For the beauty of the earth AMNS 104 Melody: England’s Lane 7 7. 7 7. 7 7.



For the beauty of the earth,
for the beauty of the skies,
for the love which from our birth
over and around us lies,
*Lord of all, to thee we raise
this our sacrifice of praise.*
For the beauty of each hour
of the day and of the night,
hill and vale and tree and flower,
sun and moon and stars of light:

For the joy of human love,
brother, sister, parent, child,
friends on earth, and friends above,
pleasures pure and undefiled:

For each perfect gift of thine,
to our race so freely given,
graces human and divine,
flowers of earth and buds of heaven:

For thy Church which evermore
lifteth holy hands above,
offering up on every shore
her pure sacrifice of love,

Words: Foliott Sandford Pierpoint (1835-1917)

Music: Adapted from an English melody by Geoffrey Shaw (1879-1943)