

# Psalm 46

## *Deus noster refugium*

Dedicated to our American citizens held captive in Iran, and their courageous families.  
The first anniversary, November, 1980

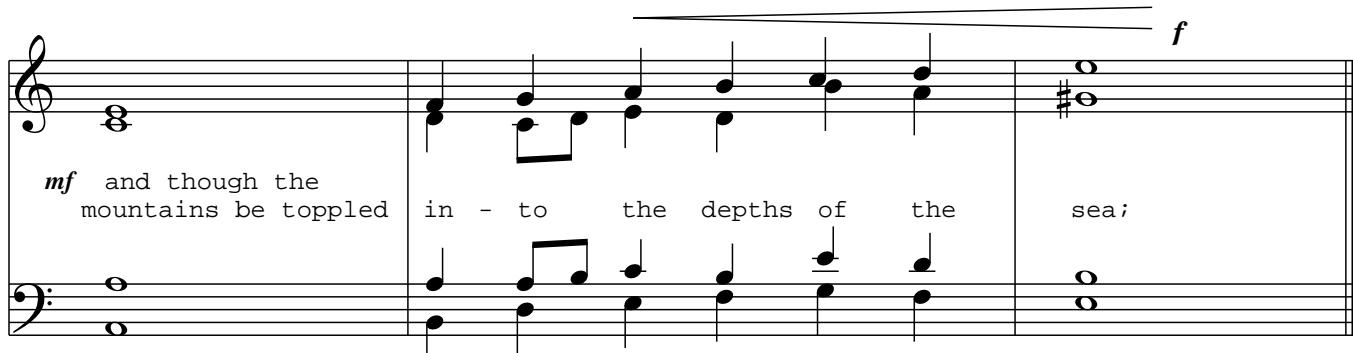
Richard Wayne Dirksen (1921-2003)

*Freely and in chant style; not hurried*  
**SATB**      *Molto sostenuto*

p 1) God is our  
ref - uge and  
strength,

a very present  
help in trou - ble.

mp 2) Therefore  
we will not fear,  
though the earth be  
moved,



mf and though the  
mountains be toppled in - to the depths of the  
sea;

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**SATB**

*Marcato*

**ff** 3) Though its waters rage and foam,

*f* and though the mountains trem - ble at its tu - mult.

*Unhurried and steady*  
*Molto sostenuto*

*mf* 4) The Lord of hosts is with us;

*f* the God of Ja - cob is our strong - hold.

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*p* 5) There is a river  
whose streams make glad the ci - ty of God,

the holy habitation of the Most High.

*mp* 6) God is in the midst of her; )  
she shall not be o - ver thrown;

*mf* God shall help her at the break of day.

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*Marcato*

**ff** 7) The nations make much ado, and the king - doms are sha - ken;

**f** God has spoken, and the earth shall melt a - way.

*Unhurried and steady  
Molto sostenuto*

**mf** 8) The Lord of hosts is with us;

**f** the God of Ja - cob is our strong - hold.

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**SATB**      *Molto sostenuto*

9) Come now and look upon the works of the Lord,  
what awesome things he has done on earth.

The musical score consists of two staves: soprano (treble clef) and bass (bass clef). The key signature is G major (one sharp). The tempo is Molto sostenuto. The vocal parts are SATB. The lyrics are written below the notes. The music features quarter and eighth notes, with some eighth-note patterns. The bass staff has a sustained note at the end of the measure.

10) It is he who makes war to cease in all the world;

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and shatters the spear, and burns the shields with fire.

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*Marcato*

**ff** 11) 'Be still, then, and know that I am God;

*f* I will be exalted among the nations; ) I will be ex - alt - ed in the earth.'

**mf** 12) The Lord of hosts is with us;

*f* the God of Ja - cob is our strong - hold.

*rit.* **ff**

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*Freely and in chant style; not hurried*  
*Molto sostenuto*

**SATB**

*p* Glory to the Father, and to the Son,

and to the Ho - ly Spi - rit:

*mf* as it was in the be - gin - ning,

*f* is now, and will be for - ev - er. ) *ff* Amen.