

Iesu dulcis memoria
O Jesus, Joy of Loving Hearts
Ray Palmer / JESU DULCIS MEMORIA

The musical score is presented in three systems, each with a vocal line (treble clef) and a piano accompaniment line (bass clef). The first system contains two measures of music. The second system contains two measures of music. The third system contains one measure of music, which concludes with the word 'A - men.' written below the vocal line.

1. O Jesus, joy of loving hearts,
the fount of life and our true light,
we seek the peace your love imparts
and stand rejoicing in your sight.
2. Your truth unchanged has ever stood;
you save all those who heed your call;
to those who seek you, you are good,
to those who find you, all in all.
3. We taste you, Lord, our living bread,
and long to feast upon you still;
we drink of you, the fountainhead,
our thirsting souls to quench and fill.
4. For you our restless spirits yearn
until your face we see at last;
glad, when your presence we discern,
blest, when our faith can hold you fast.
5. O Jesus, ever with us stay;
make all our moments calm and bright;
O chase the night of sin away,
shed on the world your holy light.

Inspiration: a cento from "Iesu dulcis memoria", Latin, 12th century, formerly attributed to Saint Bernard of Clairvaux, 1091-1153.
Lyrics: 88.88; Ray Palmer, 1808-1887, in "Sabbath Hymn Book", 1858.
Music: JESU DULCIS MEMORIA; Chant, Mode I; generic accompaniment.