

Be Thou My Vision

Irish poem

Irish melody

The musical score is written for voice and piano. It consists of a vocal line and a piano accompaniment line, both in 3/4 time and B-flat major. The piano part features a simple harmonic accompaniment with chords and single notes. The vocal line is a melody that follows the rhythm of the poem. The lyrics are written in a traditional Irish style, with some words hyphenated across lines. The score is divided into two systems, each with a vocal line and a piano line. The first system contains the first five lines of the poem, and the second system contains the remaining lines. The piano part includes a key signature change from B-flat major to B-flat minor for the final line of the poem.

1. Be thou my Vi-sion, O Lord of my heart; naught be all
2. Be thou my Wis dom, and thou my true Word; I ev - er
3. Be thou my bat - tle Shield, Sword for the fight; be thou my
4. Rich - es I heed not, nor man's emp - ty praise, thou mine in -
5. High King of heav - en, my vic - to - ry won, may I reach

else to me, save that thou art— thou my best thought, by
with thee and thou with me, Lord; thou my great Fa - ther and
Ar - mor, and be thou my Light; thou my soul's Shel - ter,
-her - i - tance, now and al - ways; thou and thou on - ly,
heav en's joys, O bright heav'n's Sun! Heart of my own heart, what-

day or by night, wak - ing or sleep - ing, thy pres ence my light.
I thy true son, thou in me dwell - ing, and I with thee one.
thou my high Tow'r. Raise thou me heav'n ward, O Pow'r of my pow'r.
first in my heart, High King of heav - en, my Treas ure thou art.
-ev - er be - fall, still be my Vi - sion, O Rul - er of all.