

EVENING.

"Abide with us; for it is toward evening, and the day is far spent."

I. A - bide with me; fast falls the ev - en - tide; The darkness

deepens; Lord, with me a - bide; When oth - er help - ers fall, and comforts

flee, Help of the helpless, O a - bide with me. A - men.

II.

Swift to its close ebbs out life's little day;
Earth's joys grow dim, its glories pass away;
Change and decay in all around I see;
O Thou who changest not, abide with me.

III.

I need thy presence every passing hour;
What but Thy grace can foil the tempter's
power?
Who like Thyself my guide and strength can
be?
Through cloud and sunshine, Lord abide with
me.

IV.

I fear no foe with Thee at hand to bless;
Ills have no weight and tears no bitterness;
Where is death's sting, where, grave, thy vic-
tory?
I triumph still, if Thou abide with me.

V.

Hold Thou Thy Cross before my closing eyes;
Shine through the gloom, and point me to the
skies;
Heaven's morning breaks, and earth's vain
shadows flee;
In life, in death, O Lord, abide with me.