

The Hymnal 1982 - #618 Ye watchers and ye holy ones

Unison

1 Ye watch - ers and ye ho - ly ones, bright ser - a - phs, cher - u -
 2 O high - er than the cher - u - bim, more glo - rious than the
 3 Re - spond, ye souls in end - less rest, ye pa - tri - archs and
 4 O friends, in glad - ness let us sing, su - per - nal an - thems

Harmony *Unison*

bim, and thrones, raise the glad strain, Al - le - lu - ia! Cry
 ser - a - phim, lead their prais - es, Al - le - lu - ia! Thou
 pro - phets blest, Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia! Ye
 ech - o - ing, Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia! To

out, do - min - ions, prince - doms, powers, vir - tues, arch - an - gels, an - gels'
 bear - er of the e - ter - nal Word, most gra - cious, mag - ni - fy the
 ho - ly twelve, ye mar - tyrs strong, all saints tri - um - phant, raise the
 God the Fa - ther, God the Son, and God the Spi - rit, Three in

Harmony

choirs, Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia, al - le -
 Lord, Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia, al - le -
 song, Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia, al - le -
 One, Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia, al - le -

Unison

lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia!
 lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia!
 lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia!
 lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia!

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- 1 Ye watchers and ye holy ones,
 bright seraphs, cherubim, and thrones,
 raise the glad strain, Alleluia!
 Cry out, dominions, principedoms, powers,
 virtues, archangels, angels' choirs,
 Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia, alleluia, alleluia!
- 2 O higher than the cherubim,
 more glorious than the seraphim,
 lead their praises, Alleluia!
 Thou bearer of the eternal Word,
 most gracious, magnify the Lord,
 Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia, alleluia, alleluia!
- 3 Respond, ye souls in endless rest,
 ye patriarchs and prophets blest,
 Alleluia, alleluia!
 Ye holy twelve, ye martyrs strong,
 all saints triumphant, raise the song,
 Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia, alleluia, alleluia!
- 4 O friends, in gladness let us sing,
 supernal anthems echoing,
 Alleluia, alleluia!
 To God the Father, God the Son,
 and God the Spirit, Three in One,
 Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia, alleluia, alleluia!

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