

Maoz Tsur Y'shuati

(Rock of Ages)

Jewish traditional

Transl. Marcus Jastrow and Gustave Gortheil, 20th century

The musical score consists of four staves of music in common time and a key signature of one flat. The first staff uses a treble clef, the second a bass clef, the third a treble clef, and the fourth a bass clef. The lyrics are integrated into the musical lines, with some words written in Hebrew characters.

1 Ma - oz tsur y' - shu - a - ti l'-cha na - ch l'-sha - bei - ach,
 1 Rock of a - ges, let our song praise your sav - ing pow - er;
 2 Chil-dren of the Ho - ly God, wheth - er free or fet - tered,

ti - kon beit t' - fi - la - ti v'-sham to - dah n' - za - bei - ach.
 you, a - mid the rag - ing foe, were our shel - tering tow - er.
 wake the ech - oes of that song where you may be scat - tered.

L'eit ta-chin mat - bci - ach mi - tzar ham'na - bei - ach,
 Fu - rious it as - sailed us, but your arm a - vailed us,
 Yours the mes - sage cheer - ing that the time is near - ing

az eg - mor b'shir miz-mor cha - na - kat ha'miz bei - ach.
 and your word broke its sword when our own strength failed us.
 which will see all set free, ty - rants no more fear - ing.

This traditional Jewish hymn and its tune are sung during Hanukkah. Instituted by Judas Maccabeus and the congregation of Israel in 165 B.C.E., Hanukkah commemorates the rededication of the Jerusalem temple after the victory that year over Antiochus Epiphanes.

Tune: MAOZ TSUR 7.6.7.6.6.3.3.6.
 (ROCK OF AGES)
 Traditional Hebrew melody

Lift Up Your Heads, Ye Mighty Gates

*Based on Psalm 24**Georg Weissel, 1590-1635**Tr. Catherine Winkworth, 1827-1878*

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Thomas Williams', "Psalmody Evangelica," 1789

1 Lift up your heads, ye might - y gates; Be - hold the
 2 Fling wide the por - tals of your heart; Make it a
 3 Re - deem - er, come! I o - pen wide My heart to
 4 So come, my Sov - ereign; en - ter in! Let new and

King of glo - ry waits! The King of kings is
 tem - ple, set a - part From earth - ly use for
 thee; here, Lord, a - bide! Let me thy in - ner
 no - bler life be - gin; Thy Ho - ly Spir - it
 draw - ing near; The Sav - ior of the world is here.
 heaven's em - ploy, A-dorned with prayer and love and joy.
 pres - ence feel; Thy grace and love in me re - veal.
 guide us on, Un - til the glo - rious crown be won. A-men.

A lower setting may be found at No. 82

With Joy Draw Water

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Anne McKinstry, 1986, 1993

Isa. 11:1-10; 12:2-6



- 1 With joy draw wa - ter from the spring; sal - va - tion's liv - ing well.
2 A shoot has sprung from Jes - se's tree; of God the cho-sen One.
3 With love the poor will be re - ceived; the proud will turn a - side;
4 The wolf shall lie down with the lamb; the calf and li - on play.
5 With joy draw wa - ter from the spring; sal - va - tion's liv - ing well.



The Ho - ly One is in your midst; glad prais - es sing and tell!
A branch of knowl-edge and of truth; a gift of love has come!
And faith - ful - ness will be a path, and righ-teous-ness the guide!
God's peace shall dwell with - in the land; a child shall show the way!
The Ho - ly One is in your midst; glad prais - es sing and tell!



This text combines images from two Advent readings from the book of Isaiah, including the passage anticipating the reign of peace. The author, Anne McKinstry, has served as a writer-in-residence at Otis United Church of Christ in Massachusetts.

Tune: ST. COLUMBA altered to 8.6.8.6.
Irish traditional melody
Harm. Charles V. Stanford, 1906