word,

yet day by day the light in due gra -da -tion
the bright -ness of a ho -ly death bed -den -ding
who with the Ho -ly Ghost by all things li -ving

from hour to hour through all its chan -ges guide
with daw -ning glo -ries of e -ter -nal day.
now and to end -less a -ges art a -dored