

The Lord My Pasture

6 lines 8s

The musical score is written in a 4/4 time signature with a key signature of one flat (B-flat). It consists of three systems, each with a vocal line (treble clef) and a bass line (bass clef). The lyrics are printed below the vocal line of each system. The first system contains four numbered verses. The second system contains the continuation of the lyrics. The third system contains the final lines of the hymn, ending with a double bar line.

1. The Lord my pas - ture shall pre - pare, And feed me with a shep - herd's care:
2. When in the sul - try glebe I faint, Or on the thirs - ty moun - tain pant,
3. Though in the paths of death I tread With gloom - y hor - rors o - ver - spread,
4. Though in a bare and rug - ged way, Through dev - ious, lone - ly wilds I stray,

His pres - ence shall my wants sup - ply, And guard me with a watch - ful eye:
To fer - tile vales, and dew - y meads, My wear - y, wan - d'ring steps he leads:
My stead - fast heart shall fear no ill, For thou, O Lord, art with me still;
Thy pres - ence shall my pains be - guile: The bar - ren wil - der - ness shall smile,

My noon - day walks he shall at - tend, And all my mid - night hours de - fend.
Where peace - ful riv - ers, soft and slow, A - mid the ver - dant land - scape flow.
Thy friend - ly rod shall give me aid, And guide me through the dread - ful shade.
With sud - den greens and herb - age crowned, And streams shall mur - mur all a - round.

Text: Joseph Addison (1672-1719)

Source: A Collection of Sacred Hymns, 1844 (no. 30)