

HOLY, HOLY, HOLY, LORD GOD ALMIGHTY

There are many, many boys and girls singing in choirs around our world.

How would you like it if we learned to sing some of the same hymns as some of those children? Okay? Then let's get started right now!

One of the very first hymns learned by many of those boys and girls is . . . but wait! Your choir teacher will hum it and see if you can guess what it is.

Did you know "Holy, Holy, Holy?" Perhaps you didn't notice that two lines of the tune are just exactly alike! It is the first line and what other line?

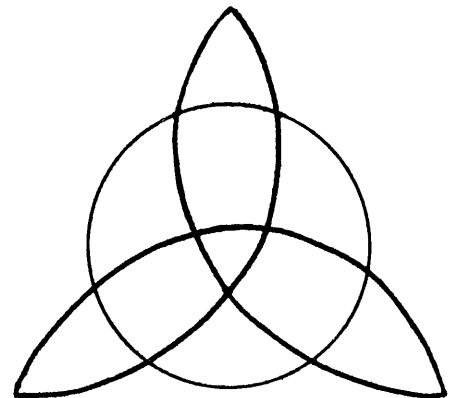
A very real reason for liking "Holy, Holy, Holy" so much is that it can show how we often feel when we wake up extra early some mornings as the earth is beginning to turn toward the light of the sun. Perhaps this was how Isaiah felt when he wrote Isaiah 6:3. Why don't you stop and read his words right now?

The last line, "God in Three Persons, Blessed Trinity" can really stump us at first – do you know that this means:

GOD THE FATHER who created the earth with the intention that some day the whole universe should be united in love.

GOD THE SON who came to earth to teach us about God's Plan of Love.

GOD THE SPIRIT who lives within each of us and makes us able to teach others about God's Love by the way we live.



What other hymns do you know that name the Trinity?

In some choirs the teacher sings the words while the boys and girls show the meaning of the words with movement. Could you show the meaning of the words of the first verse?

On cold winter days, as you see the glistening snow and the shimmering icicles and the many other wonders of God; or in bright summer, when leaves are green, birds singing, and all Nature is alive and growing; why not sing along with so many others this wonderful, warm hymn:

"Holy, holy, holy, Lord God Almighty!
All Thy works shall praise Thy name,
in earth, and sky, and sea.
Holy, holy, holy, merciful and mighty,
God in Three Persons, Blessed Trinity."