

## Let All Mortal Flesh Keep Silence

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French traditional carol, 17th century

arr. Ralph Vaughan Williams, 1906

*Liturgy of St. James*

tr. Gerard Moultrie, 1864

Unison

1. Let all mor - tal flesh keep si - lence, And with fear and  
 2. King of kings, yet born of Mar - y, As of old on  
 3. Rank on rank the host of heav - en Spreads its van - guard  
 4. At His feet the six - winged ser - aph, Cher - u - bim with

trem - bling stand; Pon - der noth - ing earth - ly - mind - ed,  
 earth He stood, Lord of lords, in hu - man ves - ture,  
 on the way, As the Light of light de - scend - eth  
 sleep - less eye, Veil their fac - es to the pres - ence,

For with bless - ing in His hand, Christ our God to  
 In the bod - y and the blood, He will give to  
 From the realms of end - less day, That the pow'rs of  
 As with cease - less voice they cry: Al - le - lu - ia,

earth de - scend - eth, Our full hom - age to de - mand.  
 all the faith - ful His own self for heav'n - ly food.  
 hell may van - ish As the dark - ness clears a - way.  
 Al - le - lu - ia. Al - le - lu - ia, Lord Most High!