Protect Us

Based on Psalm 91
Luke Mayernik and Thomas Octave

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Protect Us

sight. Transform us from our shadows and

hold us, hold us in your

Light.

to Verses

Final

rit.

Fine

C sus2,4

B6

Fmaj9/C

G add9/C

Fine
VERSES

1. All who dwell in God, who are
   God, Lord;

2. The angels of God are
   will say to the

3. Cling to the Lord; live se-
   in God’s love and call on God’s

1. Bide within love, will say to the
2. Given command to stand by our
3. Cure in God’s love and call on God’s

1. Lord, “Our refuge and trust!”
2. Side, and guard all our ways.
3. Name, God sets us on high.

D.S.
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INTRO (d = ca. 92)

*Capo 3: (Gadd9) Sus4 (Bm7) (Fadd9) (Em7) (Dm7) (F/G) (Em/D)

(Cmaj7) (D/F♯) (E7sus4) (Aadd9) (F♯m7) (A/E)

E/maj7 Fadd9/A G7sus4 Cadd9 Am7 Cmaj7/G

Protect us from the darkness and keep us in your sight. Transform us from our shadows and hold us.

(Dm7) (F/G) (Em/D)

1-3 (Asus2,4) (G♯) (Gm7)

Fm7 Ab/B Gm/F Csus2,4 B♭9 Fm7 A♭/add9/C Gm7add11

Final (Asus2,4) (D/A) (Eadd9/A)

(Csus2,4 Fmaj9/C Gadd9/C)

VERSES

(Em/A) (Fmaj9) (G♯) (Dm7) (F/A) (Em7)

Gm/C A♭maj9 B♭9 Fm7 A♭/add9/C Gm7add11

1. All who dwell in God, who abide within love, will
2. The angels of God are given command to
3. Cling to the Lord; live secure in God’s love and

(Fadd9) (Em7) (D/F♯) (E/G♯) (D/F♯) (A/E) (Dadd9) (E7sus4)

A♭9 Gm7add11 Fadd9/A G/B Fadd9/A C/G Fadd9 G7sus4

1. say to the Lord, “Our refuge and trust!”
2. stand by our side, and guard all our ways.
3. call on God’s name. God sets us on high.


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REFRAIN

VERSES 1-3

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Composer Notes

Designed to encourage and musically inspire assembly participation, “Protect Us” is a straightforward, poetic setting of Psalm 91. It is suitable for numerous and diverse liturgical celebrations throughout any liturgical year or season. This piece reflects a salient and prayerful reminder that God walks with us in our darkness, transforming us by the radiant and tender embrace of Christ’s light.

“Protect Us” can be simply rendered through a collaboration of cantor, assembly, and keyboard accompaniment, either piano or organ. Supplemental guitar chords, an optional C solo instrument part, and a three-part choral treatment of the refrain are also included in this setting, providing the option for appreciable musical color.

May we always cling to our God, who protects us and holds us in light.

—Tom Octave and Luke Mayernik
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Refrain

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Verses

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