

Prayer is the soul's sincere desire

Prayer — The Meaning

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Musical score for the hymn "Prayer is the soul's sincere desire". The score is written in treble clef with a key signature of three sharps (F#, C#, G#) and a 3/4 time signature. The melody is on the top staff, and the bass line is on the bottom staff. The lyrics are written below the notes. The first line of the score includes the following lyrics: "1. Prayer is the soul's sin - cere de - sire, Ut - tered, or un - ex - pressed;". The second line includes: "The mo - tion of a hid - den fire That trembles in the breast." The score includes various chord markings above the notes, such as A, A/C#, E, A, D, D/F#, A, E/G#, F#m, C#, F#m, D, A/E, E7, A, D/A, and A.

2. Prayer is the burden of a sigh,
The falling of a tear;
The upward glancing of an eye
When none but God is near.
3. Prayer is the simplest form of speech
That infant lips can try;
Prayer the sublimest strains that reach
The Majesty on high.
4. Prayer is the Christian's vital breath,
The Christian's native air;
His watchword at the gates of death;
He enters rest with prayer.
5. The saints in prayer appear as one,
In word, and deed, and mind;
While with the Father and the Son
Sweet fellowship they find.
6. O Thou, by whom we come to God,
The Life, the Truth, the Way,
The path of prayer Thyself hast trod—
Lord, teach us how to pray.