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(1832-1915), arranged by Kim Tame*

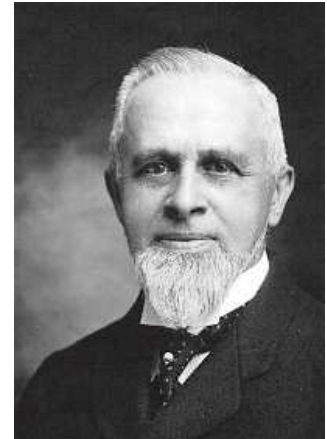


William Doane was an inventor and manufacturer, and attended a Baptist Church in Cincinnati. His success in business enabled him to become a significant philanthropist.

From a young age, he had shown musical talent, and became a prolific composer of hymns, songs, choral and instrumental works.

Mrs van Alstyne (also known as Fanny Crosby) was blind from birth, but did not let that stop her from living a life of social campaigning, teaching, nursing and writing thousands of hymns, poems and religious works;

the collaboration of Mrs van Alstyne and Mr Doane resulted in over 1500 new hymns, many of which are still included in modern hymn books.



Version: Lead sheet; treble with chords and lyrics.

Arranged by: Kim Tame

Difficulty: Easy

Pages (including cover): 2

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The musical score is written in treble clef with a key signature of one flat (Bb) and a 3/4 time signature. It consists of three staves of music. The first staff contains measures 1-5 with chords F, Bb, F, C7, and F. The second staff starts at measure 6 with chords Bb, F, C7, F, and Bb, and includes a 'Refrain' section. The third staff starts at measure 11 with chords F, C7, F, F7, F+, Bb, F, C7, and F. The piece concludes with a double bar line.

1. Jesus, keep me near the cross;
There a precious fountain,
Free to all, a healing stream,
Flows from Calvary's mountain.

Chorus:
In the cross, in the cross,
Be my glory ever;
Till my raptured soul shall find
Rest beyond the river.

2. Near the cross, a trembling soul,
Love and mercy found me;
There the bright and morning star
Shed its beams around me.

Chorus

3. Near the cross, O lamb of God,
Bring its scenes before me;
Help me walk from day to day,
With its shadow o'er me.

Chorus

4. Near the cross I'll watch and wait,
Hoping, trusting ever,
Till I reach the golden strand,
Just beyond the river.

Chorus