

Isaac Watts, 1706
Sun and Moon and Stars
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Sun

Transcribed from *Plain Psalms*, 1800.

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Oliver Holden, 1800

Treble

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1. Fairest of all the lights a - bove, Thou sun, whose beams adorn the spheres: And with unwearied swiftness move To form the cir - - cles of our years.
2. Praise the Cre-a-tor of the skies, That dressed thine orb in golden rays; Or may the sun forget to rise, If he for - get his Maker's praise.
3. Thou reigning beauty of the night, Fair queen of silence, silver moon, Whose gentle beams and borrowed light Are sof-ter ri - - vals of the noon.

Tenor

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4. Arise, and to that sovereign power Waxing and waning honors pay; Who bade thee rule the dus-ky hour, And half sup - ply the absent day.
5. Ye twinkling stars, who gild the skies When darkness has its curtains drawn, Who keep your watch with wakeful eyes, When busi-ness, cares, and day are gone.
6. Proclaim the glories of your Lord, Dispersed through all the heavenly streets, Whose boundless treasures can afford So rich a pave - ment for his feet.

Bass

7. Thou heaven of heavens, supremely bright, Fair palace of the court di - vine, Where, with in - im - i - ta - ble light, The God-head con - de - scends to mine.
8. Praise thou thy great in - ha - bi - tant, Who scatters lovely beams of grace On eve - ry an - gel, eve - ry saint, Nor veils the lus - ter of his face.
9. O God of glo - ry, God of love, Thou art the sun that makes our days: With all thy shining works a - bove, Let earth and dust at - tempt thy praise.

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1. Measure 4, *Bass*: first note changed from F# to E.