God of Abraham and Sarah

James Gertmenian, 1986; alt.



- 1 God of A bra ham and Sar-ah, God of Mo ses, Mir iam's Guide;
- 2 God who danc es in cre a-tion, spin ning stars a bove our heads;
- 3 God who loves the poor in spir-it, God who com-forts those who mourn;
- 4 In our lives from birth to dy-ing, depth of sor-row, height of joy;



God of Da - vid and the prophets, God in Je - sus glo - ri - fied: God whose face is scribed in mu - sic, by whose hand the earth is fed: Balm for wounds, the friend of sin - ners, tak-ing the side of earth's for - lorn: Prais-ing God in ev - ery sea - son, let ev - ery key our hearts em - ploy.



Up from the dust you raise a peo - ple, breathe in the breath of life, of soul; Up from the ground you raise the moun-tains, raise our spir - its, lift our eyes; Up from the depths you raise your peo - ple, giv - ing them cour-age for the day; Praise is the heal - ing, praise, the glo - ry, praise is the fin - al mys-ter - y;



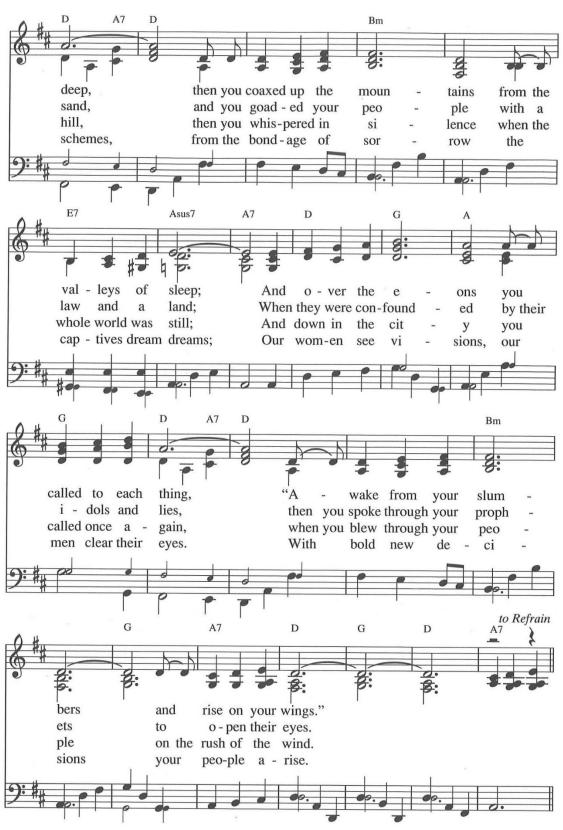
Down through the years the peo - ple praise you till al-le-lu-ias make them whole! Down through the years your peo - ple praise you till al-le-lu-ias flood the skies! Down through the years the peo - ple praise you till al-le-lu-ias light their way! Down through the years let peo - ple praise you till al-le-lu-ias set them free!

The healing power of praise and the history of God's dealings with humankind are the themes of this hymn, written by a United Church of Christ minister who is the grandson of Armenian

Tune: CONSTANTINE 8.7.8.7.D. Melody by James Gertmenian, 1986 Harm Ronald Huntington. 1986: alt.



^{*}Reduced-size notes may be played with organ pedals in lieu of or in combination with the other notes.



This popular hymn by songwriter James K. Manley grew out of a sabbatical leave at the School of Theology at Claremont, California. It was first sung at Waiokeola Congregational Church in Honolulu, after which Manley added the fourth

Tune: SPIRIT Irr. James K. Manley, 1978 Arr. The New Century Hymnal, 1993