Foreword

I was raised in a home and a tradition where Sunday night church was a part of weekly life....and that was a good thing! My parents would pack my four sisters and me into the car each week and off we'd go.

Sunday night church had a different "personality" than Sunday morning worship. The atmosphere was very distinctive. Everything was a little less formal (including the clothes I got to wear). There was more interaction between worshipers. The songs we sang were filled with joy; often more "testimonial" in nature as we sang about God's goodness and faithfulness. Sometimes our music minister would even allow us to request specific songs we wanted to sing in the service. As a child and teenager, I remember playing the piano and/or singing on numerous occasions. Several of my friends were invited to use their gifts as well in these services. Though this occasionally happened on Sunday morning, it was a fairly frequent occurrence on Sunday evening: *The Sunday Night Special*.

When we decided to proceed with this project to do a collection of some of these beloved gospel songs, I approached four of my friends – Heather, Mary, Jay, and Joel – who grew up in similar traditions to mine with Sunday night church experiences. They readily agreed to contribute. (The major challenge was narrowing this down to ten selections!) As you prepare and play these arrangements, you will quickly note that there is nothing here that dictates they be played on a Sunday night (or any other specific night, for that matter!). But I think you will quickly see why they got included in this collection.

These favorite gospel songs have survived the test of time. They continue to be meaningful and vital expressions of our faith. And I think you will enjoy the fresh settings each arranger has given to these piano solos. Our collective prayer is that you and those who hear you play these arrangements will find renewed inspiration in these enduring melodies of our faith.

—Lloyd Larson, Editor

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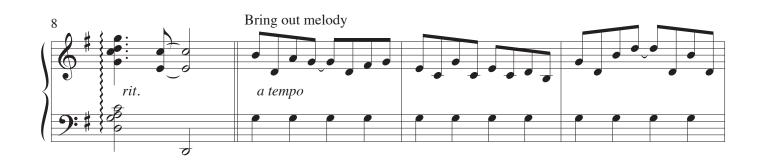
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'Tis So Sweet to Trust in Jesus

with
I Surrender All











When We All Get to Heaven





Love Lifted Me

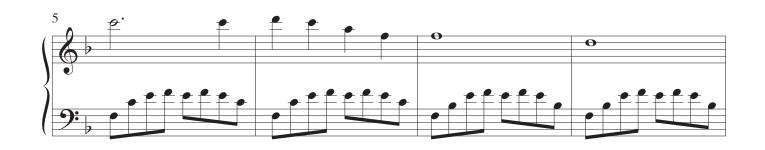


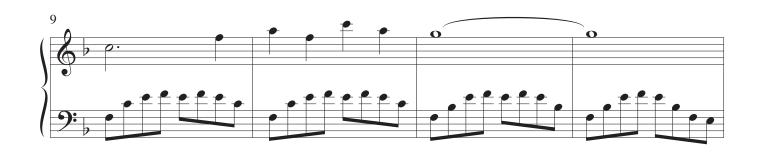


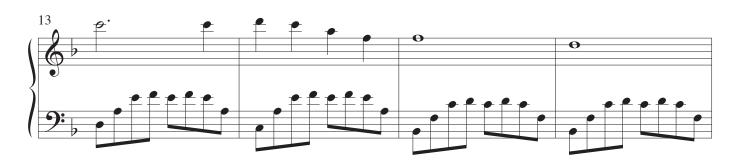
What a Friend We Have in Jesus

CHARLES C. CONVERSE Arr. by Jay Rouse











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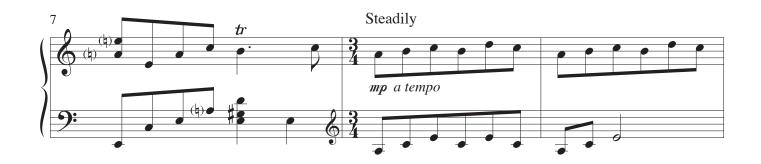




Sweet Hour of Prayer











I Know Whom I Have Believed





Sweet By-and-by

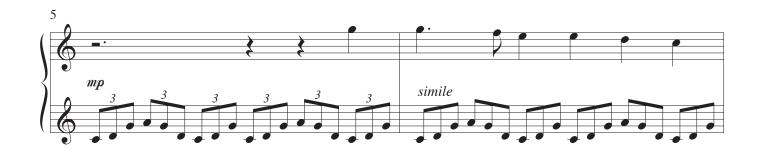




He Hideth My Soul











Trust and Obey

