

THE GLORY OF THESE FORTY DAYS

Music: ERHALT' UNS, HERR, L.M.; Martin Luther; adapt. J.S. Bach

Text: *Clarum decus jejunii*, St. Gregory the Great; tr. M.F. Bell, *The English Hymnal*

1. The glo - ry of these for - ty days We cel - e - brate with
2. A - lone and fast - ing Mo - ses saw The lov - ing God Who
3. So Dan - iel trained his mys - tic sight, De - liv - ered from the

songs of praise; For Christ, by Whom all things were made,
gave the law; And to E - li - jah, fast - ing, came
li - ons' might; And John, the Bride-groom's friend, be - came

Him - self has fast - ed and has prayed.
The steeds and char - i - ots of flame.
The her - ald of Mes - si - ah's Name.

4. Then grant us, Lord, like them to be
Full oft in fast and prayer with Thee;
Our spirits strengthen with Thy grace,
And give us joy to see Thy face.

5. O Father, Son, and Spirit blest,
To thee be every prayer address,
Who art in threefold Name adored,
From age to age, the only Lord.