

HYMN

Hours and days and years and ages

G (D G) C (G) D G (D) Em (Am) G D G

1 Hours and days and years and a - ges swift as mov - ing sha - dows flee;
 2 But from sin your mer - cy drew us, would not leave our souls a - lone.
 3 Though swift time keeps march - ing on - ward, it will not de - cide our end.
 4 Speed a - long then, years and a - ges, with your glad - ness and your pain;

(D G) Am (G) D G (D) Em (Am) G D G

as we scan life's fleet - ing pa - ges, noth - ing last - ing do we see.
 Gra - cious Lord, you did re - new us; in Christ's death we are your own.
 You will al - ways be our Fa - ther, lov - ing God, e - ter - nal friend.
 when our deep - est sor - row rag - es, God our Fa - ther will re - main.

D G A D Em D (Asus A) D Em D G C (G) D

On the paths our feet are walk - ing, foot - prints all will fade a - way;
 Through the mer - cy of your lead - ing, each short step a - long the way
 When life's dan - gers o - ver - whelm us, you will ev - er be our stay;
 Though all friends on earth for - sake us and our trou - bles still in - crease,

Em D G C (G) D G (D7 G) (Am) G D G

each to - day as we en - joy it soon be - comes a yes - ter - day.
 now be - comes a path to guide us to the land of end - less day.
 through your Son you are our Fa - ther, al - ways change - less, come what may.
 God with his right hand will take us to our ev - er - last - ing peace.

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