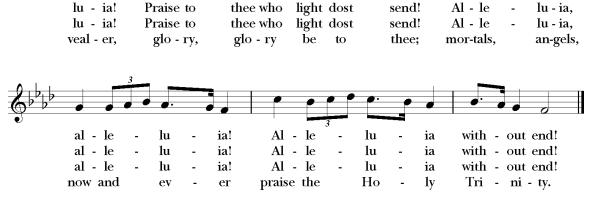
The Hymnal 1982 - #381 Thy strong word did cleave the darkness Thy strong word did cleave the dark - ness; thy speak ing at 2 night Lo, thosewho dwelt in dark - ness, dark onas and 3 Thy strong word be - speaks us right - eous; bright with thine own Fa-ther, Light-Cre laud 4 God the a to thee and tor, it was done; for cre at - ed light thank thee, we deep as death, broke the light of thy sal tion, va ho - li - ness, glo - rious now, we press toward glo ry, hon - or be; to thee, Light of Light be ten, got while thine Al-le lu-ia, or dered sea - sons run: al - le al - le breathed thine life - giv - ing breath: Al-le lu-ia, own our our hopes con-fess: Al-le lu-ia, al - le and lives praise be - ter - nal - ly; Ho-ly Spi-rit, Light-Re sung



light dost

Al - le

lu - ia,

send!

The Alleluias in stanzas 1-3 may be sung antiphonally.

lu - ia!

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thee who

## 1 Thy strong word did cleave the darkness; at thy speaking it was done;

Praise to

for created light we thank thee,
while thine ordered seasons run:
Alleluia, alleluia!
Praise to thee who light dost send!
Alleluia, alleluia!
Alleluia without end!
Lo on those who dwelt in darkness

2 Lo, on those who dwelt in darkness, dark as night and deep as death, broke the light of thy salvation, breathed thine own life-giving breath:

Alleluia, alleluia!

Praise to thee who light dost send!

Alleluia, alleluia!

Alleluia without end!

3 Thy strong word bespeaks us righteous; bright with thine own holiness, glorious now, we press toward glory, and our lives our hopes confess:

Alleluia, alleluia!

Praise to thee who light dost send!

Alleluia, alleluia!

Alleluia without end!

4 God the Father, Light-Creator, to thee laud and honor be; to thee, Light of Light begotten, praise be sung eternally; Holy Spirit, Light-Revealer, glory, glory be to thee; mortals, angels, now and ever praise the Holy Trinity.

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