Lord of all being, throned afar Hymnal 1982 no. 419 Melody: Mendon L.M.

British spelling



Lord of all being, throned afar,

thy glory flames from sun and star;

centre and soul of every sphere,

yet to each loving heart how near!

Sun of our life, thy quickening ray

sheds on our path the glow of day;

star of our hope, thy softened light

cheers the long watches of the night.

Lord of all life, below, above,

whose light is truth, whose warmth is love,

before thy ever-blazing throne

we ask no lustre of our own.

Grant us thy truth to make us free,

and kindling hearts that burn for thee,

till all thy living altars claim

one holy light, one heavenly flame.

Words: Oliver Wendell Holmes (1809-1894)

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