

Centennial Hymn

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Maestoso. (♩ = 88.)

Soprano. *f*

Alto.

Tenor.

Bass.

Piano. (Trumpets)

1. Our fa - thers, God! from out whose hand The sign, The
where of old, by thy de - sign, The
3with us while the New World greets The
4who hast here in con - cord furled The
5art and la - bor met in truce, For
6make thou us, through centuries long, In

cen - turies fall like grains of sand, We meet to - - day, u -
fa - thers spake that word of thine Whose e - echo is the
Old World, thronging all its streets, Un - veil - ing all the
war - flags of a ga - thered world, Be - neath our west - ern
beau - ty made the bride of use, We thank thee, while with -
peace se - cure, and jus - tice strong; A - round our gift of

ni - ted , free, And loy - - al to bolt our land and Thee , To
 glad re - - frain Of rend - ed and fall - ing chain , To
 tri - umphs won By art or toil be - neath the sun ; And
 skies ful - fil The O - rient's mis - sion of good will , And ,
 al we crave The aus - tere vir - tues strong to save , The
 free - dom draw The safe - guards of thy right - eous law , And ,

(Treble clef) (Bass clef)

thank Thee for the e - ra done , And trust Thee for the
 grace our fes - tal time from all The zones of earth our
 un - to com - mon good or - dain This ri - val - ship of
 freight-ed with Love's gold - en fleece , Send back the Ar - go -
 hon - or proof to place or gold, The man - hood nev - er
 cast in some di - vin - er mould , Let the new ey - cle

(Treble clef) (Bass clef)

Fine.

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o pening
guests we
one.
call.

hand and
brain.

nauts of
bought or
peace.
sold!

shame the old.

(Orchestral Interlude.)

(Strings.)

(Brass.)



Fine.

2. Here

3. Be

4. Thou

5. For

6. Oh

dim.

(Drums.)