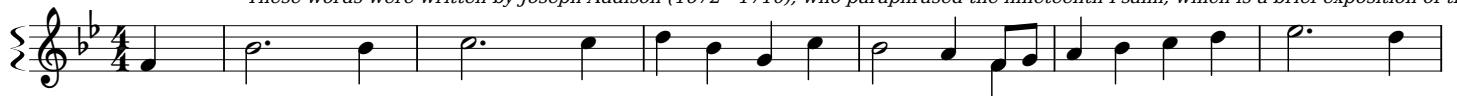


47. The Spacious Firmament on High

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These words were written by Joseph Addison (1672 - 1710), who paraphrased the nineteenth Psalm, which is a brief exposition of the Bible.



1. The spa - cious fir - ma - ment on high, With all the blue e -
2. Soon as the evening shades pre - vail, The moon takes up the
3. What tho' in sol - emn si - lence all, Move round this dark ter -



the - real sky, And spangled heav'ns, a shin - ing frame, Their great O -
won - drous tale, And night - ly ro the lis - t'ning earth Re - peats the
res - trial ball? What tho' no re - al voice nor sound A - midst their.



rig - i - nal pro - claim. Th' unwear - ied sun, from day to day, Does
sto - ry of her birth; Whilst all the stars that round her burn, And
ra - diant orbs be found? In rea - son's ear they all re - joice, And



his Cre - a - tor's pow'r dis - play, And pub - lish - es to ev - 'ry
all the plan - ets in their turn, Con - firm the ti - dings as they
ut - ter forth a glo - rious voice; For - ev - er sing - ing, as they



land The work of an al - might - y hand.
roll, And spread the truth from pole to pole.
shine, "The hand that made us is de - vine."