

Almighty Lord, Before Thy Throne

(also known as For a Public Fast)

NATIONAL PRAYER

Words: Anne Steele, 1756.

Music: 'Burford (Purcell)' attr. Henry Purcell, first known printing 1718.

Setting: "Evangelical Lutheran Hymn-Book", 1931.

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♩ = 100



1. Al - - migh - - ty Lord Be - fore Thy throne Thy mour - ning peo - ple bend:
2. Dark jud - gments, from Thy hea - vy hand, Thy dread - ful pow'r dis - play;
3. How changed, a - - las! are truths di - vine For er - ror guilt and shame!
4. O turn us, turn us, migh - ty Lord! Con - vert us by Thy grace;
5. Then, should op - - pres - sing foes in - vade, We will not yield to fear,



Tis on Thy grace in Christ a - - lone Our fai - - ling hopes de - pend.
Yet mer - - cy spares our guil - - ty land, And still we live to pray.
What im - - p'ous num - bers, bold in sin, Dis - grace the Chris - tian name!
Then shall our hearts o - - bey Thy Word, And see a - - gain Thy face.
Se - cure of all suf - fi - - cient aid, When God in Christ is near.